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00:02:29.150 --> 00:02:32.150  
So then that means it's on.

00:02:32.699 --> 00:02:34.699  
You just wait and all go off. Okay.

00:02:35.563 --> 00:02:40.563  
But so that way, if you're gonna say something, you can just press your microphone. So once you use the microphone

00:02:41.321 --> 00:02:44.321  
Because they're recording for zoom.

00:02:44.069 --> 00:02:48.069  
You can still sit back here, catch your voice, anyway.

00:02:49.249 --> 00:02:52.249  
And I was kind of planning on sitting right there. Is that okay?

00:02:52.381 --> 00:02:54.381  
Yeah, okay.

00:03:00.012 --> 00:03:04.012  
Last year.

00:03:04.255 --> 00:03:08.255  
I see how it lights up here. That means it's on.

00:03:08.630 --> 00:03:15.630  
And then, if you let up on it.

00:03:14.762 --> 00:03:17.762  
And actually, I think you gotta turn it off.

00:10:29.640 --> 00:10:33.640  
Welcome to everybody.

00:10:33.763 --> 00:10:37.763  
I want to welcome Staff, who stay late because of this meeting.

00:10:37.145 --> 00:10:48.145  
And welcome the Board members who are here, and especially welcome the self advocates who will be talking with us today. We value your opinions a great deal. So thank you for coming.

00:10:50.263 --> 00:10:52.263  
And we need a roll call. Please.

00:10:52.766 --> 00:10:54.766  
Alright!

00:10:54.016 --> 00:10:57.016  
Dr. Lisa Liggins-

00:10:57.452 --> 00:10:59.452  
Chris Miner.

00:11:00.016 --> 00:11:02.016  
Tony Nichols.

00:11:02.265 --> 00:11:04.265  
Joe Omo Osagie.

00:11:04.337 --> 00:11:06.337  
Elaine Palencia.

00:11:06.391 --> 00:11:08.391  
Jen Straub.

00:11:08.331 --> 00:11:10.331  
Jane Sprandel.

00:11:10.767 --> 00:11:12.767  
Jon Paul Youakim.

00:11:13.140 --> 00:11:15.140  
Anne Robin.

00:11:15.466 --> 00:11:17.466  
Georgiana Schuster.

00:11:17.641 --> 00:11:19.641  
Kim Fisher.

00:11:19.779 --> 00:11:21.779  
Susan Fowler.

00:11:22.080 --> 00:11:24.080  
Leah Taylor.

00:11:24.272 --> 00:11:26.272  
Molly Mclay. Here.

00:11:26.890 --> 00:11:28.890  
Vicki Niswander. Here.

00:11:28.139 --> 00:11:34.139  
We do not have a quorum, so you do not need to. Oh, Lisa is here all right.

00:11:35.142 --> 00:11:37.142  
I think, do we have - We have a quorum.

00:11:37.451 --> 00:11:39.451  
And you can sit wherever you want to.

00:11:40.822 --> 00:11:44.822

So. So I think we have a quorum. So that's.

00:11:44.833 --> 00:11:47.833

Approve the agenda.

00:11:47.949 --> 00:11:53.949

So is there any citizen input before we get started this evening?

00:11:58.612 --> 00:12:01.612

Not seeing anybody, moving. We have people online, or is it just

00:12:02.491 --> 00:12:04.491

Just us looks like.

00:12:04.050 --> 00:12:08.050

Is there any citizen input from people online?

00:12:09.678 --> 00:12:17.678

And please, oh, okay, if you're online, please do sign into the chat with your agency affiliation - that will help us know who was here.

00:12:17.310 --> 00:12:20.310

And folks in person. Please sign in also.

00:12:22.176 --> 00:12:24.176

Okay, well, so.

00:12:24.003 --> 00:12:29.003

Since we now have a quorum, I suppose. Can we

00:12:29.281 --> 00:12:39.281

Approve the agenda. You can't really count. If that's the only thing I we're voting on, I think we can probably survive if it's wrong.

00:12:40.476 --> 00:12:46.476

Okay? So we need to approve tonight's agenda. Do we have a motion to

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Do that?

00:12:48.713 --> 00:12:50.713

I make a mo

00:12:50.836 --> 00:12:57.836

I'll make a motion to approve that.

00:12:57.664 --> 00:12:59.664

And the second, please.

00:13:01.638 --> 00:13:03.638

I will second all right.

00:13:03.776 --> 00:13:09.776

And all those in favors say, aye, I opposed.

00:13:10.460 --> 00:13:14.460

Motion carries. All right, let's go on to-

00:13:13.924 --> 00:13:20.924

My comments are going to be brief, I made most of them in welcoming you, but

00:13:21.141 --> 00:13:28.141

Just to let you know, self advocates, and we'll be introduced to you in a moment, how much we value as a board

00:13:28.463 --> 00:13:36.463

Your experiences, your opinions, and your comments that you will give us tonight and in previous sessions. So thank you for coming

00:13:36.207 --> 00:13:41.207

And spending the time to educate us a little bit. We appreciate that.

00:13:41.829 --> 00:13:55.829

Molly. All right. My name is Molly. I'm the president of the Champaign County Mental Health Board, and my comments are: I couldn't have said it any better than what you just said. Thank you so much for being here. We're really looking forward

00:13:55.578 --> 00:13:57.578

To this event.

00:13:57.952 --> 00:14:00.952

Okay, moving on. Lynn. Do you have anything?

00:14:02.388 --> 00:14:06.388

I'm also really happy to see all of you. I, some of us go way back.

00:14:06.332 --> 00:14:18.332

Last year, we did this for the 1st time, and it was so important to us. I don't know if you remember the discussion, but we learned a lot from you, and we used it not only

00:14:18.898 --> 00:14:21.898

To support the work that our boards are doing,

00:14:21.208 --> 00:14:31.208

When they make decisions about what programs to fund, but also we used your thoughts when we were advocating and for state

00:14:31.958 --> 00:14:36.958

Improvements, because we know the State of Illinois has a lot of work to do to improve the system.

00:14:36.077 --> 00:14:45.077

And also for some changes nationally, we literally - so thank you for doing this again, because I'm sure we'll do the same thing.

00:14:44.893 --> 00:14:46.893  
So, okay.

00:14:47.582 --> 00:14:52.582  
Let's move on to the actual study session. Who is going to be facilitating

00:14:52.898 --> 00:14:54.898  
This?

00:14:56.451 --> 00:14:59.451  
We didn't work that out the last time, either.

00:15:04.886 --> 00:15:06.886  
Okay. Very good.

00:15:07.951 --> 00:15:09.951  
Take it away.

00:15:11.018 --> 00:15:14.018  
Turn your microphones on, please.

00:15:15.711 --> 00:15:17.711  
Hello! My name

00:15:18.024 --> 00:15:22.024  
Hello! I'd like.

00:15:22.272 --> 00:15:25.272  
To say

00:15:28.322 --> 00:15:31.322  
That welcome everybody who

00:15:34.148 --> 00:15:36.148  
Is there.

00:15:37.844 --> 00:15:39.844  
Hmm.

00:15:42.576 --> 00:15:51.576  
Would you like me to read the questions for you? And then you guys can respond to them, okay, so I'm just gonna start at the top of page 3.

00:15:52.699 --> 00:15:55.699  
Alright! So this one goes out to everybody.

00:15:55.397 --> 00:16:02.397  
Is there some place you'd like to go, or something that you'd like to do, that you haven't been able to accomplish.

00:16:02.201 --> 00:16:04.201

This is a 2 part question.

00:16:04.337 --> 00:16:08.337

What kind of help would you need from providers or friends to make it happen.

00:16:08.951 --> 00:16:15.951

Well, I would like to take day trips and travel to other places.

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I would like transfer

00:16:18.454 --> 00:16:21.454

Patient to visit my friend in Mahomet

00:16:21.777 --> 00:16:25.777

And to go, I would need staff and support.

00:16:26.657 --> 00:16:29.657

The support and transportation.

00:16:33.891 --> 00:16:35.891

What about you?

00:16:36.157 --> 00:16:38.157

My name's Pat-

00:16:38.371 --> 00:16:41.371

My name is Patty.

00:16:41.245 --> 00:16:44.245

I would like to go on a trip

00:16:44.273 --> 00:16:47.273

With my husband, to.

00:16:47.080 --> 00:16:50.080

Have fun, go see the Bears.

00:16:53.447 --> 00:16:55.447

And I work at Crow.

00:16:57.156 --> 00:16:59.156

Yeah.

00:16:59.452 --> 00:17:02.452

And I worked there, and I get paid good.

00:17:04.150 --> 00:17:06.150

And I have a

00:17:07.449 --> 00:17:09.449

Trainer that helps us out

00:17:09.577 --> 00:17:11.577  
With money

00:17:11.387 --> 00:17:15.387  
And budget our money to

00:17:15.589 --> 00:17:17.589  
Go on trip.

00:17:18.336 --> 00:17:21.336  
I agree. You agree? I agree.

00:17:21.579 --> 00:17:24.579  
And we do Best Buddies, too.

00:17:24.348 --> 00:17:26.348  
Yes.

