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NJ Director of Vocational Rehabilitation Services Visits Community Options' Entrepreneurial Businesses

PRINCETON, NJ – Last month, Alice Hunnicutt, the State of New Jersey's Director of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRS), visited nonprofit Community Options' entrepreneurial businesses; the Daily Plan It in Morristown and Presents of Mind in Flanders, NJ.

Community Options, a national nonprofit that offers housing and employment supports to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, provides services through DVRS and recently were approved to provide trial work experience.

The Daily Plan It (DPI) is a Community Options Enterprises' business which was created to train and employ people with disabilities. The DPI is a complete office, conference and copy center that offers furnished office rental space or virtual tenancy to a variety of businesses. The DPI gives people with disabilities an opportunity to earn minimum wage or better, learn new skills and find employment in the community with their new skill set.

Presents of Mind, an enterprise of Community Options, Inc., is a boutique-style gift shop located at the Mall at 206, on Route 206 South in Flanders, NJ. It is an entrepreneurial business that provides job training and employment to individuals with developmental disabilities. Presents of Mind employs several adults with disabilities as retail associates. They work with cross-trained employment specialists who have experience in both retail and job training. All of the functions of a typical business are incorporated into the training program at Presents of Mind, including sales, inventory, maintenance, and design.

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About Community Options, Inc.:

For over 25 years, Community Options has developed housing and employment programs for people with disabilities – serving thousands of people through 38 offices across 10 states. Community Options provides advocacy assistance to empower people with disabilities because all people – regardless of ability level – should live and work in the community with dignity, choice and self-determination.

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