

Supportive Employment for Adults with Developmental Disabilities

501(c)(3) Non-Profit Corporation

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA RETURNS!

Saturday December 10th 9am-1pm

PANCAKE BREAKFAST PHOTOS WITH SANTA KIDS ACTIVITIES AUCTION & RAFFLE

By Newsletter Staff

Happy Holidays! Little Red Hen is happy to announce that we have some fantastic family-oriented events coming your way. But before we get to that, we'd like to take this time to thank each and every one of our community members for their continued support. You help us help our community, so thank you!

Breakfast with Santa is back and just around the corner. Join us on Saturday, December 10th, at the Eagles Dining Hall, 1940 Mulberry Street, Chico, Ca. From 9 a.m. to 1 Enjoy a delicious pancake breakfast, children's activities, a silent auction, a raffle, and, of course, your picture with Santa Claus.



Tickets available at

LittleRedHen.org

& all SIX stores (or at the door)



All proceeds will help fund Little Red Hen's children's programs.

We hope to see you there!

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Mission Statement

Little Red Hen is a 501(c)(3)non-profit organization serving children and adults with developmental disabilities. Our six Chico retail locations provide employment that is not subminimal wage. Our retail and horticulture departments employ 175 developmentally disabled adults, supported through the sales of items. 100% of our sales/donations benefit quality programs for children and adults with developmental disabilities like Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Down Syndrome, and other cognitive disabilities.

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> EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT <

Congratulations Andrea N.



Andrea N.

For the past 11 years Andrea N. has been an exemplary Little Red Hen employee. Andrea has earned a well deserved promotion!

By Bailey W.

Andrea's work ethic and ability to teach others has really developed, culminating in her recent promotion.

The promotion, from Staff Trainee to Shopify Instructor, was, in Andrea's words, "kind of expected" after so much time, and so much hard work.

Andrea is very excited to work in her new position, saying that it has opened "new opportunities for me." From all of us working at Little Red Hen, congratulations, Andrea!

Congratulations Anne Marie W.



Anne Marie W.

Anne Marie W. is another stellar Little Red Hen employee and has also been promoted. Anne Marie was promoted from staff trainee to assistant and is excited to make that jump.

By Newsletter Staff

Anne Marie has loved her time at Little Red Hen so far, mostly because of our company's positive atmosphere. The "employees are wonderful," Anne Marie shared.

Anne Marie has greatly enjoyed the years she has spent at the company and looks forward to growing into this new position.

We'd like to take this time to thank Anne Marie for her hard work and congratulate her on this opportunity.



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> NEWS

By Bailey W.

On September 12th, Kohl's announced the launch of a new clothing line geared for adults with disabilities. Previously in 2019 Kohl's released a similar line for children with disabilities. The clothes in both lines are designed primarily to be as comfortable and as easy to independently put on as possible.

Now, Kohl's has expanded this clothing line to adults, with Ron Murray, Kohl's interim chief merchandising officer stating that, "Kohl's is proud to expand our adaptive assortments and offer inclusive collections for the entire family."

Kohls' Clothing

This is exciting news, as while more retail stores have been offering adaptive clothing in recent years, the majority of that focus has been on products for children rather than adults. Kohl's has joined Target and Zappos in selling clothing and accessories for adults with disabilities.

Alex M. at the Gift Shop has expressed that this move, "shows real character on their part." And several other employees have commented that the new line is a good idea, especially for those who are disabled and have less maneuverability.

Mia C. from Vintage said, "the world needs more businesses like that." It's not hard to agree, and we look forward to seeing this new clothing line as well as more projects and promotions like it, both from Kohl's and other businesses in the community.

For now, the clothing line is online, with upper management taking a 'wait and see' approach before potentially expanding the line to their retail stores.

Major Money

By Newsletter Staff

Major funds are being directed towards disability-related efforts. This money is supposed to be aimed at developing positive change.

\$100 million is being donated by a few different federal agencies so scientists can conduct more research about how autism impacts the various people diagnosed with it, something that is incredibly important.

Sarah W. at our vintage store feels happy knowing that this money is being donated to a good cause. She does also believe that autistic people's employment capabilities could be researched more, but hopefully the \$100 million can help a little with that.

Some adults with disabilities make what is called "sub minimum wage," meaning they make slightly below the minimum wage. Several states across the country allow for this, and many are determined to put a stop to this practice. Some federal programs are giving at least \$177 million to 14 states to help bridge the gap between minimum and sub minimum wage jobs.



The idea is that this money will be used to develop employment programs that ensure adults with developmental disabilities are paid what they deserve.

Little Red Hen is, of course, a strong proponent of the idea that everyone deserves employment, everyone deserves the right to support themselves, and everyone should be paid fairly.

We hope these moves are signals that even greater growth is yet to come.



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- Shopping at our stores
- Sharing our story