

SIX STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS

Leadership & Advocacy

> To be an innovative leader, resource, and change-agent so individuals can be supported in the setting of their choice and live the life they love.

Expansion & Capacity Building

> Grow existing service markets and craft solutions to meet the needs of future markets.

Social Capital Development

➤ Social Capital is the linkage, shared values and understandings in society that enable individuals and groups to trust each other and so work together. Every decision affects social capital. Building trust, communities, communication, and knowledge.

Operational Integrity

The merging of People, Process, and Assets into a well-defined, highly efficient and proactive organization.

Recognition

➤ To be a recognized leader in the field of services and supports to people with disabilities. Comprehensive strategy to help shape positive public perception and increase awareness that Diversified Enterprises is the provider of choice.

Customer Satisfaction

➤ To be the employer and service provider of choice, consistently provide an experience that exceeds expectations, to provide an environment in which persons supported, families, staff, referrers are highly satisfied.



FY2024-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The following FY2024-FY2026 Strategic Plan is the result of gathering input and ideas from all areas of the agency — Board of Health / Advisory Board members, agency management and staff, host home providers, employers and people we support. This was an intentional process done after the end of the pandemic, and the result was driven by a thoughtful and careful examination of our services, our future, and how we need to adapt and adjust to continue to successfully execute our mission.

This plan came together from a session held in Spring 2023 where we brainstormed and focusing on our accomplishments from our 2021 strategic plan, how we made it through the public health emergency, what we are doing right, areas for improvement, opportunities for growth, and ways to address challenges from external factors. From within this group came smaller, self-directed work teams who crafted the bones of the plan. Because of the "interruption" by the pandemic, many of the broad objectives remain the same while the tasks and action items change.

The plan was reviewed and updated 3/5/2024 during Leadership Retreat at Little Ocmulgee State park. Again, board members, organization leaders, host home providers, people supported, DSPs, and other stakeholders were invited to participate and add input into the plan.

The six strategic areas of focus – that address our future remained the same. The six focus areas are Leadership/Advocacy, Expansion/Capacity Building, Social Capital Development, Operational Integrity, Recognition and Satisfaction.

Focusing our plan around these six areas gave the group a structure to work from and regular and ongoing input from members of the agency leadership helped shape strategies that speak the trajectory of Diversified Enterprises today and into the future. These six areas do not stand alone but are also interwoven to achieve our overall vision. In our plan we added the vision of people supported that we will continue to unpack over the next 3 years.

Having a strategic plan is key to developing a shared vision for Diversified Enterprises and critical to the ongoing success of our Agency. We believe this plan is particularly powerful since it involved multi-dimensional planning, multi-team collaboration, and meaningful actions towards helping **people** LIVE THE LIVES THEY LOVE.

Strategic Plan

Leadership & Advocacy Vision 2026

Our vision is to be an innovative leader, resource, and change-agent so individuals can be supported in the setting of their choice and live the life they love.

Leadership & Advocacy Goal 2026

Our goal is to position the Agency and its members as valued advocates and as innovative leaders in Georgia.

Leadership & Advocacy Objectives		
Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026
Develop South Georgia Communities of Practice. Identify Agency leadership needs/Design leadership track.	Continuation from previous year: Develop South Georgia Communities of Practice. Identify Agency leadership needs/Design leadership track. Engage Agency members in local/state Boards, Councils and advocacy groups. Cultivate Agency leadership.	Establish Agency members as Advocates and leaders in the State of Georgia. Evaluate National opportunities. Enroll leaders in Agency growth.

Leadership & Advocacy Strategy		
Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026
Facilitate Communities of practice with other organizations through training (Person Centered Thinking, Positive Behavior Supports, Etc.) and relevant issues (Supported Employment, Inclusion). Formulate plan for ongoing leadership development and career paths.	Identify, Assess and Apply to various local/state Boards, Councils and advocacy groups for membership. Develop a local Mayor / County Commission for People with disabilities. Promote development of Aktion club. Development of internal team leader curricullum, Engage PCO to assist in leadership. Develop succession plans at all levels.	Participate and contribute to various local/state Boards, Councils and advocacy groups for membership. Survey National landscape. Continue leadership development. Review succession plans. Leadership plans for next strategic plan development.