00:17:26.835 --> 00:17:28.835  
I'm up next.

00:17:30.887 --> 00:17:34.887  
I'm in best buddies, too. I'm the assistant director.

00:17:35.576 --> 00:17:38.576  
Been assistant director for 18 years.

00:17:44.326 --> 00:17:47.326  
Yes, sorry. 1st one. Thanks.

00:17:47.463 --> 00:17:49.463  
But - Are you done?

00:17:54.338 --> 00:17:56.338  
There you go!

00:17:56.016 --> 00:17:59.016  
So this 1st one here,

00:17:59.198 --> 00:18:02.198  
Someplace you want to go or something you want to do.

00:18:02.330 --> 00:18:04.330  
Okay now.

00:18:04.149 --> 00:18:07.149  
My name is Sarah Anderson.

00:18:07.830 --> 00:18:09.830  
Okay, I wanna try

00:18:10.201 --> 00:18:14.201  
To go to Holiday World

00:18:15.020 --> 00:18:19.020  
And me. I go in

00:18:20.206 --> 00:18:22.206  
How you doing? Are you

00:18:22.839 --> 00:18:24.839  
Went right.

00:18:25.700 --> 00:18:27.700  
Me. Yeah, I'm going to go yet.

00:18:29.014 --> 00:18:32.014  
Me and maybe like Texas or a

00:18:32.093 --> 00:18:34.093  
Maybe

00:18:33.959 --> 00:18:38.959  
Someday I wanna go see a Kentucky Derby, see the

00:18:39.144 --> 00:18:41.144  
Race horses.

00:18:41.900 --> 00:18:43.900  
Yup, and what would you need?

00:18:44.577 --> 00:18:48.577  
What would you need to be able to go see the horses or go to holiday world?

00:18:48.578 --> 00:18:52.578  
Like money. Some money? Yeah.

00:18:53.332 --> 00:18:56.332  
Man he, do you need anything else?

00:18:56.473 --> 00:18:58.473  
Like a bag,

00:18:58.708 --> 00:19:01.708  
Like a suitcase, or

00:19:02.335 --> 00:19:04.335  
A bag.

00:19:05.646 --> 00:19:08.646  
Would you go by yourself, or do you need anybody to help.

00:19:09.463 --> 00:19:11.463  
Well, sometimes I

00:19:11.076 --> 00:19:14.076



Go by myself.

00:19:15.386 --> 00:19:18.386  
Yep. Now, one time

00:19:18.516 --> 00:19:20.516  
On a Walt Disney trip,

00:19:21.275 --> 00:19:24.275  
I did go there all by myself once

00:19:24.586 --> 00:19:27.586  
Yep, and the Hawaii trip.

00:19:27.781 --> 00:19:29.781  
I'm going with my

00:19:28.904 --> 00:19:31.904  
CU special rec once.

00:19:35.841 --> 00:19:38.841  
If you're done you can turn that off. Right here? Yep.

00:19:51.844 --> 00:19:54.844  
Hello! My name is Toby Wood.

00:19:55.232 --> 00:19:59.232  
When we talked as a group, a lot of people

00:20:00.410 --> 00:20:02.410  
Talked about wanting to be able to

00:20:02.670 --> 00:20:06.670  
Take vacations, travel inside the US

00:20:06.967 --> 00:20:08.967  
With lots of travel.

00:20:09.215 --> 00:20:13.215  
As well as other members thinking about travel outside of the US.

00:20:13.032 --> 00:20:17.032  
To do this, we might need some help financially.

00:20:17.399 --> 00:20:22.399  
We also need help, you know, planning, making travel arrangements, etc.

00:20:22.716 --> 00:20:25.716  
We also want someone to go with us.

00:20:26.540 --> 00:20:29.540  
Such as maybe an aide, you know, to help us,

00:20:29.665 --> 00:20:31.665

You know, navigate

00:20:32.789 --> 00:20:34.789

The

00:20:35.861 --> 00:20:39.861

Roads or airports, or something like this. You know. One thing I've always wanted to do

00:20:39.105 --> 00:20:44.105

Myself, I've wanted to ride in a hot air balloon.

00:20:43.817 --> 00:20:45.817

Thank you.

00:20:48.040 --> 00:20:51.040

Hello! My name is Eric Beasley.

00:20:51.233 --> 00:21:16.233

And I like to learn other languages because I worked in a home depot for 9 and a half years. Congratulate to me, and also I, like it - I've been aware I've been hearing a lot of Spanish speaking, but Spanish speakings and mostly Chinese and Japaneses. The only problem is at Home Depot there has been less speaking - ah speakers that speak Spanish is so that's where I come in, because I want to learn to their language so

00:21:16.246 --> 00:21:18.246

Help them out and they're more, better.

00:21:18.366 --> 00:21:20.366

And but

00:21:20.261 --> 00:21:33.261

The classes are very expensive, and also if I go to university they're highly expensive. You had to be there every day, fit in my schedule so I could learn it, and also you might get used to it, and might

00:21:33.488 --> 00:21:35.488

Might get a reward badge for it.

00:21:46.994 --> 00:21:48.994

Turn red.

00:21:49.624 --> 00:21:58.624

Practical medical things like replacing some teeth or and saving money to do that, knowing where to go, and getting the booking for the appointment.

00:22:05.879 --> 00:22:07.879

... is anything you wanted to add?

00:22:19.935 --> 00:22:32.935

1 1 thing I like to do be able to help with coaching, help with coaching sports, and I need help getting connected

00:22:33.569 --> 00:22:35.569

To teams and learning the rules better.

00:22:40.998 --> 00:22:42.998

Thank you. That was great.

00:22:43.376 --> 00:22:47.376

Next question, what supports do you need to make life better for you?

00:22:54.957 --> 00:22:56.957

Think

00:22:57.194 --> 00:23:00.194

My job and.

00:23:00.069 --> 00:23:03.069

I hope you can hear me. My job

00:23:02.998 --> 00:23:07.998

And apartment trainers are great and help me a lot.

00:23:08.189 --> 00:23:11.189

I wouldn't want to lose any of my services like

00:23:11.317 --> 00:23:13.317

Help with Job or

00:23:13.447 --> 00:23:15.447

My apartment.

00:23:14.748 --> 00:23:17.748

My job trainer helps me

00:23:17.885 --> 00:23:20.885

Get all of the workshops and trainings

00:23:21.250 --> 00:23:25.250

I need for my job at the daycare, where I work every day.

00:23:27.130 --> 00:23:30.130

Got it. Thank you.

00:23:29.751 --> 00:23:32.751

I have a job coach.

00:23:32.697 --> 00:23:36.697

He's un... and he helped me read

00:23:37.506 --> 00:23:40.506

To learn to do the cashier,

00:23:41.822 --> 00:23:45.822

And my trainer

00:23:46.702 --> 00:23:48.702  
Helps me do recipes

00:23:48.875 --> 00:23:52.875  
And help me out so I could learn to read to

00:23:53.627 --> 00:23:55.627  
Do the recipe.

00:23:57.944 --> 00:24:00.944  
And then I helped my husband too.

00:24:01.706 --> 00:24:03.706  
His name's Jim Kinkaid.

00:24:03.822 --> 00:24:05.822  
And he do

00:24:06.459 --> 00:24:08.459  
Help me. He reads the

00:24:08.562 --> 00:24:10.562  
Recipe for me,

00:24:10.626 --> 00:24:12.626  
And I put everything together.

00:24:21.254 --> 00:24:23.254  
And I work at

00:24:24.564 --> 00:24:26.564  
Crow. I do Arts

00:24:27.186 --> 00:24:29.186  
And craft.

00:24:30.000 --> 00:24:32.000  
Yeah, and I sell

00:24:32.069 --> 00:24:34.069  
My pictures

00:24:34.689 --> 00:24:37.689  
And the what I make is

00:24:37.515 --> 00:24:39.515  
Star Wars

00:24:42.766 --> 00:24:44.766  
Yeah.

00:24:44.941 --> 00:24:46.941  
And I just did a

00:24:46.184 --> 00:24:51.184

Christmas ball that you put on a Christmas tree.

00:24:51.558 --> 00:24:53.558

And I paint that too.

00:24:54.310 --> 00:24:58.310

Yeah. And it's gonna be a sign.

00:24:57.944 --> 00:24:59.944

It's gonna have like

00:24:59.754 --> 00:25:02.754

Hooks where you could put your keys on

00:25:03.384 --> 00:25:05.384

To hang it on the wall.

00:25:08.760 --> 00:25:10.760

Okay.

00:25:21.133 --> 00:25:24.133

The people who have home based support appreciate it

00:25:24.750 --> 00:25:26.750

Because it helps them be able to

00:25:28.198 --> 00:25:31.198

Pay support workers. Other people talk about

00:25:30.874 --> 00:25:38.874

Having some problems with their - but it's easier now.

00:25:42.648 --> 00:26:03.648

At my apartment, sometimes it gets lonely because we've been trying to figure out some nice good support workers. But we've been having a really bad experience for finding one of them in there, because they're just here for the money. We get a lot of, yeah, we get a lot of support workers, get a lot of support workers that just here for the money instead of showing it up.

