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for people with disabilities, inc.

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Travel Vacations • Holiday Programs • Quality Day Tours

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*“Travelers love to be asked what they want to do, see, where to go... when you empower people to make choices it increases their self-esteem.”
Tammy Channell, Tour Guide
San Diego Holiday Happiness*

2011 Newsletter



Rankin Dude Ranch

Steve, Stephen, and David relax on the hayride on their way to a fun evening of delicious BBQ and horsehoes at the Rankin Dude Ranch. Many of our travelers repeat this trip year after year.

ANNENBERG FOUNDATION DONATES \$20,000 FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

We are grateful to announce that the Annenberg Foundation has generously donated \$20,000 for scholarships, and thrilled that this foundation recognizes the importance of using the great world of travel to educate our travelers, improve self-esteem, and to promote acceptance and inclusion.

We encourage you to become involved with New Directions by going on a tour, being a tour guide, volunteering or providing financial support.

WE NEED YOU!



Knott's Berry Farm Thanksgiving

Every Traveler receives an award at the end of each tour; many travelers proudly display on their walls all the wonderful places they have visited with New Directions!

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

Since 1985, New Directions has taken over 13,000 people with developmental disabilities on tours all over the world.

We have only three full time staff. All others are part time, interns or volunteers.

More than 50% of our office rent is donated.

Most of our furniture, computers and equipment have been donated.

We receive over \$250,000 in In Kind gifts of hotel rooms, transportation, entertainment, and tour supplies each year!

Our travel services are available to EVERY organization, group home and program that serves this population within the United States and beyond.

We have even taken travelers who live in other countries.

Many of our Tour Leaders have been leading our tours for over 20 years.

We now have a New Directions DVD and you can help us share the New Directions Mission. Call for a copy.

We employ five people with developmental disabilities in part time, regularly paid Office Assistant positions.

We provide magical vacations for over 600 each year.

Due to enormous In Kind support 89.62% of our budget is spent directly on programs.

Volunteer shoppers buy and wrap over 500 gifts for our Holiday Happiness program.

All expenses for our Office Assistants' Program are covered by donations.



SPEEDY SPEND DOWN



Santa Fe, New Mexico

**Do you need to spend down
a bank account quickly?**

**How about sending the funds to
New Directions as a deposit on future travel?**

**We will open an account in the name of
the traveler who can start saving for the
trip of their dreams!**

**Just give us a call when they decide on a trip.
It's that easy!**

"The best part of all the tours Chris goes on is the opportunity for him to see old friends, make new ones and the joy that experiencing things completely outside of his normal world brings him." Leslie Roesch, Tour Guide

"You make lots of people happy and give them not only wonderful opportunities, but great memories." Susan Chapman, mother

Disneyland Holiday Happiness



Holiday Happiness is a series of tours over Thanksgiving and Christmas, which include the Thanksgiving Baja Cruise, Knott's Berry Farm Thanksgiving, and Christmas programs in San Francisco, Disneyland and San Diego. These programs offer a family-style holiday complete with deluxe hotel accommodations, gourmet meals, exciting destinations and dedicated staff and volunteers offering huge amounts of love and joy. The Christmas programs also offer hand-made stockings, gifts galore, beautifully decorated trees and visits from Santa!

*"Kristy told me she was having the time of her life, and this was one of the best Christmases ever!"
Melissa Tidd, Tour Guide*



HOLIDAY HAPPINESS

*"I could tell my travelers felt happy and loved...I could just see it in their eyes and smiles and from the many hugs they gave!"
Curtis Adams, Tour Guide*

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San Diego Holiday Happiness

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San Francisco Holiday Happiness

Brandon received a scholarship and got to spend a happy Christmas in San Francisco. "Brandon is truly an exceptional young man - he wants so much to see things and do things having come from a very small, isolated community... he even asked if he could wash cars to help make this trip happen!"



Disneyland

Desmond is a giving person who always does for others and wants to help." After receiving a scholarship to Disneyland, Desmond raved about his first New Directions trip and would love to go on another!

