

# Can you help us meet them?

## ONE CHALLENGE

HELP BUILD BRIDGES FROM SCHOOL TO ADULTHOOD FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES



Breana Quinn shines. She's caring, funny, and quick-witted. Her parents Jane and Eddie have an abiding love for their daughter, who has autism. They do everything possible to enable Breana to achieve her full potential and realize her dreams.

Breana attended Glenbard North High School, where staff referred her family to UCP Seguin's Building Bridges to the Future program. Building Bridges helps families of students with disabilities navigate the transition from high school to adult services. This process presents many challenges, such as securing service funding, benefits, or assistance with guardianship. Through UCP Seguin's expert support, families evaluate alternatives, test the waters, and make wise decisions.

Presented with adult services options, Breana and her family chose UCP Seguin's CLIMB Employment & Life Skills Training. This innovative option is the perfect fit. UCP Seguin has helped find and coach Breana in a job at Coleen's Better Than Breadsticks. She volunteers at an assisted living center, an experience inspiring Breana to work toward paid employment serving senior citizens.

As her mother Jane stated, "I am eternally grateful for the Building Bridges initiative...and what UCP Seguin has done for Breana."

As an incentive to donors, an anonymous foundation has pledged to match the first \$25,000 from new donors or donors who increase their giving to UCP Seguin. **Help build bridges to a future of achievement for individuals with disabilities like Breana.**

## ANOTHER CHALLENGE

PROVIDE SAFE, FUNCTIONAL ENVIRONMENTS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



Like other parents of individuals with disabilities, Monique and Larry McIntyre wondered about the best path for their daughter Rebecca after high school. Rebecca is a friendly woman who loves singing, dancing, and the arts. She and her parents turned to UCP Seguin to help them plan.

UCP Seguin showed the McIntyres an array of services for people with disabilities. Rebecca and her parents decided on UCP Seguin's Community Connections CHOICE day center in Oak Park. CHOICE incorporates an emerging philosophy of service for people with intellectual disabilities, providing options for community employment, volunteerism, socialization, enrichment, and life experiences.

Through CHOICE Rebecca is supported in jobs at Trader Joe's and the Happy Apple Pie Shop. She pursues her artistic endeavors and socialization. Rebecca was recently featured at the CHOICE Booktique, reading her own poetry and displaying her art.

As her mother Monique said, "I don't know what we would have done without UCP Seguin."

Through the "Life Without Limits" Capital Campaign, UCP Seguin seeks to provide options like Rebecca enjoys. The campaign's goals: to establish a Community Connections center like CHOICE in Wheaton and a technologically advanced home, while maintaining current homes and centers. Foundations have offered matches for new, sustained, or increased donations, with one matching donations of \$1,250 or more. **Help make "Life Without Limits" possible for everyone served by UCP Seguin.**

## MANY CHALLENGES, MANY SUCCESS STORIES

... and you can assist UCP Seguin in creating more success stories. Help children and adults with disabilities achieve their potential, advance their independence, and act as full members of the community.

Frank Catalano, Board of Directors Chairman

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