00:26:03.827 --> 00:26:06.827

You know, we have evidence proof that

00:26:07.211 --> 00:26:11.211

One of those been taken advantage of me and another autism.

00:26:15.699 --> 00:26:19.699

So it'd be nice to have someone to talk to and

00:26:19.827 --> 00:26:21.827

Understands me.

00:26:46.573 --> 00:26:48.573  
Push right there.

00:26:49.279 --> 00:26:52.279  
Answer. No! Well, my

00:26:52.072 --> 00:26:55.072  
Coach has, is

00:26:55.321 --> 00:26:58.321  
He help us in the ambulance.

00:26:58.455 --> 00:27:01.455  
We clean the station.

00:27:02.325 --> 00:27:05.325  
And through

00:27:08.645 --> 00:27:10.645  
No, he's a good guy

00:27:11.961 --> 00:27:14.961  
And also need

00:27:16.149 --> 00:27:18.149  
He see me a clean the

00:27:18.405 --> 00:27:21.405  
Toilets and take out the

00:27:24.166 --> 00:27:26.166  
Trash.

00:27:26.358 --> 00:27:28.358  
And also

00:27:29.594 --> 00:27:31.594  
I work at the Carle

00:27:33.905 --> 00:27:35.905  
With somebody else, and

00:27:36.089 --> 00:27:38.089  
I push the carts

00:27:37.858 --> 00:27:40.858  
with the hot plates and

00:27:42.600 --> 00:27:44.600  
Containers and

00:27:44.348 --> 00:27:47.348  
Yeah, and then.

00:27:49.092 --> 00:27:52.092  
And we check the

00:27:52.158 --> 00:27:54.158  
The trays

00:27:53.908 --> 00:27:56.908  
You bowls and pack the

00:27:57.726 --> 00:27:59.726  
In a dry rag.

00:28:00.412 --> 00:28:03.412  
And at the Carle

00:28:05.228 --> 00:28:08.228  
Yeah. So are you saying that you need

00:28:09.282 --> 00:28:15.282  
Some of these people to help you with your job and the things you need to do at home, and that makes your life better?

00:28:15.975 --> 00:28:17.975  
Yeah, We got some staff

00:28:18.226 --> 00:28:20.226  
Already at

00:28:20.286 --> 00:28:22.286  
Our group home.

00:28:23.214 --> 00:28:26.214  
One is named

00:28:26.349 --> 00:28:28.349  
Phil.

00:28:30.658 --> 00:28:32.658  
Thanks. Yep.

00:28:33.279 --> 00:28:35.279  
If you're done you can push the button.

00:28:47.671 --> 00:28:54.671  
All right. Question 3. Could you address the way in which the agencies with whom you work support their self advocacy?

00:29:06.778 --> 00:29:11.778  
Well, that is like the speak up speak out

00:29:12.595 --> 00:29:15.595  
Program that we just did.

00:29:20.094 --> 00:29:23.094

We are going to the

00:29:23.282 --> 00:29:26.282

Mean the the hotel

00:29:26.033 --> 00:29:29.033

When we have the speak up.

00:29:28.905 --> 00:29:34.905

Areas that are for the disability people there

00:29:35.164 --> 00:29:38.164

And then toward...

00:29:39.969 --> 00:29:41.969

We are, we do some like

00:29:40.666 --> 00:29:43.666

Activities and

00:29:44.281 --> 00:29:46.281

Some -

00:29:46.475 --> 00:29:48.475

Stuff there.

00:29:49.043 --> 00:29:51.043

Yeah.

00:29:53.035 --> 00:29:57.035

And we played games and

00:29:56.725 --> 00:29:58.725

Some

00:29:59.342 --> 00:30:01.342

Also

00:30:09.493 --> 00:30:11.493

Is that good? Right?

00:30:12.233 --> 00:30:14.233

Now one. Thank you.

00:30:17.115 --> 00:30:19.115

Thank you.

00:30:19.795 --> 00:30:22.795

They listen, they listen to me

00:30:23.306 --> 00:30:27.306

When I ask for things or share my goals.

00:30:27.746 --> 00:30:31.746



I'm on the best buddy board at the UI

00:30:32.170 --> 00:30:40.170

And Re represents the special need buddies. I like speaking at meetings and for best buddies.

00:30:42.487 --> 00:30:44.487

Is that it?

00:30:53.741 --> 00:31:04.741

We've, we've done advocacy projects for HRA, HRA because we've done this. And also they're also university projects and even Carle...

00:31:04.495 --> 00:31:07.495

So we've been very successful so far.

00:31:06.867 --> 00:31:13.867

And I like to do the I like to do those things. So I'm always everywhere in the presentations, even here.

00:31:14.495 --> 00:31:19.495

And I've always helped do the staff interviews at community choices.

00:31:19.796 --> 00:31:27.796

Yeah, I read I read the resumes first and also gain a sense of what the communication is like in person.

00:31:27.232 --> 00:31:32.232

I write. I don't write the same questions twice, so don't even think about it.

00:31:46.052 --> 00:31:53.052

We do service for community choices, we give feedback on what is helpful, what isn't, what programs we want more of

00:31:53.307 --> 00:32:00.307

And what could be better. I've worked with the Queens University Project, where I interview other members about their lives,

00:32:00.176 --> 00:32:04.176

Agency supports at community choices, and supports

00:32:03.614 --> 00:32:06.614

They get from their family and friends.

00:32:08.796 --> 00:32:13.796

I like the things we do for self advocacy.

00:32:14.046 --> 00:32:19.046

I like giving presentations. We're encouraged to share our experiences

00:32:19.048 --> 00:32:22.048

And community choices staff help us put down

00:32:22.178 --> 00:32:26.178

Our words so we can remember what we want to share.

00:32:26.546 --> 00:32:28.546

Thank you.

00:32:33.176 --> 00:32:35.176

Thank you. Question 4.

00:32:36.732 --> 00:32:41.732

Does the current Independent Service coordination from the State - that's prairie land now -

00:32:41.168 --> 00:32:47.168

Do they provide a backup if support is needed, and this one's kind of tough so if you're not sure, that's okay.

00:32:59.355 --> 00:33:01.355

Everyone we talked to

00:33:02.922 --> 00:33:05.922

Everyone we've talked to

00:33:07.670 --> 00:33:12.670

Has - that has a state Isc either hasn't met their Isc or

00:33:13.107 --> 00:33:16.107

It took a really long time to meet them.

00:33:16.678 --> 00:33:22.678

So we're not really sure what you mean by backup or support, because we haven't gotten

00:33:23.429 --> 00:33:25.429

Much support at all really. Thank you.

00:33:29.053 --> 00:33:31.053

I am not sure.

00:33:31.807 --> 00:33:33.807

I don't have a relationship with.

00:33:33.361 --> 00:33:38.361

ISC, but I work with Mary at RPC.

00:33:53.125 --> 00:33:56.125

Alright. Question. 5. This one's another tough one.

00:33:57.041 --> 00:34:02.041

If you need assistance around guardianship, are you able to access support

00:34:02.125 --> 00:34:04.125

From the State

00:34:04.558 --> 00:34:08.558

Or maybe someone that helps you from Dsc or community choices

00:34:08.310 --> 00:34:13.310

To begin the process, to change or acquire an adult guardian?

00:34:18.396 --> 00:34:33.396

My mom and mom and and my guardian, and my sister will be a later - later on. And it's all right with me, of course, because there's no one else to turn to, of course, so I haven't had a deal yet to find a Guardian.

00:34:40.396 --> 00:34:42.396

I can do things for myself.

00:34:41.773 --> 00:34:47.773

My family helps me. I might need my family to help me with

00:34:47.955 --> 00:34:49.955

My money or

00:34:50.276 --> 00:34:52.276

With my health.

00:35:08.955 --> 00:35:11.955

Well I am my own guardian.

00:35:12.264 --> 00:35:16.264

Want, I'm glad I'm be my own guardian.

00:35:17.137 --> 00:35:21.137

I doing a stuff around the house.

00:35:21.765 --> 00:35:23.765

Like clean

00:35:24.324 --> 00:35:28.324

And like, take care of the garden

00:35:28.080 --> 00:35:31.080

Yeah. Then,

00:35:33.636 --> 00:35:36.636

Doing the kitchen chores or

00:35:36.513 --> 00:35:40.513

Keep having a clean table

00:35:40.264 --> 00:35:42.264

At our house.

00:35:45.015 --> 00:35:49.015

And oh, so I clean our bathrooms.

00:35:50.906 --> 00:35:52.906

Though...

00:35:53.271 --> 00:35:58.271

What about for things like with your money? Yeah.

00:35:57.773 --> 00:36:02.773

Yeah. Do you feel like you would ever need a guardian to help you with that?

00:36:04.516 --> 00:36:06.516

I

00:36:06.892 --> 00:36:08.892

Yeah, I am

00:36:09.645 --> 00:36:11.645

My own guardian, I

00:36:11.888 --> 00:36:14.888

Take care of my own money. What

00:36:14.704 --> 00:36:16.704

The staff help me

00:36:16.893 --> 00:36:19.893

Out with the checkbooks.

