

# LIFELINE PARTNERSHIP

# Summer Newsletter

April, May, June, July and August have been filled with many in-person and online programs and events. Attendance has increased and we are delighted to see people who we haven't seen since 2020.



## THE POPULAR ONES

Lifeline introduced a new event fondly called the Spring Bling! in May. This was held in conjunction with our BBQ fundraiser and had a turnout of 40 attendees. Everything, from the spring decor, music, games, and of course everyone's favorite... The raffles were a crowd-pleaser. We celebrated May birthdays and relished in the company of one another.

Our annual Summer Picnic was held Aug. 19th. The summer heat and storms knew we had plans and fully cooperated. 80 participants, Direct Support Staff, family, friends, and Lifeline Board members spent the afternoon creating a sun craft with magnet, music, a game of volley and catch with beach balls, music, dancing, food, and giveaways.

## THE DAILY DIGEST

Our Executive Director has recently celebrated 1 year with Lifeline. She continues to make community connections through local businesses, providers, and the Developmental Disabilities organizations and will be attending two national conferences to create engagement, idea share, obtain news in the DD community, programming and community support.

Mary's most recent outings have included meetings with area providers and schools to increase Lifeline's community of participants, families, vendors, and camaraderie with nearby entities. She has begun the process of obtaining donations for our biggest fundraiser of the year. Our annual Harvest Festival is only a month and a half away. It's hard to believe that the year is almost over.



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## FIELD TRIP

In June, we headed on a Big Bus Tour and explored D.C. Big Bus Tours provided the perfect sightseeing of the city and the best photo opportunities of iconic landmarks from the top deck. We had the bus to ourselves! An ice cream break and photo opportunity was an absolute must during our adventure.



## SING PRAISE SERVICE

It's been wonderful to continue with our in-person Sing Praise Services. The service is filled with joyful music and movement to sing upon the Lord, Gospel, sermon, and prayers. Lifeline is delighted with Pastor Judith's commitment to our constituents. Jesse Coley delights all with his soothing vocals and piano skills. This program is accompanied with an ASL Interpreter. After the service, attendees enjoy a light snack and project in relation to the day's scriptures.



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## What's New

Lifeline is excited to have begun our newest spiritual program. Faith with Friends is our community based bible study. A group home has been generous enough to be our pilot residence. They have learned the word of the Lord, technology, and various life, motor, and socialization skills. This program will continue to expand throughout the community.

### DEVELOPMENT

Lifeline is appreciative of all the contributions we receive from all. Whether it has been your time, knowledge, donations, and support. We would not be able to provide this high level of programming without each and every one of you.

We are in the midst of planning our Annual Harvest Festival. The Harvest Festival will take place on October 14th. This is our largest fundraiser of the year. Please consider sponsoring a booth or supporting Lifeline Partnership with a general contribution (in any amount).

We are a nonprofit organization that relies on the generosity of our community and its partners to continue our mission of providing spiritual and social programming for teens and adults with developmental disabilities.

We continue to explore and apply for various grants to assist with our efforts.

Thank you for all that you do for Lifeline and our participants!



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## What's Next

Lifeline's event calendar is filled with new and tried and true programming for the remainder of the year. We have continued our on-line groups on a bi-monthly basis and are happy to report that monthly in person programming has continued. Below is our event calendar. If you are free for one of our events stop by and join us!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Movie Afternoon - September 16th

Advocacy Group - September 30th

Harvest Festival - October 14th

Sing Praise Service - October 28th

Turkey Trot and BBQ Fundraiser - November 11th

Advocacy Group - November 18th

Sing Praise: Christmas Celebration - December 9th

Christmas Dance - December 16th

We are always looking for volunteers! Please contact Mary Moxley if you'd like to assist with one of our upcoming events or our new Faith with Friends (community based Bible Study).



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