

The AmeriServe International Way

AmeriServe International, Inc.

carefully selects all personnel to ensure that they possess beliefs, experiences, skills, and knowledge that will assist persons with special needs in exercising a quality of life of their choice. Acceptance of an appointment to a position indicates the acceptance to enthusiastically support and a willingness to execute to the best of their ability the three fundamental beliefs of AmeriServe International, Inc.: The Paradigm of Rights, The Principles of Living and The Practice of Active Life Long Learning. These foundations empower every colleague to make decisions and feel confident that his or her effort is an appropriate and effective element of the services we provide.



Additional support is provided by the framework, philosophy, and tenets of Iowa Department of Human Services and the communities of southwest Iowa. All of these are together interdependent and key components of what is "The AmeriServe International Way"

- **The People Company.**

The Planning Centre

Providing Options
and Community
Connections to
people with special
needs in
Iowa

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*Connecting for Purpose
Valued Roles and Pleasure*

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A sense of community and belonging is important to the development and maintenance of a successful lifestyle.



Without connections, persons with special needs can easily be overlooked thus becoming isolated and the result is dependency. We have developed a unique approach to individualized supports. The Community Connections Planning Centre is a place where people come to plan how they will connect with their chosen community and to learn ways to become a contributing member. Through the Planning Centre, people can move freely as needed from one type of support to another and from one location to another. Persons with special needs become known, become connected, build relationships, achieve purpose and valued roles.

The Paradigm of Rights

The right people, doing the right things, in the right way, for the right reasons, and at the right times.

Building life processes in support of Purpose and Valued Roles

The Planning Centre

- What?— Creating opportunities for purpose and valued roles through the development of specialized behavioral and natural supports and community connections.
- Where? —Our primary service area is within the communities of Iowa.
- How? —In keeping with our philosophy it is natural to build supports and make support change easy by providing services in the connectedness of an existing community.
- Who? —People who are eligible through Dept. of Human Services, Division of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities for Home and Community Based Services under Title 19.



Isolation in the name of safety is a double-lock on the door of community.
- Norman Kunc



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The Four Principles of Living

Living styles are different for each of us.

Because each person defines their life needs with different components, one pattern for everyone would be unacceptable. What may be quality living for one person could easily be drudgery for another. Quality living has 4 core principles that assist in making a lifestyle operational: *choice, respect, presence* and *participation*. Understanding the importance of each in relationship to creating lifestyle is essential to supporting options for the success of persons who have special needs. The ability to develop a lifestyle of self-selection and self-direction is the foundation of what makes AmeriServe International, Inc. “The People Company”.



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