

Friendship Ark, Inc.

# 2022 OUR IMPACT



## PLANS TO SERVE MORE

Although we did not build any new homes this last year, our goal to serve more adults with IDD remained at the forefront. In 2022, we purchased the lot for our 8th home, and we added another bedroom to one of our existing homes, opening space for another Core Member. We will break ground on the 8th home Spring of 2023. To add to that, plans to reopen Day Hab were finalized at the end of 2022, and Day Hab officially reopened in early 2023.



## OUR CORE MEMBERS

In 2022, we served 18 individuals through our hourly SCL program, 31 through our 24-hour SCL program, and 4 through our transitional SCL program. Additionally, we provided representative payee services to 22 individuals, assisting them with money management.



Craig & Anne at Ames on the Half Shell

## RAISING AWARENESS

Friendship Ark was one of the featured non-profit organizations at Ames on the Half Shell in 2022. At this event, we were able to share our mission and more about the services our Core Members need. Further, we restarted our Advocacy & Accessibility Committee this last year. Members of this committee attended a public feedback session held by the Ames Park and Recreation Department to share insight on the accessibility needs of our Core Members at city parks. These are just a few examples of how we continue to help our Core Members successfully be a part of their community.

## WORKING TOWARD INDEPENDENCE

Friendship Ark Core Members are always working on personalized goals to learn new skills. Last year, our 24-hour SCL Core Members averaged 80% success with these goals, while Hourly SCL averaged 76% success and Transitional SCL averaged 61% success. To the right, Ben from our 24-hour SCL program is working on his exercise goal at Ames Fitness Center.



97%

of parents & guardians surveyed are satisfied with the overall services provided to their Core Member

100%

of Core Members surveyed report that staff treat them with dignity and respect

97%

of Core Members surveyed report they have the support needed to reach their goals



Laura volunteering at Reiman Gardens

## FOSTERING COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

We continued to provide community integration activities to our Core Members in both of our SCL programs in 2022. Not only were our Core Members able to participate in fun activities with community members of all ages and abilities, but they also built lasting friendships. Core Members were involved in opportunities such as Salvation Army bell-ringing, selling Halloween costumes at the Beautiful Land Market, worship & fellowship at Kairos college ministry, volunteering at events such as Odyssey of the Mind and Run for the Roses, and many more. Our Core Members have so many talents and interests, and we will continue to help them discover how to best share those with their community in 2023.

A special thank you to our donors, business partners, and supporters for making our mission possible!