00:36:20.210 --> 00:36:22.210

And

00:36:23.016 --> 00:36:27.016

Yeah, deciding how much we want

00:36:27.330 --> 00:36:30.330

And all of that.

00:36:33.965 --> 00:36:35.965

And.

00:36:37.215 --> 00:36:39.215

Yep.

00:36:51.783 --> 00:36:56.783

Thank you. Questions. Oh, did you want to go?

00:36:56.966 --> 00:36:58.966

Are you sure?

00:37:00.661 --> 00:37:02.661

Question, 6.

00:37:03.470 --> 00:37:06.470

Another tough one. You guys are doing great, though.

00:37:06.475 --> 00:37:10.475

How comfortable are you regarding the future and long term planning

00:37:10.476 --> 00:37:18.476

For your needs if you survive your parents or siblings, and do you have any social support to step in?

00:37:22.405 --> 00:37:25.405

Well, my siblings would help me

00:37:24.849 --> 00:37:30.849

When my parents can't. My sister and brother would make sure I'm okay.

00:37:39.915 --> 00:37:51.915

Yes and no. I I will accept them as, my sister as a guardianship when my parent, mother passes away. But no, because, unfortunately, no, with because

00:37:52.355 --> 00:38:03.355

Every time we do a document on the pay paper when it comes to mail, I already read the paragraph, but most of the words I can't even understand it - like well, like complicated words I don't understand, I had to look up a dictionary.

00:38:03.222 --> 00:38:08.222

Hey? So, so, it does lose your touch, uh when you're in high school.

00:38:31.528 --> 00:38:38.528

There you go, you're on. Someone else we talked with - I would be a little concerned

00:38:38.671 --> 00:38:52.671

Financially. Everything costs a lot and keeps rising. I don't know what would happen to me in being able to be best support myself with like utilities and food. I don't know what would happen

00:38:52.220 --> 00:38:58.220

If I wasn't from an agency. Things are complicated with family. I would

00:38:58.665 --> 00:39:05.665

Need someone outside of the family to talk to and help with things. Sometimes you need extra support

00:39:05.404 --> 00:39:08.404

From agencies and from friends.

00:39:16.969 --> 00:39:18.969

It seems terrifying.

00:39:19.785 --> 00:39:22.785

Is it off? - to me

00:39:22.416 --> 00:39:24.416

But I will get through

00:39:24.227 --> 00:39:29.227  
The crisis when it happens. It seems

00:39:28.976 --> 00:39:31.976  
Hard at the time at that time, but

00:39:32.673 --> 00:39:34.673  
I've talked with my family about it. Thank you.

00:39:36.030 --> 00:39:44.030  
I really don't want to think about it. I live with my sister, and my mom is my rep payee and just thinking about them not being my life makes me feel ick.

00:39:43.729 --> 00:39:45.729  
There we go!

00:40:01.398 --> 00:40:03.398  
Alright. Question. 7.

00:40:06.163 --> 00:40:13.163  
Of the resources funded by the Champaign Developmental Disabilities Board and the Champaign County Mental Health Board,

00:40:12.913 --> 00:40:16.913  
Which do you feel have benefited you or others the most?

00:40:19.844 --> 00:40:21.844  
DSC

00:40:21.588 --> 00:40:25.588  
Staff help me with transportation, banking,

00:40:26.365 --> 00:40:30.365  
Relationships with coworkers, online training.

00:40:30.494 --> 00:40:32.494  
I couldn't keep my job

00:40:31.929 --> 00:40:36.929  
Without help from them, especially the trainings.

00:41:05.755 --> 00:41:13.755  
Job Coaches for employer and LEAP program. I think a lot of people need help finding jobs they are able to do and like.

00:41:16.624 --> 00:41:26.624  
Next, transportation is very important. I live near Tolono and being able to have rides to and from events or

00:41:27.757 --> 00:41:29.757  
Places is helpful. Thank you.

00:42:05.439 --> 00:42:07.439  
Yeah, .. paid for that? Yeah.

00:42:09.619 --> 00:42:13.619  
My my work in the u - and pay for this.

00:42:13.751 --> 00:42:16.751  
I work at the ambulance place

00:42:16.507 --> 00:42:18.507  
With Gordon

00:42:21.438 --> 00:42:24.438  
He sees me do a good job

00:42:23.942 --> 00:42:27.942  
On the ambulance place, I clean the

00:42:28.755 --> 00:42:30.755  
Toilets and take out the trash

00:42:32.063 --> 00:42:39.063  
And now I'm working at the Carle, I work at the dishwasher,

00:42:39.878 --> 00:42:41.878  
The dishwasher

00:42:41.685 --> 00:42:43.685  
Area and I

00:42:44.683 --> 00:42:46.683  
Pick up the plates and

00:42:46.749 --> 00:42:50.749  
The plastic. I put them away.

00:42:51.816 --> 00:42:54.816  
No - and

00:42:56.057 --> 00:42:58.057  
No, also I

00:42:58.998 --> 00:43:00.998  
No night.

00:43:01.687 --> 00:43:03.687  
And I am.

00:43:03.754 --> 00:43:05.754  
Do some

00:43:08.071 --> 00:43:10.071  
Help with

00:43:11.264 --> 00:43:14.264  
The plates

00:43:14.373 --> 00:43:16.373  
And the

00:43:17.085 --> 00:43:19.085  
Stuff like that

00:43:19.269 --> 00:43:21.269  
Now and.

00:43:23.009 --> 00:43:26.009  
So your work is important to you and they help

00:43:25.820 --> 00:43:29.820  
Make it so that you can do those jobs. Yep, uh huh

00:43:41.326 --> 00:43:43.326  
Yeah.

00:43:47.199 --> 00:43:49.199  
Thank you.

00:43:49.309 --> 00:43:51.309  
Question, 8.

00:43:52.432 --> 00:44:00.432  
What programs or other items would you like to see the Champaign County  
Developmental Disabilities Board or the Champaign County Mental Health  
Board

00:44:00.577 --> 00:44:02.577  
Fund in the future?

00:44:03.704 --> 00:44:06.704  
I would like more transportation

00:44:07.519 --> 00:44:10.519  
In the town, and options

00:44:11.836 --> 00:44:16.836  
Especially outside of Champaign Urbana, and money for support

00:44:16.954 --> 00:44:18.954  
To take trips with me.

00:44:19.207 --> 00:44:21.207  
For the staff to take trips with me.

00:44:35.040 --> 00:44:37.040  
Okay.



00:44:38.661 --> 00:44:40.661  
There are programs and funding

00:44:43.541 --> 00:44:45.541  
For helping people meet their basic needs,

00:44:46.346 --> 00:44:51.346  
But sometimes people are still falling through the cracks, because there's not enough money, because qualifying

00:44:50.463 --> 00:44:53.463  
Criteria is still too narrow.

00:44:54.042 --> 00:44:56.042  
Thank you.

00:45:01.532 --> 00:45:04.532  
Paying for tickets or expenses

00:45:04.595 --> 00:45:06.595  
To do fun things that are

00:45:06.540 --> 00:45:10.540  
Happening in our community like sports, concerts, and arts

00:45:10.662 --> 00:45:12.662  
Or take vacations.

00:45:17.344 --> 00:45:25.344  
To be honest with you, there... There'll be the support workers, by helping helping you find the right support workers for

00:45:25.721 --> 00:45:33.721  
Probably the disabilities, so that kind of has experience for disabilities. Or other are other capabilities of medical reasons.

00:45:48.216 --> 00:45:52.216  
Did they already move on to another question?

00:46:00.897 --> 00:46:05.897  
Membership fees at community groups like Makerspace or gyms and studios.

00:46:23.291 --> 00:46:30.291  
Yoga makes me feel better. I wish there were yoga classes for us. I like music, playing guitar,

00:46:31.405 --> 00:46:34.405  
And talking with my friends, sleeping in.

00:46:34.465 --> 00:46:36.465  
Sounds like a teenager. I know.

00:46:39.028 --> 00:46:44.028  
Being with family, and going to best buddies makes me feel happy.

00:46:47.781 --> 00:46:50.781  
I'm only regarding myself.

00:46:51.682 --> 00:46:54.682  
And my husband, and we live in an apartment

00:46:54.348 --> 00:46:57.348  
By ourselves, and we.

00:46:58.098 --> 00:47:00.098  
If they can.

00:47:01.219 --> 00:47:05.219  
But we have a dog that lives with us in Saint -

00:47:05.352 --> 00:47:07.352  
Sydney is our dog.

00:47:07.038 --> 00:47:10.038  
And we're learning to train her

00:47:09.734 --> 00:47:12.734  
To get along with other dogs

00:47:13.347 --> 00:47:16.347  
And be good with other people.

00:47:18.034 --> 00:47:20.034  
And we have our own garden

00:47:20.157 --> 00:47:22.157  
In the yard.

00:47:22.337 --> 00:47:24.337  
And we go

00:47:24.031 --> 00:47:27.031  
Put gardening together.

00:47:27.217 --> 00:47:30.217  
But I do all the work, and I do.

00:47:31.405 --> 00:47:33.405  
And I do the cleaning round.

