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BARBARA OLSON CENTER OF HOPE RECEIVES GRANT FROM THE BLAZER FOUNDATION

Barbara Olson Center of Hope is proud to announce it has received a grant from **The Blazer Foundation** to purchase three new battery-powered passive sling lifts for transferring its participants with severe disabilities, increasing the safety of both participants and staff.

“Participants at Barbara Olson Center of Hope include individuals who require patient transfer because they have physical disabilities and utilize a wheel chair for movement. They require change of positions, toileting care, and other physical assistance multiple times throughout the day. The passive sling lift helps maintain a healthy physical position by using it for toileting and repositioning to prevent skin breakdown and bed sores,” said Kelley Peterson, director of participant services.

She went on to say, “Barbara Olson Center of Hope is committed to caring for its participants at the highest level possible in the safest way. This equipment will increase our ability to provide a greater level of safety for our participants, reinforcing our mission to help individuals with developmental disabilities.”

About Barbara Olson Center of Hope:

Barbara Olson Center of Hope is a not-for-profit organization serving the Rock River Valley since 1948. Its mission is to help individuals with developmental disabilities reach personal goals through individualized skill development, vocational opportunities, and community service. The Center of Hope serves 170 young adults and adults daily. President of the Board is Tim Rogowski. For more information go to www.b-olsoncenterofhope.org.

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