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**"We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope.
Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."**

– Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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New Horizons Un-Limited - 25th Anniversary How to Begin to Build Hope!

New Horizons Un-Limited formed out of the need to find a common voice for people with disabilities. People with disabilities form groups often based on a common type of disability. Organizations have formed for Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Spinal Cord Injury, etc. New Horizons Un-Limited realized that although there are many different needs for each disability as well as each individual's needs, there are also many common disability challenges and solutions. NHU's information and referral is based on these topics: adaptive technology, arts, culture, advocacy, basic needs, communication, education, employment, independent living, health, care, housing, recreation, as well as, for individuals, parents, caregivers, students, teachers, employees, employers, and veterans.

As humans we are comfortable with those who we can most identify with or may understand, but this can serve to isolate us to only those who understand us. Acting in this way we fail to educate our community of the conditions or challenges each of us face. We may hide away to avoid discrimination, disrespect, disregard, or thoughtless acts. Ever notice how we accentuate the positive in our lives on Facebook, or in the yearly letter to family and friends, or how when someone asks how we are doing, we say "fine." We do not want people to know of the burdens we carry. Will we fit in or will people misjudge us on misconceptions or turn away?

For all of us to get along in our society, we must begin to talk to each other. We must invite people to be a part of our lives as well. This however takes great courage, tenacity, overcoming fear of prejudice or rebuke. We are all standing on the shoulders of those who have gone before us: peaceful radicals who asked for revolutionary change in civil rights and social justice: Justin Dart, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Helen Keller. Today we are all realizing, the responsibility to create change belongs to each and every one of us. We must give input and put consistent pressure on our legislators, leaders, society if we want change.

NHU features people with disabilities, their stories and writings on our website, our blog, Facebook and community forum. These stories remind us that we all share the same desires, talents, skills, successes, problems, inabilities, failures, sadness and loss. Each person shows our human tenacity to keep trying to live our lives as full as we hope.

The truth is an inclusive society begins with each of us with hearts and minds in search of truth and understanding! (Continue to page 2.)

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The truth is, until society, and each individual, change the way one looks at disability, can we make significant progress?

What will you do today to include people with disabilities in our society?

- Have actual conversations with disabled people. Invite people with disabilities to the table or event.
- Check assumptions about disability and listen to and respect the preferences and needs of each individual. Recognize ableism in yourself and others and put a stop to it. See our NHU Wordpress Blog.
- Acknowledge that the world is not designed to readily accommodate disability and that it's time for change. Empower yourself and others that your voice can make a change for generations to come.
- Develop a plan to make your place of business, your website, more than accessible for the largest minority of consumers. Recognize the needs of veterans, students, adults, or children with disabilities.
- Develop a plan and employ people with disabilities by seeing a person, including one's disability, as an asset.

Please Join NHU in our Grassroots Effort to Care Enough NOW!

Help NHU provide more of our community members with disabilities the tools, training and encouragement they need to move forward in their lives armed with self-esteem and hope!

What Can YOU do? The Time to Act is Today! YOUR Donation of:

NHU's Information and Referral Program - Enjoy browsing the Internet? Volunteer for our Disability Research team.

- \$50 will provide new resources, articles and guides in any given month to individuals seeking assistance.
- \$100 will provide, via one edition of our newsletter, *CommunicAbility*, to reach over a 1000 individual households.

NHU's Computer Literacy and Grant Program - Volunteer to assist to refurbish or setup computers, answer helpdesk.

- \$20 will provide one hour of in-depth computer skills training to as many as four individuals with disabilities.
- \$30 will provide (5) Windows 10 Operating Systems for refurbished computers for 5 individuals with disabilities.

NHU's Employment Skills Training and Work Experience Program - Volunteer to train adult students.

- \$50 will allow us to promote people with disabilities and their capabilities to employers in a month.
- \$100 will provide employment skills training to an adult student in our work experience program.
- Be part of the solution! Evaluate your needs as an employer, offer an internship job to a person with a disability!

What Can YOU do? Follow NHU.....



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people, news, events

[facebook.com/NewHorizonsUn-Limited](https://www.facebook.com/NewHorizonsUn-Limited)



Visit our NHU Blog!

everyday advocacy and inspiration

newhorizonsunlimited.wordpress.com



Share on our NHU Forum!

experiences, ideas, solutions

new-horizons.org/forum



Follow NHU on Twitter!