"People were excited to see the travelers out enjoying the world with everyone else."
Frank Hurd, Tour Guide



Cabo San Lucas, Mexico

Scholarships are awarded twice a year— at the end of September for winter tours and at the end of February for spring and summer tours. Contact our office for an application.



Disney Cruise to Mexico

Jackie received a partial scholarship to fulfill her lifelong dream of going on a Disney Cruise. "This is so awesome!" she exclaimed many times as she got to meet all the Disney characters, take a boat tour of Cabo San Lucas and even pet a dolphin!

TRAVEL CLUB EXPANDS

New Directions Travel Club for travelers who live in the Santa Barbara area is still going strong as it enters its 2nd year! The club is now run by the members and it's a joy to watch as they give their committee reports, collect dues, set up the tables and chairs, share travel experiences, and help with the planning of Day Tours. The group went on an exciting Whale Watching cruise in April and saw many humpback whales closeup! Some future day tours are to Magic Mountain, a Mystery Train Ride, a Dodger's Game, and the Ventura County Fair. If you are interested in joining the club, we meet on the third Tuesday of each month here at the New Directions office in Santa Barbara from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. This is a GREAT time to reconnect with your travel buddies and make some new friends as well!

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS... we couldn't have done it without you!

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*"I've worked with Albert for 7½ years and have never seen him laugh so much!"
 Susie Ortiz, Tour Guide*

"I was exceptionally pleased! My son came home much happier than when he left. I could not have asked for any more caring and attentive staff. They were SUPER!! Knowing that such an organization as New Directions exists and having my autistic son be a part of the wonderful travel experience that your organization offers is very gratifying." Gloria Clayton, mother

"I love your organization. I work at a group home and our individuals are always so excited to go on your trips." Kristina Keim, careprovider

*"Thanks again for the wonderful trip!"
 Bob, traveler*



Disneyland

Dear Dee Duncan & Staff,

I just wanted to drop you a line to let you know what a WONDERFUL time Gabriel had on your recent Lucky Las Vegas tour. Over the last year Gabe and his staff filled out the scholarship application for a Vegas trip with New Directions. When Gabe learned that he had received a full scholarship he was very excited, but then the reality set in causing some nerves to surface. New Directions staff graciously worked with Gabe to help ease his nerves as the departure date drew closer, allowing Gabe to visit New Directions and meet staff prior to the trip.

Since Gabe's return he has been on cloud nine! "He had the best time ever"! Gabe talks about all the fun he had, swam in the pool, ate good food, stayed in "A beautiful hotel room", and saw ELVIS! He's already talking about saving his money to go again someday!

Thank you New Directions for making this Vegas trip so fantastic for Gabe and all the others you serve!

*Sincerely, Allison Taylor, Assistant Manager - Adult Services,
 Alpha Resource Center*



Disney Cruise to Mexico



Disneyland



Spring Training in Phoenix

THANK YOU!

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The following individuals, foundations, corporations, businesses and community groups have provided the financial, in-kind, and volunteer support which has made our programs possible. Thank you for sharing our mission of promoting the acceptance and appreciation of people with disabilities as important and contributing members of our world.

"I felt very loved and happy." Karianne, traveler - San Francisco Holiday Happiness

