

# Services and Supports



## Medical, Mental Health, Behavioral and Psychosocial Rehabilitation Services

On-site staff physicians are available to provide a continuum of care. These services range from acute care to primary health care services. Behavioral services are provided to individuals with psychiatric and behavioral needs. Clinical support staff includes physicians, nurses, physical therapist, occupational therapist, speech language pathologist, registered dietician, psychiatrist, clinical psychologist, behavior analyst, and other licensed/certified mental health professionals.

## Personal Assistance

Services are offered in the person's home to help support the individual in his or her community, provide a more positive quality of life, increased community relationships, while assisting the individual to remain in their family environment.

## Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) Services

Comprehensive medical and behavioral services are offered to individuals in a residential setting. The program provides a full range of services including community inclusion, work opportunities, residential living, and therapeutic interventions. This program works closely with agency medical and mental health services to address the total needs of adults with complex disabilities.

## Vocational Training

The Hunt Opportunity Center began employing people with disabilities in 1976. Individual tasks include hand assembly, packaging, labeling, and cleaning and inspecting portable equipment units. Supportive Employment provides accessibility to community employment via individual, and group opportunities.

## Habilitation Services

This support provides a variety of activities that emphasize relationships, pre-vocational training, therapeutic recreation, behavioral supports, and training in skill acquisition.



## Social Services

Individualized Support Plans are written for each person served. The plans provide a clear understanding of an individual's needs in all aspects of life. The plans address a wide range of issues from medical needs, to personal preferences such as favorite foods and everything in between. Supports are coordinated based on each individual's plan

## Respite Services

Respite is a short term residential service provided to individuals currently receiving day program services. Respite provides relief when a full-time caregiver needs time off from care giving responsibilities. Reasons for accessing this service include medical needs, vacations, taking care of other family members.

## Adult Residential Services

Life Bridges utilizes over 37 different homes throughout Bradley County. Residential settings include group homes, single family homes, and apartment complexes. Residential supports are provided based on each individual's level of need. People are assisted in developing skills aimed at moving into other settings that would allow them greater opportunities to live a more independent lifestyle.



Life Bridges is licensed and accredited by the following:



## OUR MISSION

*“Quality Is Our Top Priority”*

### ORGANIZATIONAL VALUES

We believe all people have the right to live, work, and socialize in their community. We believe abilities should be a primary focus rather than disabilities. We believe service recipients should have the freedom to function in an open, non-restrictive environment consistent with the rights of other people their age.

These beliefs are the impetus for promoting opportunities for all people to choose where they live, work and with whom they develop relationships.

The foundation of all we do is our desire to respect and maintain the dignity of all people.

### CORE VALUES

We believe the provision of quality services is made strong with a commitment to integrity. At every level of need, we are committed to the idea that the service recipient is our top priority.

Our services are based upon a strong commitment to ethical behavior, quality services and supports, innovation, teamwork, and compassion. These combined core values provide the impetus that results in changed lives and quality of life for all people we serve.

### OUR VISION

We are committed to providing exceptional services to our service recipients, families, and our community to promote independence, respect, and trust while meeting our social and financial responsibilities.

## AGENCIES & FUNDING

Services are comprehensive and made possible through funding and contractual agreements with several state agencies and health-related organizations, including:

TN Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

- TN Division of Rehabilitation Services
- TN Department of Children’s Services
- TN Department of Health
- TN Bureau of TennCare
- Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- United States Department of Housing and Urban Development
- Southeast Community Services Agency
- Various Health Insurance Plans
- Bradley County Government
- Cleveland City Government
- Various person-centered civic organizations and individuals

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERS:

Tennessee Network of Community Organizations  
Tennessee Association of Home Care  
Chattanooga Center for Non-Profit Management  
Cleveland/Bradley Chamber of Commerce

If you are interested in submitting a donation to this agency, you can do so on our website or by sending your submission along with your information to the following address:

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**Cleveland, Tennessee 37364-0029**  
**Office: (423) 472-5268**  
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**[www.LifeBridgesonline.com](http://www.LifeBridgesonline.com)**

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