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Helping adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities live their best lives.

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A Salute to Our Stars Gala







Kainos held its Salute to the Stars Gala this month with more than 350 guests. We proudly recognized **Heather Wachter** our Citizen of the Year!

We also recognized many Special Recognition Awards as well as our Shining Stars, Elyssa Cumming, Lorraine Haerr, Michael Kearney, Jeff Leach, Alex Munoz-Bergman, Diane Phillips and Dane Wilton.

After presentations and a delicious dinner, the dance floor was full as we danced the night away to the great live music by the sparkling Vintage Jukebox band.

Kainos can't thank our Mentors enough for showing up for our community. We appreciate their time, their energy and we are so grateful to have had the summer together.

















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Director's Note

by Andy Frisch



Over the summer, a group of thirty Kainos clients took a cruise from San Francisco to Alaska. I was lucky to be one of the 10 staff members supporting this group. It was an incredible experience.

Both staff and participants came to me afterwards and shared that it was the trip of a lifetime. I felt the same way. Besides from the pleasure of such a nice trip and the great satisfaction of supporting people as they work to make their own dreams come true, there is something about the welcoming nature of our group that enhances all gatherings, a party, a class, a meeting, a clean up event or even a cruise.

Our community is one of the most welcoming groups that I have experience. It makes a difference at Kainos. It makes a difference for Redwood City and it made a difference on this cruise. SO many people came up to me and to the rest of our group and thanked us for making their cruise a better experience. Kainos is one of many excellent providers of service in our field. I think this culture of acceptance (and kindness!!) helps set us apart as a premier organization and I could not be prouder than I am to be a part of it.

Bay Area Special Olympics (BASO) Lions Club did it again! They hosted a most amazing and fun party with a DJ and dinner and tasty treats. Thank you so much!









Welcome to our Newest Staff



Jared Ferguson
Horticultural Specialist
Community Connections



Jhulliana Bayangos
Direct Support Professional
Petes' Place

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Summer Mentor Program 2026

Summer is the perfect time to connect with new and old friends, enjoying fun outdoor activities around town and with our community partners. We had 8 fun group events which involved karaoke, ice cream, Chick Fil A, CHP and Firefighters. Plus we danced, received awards and celebrated our friendships! See you next year!

Kick Off



Ice Cream Social



Pub in the Park



Dinner & Games



Karaoke



Fall Festival







Awards Night



A Salute to our Stars GALA!







Kainos' Mentors made a splash this summer!

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Kainos Takes to the Sea on the Ruby Princess!



Kainos boarded the Ruby Princess on August 20th for a 10 day tour from San Francisco to a few ports of call in Alaska. They had a wonderful time touring new cities, eating and drinking well, dancing and singing and just enjoying each other.





























THANK YOU!

The following is a list of donations **gratefully received** between
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In honor of Simone Wright	Art in Action

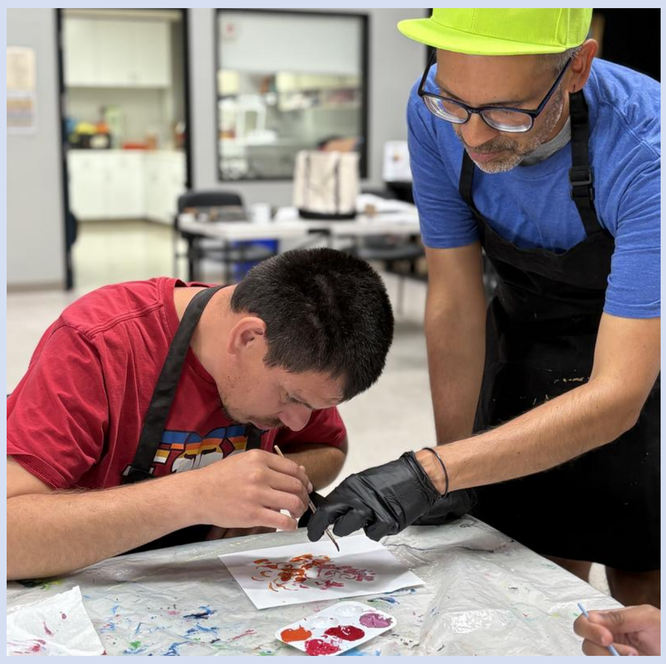


Art Project in Community Connections

This vibrant floral artwork, a modern take on a Dutch Old Masters' still life, was collaboratively created by participants in Colin Goodwin's weekly Community Connections art class. Each participant painted an individual flower or leaf, then it was cut out and decoupaged onto the canvas.

It serves as a beautiful reflection of the light, joy, and laughter our program participants share together every week in Colin's class. ***Thank you Colin!***







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