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We would like to hear from you!

Please e-mail us at:

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February – March – April NHU Volunteer Opportunities!!

To sign up for volunteer opportunities, call (414) 299-0124 or e-mail horizons@new-horizons.org
 NHU volunteers are reimbursed up to \$8.00 per week for your parking or up to \$9.00 per week for your transportation.
 Report your volunteer hours to NHU on-line new-horizons.org/volnet.html



18th Annual NHU Benefit Spring Raffle and Silent Auction

**March 19th, 2020
8am - 3pm**

US Bank Galleria Conference Room

Contribute prizes in the theme of Spring!

Talk to businesses you frequent to contribute an item to our **March NHU Benefit Spring Raffle/Silent Auction**.

Download our volunteer letter at:

new-horizons.org/pdf/rsaltr.pdf

Contributing businesses will be acknowledged throughout the event and on our nationally accessed website. If your business would like to contribute a prize, please call us at 414-299-0124 or [e-mail](mailto:) us.

Ask family and friends to purchase raffle tickets or participate in the silent auction in support of NHU and a chance to win a great prize.

Share or post our flyer on page 4 in your employee lounge or print it from:

new-horizons.org/pdf/raffly.pdf

For prizes or how to purchase tickets, visit:

new-horizons.org/raffle.html



SAVE THE DATE!

17th Annual NHU Benefit Golf Outing - June 3, 2020

Hawk's View – Comos Crossing

While we hope that you will be able to join us for our **2020 Annual NHU Benefit Golf Outing** and a day of golf, there are many ways in which you can get involved or volunteer for our golf outing.

Talk to the golfer in your life to see if they would be interested in attending!

Registration is now available at the link below.

Talk to businesses you frequent in your area to be a golf sponsor or to donate a gift for our golf raffle or silent auction!

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Contributing businesses are acknowledged in our event brochure and on our nationally accessed website. If your business would like to contribute a prize, please call us at 414-299-0124 or [e-mail](mailto:) us.

Register for the NHU Benefit Golf Outing at:

new-horizons.org/golf20.html



NHU Salutes Our 2019 Volunteers and Interns!

These 2019 volunteers have reached the following milestones in hours of service!

500 hours - Lou – refurbishing computers

2000 hours - Arlene - admin, research

We would also like to specially thank our intern:

Tammy – admin, marketing, fundraising

Volunteers reach out and make a world of difference!!

Bradley – marketing video
 Arlene - admin, research
 Scott U. – research, writing
 Naomi - fundraising
 Tiffany - fundraising
 Lisa H. – fundraising
 Wa – fundraising
 Andrew – fundraising
 Kelly - fundraising

Liz – research, writing
 Ashia - fundraising
 Halli – fundraising
 Ruth – fundraising
 Scott W. – fundraising
 Carol – fundraising
 Ilene – fundraising
 Barbara - fundraising
 Pam - fundraising

Danny - training
 Gary - training
 Willie – admin
 Masiqua – fundraising
 Stephanie – admin
 Lawrence – admin
 Brian - admin
 Susan - admin

For more information on volunteering, visit: new-horizons.org/volnet.html

New! Spring - Fundraising With Flowers Sale!

New Horizons Un-Limited will provide top quality spring flowers during our

New! Spring Fundraising with Flowers Sale thru May 1!

Flower orders will be sent to you in time for spring planting, summer blooming. Perennials and Annuals are available as well as edibles in plants and seed mats. We will still offer our Fall Flower Bulb Sale in August!



To place your order directly from Flower Power, visit our NHU Flower Bulb catalog at:

<http://newhorizons.fpfundraising.com>

See our insert **Spring Flower Sale Flyer** or visit new-horizons.org/pdf/sprfly.pdf

For more information, visit new-horizons.org/pdf/sprltr.pdf

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YOU can make a difference! Be an NHU supporter throughout the year, visit new-horizons.org/appeal.html**

**Please accept my contribution for NHU
in support of our community
members with disabilities:**

\$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 Other \$

Name:

Address:

City State: Zip:

Phone:

I would like to designate my contribution in memory of:

I would like for my gift to remain anonymous. Do not include my
name in any publication to acknowledge donors.

I am interested in volunteering for NHU. Please contact me.



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members with disabilities
are given access to the opportunities that
will improve their lives!**

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