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Achieve Services Receives \$6,000 AT&T Donation to Support Job Training for Adults with Disabilities

AT&T Donation Will Support Program that Develops Working Skills for Those with Disabilities

BLAINE, Wednesday, December 2, 2015 – Achieve Services, Inc. received a \$6,000 AT&T donation today to support its job training program for adults with disabilities. The AT&T donation was announced during a meeting of the Blaine-Ham Lake Rotary Club.

The AT&T donation will support Achieve Services' community job opportunity program that helps develop working skills for individuals with disabilities. A licensed day training and habilitation program, Achieve Services serves adults with development disabilities.

“By creating innovative opportunities that inspire people with disabilities, our goal is to help every one of our participants lead a meaningful and self-determined life,” said Tom Weaver, CEO of Achieve Services. “Thanks to this donation from AT&T, we will be able to provide additional training and skills support for those in our job training program.”

Through its job training and other programs, Achieve works to help participants:

- Develop and maintain life skills;
- Participate in the community;
- Engage in proactive and satisfying activities of their own choosing; and
- Find and maintain competitive, meaningful employment.

“We are proud to support Achieve Services and its mission to help those with disabilities gain the life and work skills they need to find a successful job,” said Paul Weirtz, president of AT&T Minnesota. “As a company, AT&T is committed to workforce development and giving back to our communities.”

More than half of Achieve participants work at paying jobs in the community. Participants prepare for their jobs through a combination of in-house and on-site training and supervision.

“Achieve Services is a wonderful organization that is helping adults with disabilities find independence and enhance their quality of life through meaningful employment,” said State Rep. Tim Sanders. “The work they do makes such a positive difference for so many underserved individuals with disabilities.”

To learn more about Achieve Services, please visit: <http://www.achieveservices.org/>.

As a company, AT&T is committed to advancing education, strengthening communities and improving lives. Through its philanthropic initiatives, the company has a long history of supporting projects that create learning opportunities, promote academic achievement and address community needs.

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