00:47:34.668 --> 00:47:37.668  
And my husband just do the garbage, and that's it.

00:47:40.599 --> 00:47:44.599  
Then he watch football.

00:47:45.228 --> 00:47:47.228  
But

00:47:47.531 --> 00:47:52.531

And sometime I go out and I ride the city bus

00:47:52.100 --> 00:47:54.100

To get to work

00:47:54.279 --> 00:47:56.279

And then come home too.

00:48:24.905 --> 00:48:30.905

Okay, I wasn't really sure what you meant by this question. What makes me

00:48:30.975 --> 00:48:32.975

Better? Medicine.

00:48:33.338 --> 00:48:35.338

My pet cat, you know.

00:48:35.840 --> 00:48:37.840

Having fun. Thank you.

00:49:05.092 --> 00:49:08.092

Thank you. I think we're on question 10 now.

00:49:07.835 --> 00:49:10.835

What matters to you most, and why?

00:49:20.718 --> 00:49:24.718

Okay, I do - So something I do is Special Olympics.

00:49:24.858 --> 00:49:26.858

Most.

00:49:27.536 --> 00:49:29.536

And I do some Gardening.

00:49:29.838 --> 00:49:31.838

Right I play

00:49:32.091 --> 00:49:35.091

Volleyball. I play basketball.

00:49:35.226 --> 00:49:37.226

And I.

00:49:38.349 --> 00:49:40.349

Play

00:49:41.727 --> 00:49:43.727

Playing a track and field

00:49:45.027 --> 00:49:47.027

With Special Olympics.

00:49:48.675 --> 00:49:50.675  
And also.

00:49:51.965 --> 00:49:53.965  
I am

00:49:54.161 --> 00:49:58.161  
Do some like gardening.

00:49:58.417 --> 00:50:01.417  
Did take out those stumps.

00:50:01.171 --> 00:50:04.171  
And I did

00:50:04.839 --> 00:50:06.839  
Growing my melons

00:50:07.532 --> 00:50:09.532  
Nips and

00:50:09.282 --> 00:50:12.282  
Clean up

00:50:12.404 --> 00:50:16.404  
I wanna see some of my favorite TV shows.

00:50:18.162 --> 00:50:20.162  
And.

00:50:20.912 --> 00:50:22.912  
Also that.

00:50:22.976 --> 00:50:24.976  
I

00:50:25.598 --> 00:50:28.598  
Watch some.

00:50:30.359 --> 00:50:32.359  
I'm watching

00:50:32.667 --> 00:50:34.667  
Mostly

00:50:35.340 --> 00:50:37.340  
Cartoon ones and

00:50:37.093 --> 00:50:40.093  
Anime ones and

00:50:40.042 --> 00:50:42.042  
The history ones.

00:50:42.847 --> 00:50:45.847  
And all those -

00:50:48.343 --> 00:50:52.343  
Now, and I really like

00:50:52.467 --> 00:50:54.467  
Working with Gordon

00:50:55.793 --> 00:50:57.793  
And with.

00:50:58.528 --> 00:51:00.528  
Paramedics and Carle

00:51:01.104 --> 00:51:03.104  
Now.

00:51:07.108 --> 00:51:09.108  
Yep.

00:51:10.862 --> 00:51:12.862  
Yeah.

00:51:14.549 --> 00:51:16.549  
And then.

00:51:17.345 --> 00:51:19.345  
They may.

00:51:26.970 --> 00:51:29.970  
Hello.

00:51:30.156 --> 00:51:33.156  
My family and friends matter to me

00:51:33.488 --> 00:51:36.488  
A lot. I have nieces and nephews.

00:51:36.669 --> 00:51:39.669  
My job is really important, too. I love

00:51:39.403 --> 00:51:43.403  
What I do. I've worked in childcare for 18 years.

00:51:50.490 --> 00:51:52.490  
Anything?

00:51:53.917 --> 00:52:10.917  
Well, making sure that I have someplace to stay, that I live in nearby work. And there are other sources besides, they're very hard to find a job in where they are now, because they're so narrow - they're they would just take one look at you, and all of a sudden they just kick you out.

00:52:11.668 --> 00:52:13.668  
And also.

00:52:13.654 --> 00:52:25.654  
May I point this out on the the what, the what makes you better? The the  
no offense, or anything like that. But this good question sounds like  
it's a little bit selfish in my part.

00:52:25.850 --> 00:52:34.850  
Yeah, because because it's like you're saying, I'm better than you or I'm  
more than you. And that's what it sounds like to me on this one. Huh?

00:52:34.904 --> 00:52:36.904  
To point out to you guys.

00:52:58.029 --> 00:53:00.029  
Do you want to go?

00:53:07.029 --> 00:53:11.029  
Our family and friends if we have them.

00:53:23.841 --> 00:53:28.841  
Feeling safe in the community, and having access to the creative places

00:53:28.903 --> 00:53:31.903  
Where we can do our crafting outside of the house.

00:53:41.472 --> 00:53:45.472  
Okay, thank you. The next question. We're almost to the end.

00:53:45.540 --> 00:53:47.540  
You guys are doing so well.

00:53:47.590 --> 00:53:54.590  
Who helps you the most, and why? Oh, not most, and why? Who helps you the  
most And how? sorry.

00:54:05.094 --> 00:54:09.094  
Mostly like my staff help me.

00:54:09.029 --> 00:54:14.029  
Yeah, they they do some cooking and

00:54:14.218 --> 00:54:18.218  
They give us some medicine.

00:54:17.967 --> 00:54:20.967  
And they they go in

00:54:21.155 --> 00:54:23.155  
The stores

00:54:22.846 --> 00:54:25.846

And get my shopping done.

00:54:26.164 --> 00:54:29.164

And they they

00:54:29.037 --> 00:54:34.037

Thing they're gonna take us places.

00:54:34.286 --> 00:54:36.286

Yeah.

00:54:36.352 --> 00:54:38.352

Like

00:54:38.724 --> 00:54:41.724

The Walmart, and they

00:54:42.842 --> 00:54:45.842

Take us to McDonald's, so they

00:54:46.037 --> 00:54:48.037

Take us to

00:54:48.219 --> 00:54:50.219

Maybe bowling.

00:54:58.356 --> 00:55:00.356

Yeah, huh.

00:55:01.098 --> 00:55:03.098

You're done.

00:55:08.785 --> 00:55:12.785

My mom and dad help me the most. They helped me with the money.

00:55:11.912 --> 00:55:17.912

They help make it keep or stay organized, and help me with the grocery shopping.

00:55:18.468 --> 00:55:20.468

They take me shopping in fun places.

00:55:19.914 --> 00:55:25.914

They give me tools like charts and reminders to help me do more on my own.

00:55:30.098 --> 00:55:36.098

For some of us, our parents and the siblings help us. They help is the most to

00:55:35.907 --> 00:55:43.907

And they they helped us financially and you know, and they getting into the place. We need to go in every day. Life.

00:55:44.484 --> 00:55:46.484  
Because it's getting a little bit

00:55:47.167 --> 00:55:55.167  
Crowded a little bit because my mother tried to to try to sell the house because it was so rugged.

00:55:55.535 --> 00:56:05.535  
And my grandpa, since he lost he lost grandma 2 years ago, when and I'll say we agreed we brought them in. So we lived to - all 3 of us together

00:56:05.592 --> 00:56:07.592  
You know, under one roof.

00:56:13.848 --> 00:56:17.848  
There we go. Our PSWs also help us.

00:56:17.968 --> 00:56:24.968  
And so do agencies like community choices. They help us with things like managing our waiver funding and social security.

00:56:25.677 --> 00:56:28.677  
And maintaining other benefits, we might

00:56:27.849 --> 00:56:30.849  
Have like snap or liheap.

00:56:30.609 --> 00:56:32.609  
Thank you.

00:56:40.666 --> 00:56:42.666  
Thank you.

00:56:43.089 --> 00:56:47.089  
The last question we have written down is, what support

00:56:47.297 --> 00:56:50.297  
Are you missing that you may have had in the past?

00:56:51.165 --> 00:56:55.165  
Or - I'm gonna throw this out there - that you may want in the future?

00:57:11.713 --> 00:57:13.713  
I miss. I missed.

00:57:13.793 --> 00:57:20.793  
I miss some of the trips special rec would organize. I really appreciate

00:57:21.217 --> 00:57:25.217  
The help and getting to know such nice people on the board.

00:57:54.405 --> 00:57:57.405  
Thank you guys so much. Oh, go ahead, Sarah.



00:58:04.093 --> 00:58:08.093  
Thank you. How - I really miss my

00:58:08.847 --> 00:58:12.847  
Trips with CU Special Rec too, and

00:58:12.977 --> 00:58:14.977  
I

00:58:15.616 --> 00:58:17.616  
Missing

00:58:18.787 --> 00:58:20.787  
The t - hobbies

00:58:20.850 --> 00:58:22.850  
They did then

00:58:24.154 --> 00:58:27.154  
And activities.

00:58:28.719 --> 00:58:30.719  
You know?

00:58:30.975 --> 00:58:32.975  
And.

