

Integrated Resources, Inc. Recognizes National Disability Employment Awareness Month

MABEN – Beginning as seven days of awareness in 1945, the United States Congress’ efforts to highlight the contributions and skills of American workers with disabilities were expanded to a month-long campaign in 1988. National Disability Employment Awareness Month was established to educate the American public about issues related to disability and employment.

This spirit of enlightenment exists on a year-round basis for Integrated Resources, Inc., formerly known as the Wyoming County Sheltered Workshop. Integrated Resources’ mission is to serve the needs of people with disabilities...through training, coaching and jobs.

Employing numerous people with disabilities in its nearly forty years of existence, Integrated Resources has intimately come to recognize the benefits of hiring people with disabilities. From the fully-operational woodworking workshop staffed with people with disabilities to serving the aged and disabled in fifteen West Virginia counties, Integrated Resources places great emphasis on helping those with disabilities. Additionally, Integrated Resources is an Employment Network with the national initiative called Ticket-to-Work, aimed at assisting people who receive Social Security and/or Supplemental Security Disability Income benefits to enter or re-enter the workforce.

According to Earl Smith, executive director, Integrated Resources is committed to assisting people with disabilities gain as much independence as possible. “We are proud to be a part of the community that connects people, with or without disabilities, to jobs,” Smith adds.

Integrated Resources, Inc.’s plans for the future include a program to serve people with mental retardation and developmental disabilities as well as expansion of current programs.

Integrated Resources, Inc., is a private, non-profit agency who has served the needs of people with disabilities as well the community for nearly forty years. Additional information about Integrated Resources, Inc., can be found at www.int-res-inc.com.