

# Everyone deserves to live a good life

People with disabilities and their families have the right to live, love, work, worship, play and pursue their life aspirations just as others do in the community. The LCBDD is committed to helping people enjoy a lifestyle that respects and values every person. We envision a community in which people, regardless of disability and status, are supported and embraced by their entire community of family, friends, neighbors, and employers, to the degree that they are truly identified first as members of a community. The Board envisions a community where people live a good life, as defined by them and they are happy as a result of their own accomplishments.



## **We Value Community First:**

Each person should be a part of their local community and have access to community resources as does the general population. Only when the most integrated setting is not meeting the needs of the individual will other specialized settings be explored.

## **We Value Providing Effective Intervention & Support Methods:**

Evidence based support models and approaches will be used to provide effective services and supports. The emphasis will be on the development of proven or evidence-based practices that result in measurable performance outcomes at both the individual and systems levels.

## **Our Values and Mission**

### **We Value Emphasizing Employment & Meaningful Activities:**

All adults who can work should work. Implementation strategies will be designed to promote and support community employment, have meaning to the people who receive supports and be relevant to their daily lives. Those to who employment has not been attainable will be provided activities that are meaningful to them & enrich their lives.

### **We Value Demonstrating Respect:**

All implementation strategies will show respect for the privacy, individuality, and self-advocacy of the people receiving support. We also support the respect for difference and acceptance of persons with disabilities as part of human diversity and humanity.

### **We Value Financial Accountability:**

The LCBDD commits to being good stewards of local, state and federal dollars. The Board is committed to the provision of services in the most effective and efficient means available. Budgeting will be viewed as a discipline to decide which services should be funded and at what level they should be funded.