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## **Community Options in Santa Fe Has Big Plans to Support People with Disabilities**

PRINCETON, NJ – (March 27, 2015) Three years ago, Community Options of Santa Fe began providing group homes to those with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Since then, they have only scratched the surface of their commitment to acquire properties for residential services. The short-term and long-term goal is to grow and offer the best Supported Living services in the Santa Fe area.

Community Options of Santa Fe operates several homes on Airport Road that can house up to four residents each. The properties are single level, with two baths and private rooms. The neighborhood is quiet with easy access to restaurants, shopping, movies and libraries for the residents. Transportation is available for destinations outside of walking distance.

Community Options is planning to obtain more homes in the very near future.

“Community Options strives to provide housing and care of the highest quality,” said Community Options Executive Director of Albuquerque and Santa Fe, Bill Wagner.

“Recently after spending the day with staff setting up her son's room, Esther, mother of one of our 41-year-old residents phoned me informing me that she cried all the way home after leaving that day. When I inquired what was wrong, she replied, ‘Nothing, I was overcome with tears of joy knowing that my son has a place like that to call home with staff that cares so much for him.’”

Since its founding in 1989, Community Options provides housing and employment support to people with disabilities. Community Options possesses the most dedicated and caring staff to assist individuals in living their everyday lives.

“Coming to work each day, knowing I am making the lives of the individuals we serve better means everything to me. To be able to do this in such a beautiful home makes it even better,” said Sabrina, house manager for the newest Community Options homes.

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### About Community Options

For over 25 years, Community Options has developed housing and employment programs for people with disabilities. Community Options operates with a budget over \$107 million and serves thousands of people with disabilities through 38 offices across 9 states. Providing advocacy assistance to empower people with disabilities, Community Options believes that all people –regardless of disability level – should live and work in the community with dignity, choice, and self-determination. A registered PVO with USAID, Community Options is also the pioneer of innovative programs for people with disabilities in the Middle East, Russia, and South America. Please visit our website at [www.comop.org](http://www.comop.org).

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