00:58:33.556 --> 00:58:35.556  
I do wanna

00:58:38.355 --> 00:58:40.355  
Go on the trips with those guys

00:58:40.044 --> 00:58:43.044  
Someday with those guys

00:58:43.614 --> 00:58:45.614  
Too.

00:58:46.925 --> 00:58:50.925  
Yeah. Maybe get a scholarhip

00:58:51.307 --> 00:58:55.307  
I doing, missing the

00:58:56.681 --> 00:59:01.681  
Going on airplanes, and all that.

00:59:02.245 --> 00:59:04.245  
Alright

00:59:04.685 --> 00:59:11.685  
Missing.. I did take a trip. I I did go on

00:59:12.615 --> 00:59:17.615  
The MTD once. I got my 1st

00:59:18.179 --> 00:59:20.179  
Mtd pass

00:59:22.431 --> 00:59:24.431  
You know.

00:59:26.742 --> 00:59:28.742  
Yeah.

00:59:40.420 --> 00:59:43.420  
Thank you all so much for this valuable information.

00:59:43.304 --> 00:59:50.304  
Do any of you have any questions for any members of the boards, or anything else that you guys want to share?

00:59:51.237 --> 00:59:57.237  
Or would you be open to any questions if board members have questions to for you guys?

00:59:59.568 --> 01:00:02.568  
Do any board members have questions?

01:00:04.170 --> 01:00:06.170  
5, 30.

01:00:06.483 --> 01:00:19.483  
Alright. Okay, so thank you, thank you. Thank you so much for coming. So I'm gonna be a little selfish here and make it a little bit about me. So I have a sister who is almost 43,

01:00:19.798 --> 01:00:24.798  
And we are facing some challenges of the future, in the fact that she currently lives with my dad

01:00:25.370 --> 01:00:41.370  
And I'm trying to pull in for the future. And so when you guys were talking about guardianship, you guys having the choices and all. It just hit me in the heart because I have to remember, even though I love her so much, and I'm trying to protect her,

01:00:41.557 --> 01:00:51.557  
She needs to make the decision. So thank you for reminding me that she is still capable of standing up for what she needs and wants and stuff like that. So

01:00:50.921 --> 01:00:57.921  
I I really appreciate you guys being, you know, very honest and vulnerable about that, because I don't wanna

01:00:58.001 --> 01:01:00.001

Overstep, showing my love

01:00:59.675 --> 01:01:02.675  
And advocacy for her, because

01:01:03.234 --> 01:01:12.234  
I'm telling you. I just filled out her disability paperwork and SSI, and that is a mountain. So thank you for that.

01:01:12.115 --> 01:01:24.115  
I took a lot of notes. So I'm gonna condense it down to 2 things. And this might be something that like Becca and Some of the other staff. Even our our mental health and disability staff can help with -

01:01:24.232 --> 01:01:29.232  
So you mentioned best buddies. So I'd like to know a little bit more about that.

01:01:29.167 --> 01:01:35.167  
It seems like you guys really would benefit from having more like

01:01:35.417 --> 01:01:38.417  
Community volunteers or people who

01:01:37.742 --> 01:01:49.742  
Kinda wanna be your friend, even if it's just to go have a Dr. Pepper together, or maybe travel, or go to a ball game or something. So I'm kinda curious as how.

01:01:50.496 --> 01:01:55.496  
Cause I'm a problem solver. So how can I help others help you guys

01:01:55.738 --> 01:02:00.738  
Find some volunteers or something, so we can get some of that interaction for you guys?

01:02:01.438 --> 01:02:03.438  
And then we also talked about trips.

01:02:03.618 --> 01:02:05.618  
I love to travel.

01:02:05.866 --> 01:02:18.866  
But it costs money, and I recognize that. And so I don't know if one of the barriers that some of our individuals are facing is because I know they can only have so much money in an account at a time,

01:02:18.988 --> 01:02:21.988  
So is that something that like.

01:02:22.171 --> 01:02:24.171  
Can there be a general

01:02:24.049 --> 01:02:36.049

Fund where people can help contribute money, fundraise whatever, so that a group of wonderful people can go on some trips? And you kind of had mentioned a little bit about.

01:02:36.115 --> 01:02:39.115  
Special wreck and so I don't know.

01:02:39.366 --> 01:02:51.366  
Is that still going, or what's going on there? So I will be quiet and let you guys touch base. And again, anyone can email me with more information or catch me after the meeting. Thank you so much.

01:02:56.239 --> 01:02:59.239  
Yeah, yeah, this

01:02:59.054 --> 01:03:04.054  
CU Special Rec is still going, you guys.

01:03:04.169 --> 01:03:06.169  
Yeah, and

01:03:06.854 --> 01:03:09.854  
They have a lot of programs there, too.

01:03:10.114 --> 01:03:13.114  
Yeah, why? Why?

01:03:13.555 --> 01:03:19.555  
Is that Champaign park district or who runs that? Yeah. Okay. Yeah. Yeah.

01:03:23.242 --> 01:03:25.242  
That's Champaign Park District. Okay.

01:03:25.442 --> 01:03:27.442  
Would you like

01:03:28.049 --> 01:03:30.049  
You like know more about Best

01:03:30.183 --> 01:03:33.183  
Would you like to know more about best buddies?

01:03:35.545 --> 01:03:37.545  
I would love to tell you.

01:03:37.233 --> 01:03:42.233  
Best Buddies, I'm the assistant director of best buddies,

01:03:42.052 --> 01:03:47.052  
And I've been in it for 18 years,

01:03:47.797 --> 01:03:51.797  
And it's a great program, and.

01:03:50.922 --> 01:03:53.922  
I love it dearly.

01:03:54.605 --> 01:03:56.605  
And it helps one on one like.

01:03:57.301 --> 01:03:59.301  
Sarah was in it for a while.

01:03:58.980 --> 01:04:01.980  
She's in it, she's in, but

01:04:02.249 --> 01:04:06.249  
And my husband too. Yes. And he goes to Best buddies.

01:04:05.859 --> 01:04:08.859  
And we have so much fun together.

01:04:08.739 --> 01:04:15.739  
And we go out to eat with our best buddies. Yes, and it means a 1-on-one.

01:04:16.429 --> 01:04:19.429  
One on one

01:04:19.122 --> 01:04:21.122  
Monthly

01:04:21.250 --> 01:04:23.250  
With it they're college...

01:04:22.993 --> 01:04:25.993  
You pretend you're in college? You're not, but.

01:04:25.682 --> 01:04:30.682  
I always pretend I'm in college, even though I'm 47. But

01:04:32.359 --> 01:04:34.359  
There you go. Alright! Go ahead.

01:04:34.606 --> 01:04:37.606  
So who can be part of best buddies?

01:04:37.369 --> 01:04:41.369  
Anybody can be part of Best Buddies actually -

01:04:41.490 --> 01:04:43.490  
Little kids.

01:04:45.666 --> 01:04:47.666  
Teenagers.

01:04:47.988 --> 01:04:52.988  
A young adult young adult.

01:04:53.122 --> 01:04:55.122

Yes, and I love it dearly.

01:04:54.805 --> 01:05:05.805

So do you have like a Facebook page, a website? How can we get more info?

Uh we have a Facebook page

01:05:06.546 --> 01:05:08.546

On Best Buddies, and you can see

01:05:07.672 --> 01:05:11.672

A picture of me on it, of course, and

01:05:11.738 --> 01:05:13.738

All my other.

01:05:14.102 --> 01:05:19.102

Of of my board, too, and his name is Brandon.

01:05:19.247 --> 01:05:23.247

And LG was

01:05:22.990 --> 01:05:25.990

My best buddy, but

01:05:26.187 --> 01:05:28.187

She's graduating early.

01:05:28.743 --> 01:05:30.743

But

01:05:31.732 --> 01:05:37.732

I've had so many buddies over the years I still keep in touch with them.

01:05:38.483 --> 01:05:41.483

And one even has a baby - best Buddy baby.

01:05:41.119 --> 01:05:45.119

So

01:05:44.806 --> 01:05:47.806

And I keep in touch with all of them.

01:05:54.789 --> 01:06:02.789

Yes. Well, Hello! I'm Lisa. I have a couple of things. Number one. We have to talk about anime.

01:06:03.425 --> 01:06:22.425

I just saw a new anime on Netflix. But we can talk about that afterward. We have to talk about best Buddy, cause I feel like I would like to have a best buddy. I need a Christmas ornament. We need to talk about the dogs and especially the cats. So I have a lot. And I do have something to ask you later on. Okay, cause you mentioned something that I do want to ask you about

01:06:22.301 --> 01:06:29.301

Later on. Yoga should be easy. I'm not sure what's going on, but I would love

01:06:30.054 --> 01:06:42.054

Well, it should be easy for you to access, and I wanna try to talk to you about that as well. Yeah. Thank you. Well of course! Educate me. For question 9,

01:06:42.299 --> 01:06:53.299

When I see a SW, my brain automatically goes to social worker, and I am pretty sure that PSW has nothing to do with social workers. Can you all tell me what that acronym means, please?

01:06:54.045 --> 01:06:57.045

What was it?