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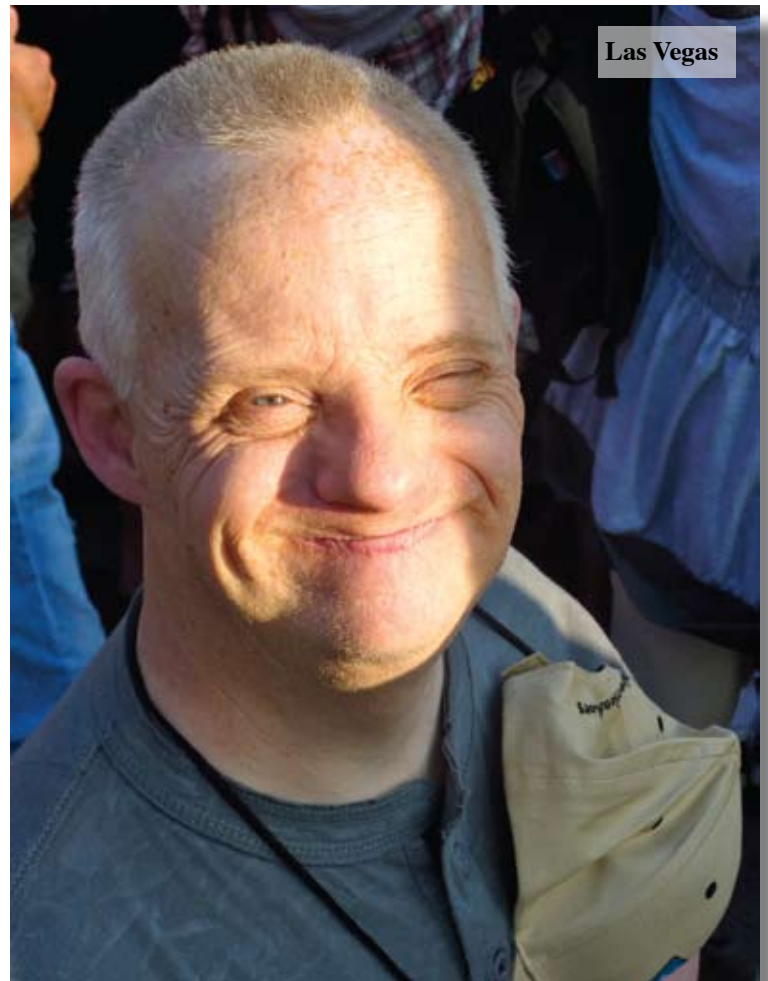


WE CAN DO IT!

Changing the way the world views people who have developmental disabilities may be a big mission--- and we are well on our way to accomplishing it!

With your help we will continue to break down barriers, open minds and hearts, and stretch the boundaries of what is considered possible for folks with brain impairments.

Your financial support is what makes it all possible. Please use the enclosed envelope to send us a tax-deductible gift and let us know that you are behind us!



"The people were nice and they let me be me." - Traveler

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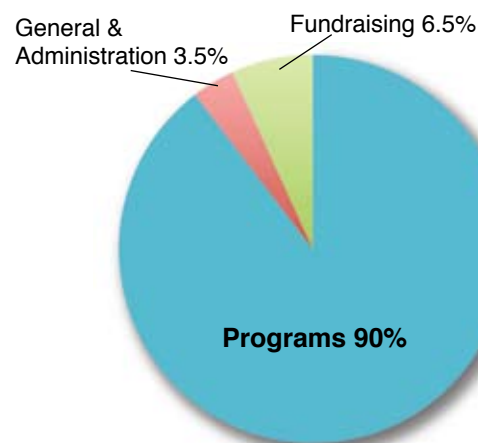
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*“Regional Center recommended Charlotte traveling with New Directions because you are the best. She was really satisfied with her San Diego tour and really loved it.”
Roseline Sinaga, caregiver & Tour Guide*

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Gabe got to go on the trip of his dreams to see Elvis Presley's Graceland thanks to a scholarship generously provided by Gayle Golden for Vivian's Fund! "Thank you, Thank you very much!!!"



YEEHAW!! We had a fantastic free Western Round-Up Event on May 21st, which included a delicious BBQ, costumes, cowboy hats & bandanas, face painting, a photo booth, miniature & big horses, exotic birds, train rides, a live Western band & line dancing lessons! Over 250 people with developmental disabilities, their families, friends, caregivers, volunteers, sponsors, and tour guides celebrated the day of hootin' and hollerin' from all the boot stompin' fun!



Dee & Kevin take a break from all the fun!

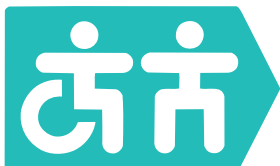
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New Directions for people with disabilities, inc. provides leisure and educational travel opportunities for people with developmental disabilities.

The program includes travel vacations, holiday programs, day tours and international exchange tours, expanding experiential learning and enhancing the self esteem of every traveler.

Our programs open new worlds of understanding for both the participants and the general population.

Through these programs, people with disabilities are increasingly understood, appreciated and accepted as contributing members of the world.



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