

June
2025

PRIMROSE CENTER

Monthly Updates and News

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OUR CENSUS

Number of Clients = 140

Maximum Clients allowed = 245

Seeking 94 New Clients

Supported Employment = 11

Group Home Residents (serving 5 homes)

Number of Residents = 35

Maximum Residents allowed = 42

Seeking 7 new residents

KEY STAFF DIRECTORY

Susan Curschman, ADT Director

Michelle Lawrence, HR & Residential Director

Kristen Sampson, Finance Manager

Amanda Oliphant, Vocational Services Supervisor

Melissa Donnelly, Behavior Analyst

Maryann Wittlin, Supported Employment

Brenda Saal, Operations Manager

Joseph Roberson, Business Coordinator

Jake White, CEO

PRIMROSE CENTER “PANTHERS” IN ACTION!



Adult Day Training Updates

Tours and Pre-Admission meetings: 3 tours and 3 pre-admission meetings this past month. 2 new clients starting in May with others pending completion of the admission packet and approval of Service Authorization.

Meetings: ADT Director and Business Coordinator attended a business luncheon hosted by Toshiba on 6/5/25. The topic was “The Impact Of AI In Business process Automation.”

Training: Professional Crisis Management Training for ADT staff on 5/20/25; May CPR class on 5/13/25.

Special Olympics Update:

- New Class called “Hands On Smiles” began on 4/2/25. This class is being taught for 1 hour per week for 9 weeks by pre-dental UCF students. **Update: Class participants attended their final class on 5/21/25 and received a graduation certificate from the UCF pre-dental instructors. We have informed Special Olympics staff that we would like to schedule a second round with new participants.**
- The Special Olympics staff hosted a Special Smiles screening at Primrose on 5/28/25. The screening consists of having a Clinical Director (a certified dental hygienist) do basic screening of the participants. They also applied fluoride to their teeth. Participants received a toothbrush, toothpaste, and floss.
- The Special Olympics corn hole competition was held on Friday, 5/30/25. A fun time was had by all as the event was combined with an outdoor barbecue and music and dance party.
- Special Olympics staff are currently coordinating with DaVita employees a kidney screening, education and resource opportunity for interested Primrose participants. The Residential Director is reaching out to residents and guardians in our group homes to assess the level of interest.

ADT Program Enhancement Activities & Community Events

- **Chance2Dance** weekly dance classes with 2 sessions every Thursday.
- **Guitar Greg** entertains the third Monday of each month. **Update: Greg has not returned from his leave.**
- **Senior’s First** weekly “meals on wheels” delivery.
- **“Adopt a Park”** weekly volunteer activity at Bill Frederick Park has been temporarily halted effective April 2025 due to staffing issues at the park.
- **Mustard Seed** weekly volunteer activity.
- **Clean the World** weekly volunteer activity.
- The ADT held a Memorial Day party on 5/23/25 with music, dance and snacks to celebrate the Holiday.
- A traveling youth choir group from Tallahassee performed at the ADT on 5/28/25. They also set up the cafeteria with a variety of activities in varied areas of the room for the participants to rotate through for full enjoyment. The performance was great, and everyone had a fun filled day of entertainment.
- The ADT field trip sponsored by AP Phillips “Out and About” grant this month was a Winter Park boat tour on 6/4/25.
- ADT celebrated Juneteenth on 6/18 with music, dance and snacks.
- Big screen movie put on hold until screen projector ordered.

Adult Day Training Updates Continued

- ADT participants assigned to the large workshop area will return to rotation of classes effective June 2025.
 - The Adult Daily Living skills taught will include cooking in the small training kitchen;
 - arts and crafts in room 2,
 - leisure/recreation and exercise in room 7,
 - computer lab in room 8,
 - Special Olympics nutrition in room 6 and
 - American Sign Language in the workshop.
 - Each instructor will begin in the homeroom and upon completion of rotation through the six program areas will return to homeroom for end of day instruction. Curriculum topics subject to change based on input from participants and approved Life Skills 3 parameters.
 - **Update: Two new ADT staff have been recommended for hire with a start date of 7/1/25. Due to staff vacations scheduled over the summer and the hiring of 2 additional staff, the rotation of classes will begin in August 2025.**
- A dishwasher magnet making art project as a volunteer activity for ADT participants. The magnet would include a “call to action” (via QR code) that could be used for marketing/branding/fundraising purposes. The skills would include coloring the magnet, cutting the paper to fit the magnetic button and usage of the button machine to make the final project. The activity would be incorporated into the arts and crafts class which will be one of the 6 classrooms when the upcoming rotation schedule begins for workshop participants. Everyone is positive and excited about the project.
 - Update: Magnet badge maker kit ordered and will arrive in July.

Supported Employment Updates

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- **Personal Lifestyle class** 2 times per week taught by SE staff.
- Guest speaker Mike Schugt, founder and Chief Kindness Officer of INNclusivity, presented on the topic of hospitality at the class held on 3/11/25.
- Mike will follow up with scheduling an “Immersion” for participant where we get a “behind the scenes” tour of a local hotel.
- **Update: Immersion rescheduled for 7/10/25 at Gaylord Palms with 10 participants to include both ADT and SE.**

Upcoming Events

- ADT will celebrate the 4th of July holiday on Thursday,
 - 7/3/25 with an outdoor water day event and varied activities, along with music by DJ Chris.
 - A tentative July date for an evening dance at the ADT is being planned.
 - ADT field trip to Gaylord Palms on 7/10/25.
 - ADT field trip to Aloma Bowl on 7/30/25.
 - AdventHealth University Service Day at Primrose on Tuesday, 8/26/25 from 8:30 – 2:00.
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Residential / Group Homes Updates

The first day of summer is just around the corner, and our residents couldn't be more excited! Many have already secured their annual passes to SeaWorld, Busch Gardens, and Aquatica. With summer vacations already underway, both residents and staff are looking forward to spending time together outside the homes.

Community outings included:

- Sea World Orlando
- Golden Corral
- Boxi Park Lake Nona
- Lake Eola Park
- Dutch bros
- Texas Roadhouse
- One resident from Cypress and two residents from Civitan went on a group vacation to the Bahamas on Utopia of the Seas and celebrated world Ocean Day while on board.

Happenings around the home(s)

- The bathroom tile project at Cypress has been completed
- The replacement of the Fire Suppression System at Civitan should begin later this month
- Hacienda is temporarily closed because of staffing shortages. Residents have been placed amongst other PCI group homes with open beds. Residents were placed amongst their peer group and level of care.
- Flag Day decorating took place at each home and remain till 4th of July
- World Music Day celebrations will take place in each home by celebrating their favorite artist(s), bands, and music style.
- New cabinets and counter tops are needed at both Civitan and Cypress
- A parent has toured Dunsany and has contacted their WSC to move forward with the referral process.
- Angelica P. has resumed management of Brevard Group Home in addition to Cypress and Jackie D. has taken over management of Cypress Group Home.

Upcoming Events:

- Monthly Birthdays
- Pride Month
- Juneteenth
- 4th of July
- A resident of Hacienda has a vacation planned to later in the month to Margaritaville Resort

Donations Requested

- Online Funding at <https://givebutter.com/PrimroseCenter> {Thank you in advance! Your support is appreciated!}
 - Items for the Training Kitchen
 - Vegetable oil, pancake mix, dish soap, boxed cake mix, and oatmeal packets
 - **We are building an arts and crafts room!**
 - Paint brushes, coloring books, construction paper, glue sticks, markers, scissors, yarn, water color paints.
 - Other items
 - Magazines, Kleenex, potting soil, seeds, empty egg cartons, board games
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