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New Program Launched in Wayne To Provide People with Disabilities Competitive Jobs and Training for Future Employment

State and Local Officials Join in Opening of Community Options' Daily Plan It Which Also Provides Office Space for Small Businesses

WAYNE, NJ – OCTOBER 30, 2020– Community Options Enterprises [formally launched](#) The Daily Plan It at 41 Williams Street in Wayne – a unique entrepreneurial business that provides job training and competitive integrated employment to people with disabilities. Officials of the nonprofit were joined at the formal ribbon cutting by New Jersey state Senator Kirstin Corrado, Assemblyman Kevin J. Rooney Jr., Assemblyman Christopher DePhillips and Wayne Mayor Christopher Vergano.

“People of all abilities deserve the opportunity to find meaningful work,” said Robert Stack, President and CEO of Community Options. “The Daily Plan It is a proven paradigm that has a profound impact on the community and people with disabilities.”

The program is intended to support such constituents as Lashamiek McPhatter, a South Orange resident who has started to work at Daily Plan It for three days each week. She will spend half of her time performing custodial and administrative work. The other half will be spent with Daily Plan It staff, who will train her on everything from interview techniques to practical job skills.

While McPhatter noted that she’s had difficulties obtaining work in the past, she will not let that deter her. “I’m not hoping for work, now,” McPhatter said. “I’m going to get work.”

“The opening of our latest Daily Plan It is a testament to the great team that has been assembled at Community Options Enterprises,” said Phil Lian, Chairman of the Community Options Enterprises Board of Directors. “The Daily Plan It’s unique business model is a great opportunity for the local business community to see the high quality of work performed by people with disabilities and the value of having diversity in the workplace.”

Community Options is a national nonprofit that provides housing and employment for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This is the fifth Daily Plan It in New Jersey, with additional locations in Morristown, Moorestown, and two in Princeton. The Wayne facility also offers fully furnished office space and virtual tenancy to the local business community.

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About Community Options, Inc.:

For over 30 years, Community Options has developed housing and employment supports for people with disabilities – supporting thousands of people from over 40 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. For more information please visit our website: www.comop.org and to follow along with the #AllItTakes campaign, search #AllItTakes on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram