



Volunteers planting flowers at the Cancer Survivor Park



MISSION

To provide all people with disabilities and special needs with meaningful services, opportunities, and support so they may thrive in work, life, and play. Together we are redefining ability.

The significance of the beehive

The beehive is a universal symbol of activity, industry, and sustenance. Each one is unique and full of life!

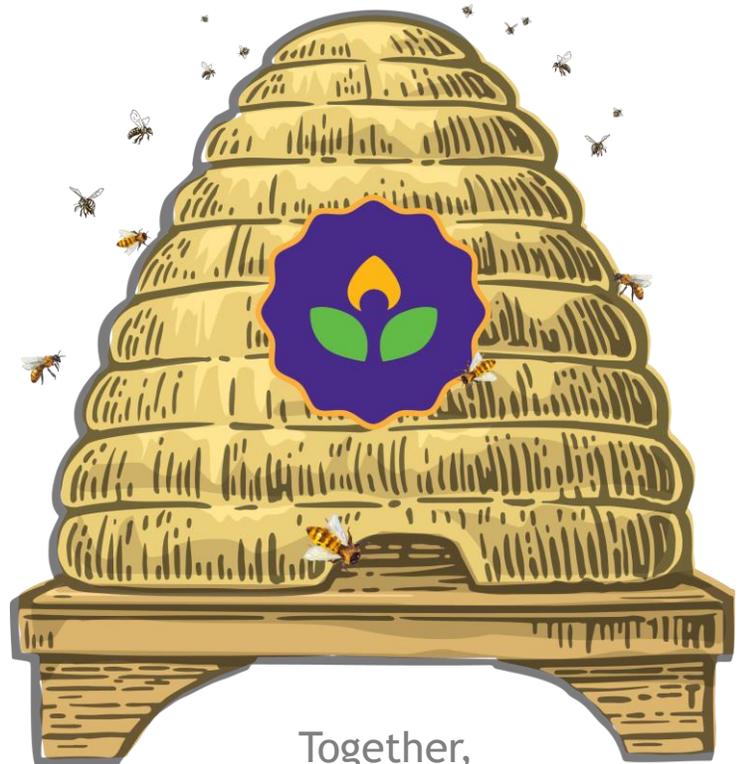
At Thrive Upstate, our goal for Day Services is to support our individuals to live life fully through meaningful employment and enriching activities.

Each of our centers is like a beehive, from which we venture out to gather new experiences, grow personally, and give from our own talents to the Greenville community.

We return to the hive to be recharged, nurtured, and plan for our next adventure!

The beehive represents for us the agency's commitment to community integration as we increase our outings and spend less time segregated in our centers. It is also a reflection of the hard work and caring of our dedicated staff to our mission.

Thrive Upstate is committed to providing opportunities for individuals with special needs to be fully participating members of the community.



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As we prepare to celebrate our freedom this Independence Day, we are reminded that all American citizens have the right to “Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness”. **This includes individuals with special needs!!**

We can help people with special needs achieve their hopes, dreams, and aspirations through the concept of Person Centered Planning.

How is this done?

-  We take the time to know and understand the person
-  We learn about the person’s strengths and focus on increasing those even more
-  We offer choices and help the person understand their choices
-  We support the individual’s need for independence
-  We provide services that are meaningful to the individual



In the coming year we are committed to expanding our services by providing more choices, more community activities, customized competitive employment, and volunteer opportunities.

As more significant changes are implemented, we will be seeking the input of all of our stakeholders, including the individuals we serve, their families, our staff, our customers, and community partners. This is an exciting time of positive change.

Stay tuned!!!

Did you know...?

The *Thrive Upstate Applied Theatre Group* meets weekly throughout the year and has proven to be a wonderful activity for encouraging self confidence, social courage, and communication. The group has successfully performed their own version of “A Christmas Carol” and “Mary Poppins.” They have improvised countless scenes, and participated in activities with excitement and enthusiasm.



B. Preston, Applied Theatre Center Facilitator says: “I have seen them grow as an ensemble and as individual performers. It has taught me patience, compassion, and stretched my creativity. I am forever grateful to have been a part.”