



November 30, 2015

2014-2015 Summary of Services:

- Distinguished Affiliate designation by North Carolina Arc at annual conference September 2015;
- Crisis intervention including rental assistance, utility payments, medical assistance and counseling to 252 clients;
- Community oversight and advocacy assistance and summer camp scholarships serving a total of 102 families;
- Health and Wellness activities such as Healthy Eating counseling supplemented by exercise classes of yoga and zumba serving 70 preschool children; 185 Middle and High School students;
- For our clients in group homes or families with very limited means holiday meals and gifts serving a total of 341 clients;
- Two yearly social enrichment events, which allow our clients a chance to enjoy one another, live entertainment, social activities and refreshments.

There are many more activities undertaken by the Arc to help manage, mentor and mediate for our less fortunate citizens. In carrying out the above activities and much more, we have concluded that an underlying need in our community is housing stability. Housing stability is our focus for the coming year.

We ask that you consider helping the Arc provide assistance to these families with a generous donation to our unrestricted funds. Please send donations to the address below. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Al Whitesides, Jr." in a cursive style.

Al Whitesides, Jr.
Board President

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Oscar Wong" in a cursive style.

Oscar Wong
Immediate Past
Board President



My client is 4 yrs old. He has Autism. The Arc of Buncombe County has provided support of advocacy to my client's educational needs, financial assistance with emergency housing and utility bills, Christmas gifts for client and his siblings and numerous other duties that have supported my client's well being and his family's needs. The Arc of Buncombe County has made a difference in my client's life by preventing my client and his family having to transition to a homeless shelter, from going hungry or living without electricity and heat during the cold winter months. My client has challenging mental health, developmental and behavioral needs that have gained progress and stability throughout many of these hardships with the Arc's support. I have seen the outcomes from the Arc of Buncombe County's support and I want to thank you for supporting my client and his family in achieving positive outcomes, stability and well being. Thank you for supporting this child and his family in obtaining a higher quality of life!!

Sincerely,

Amber R'
Young Child Program &
Intensive In Home Coordinator

****My email has changed, you can reach me at Amber.Richardson@pathways.com Thanks! *****

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You Can Help

Become a valued member – Join today!

Support fundraising efforts.

Volunteer your time.

Spread joy at Christmas – Join operation Santa.

Spread the Word!

Our Mission

The Arc of Buncombe County exists to empower low to moderate income children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities to realize their highest potential through advocacy, education, programs and family support.

The Arc of Buncombe County Supports...

INCLUSION. Inclusion at work, school and in recreation.

ADVOCACY. Equal access, quality funding, and protection of rights.

PROGRAMS. Personal health needs, short term emergency financial assistance, and person centered planning.

EDUCATION. Coordination with other agencies to increase awareness, and provide information about environmental & medical issues.



Our Story

The local branch of The Arc began in 1957 with a group of volunteers concerned about the lack of programs for those with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities in our community. Today, it is a professional organization with 501 (c) 3 status and a paid staff that effectively works to help individuals and their families realize their highest potential through advocacy, education, programs and family support.



The Arc

of Buncombe County

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of Buncombe County



Empowerment Advocacy Education Collaboration

Serving Children & Adults
with Intellectual and
Developmental Disabilities
for Over 50 Years



EMPOWERMENT ADVOCACY EDUCATION COLLABORATION

The Arc of Buncombe County is a local non-profit agency that serves low to moderate income people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities.

What we do...

- **Encouraging individuals** to reach their highest potential by helping them to fully participate in all aspects of life.

- **Support independence** by encouraging the the likelihood that each of the people we serve achieves their maximum level of independence with our **Social Enrichment Program**.

- **Assist individuals** and families in need with our **Crisis Intervention Program** providing guidance sessions to assess



immediate and long-term needs, such as housing, transportation, employment and more.

- **Adapt and apply** proven fitness strategies through our **Health and Wellness Program**.

- **Provide low to moderate** income people with up-to-date medical, legal, and educational information through the **Augmented Case Management Program**.



- **Increase awareness** and understanding of intellectual and developmental disability in the community at large.

- **Advocate** for necessary legislative reform on the local, state and federal levels.

- **Work to build** a more cohesive community support system for our low to moderate income, intellectually and developmentally challenged children and adults.



For more information visit our website www.arcofbcc.org

