

Imagine



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OUR MISSION:

Imagine Supported Living Services is a 501C3 public benefit corporation in Santa Cruz County, providing services to adults with disabilities. Our mission is to provide outstanding, personalized services and support to adults with developmental disabilities who wish to live and work in their community. We value people of all abilities and their inherent right to live with dignity. We work cooperatively with all members of our community to increase access and reduce barriers for people with disabilities to support the development of meaningful relationships and full inclusion.

Imagine provides over 7900 service hours a month to individuals with disabilities in the two support categories. We currently employ 61 people, 41 of which are full time, benefited employees.





OUR SERVICES:

Supported Living (SLS)

Imagine has been providing supported living services since July 2002. This service model provides the greatest opportunity for personal choice and dignity in residential care. Rather than prescribing a medical treatment plan and demanding congregate living, Supported Living acknowledges a person's strengths and abilities, and supports that individual in planning the life that they will find personally rewarding. Imagine Supported Living Services provides a variety of direct services and supports, determined by the individual needs and desires of each client, with support from the people that are closest to that individual. These services may include, but are not limited to; finding and securing housing, direct staff support for personal care and tasks, money management, social and recreational facilitation, and medical management.



We currently provide services to sixteen people living in Santa Cruz County. We are not accepting new referrals at this time.



Facilitators Ed Gunzelmann celebrated his fifth year anniversary this month with Imagine and Chandra Donohue has now been with us for almost three years! Our newest Facilitator, Scott O'Bryant, joined us in March.

Medicaid Home and Community Based Services Waiver (HCBS)

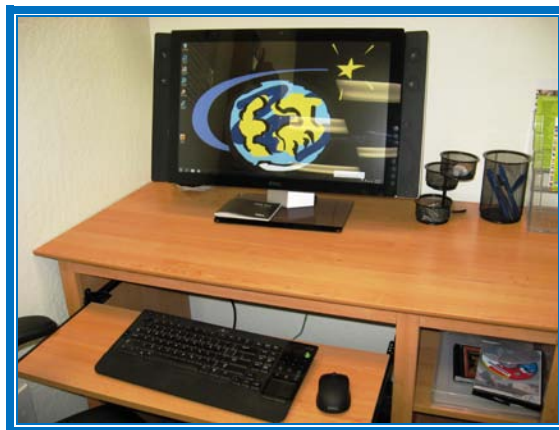
In 2007, Imagine was approached by the legal organization, Protection and Advocacy, to replicate the case management support we provide in Supported Living for adults with physical disabilities who are being threatened with having to leave their home for a nursing home due to their support needs. Imagine provides case management for individuals who are referred to us through MediCal or Protection and Advocacy. We are currently serving two individuals living in Santa Cruz and Santa Clara County.



Community Center and Community Resource Library

We continue to make progress towards the development of a community center for individuals with disabilities and their allies in Santa Cruz County. A consortium of providers are working with a consultant and local economists from UCSC to collaborate on an economic impact study for our industry. With this report, we hope to show the impact of our industry on the greater Santa Cruz County economy and leverage this impact to access community resources currently unavailable to us.

In September of 2010, Imagine hosted the grand opening of the Community Resource Lending Library, housed at our administrative offices on 41st Avenue in Capitola. The library contains more than 100 resources, including adaptive technology and communication devices for community lending.



MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS:



- Implemented a series of cost saving ideas, resulting in a savings of close to \$50,000 in 2010.
- Participated in the Human Race!
- Continued to act as “Champion Organization” for the United Way in support of people with disabilities.
- Hosted the seventh annual Gathering of Extraordinary People. There were over 300 people in attendance at this Harvey West Park event. We had a DJ, face painting, a magician, and a talent show with over 21 people performing.
- Julie Rienhardt continued to host a Santa Cruz Leadership Provider monthly meeting for Santa Cruz County.
- Hosted Imagine’s 8th Anniversary Party at Memorial Park. Over seventy consumers, staff and family members were in attendance for this two night, three day trip where individuals had the opportunity to hike, practice yoga, eat great food, watch a outdoor night movie, play bingo, and participate in arts and crafts and cooking activities.
- Hosted a holiday party and collaborative choir performance with Camphill Communities. There were over 175 people in attendance at this event!
- Reviewed Imagine’s progress and created new plans for 2010/2011 during an all day retreat with the Board of Directors and Imagine Leadership Team.
- All Facilitators participated in a training focused on supervising staff in remote locations.
- Received a clean audit report for fiscal year 2009-2010.
- Hosted a successful holiday fundraising campaign.
- Continued working with the leadership team through the book “Good to Great” to determine new and creative ways to improve Imagine and the services we provide.
- Continued our quarterly newsletter “Imagine That. . .” including a new staff nominated recognition.
- Received many generous donations from family members and local businesses and foundations (please see “financial report” for more information).
- Hosted the Grand Opening for the Imagine Community Resource Lending Library!
- Began communications with the Monterey Bay Aquarium to participate in the Free to Learn Program and offer tickets through Imagine’s Resource Center to individuals with disabilities served by non profit organizations.
- Promoted and piloted a new billing system for organizations providing Supported Living Services.
- Julie Rienhardt presented at the National Organization for Disorders of the Corpus Collusum.
- Attended the annual Supported Life Conference with two facilitators and one person served by Imagine.
- Hosted holiday parties, birthday celebrations, and many get togethers, including three cooking classes hosted by the people we serve! We also provided our clients and families with a monthly activity calendar with Imagine sponsored activities, plus free and low cost events in Santa Cruz County!