01:06:57.805 --> 01:07:01.805

PSW means personal support or personal service worker.

01:07:07.250 --> 01:07:09.250

Thank you, Tobie. Thank you.

01:07:13.044 --> 01:07:16.044

Are there other questions for the group?

01:07:18.115 --> 01:07:33.115

Hello, everybody! My name's Chris. I heard a lot of concern about transportation. How is transportation within champaign Urbana? I think somebody was in tolono in that area - I know that could be problematic. But inside champaign Urbana, how do you feel it is?

01:07:39.430 --> 01:07:41.430

I have a friend who

01:07:41.110 --> 01:07:43.110

Cause

01:07:43.675 --> 01:07:45.675

She lives in Mahomet,

01:07:45.370 --> 01:07:47.370

And I don't drive.

01:07:47.233 --> 01:07:54.233

So. It's hard to get place, and I know my parents are

01:07:54.429 --> 01:07:56.429

Doubly sweet.

01:07:58.545 --> 01:08:00.545

Is that them back there?

01:08:03.560 --> 01:08:07.560  
And I love them dearly, and they've

01:08:07.617 --> 01:08:09.617  
They, they really.

01:08:10.246 --> 01:08:12.246  
Really help me through this.

01:08:12.058 --> 01:08:16.058  
And get me through everything, especially DSC

01:08:17.617 --> 01:08:19.617  
So.

01:08:18.916 --> 01:08:22.916  
I just want to say, I love you, Dad. I love you, Mom.

01:08:28.882 --> 01:08:31.882  
Love you.

01:08:33.568 --> 01:08:35.568  
Answer that yeah. Oh, boy.

01:08:35.497 --> 01:08:39.497  
We have like DSC vehicles

01:08:39.450 --> 01:08:41.450  
You know, to

01:08:41.621 --> 01:08:44.621  
Help us get around

01:08:44.254 --> 01:08:46.254  
Ah,

01:08:47.439 --> 01:08:49.439  
I have like a group home Van

01:08:49.070 --> 01:08:52.070  
To get around, and

01:08:52.257 --> 01:08:55.257  
Our staff drive it

01:08:55.501 --> 01:08:57.501  
He...

01:08:57.700 --> 01:09:01.700  
We have the busses and

01:09:02.373 --> 01:09:04.373  
We have we have like,



01:09:04.445 --> 01:09:07.445  
Vans at Clark Road

01:09:06.758 --> 01:09:11.758  
Yeah, we we have training on

01:09:11.941 --> 01:09:15.941  
Stuff like taking the bus

01:09:16.056 --> 01:09:18.056  
From Clark Road to

01:09:18.809 --> 01:09:20.809  
To other places..

01:09:20.812 --> 01:09:22.812  
Where is this? Yeah.

01:09:22.565 --> 01:09:24.565  
Right, yeah.

01:09:26.823 --> 01:09:29.823  
And once they said...

01:09:29.458 --> 01:09:33.458  
And you said it all. I don't need to say it.

01:09:37.579 --> 01:09:51.579  
Truth be told of transportation. So far we're fine. I've myself. It's been fine, but truth is, my mother has to use a car all the time, and I know my grandpa used to drive, but also he just got a surgery for that one.

01:09:50.954 --> 01:09:56.954  
And so he can't. So, the doctor said he can't a drive anymore because of the concussion he had.

01:09:56.971 --> 01:10:11.971  
And so so with so, I think we need more transportation, so that not only myself, but also my grandfather, to kind of like help around the - help around, just in case Mom passes away by accident or

01:10:12.287 --> 01:10:19.287  
Of course, myself, and I can't even get on time on the on the boss in the morning when I go to home Depot. It's

01:10:18.844 --> 01:10:21.844  
Like really, early in the morning.

01:10:21.674 --> 01:10:33.674  
Yeah, and while you're speaking, I just wanted to again thank you for sticking up and saying didn't like that question. Never be afraid to stand up and and exert yourself and say, That's bogus. Thank you so much for that.

01:10:33.716 --> 01:10:42.716

And also with all the organizations we work with, I can't believe we can't find somebody to partner with to actually get Spanish courses.

01:10:43.412 --> 01:10:46.412

I can't guarantee anything, but we have enough connections,

01:10:46.596 --> 01:10:49.596

We should be able to do that. Kentucky Derby and bears games?

01:10:50.352 --> 01:10:53.352

I'd love to. I want to go myself so.

01:10:53.228 --> 01:10:59.228

I can't make any promises there, but yeah, so on that, I'll pass it along. If anyone else wants to speak.

01:10:58.905 --> 01:11:02.905

my name is Joe, and I.

01:11:05.723 --> 01:11:07.723

Hi Joe! Hi! Hi!

01:11:07.788 --> 01:11:09.788

And I just...

01:11:10.593 --> 01:11:14.593

I know 35 years ago, when I worked at DSC

01:11:15.411 --> 01:11:19.411

We took a group. I I was part of a group, but we took a group to florida.

01:11:21.801 --> 01:11:25.801

I'm getting a little emotional because one of the guys is in hospice right now.

01:11:26.412 --> 01:11:29.412

And it can happen.

01:11:29.526 --> 01:11:31.526

It did used to happen.

01:11:30.725 --> 01:11:34.725

I don't know where the resources went

01:11:35.467 --> 01:11:38.467

Or if some of those things are still available.

01:11:38.724 --> 01:11:42.724

And we just have to find the will to make sure it happens again.

01:11:42.615 --> 01:11:48.615

Because, talking about bears games - we went to the pacers games, I mean went to.

01:11:49.303 --> 01:11:51.303  
Went to Indianapolis for pacers Game.

01:11:51.427 --> 01:11:54.427  
We. We did quite a few different things.

01:11:53.695 --> 01:11:56.695  
In the late eighties and early nineties.

01:11:56.735 --> 01:11:58.735  
And

01:11:59.120 --> 01:12:05.120  
I know the resources are there somewhere. I've known Tobie ever since he was a 10 year old.

01:12:05.171 --> 01:12:07.171  
Or someone like that. So.

01:12:07.545 --> 01:12:12.545  
So we can seem to find the resources.

01:12:12.671 --> 01:12:15.671  
I just stopped at dsc, and

01:12:14.809 --> 01:12:17.809  
If any one of you guys are out there.

01:12:17.804 --> 01:12:23.804  
I'll come there and teach you yoga class or fit - This class used to come to my fitness class way back.

01:12:24.546 --> 01:12:29.546  
Yeah, I mean, that's accessible. And I see some of you guys come to the Y.M.C.A.

01:12:29.242 --> 01:12:32.242  
We can make a special class for that also. I would,

01:12:32.927 --> 01:12:34.927  
I'll be willing to do a special class

01:12:34.548 --> 01:12:36.548  
If need be.

01:12:46.191 --> 01:12:48.191  
Are there any other questions?

01:12:48.555 --> 01:12:55.555  
Want to give the family members an opportunity to talk too, if they have anything they'd like to say, or the staff that are here.

01:12:54.920 --> 01:13:00.920

Actually Tiffany has something that she wanted to say. I'm gonna.

01:13:01.054 --> 01:13:03.054

She told me what she wanted me to say.

01:13:03.170 --> 01:13:05.170

So.

01:13:05.245 --> 01:13:07.245

Tiffany likes.

01:13:10.624 --> 01:13:12.624

Your mic is off again.

01:13:13.427 --> 01:13:18.427

There we go. Okay. So Tiffany takes the bus. The Mtd Bus around town.

01:13:18.059 --> 01:13:21.059

And she's - correct me if I'm wrong at any point -

01:13:20.989 --> 01:13:26.989

She said that like transportation for her is pretty good, and it gets her to the places that she wants to go,

01:13:27.233 --> 01:13:31.233

But when the weather is bad, or if the bus is running late, then she's late.

01:13:31.925 --> 01:13:54.925

And then she said that which is one of the reasons she appreciates the transportation program through community choices, because it is it's door to door, and so as long as she plans ahead a little bit, then she can schedule her rides and not have to hang out in the cold or hang out in the rain waiting for the bus. But when the weather is optimal, she's able to get where she needs to go pretty much in town on the bus.

01:13:55.928 --> 01:13:57.928

Okay.

01:13:57.996 --> 01:13:59.996

Great insight. Thank you.

01:14:05.506 --> 01:14:09.506

So any other comments from

01:14:09.197 --> 01:14:11.197

The self advocates or

01:14:11.763 --> 01:14:13.763

From staff or family members.

01:14:14.441 --> 01:14:17.441

We'd love to hear from you. Come on up to the microphone.

01:14:18.257 --> 01:14:21.257  
While you're coming up. I have a question,

01:14:21.004 --> 01:14:26.004  
And I might be asking someone else's behalf.

01:14:26.630 --> 01:14:36.630  
But do you have any more of your Star Wars pieces for sale? How could a person buy one or more of those?

01:14:37.879 --> 01:14:40.879  
We get prices for it.

01:14:43.123 --> 01:14:45.123  
And we have

01:14:45.382 --> 01:14:49.382  
AJ. He gives me choice with the price of

01:14:49.066 --> 01:14:52.066  
The pictures, and all that.

