



Meet Megan Bell: A New Face at JAXChamber

After two years working at Publix, Megan recently began working part-time as an Operations Assistant for JAXChamber.

Megan is responsible for arranging boardrooms for company meetings, assembling new membership welcome packets and greeting and engaging Chamber members. Megan's strong work ethic and bubbly personality are a perfect fit for her position, and her co-workers speak highly of the value that she adds to the Chamber family.



Congratulations Megan!



Employee of the Year: Eric Pagan



Congratulations to Eric Pagan, The Arc Jacksonville's 2015-2016 Employee of the Year. Throughout this past year, Eric has had tremendous professional growth. He was promoted to Program Assistant and has taken on many new and varied responsibilities.

Eric is a team player and sets a great example for his coworkers. His energy and positive attitude are contagious.

He especially enjoys interacting with program participants and assisting those who have difficulty communicating their needs. Eric makes sure that everyone feels involved and enjoys what they are doing.

In addition to his regular duties, Eric is always willing to help with whatever needs to be done. Whether fixing computers or preparing for special events, he is always the first to volunteer his assistance.

Although Eric was initially shocked, he was happy and proud he earned the award.

"When I heard the nice things being read about me, I was honestly touched," Eric said. "Receiving this award has been my greatest accomplishment so far."

Eric says that working at The Arc Jacksonville has changed his life. What started as a job to earn a paycheck has become a passion for working with adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Eric looks forward to continuing to grow in his career with The Arc Jacksonville.



Welcome to the Team: New Faces at The Arc Jacksonville



We would like to welcome aboard a few new faces recently hired at The Arc Jacksonville. We are excited to have them as part of our team to help further our mission to serve adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities.

Left to right: Lana Petry, Justin Humphrey, Sara McMillan & (not pictured) Bernadette Gismonde

Please help us welcome Lana Petry: *On Campus Transition Residential Coordinator*, Justin Humphrey: *Operations Coordinator, The Arc Jacksonville Village*, Sara McMillan: *Vice President, Development* and Bernadette Gismonde: *On Campus Transition Director*.

[Click here to read about each new face and how they're helping the agency achieve!](#)



Another Year Well-Served: 2015-2016 AmeriCorps Service Year

We would like to thank our AmeriCorps members for their year of service and for being a part of The Arc Jacksonville team. We're proud of the great things achieved during their year of service and their commitment to furthering The Arc Jacksonville's mission of serving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Congratulations to the AmeriCorps members who received awards during the end-of-year celebration!

Member of the year: Andrea Acevedo
Team Leader: Katie Shaneyfelt
Helping Hand: Domikus Howard
Recruitment Ninja: Carlo Ramos
Superior Supervisor: Shannon Griffin



Congratulations and thank you for your service!

If you or anyone you know is interested in serving as an AmeriCorps member for the upcoming 2016-2017 service year, please contact Program Director, Kelly Brenner at kbrenner@arcjacksonville.org. You can also visit arcjacksonville.org for more information



Summer LIFE 2016 | Session 1

The first session of Summer LIFE 2016 was a great success with participants returning home armed with increased independent living skills.

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The Arc's Got Talent

Participants showed off their unique abilities during a talent show on Friday, July 1st. From dancing, singing, poetry, monologues and everything in between, program participants put on an amazing show

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