

YOUR DONATION IN ACTION

- We curated local and national resources and published a Guide to Surviving Inflation on a Fixed Income on our website
- We created a candidate comparison for the 2022 Wisconsin Mid-term Election to help our community members make an informed decision on Election Day
- We published original content on our blog, written by and for people with disabilities, covering everything from Social Security policy to ABLE accounts, voter equity to advocacy, news literacy to public policy, self-care to planning for the future, and more
- We contacted our legislators advocating for fair and accessible elections, robust public, special education services, and solutions to address the caregiver shortage and long-term care crisis facing many families
- We distributed refurbished laptops and provided several hundred hours of help desk and training support to dozens of our community members

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Dear Fellow Advocate,

If these past three years have taught us anything at all, it is that great change can come about rather quickly if we have the will (even more so, the need) to see it through. Take the virtual/hybrid workplaces as an example...boy did that happen fast!

Why then has change been so incrementally slow, when it comes to the inclusion of people with disabilities? The answer is quite simple; there is a lack of will in our society as a whole.

If you have been following our organization's journey, you know that since the late 1990s NHU has been advocating for remote work opportunities for people with disabilities. You can see that we published our first guide on the subject in October 2000. This was at a time when permanent, living wage employment of people with disabilities was virtually unheard of.

Still, people like you believed in our dream of fully opening our workplaces to everyone and continued to support our vision. You and many others had the will, and encouraged us to fight on.

We met with countless employers to advocate for virtual work throughout the 2000s. Despite the early resistance, and sometimes outright balking, we never stopped advocating for the idea that creating virtual workplaces was a smart investment.

Over the years, we here at NHU hired many disabled workers in both temporary and permanent roles. We created a flexible, hybrid work environment that recognized the unique needs of our talented staff members with disabilities, long before it was widely accepted as a norm.

We proudly blazed that trail less traveled, and after decades of advocacy, we have seen our vision of virtual workplaces come to fruition!

We have entered a new era filled with untold opportunities for millions of Americans with disabilities. In this regard, we have a lot planned...and I hope that I can count on you to make it happen!

We will continue our efforts to put mobile technology into the hands of disabled students and job seekers in an effort to leverage them into the ever-widening virtual workforce.

Can you help us with the donation of a laptop or iPad or a donation to ensure we can continue offering training and help desk support to all of our technology recipients?

We are in the process of developing a YouTube Channel that will feature 2-3 minute, virtual tutorials on everything from computer usage and maintenance, navigating employment incentives through SSI/SSDI, preparing for virtual employment, contacting legislators, advocating for inclusive policy and more.

Your donation can help us develop a robust set of tutorials that can be accessed from anywhere at any time!

We will continue to provide resources and training on policy advocacy, including effectively communicating with legislators, how to find and understand pending legislation, and staying engaged and active in our communities.

Your donation will help us develop a comprehensive tool that will make the delivery and response to important, time-sensitive information fast and easy!

We will continue to bring disabled voices into the fold by publishing think pieces and personal narratives on our blog: **newhorizonsunlimited.wordpress.com**

Your donation will help us to continue to curate articles on important disability-related topics from disabled authors.

I know you have many worthy organizations that you might consider supporting. I can only hope that you see the value in investing in our grassroots organization run for and by people with disabilities.

With the dawn of this new era of opportunity upon us, your support will be more valuable than ever!

Please, consider donating today!

Sincerely,

Art Miller

President

P.S. Donate today to double your impact! All donations through December 31, 2022 will be matched, up to \$2500.