01:14:52.322 --> 01:14:55.322  
And I just draw a picture of the city bus.

01:14:56.001 --> 01:14:59.001  
And it was a empty bus.

01:14:59.122 --> 01:15:02.122  
And it's a accordion bus

01:15:02.890 --> 01:15:04.890  
And I draw that too.

01:15:04.998 --> 01:15:07.998  
And I'm going to put there in the picture frame.

01:15:08.753 --> 01:15:12.753  
And then I do. I got more Star Wars

01:15:11.939 --> 01:15:15.939  
Pictures. And we're gonna put in the frame.

01:15:18.193 --> 01:15:20.193  
And it'll be at the Crow.

01:15:19.934 --> 01:15:23.934  
And we sell soap and we

01:15:24.626 --> 01:15:28.626  
Are. We gonna have a little ornament, and it's gonna have.

01:15:30.010 --> 01:15:32.010  
Star Wars on it.

01:15:32.559 --> 01:15:34.559  
And everything, and then a Snowman

01:15:36.065 --> 01:15:44.065  
Could you - Can you say kind of where the crow is? like is it convenient?

01:15:44.246 --> 01:15:47.246  
It's in Champaign. It's right where you go towards the

01:15:47.060 --> 01:15:51.060  
Police station, and it's the bus.

01:15:51.688 --> 01:15:53.688  
MTD bus

01:15:52.881 --> 01:15:56.881  
Place, and there's a bridge you go to.

01:15:58.567 --> 01:16:01.567  
And then there's another building.

01:16:01.327 --> 01:16:03.327  
It's across...

01:16:03.380 --> 01:16:06.380  
We take our picture and pick what

01:16:06.570 --> 01:16:08.570  
A good picture you got.

01:16:07.636 --> 01:16:10.636  
And you get a ribbon for it.

01:16:13.435 --> 01:16:15.435  
And it's right close to crow.

01:16:15.568 --> 01:16:17.568  
And all that.

01:16:17.765 --> 01:16:19.765  
When is this gonna happen?

01:16:19.822 --> 01:16:21.822  
We don't really sure, but

01:16:21.447 --> 01:16:24.447  
She'll find out

01:16:25.576 --> 01:16:27.576  
What day will be on there,

01:16:27.752 --> 01:16:29.752  
And we always have the opening.

01:16:30.372 --> 01:16:32.372  
Coming in to - people come in.

01:16:32.625 --> 01:16:34.625  
And they look at the

01:16:35.507 --> 01:16:38.507  
Pictures, and we just make a

01:16:38.251 --> 01:16:40.251  
A crocodile.

01:16:40.004 --> 01:16:44.004  
I make, and then I make a snake

01:16:44.758 --> 01:16:46.758  
With bottles,

01:16:49.130 --> 01:16:51.130  
And we put the string through it.

01:16:51.569 --> 01:16:54.569  
Oh, now I get ya, and I put,

01:16:54.250 --> 01:16:56.250  
And then I put feathers on it.

01:16:57.060 --> 01:16:59.060  
And all that, but the

01:16:58.628 --> 01:17:01.628  
Crocodile. I glue it together.

01:17:02.320 --> 01:17:06.320  
And put, and I put the tail on it and the mouth.

01:17:07.123 --> 01:17:11.123  
You have great, you have great talent.

01:17:13.623 --> 01:17:15.623  
Now will you be

01:17:15.189 --> 01:17:20.189  
At the disabilities expo as one of our art vendors by chance.

01:17:20.824 --> 01:17:24.824  
Okay. So it's gonna be a race to her table, it sounds like.

01:17:25.942 --> 01:17:28.942  
Not if I get to

01:17:29.446 --> 01:17:35.446

The Crow, 110 at 110 East University Avenue in Champaign.

01:17:35.127 --> 01:17:37.127

I'm a Star Wars Nerd, I think.

01:17:37.129 --> 01:17:42.129

Lynn knew that. I I just wanna say to all of you

01:17:41.953 --> 01:17:50.953

Over here that I was the one that asked first, Remember? so remember me.  
I get the crocodile.

01:18:01.697 --> 01:18:03.697

I make the cards

01:18:03.513 --> 01:18:06.513

Or with AJ,

01:18:06.583 --> 01:18:09.583

And he always be there, Helps me out.

01:18:10.521 --> 01:18:12.521

And then he tells me what price

01:18:12.385 --> 01:18:14.385

I wanna put on stuff.

01:18:14.954 --> 01:18:17.954

And then we always sit.

01:18:18.326 --> 01:18:20.326

They set the table up

01:18:20.332 --> 01:18:23.332

Where the pictures are and

01:18:23.144 --> 01:18:25.144

All the we do.

01:18:25.537 --> 01:18:27.537

Crafts.

01:18:27.959 --> 01:18:29.959

And we're just going to make another one.

01:18:29.326 --> 01:18:33.326

Picture. It's gonna be a pac-man.

01:18:34.203 --> 01:18:37.203

And I'm helping my friend

01:18:37.830 --> 01:18:44.830

Scotty, and he can't really make the picture, and I'm doing it for him.



01:18:44.087 --> 01:18:47.087  
I know. Scott. Yeah.

01:18:46.959 --> 01:18:50.959  
Yeah, Scott it's really nice for him,

01:18:51.577 --> 01:18:54.577  
The face on it, and the little ghost

01:18:54.697 --> 01:18:56.697  
Around it.

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And that one is already spoken for, because Patty told me about it, and I love Pac-man so - sorry. I'm Kelli. I work at DSC, and I just yes, there will be some artists at the Expo,

01:19:11.775 --> 01:19:17.775  
But also there will be a holiday open house that's open to the public, and I believe it's going to be the

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1st Sunday in December, I believe, but we will definitely get more information to both

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About that. There's also an online store for soaps and candles and things. So you can look that up through the DSC

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So just wanted to add that in there.

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The Best

01:19:38.961 --> 01:19:41.961  
The Best Buddy

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1st 1st meeting party.

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Is Sunday,

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On the 29th

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And it's from

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11 to 12.

01:19:57.150 --> 01:20:01.150

11 to 12 is the best Buddy Matching party if

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Anybody would like to go

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And support, and everything.

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Thanks. Love you guys.

01:20:09.903 --> 01:20:12.903

Okay, Deb, why don't you go ahead?

01:20:14.888 --> 01:20:16.888

Oh, turn your mic back on.

01:20:15.959 --> 01:20:27.959

There, is it on now? Okay, I just wanted to say as a parent who's lived a long life here in Champaign County, and had my son here

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In county, we have had access to both of these wonderful agencies

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Over the years. They have provided us with different and varied and many things.

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And we continue to do day programming through DSC,

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Which is an amazing part of how, for instance, my son feels very

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Validated in his life, and he's able to handle the type of work and type of, you know, that's there for him. You know, on a daily basis.

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So I think it's very important that

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In today's world when we're not seeing day programming exist

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As it once did, that it's very important to some families that it does exist.

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Okay. Second thing I wanted to say is regarding the transportation program that you fund through community choices. We live rural - We live out in the country.

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We live 20 miles from town.

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And my son does some driving, but he does not do the driving it takes to go do the fun stuff - to go do the stuff in life that he wants to do.

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So with serving all of the county, all of Champaign County, not just Champaign Urbana.

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It has allowed him to feel independent.

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It - He enjoys seeing who's coming to get him.

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He feels like he has a life of his own.

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So I just wanted to tell you emotionally

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How much it has all meant to us.

01:22:16.911 --> 01:22:18.911

Thank you.

01:22:24.012 --> 01:22:27.012

That was so nice to hear. Thank you for

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Sharing

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Your emotions and your

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Opinions about what you think

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Assisted you and your son over the years.

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I don't get to hear that too often.

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Parents, of adult -

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I don't want to say parents of adult children -

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But I tend to think that my grown child is still my child, and that's the problem. So, yeah, but.

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I really felt that in my heart, and I just want to share that with you.

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Well should we move on to successes and other agency information?

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Why don't we move on to successes and other agency information.

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And if you guys want to pipe in on any of this, please feel free.

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Yeah, nothing.

01:23:33.665 --> 01:23:37.665

Quiet on the zoom, quiet on the zoom. Okay.

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Well, it was enlightening

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To be a part of this, for sure. Really appreciate all of the input and your,

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In coming to talk to us, because that's not an easy thing to do either. A lot of people I know

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Who are - don't like to have those microphones in front of them, but you are doing a great service to everybody

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In Champaign County, who has the same kind of needs that you all do.

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And we all want better lives for you

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And for other people with disabilities in our county and in the State of Illinois. So thank you for what you've done

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And keep on talking.

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Let people know what you want, what you need.

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And you know what's gonna make a better life for you, because that's important.

01:24:26.217 --> 01:24:28.217  
Thank you very much.

01:24:35.344 --> 01:24:44.344  
Okay? So I guess we're beyond successes and other agency information. That's not anything that anybody - Are there any board announcements tonight?

01:24:47.092 --> 01:24:49.092  
No, alright then I guess.

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Then we are adjourned

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At 7 o'clock.

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Thank you so much.