STAFF, OFFICERS, AND BOARD MEMBERS:

Imagine's Officers:

Sherrif Mark Tracy, ret. President
 Mark Dammann Treasurer
 Pat Leiner Secretary

Imagine's Leadership Team:

Julie Rienhardt Executive Director
 Mary Peddy Human Resource Manager
 Laura Pascal Accounting Coordinator
 Chandra Donohue Facilitator
 Ed Gunzelmann Facilitator / HCBS
 Scott O'Bryant Facilitator

Imagine Board Members:

Joanne Hargrove
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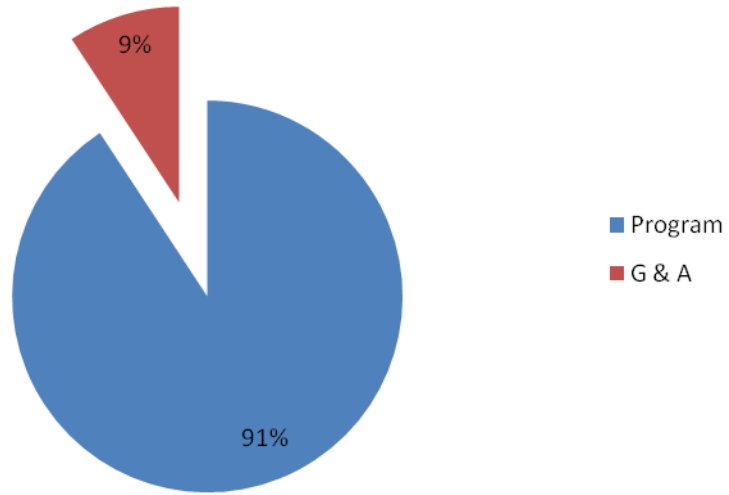
FINANCIAL REPORT:

Imagine is a financially sound organization, receiving a clean audit report from Berger/Lewis at the conclusion of the 2009/2010 fiscal year. We would like to gratefully acknowledge the support we received from individual donations, grants from foundations, essential volunteer hours, and in kind donations from our supporters!

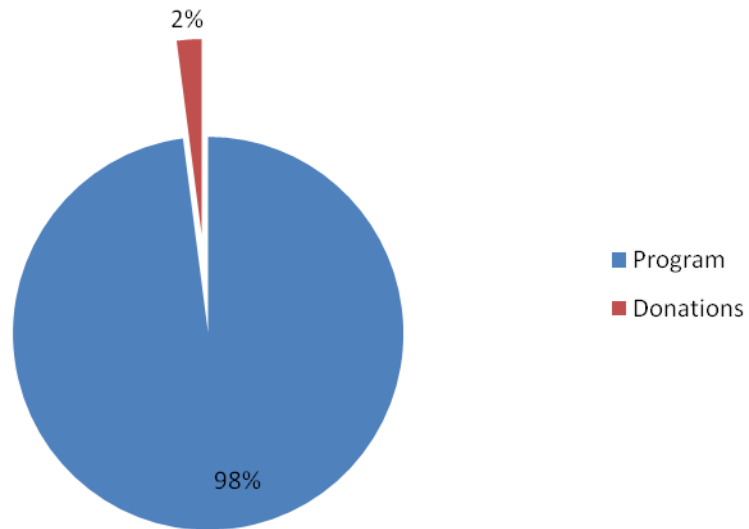
Thank You!

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- Stan and Melinda Parry - Bernini Fund
- Luise Custer
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- Bob Scowcroft and Judith Fried for their generous match with McGraw-Hill
- Pat and Dave Leiner
- Richard and April Bowen
- Leslie and David Plumlee
- William deDiego
- Al and Mary Wasserman
- Robert Smilely
- Misty Sisneros
- William Allen
- All the generous support for the 2010 Human Race and our summer yard sale!

Total Expenses Fiscal Year 2009-2010



Total Revenue Fiscal Year 2009-2010





“The only disability in life is a bad attitude.”
- *Scott Hamilton*

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