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New Homes and Starts for Several Burlington County Natives in 2018

PRINCETON, NJ – The Burlington County region of Community Options has seen great progress to open 2018, as they've opened two new homes to provide residential support for several individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Earlier this month, Community Options (COI) opened its first fee-for-service site in Burlington County. The home is at 11 Needwood Lane in Willingboro and was originally purchased in January 2017. Having gone through an entire remodeling, the residence contains over 2,400 square feet along with four bedrooms and three full bathrooms. One of the bathrooms and two of the bedrooms are ADA-accessible. The home will provide a quality living situation for four gentlemen, as two individuals have already moved in.

The second home is in Marlton at 83 N. Locust Avenue. This residence was an entirely new construction, partially funded by Evesham Township through the Affordable Housing Program. The home was completed in December with one individual currently living there.

Like Needwood, the N. Locust residence will provide a home for four individuals. The home contains four bedrooms (one ADA-accessible) and four bedrooms (two ADA-accessible). On April 5, a brother and sister will move in; their first placement away from their family home.

COI will provide 24/7 staffing in order to increase independence for all eight individuals. In addition to the homes, the national nonprofit purchased two new transit vehicles which have amenities for two wheelchairs and four seats each.

Both homes have two ramps at both the front and back egress to allow for safe evacuation of those individuals who require the use of a wheelchair for ambulation. Both homes also have a plethora of outdoor space allowing for barbeques and many other outdoor activities.

A second new construction site will begin in the summer of 2018 with Community Options once again partnering with Evesham Township. In addition to these two NJ homes, earlier this month two Community Options homes in Mount Laurel, NJ were restored by New Jersey District 7 Senator Troy Singleton and several volunteers.

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About Community Options, Inc.:

For 29 years, Community Options has developed housing and employment programs for people with disabilities – serving thousands of people through over 40 offices across 11 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. For more information please visit our website: www.comop.org and to follow along with the ComOpCares campaign, search #ComOpCares on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.