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UCP SEGUIN HOSTS OPEN HOUSE AT NEW RUBLOFF CENTER
UCP Seguin Brings Community Supporters Together to Say Thanks

(Villa Park, IL) This past week UCP Seguin of Greater Chicago hosted an open house to commemorate its new Rubloff Center for Employment and Life Skills Training in Villa Park. The building is the base of operations for UCP Seguin's CLIMB initiative. CLIMB is designed to provide a more innovative, community-integrated, person-centered service and support model increasingly desired by people with developmental disabilities and their families.

Through CLIMB, UCP Seguin offers its ground-breaking services to residents with disabilities from DuPage County and surrounding communities. DuPage County – through a major Community Development Block Grant – and the UCP Seguin Foundation provided significant financial support to purchase and renovate the CLIMB site. “We feel deep gratitude for the very generous support of DuPage County and the UCP Seguin Foundation,” stated John Voit, President and CEO of UCP Seguin. “They are true partners in bringing the CLIMB vision into reality for people with disabilities.”

The CLIMB program reflects the idea of participants “climbing up the ladder of success” through person-centered supports and individual self-determination. Through CLIMB, participants can engage in a wide variety of productive, meaningful community-integrated activities. Individuals are offered services and supports that include, but are not limited to: employment, vocational training, volunteer opportunities, activities to build life skills, and engagement in educational and enrichment experiences in community-integrated settings.

The individuals who attend CLIMB program have the opportunity to choose from wide range of enriching activities and experiences, some of which include: employment at community job-sites; volunteer work at Feed My Starving Children, an area bird sanctuary, and other venues; fitness activities at the YMCA; art classes at nearby galleries; excursions to Chicago; use of the Prairie Path trail. The Rubloff Center is host to weekly Zumba class and yoga lessons. The Villa Park community has been welcoming and the participants have become a well-integrated part of the community.

Several dignitaries were in attendance at the open house, including State Senator Thomas Cullerton, State Representative David Olsen, Villa Park Village President Al Bulthuis, and former Villa Park Village President Deb Bullwinkel. As John Voit commented, “Villa Park is blessed with community leaders who share in UCP Seguin's mission – life without limits for people with disabilities.”

UCP Seguin of Greater Chicago believes that all people, regardless of ability, deserve to achieve their potential, advance their independence and act as full members of the community. So we stop at nothing to

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provide life skills training, assistive technology, meaningful employment and a place to call home for people with disabilities, as well as specialized foster care for children. Our goal: life without limits for people with disabilities.

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