Leadership & Advocacy Key Performance Indicators

Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026
Training records for PCT and/or PBS, Best Buddies, attendance records with outside agency's participation. Leadership launchpad attendence, PCO attendence.	Applications and/or acceptance to local or state boards or committees. Leadership Launchpad, Team leader class.	Participation and/ or continued application to local or state boards or committees.

Expansion Vision 2026

Our vision is to ensure Diversified Enterprises programs and services are distinctive, relevant, responsive, and sustainable to the communities we serve for decades.

Expansion Goal 2026

Our goal is to continue as an agency with strong and sustainable growth in both the quality and quantity of existing services while crafting person centered solutions to meet the needs of future markets to individuals with disabilities.

Expansion Objectives			
Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026	
Maximize current capacity. Identify expansion opportunities. Identify new models to explore for additional diversification. Engage with Employment expansion efforts.	Continued from 2024: Maximize current capacity. Identify expansion opportunities. Identify new models to explore for additional diversification. Develop expansion plan that highlights diversification and choice while being person centered. Maintain capacity focus.	Implement person centered expansion plan, maintain capacity focus. Encourage ongoing diversification and unique opportunities.	

Expansion Strategy			
Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026	
Complete housing matches and make referral community aware of availability. Actively participate in Employment expansion efforts. Educate all staff on meaningful day activities. Enroll housing experts on Advisory board.	Develop and/or recruit subject matter experts for areas of expansion (Aging, Autism, Employment, Meaningful Day, Person Centered Planning). Prepare transition model concept. Explore Entrepreneurship. Add additional group home. Explore GROW program and expand VR.	Engage in expansion efforts. Explore using 501c3 for residential opportunities, maintain employment 1st focus.	

Expansion Key Performance Indicators			
Fiscal Year 2024 Fiscal Year 2025 Fiscal Year 2026		Fiscal Year 2026	
Occupancy/Employment	Expansion plan/ Advisory board	Expansion plan goal execution,	
activities/trainings	members, Occupancy / Census.	Occupancy / Census	

Social Capital Vision 2026

Our vision is to develop innovative actions, measures and programs in the area of social inclusion and community development that create and promote of the social capital of each and every person.

Social Capital Goal 2026

Our goal is to build social capital (work/business opportunities, financial capital, power & influence, emotional support, and meaningful relationships) for all members associated with Diversified Enterprises.

Social Capital Objectives			
Fiscal Year 2024 Fiscal Year 2025 Fiscal Year 2026			
Develop opportunities to increase social capital / valued social roles for Diversified Enterprises members/ Establish Leadership Curricullum to enhance Direct Support Professional skills and enable career ladder.	Implement structured opportunities that increase social capital/valued social roles. Advocate for Direct Support Professional recognition as a professional fairly compensated workforce.	Evaluate and expand upon structured opportunities that increase social capital/valued social roles. Continue Advocacy for Direct Support Professional recognition as a professional workforce.	

Social Capital Strategy			
Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026	
Identify current professionals to	Support meaningful advocacy	Increase membership and participation	
develop into future leadership roles.	activities through United for	in meaningful advocacy activities	
Develop and implement a training	Change, People First, etc.	through United for Change, People First,	
and mentoring curriculum to offer	Participate in DSP Certification	and Kiwanis Akton Club in South	
career development to our future	through State Program. Actively	Georgia. Assist in development of	
leaders. Identify members that will	and strategically recognize	legislation that Advances DSP	
attend and participate in trainings to	Diversified Enterprises members	Certification Agenda at a State level.	
build skills such as teamwork,	internally and externally.	Actively and strategically recognize	
relationships, leadership, advocacy,	Increased participation in events	Diversified Enterprises members	
and mentoring in an effort to build	planning committee throughout	internally and externally.	
the skills needed to increase valued	the organization.		

social roles. Active Voter	
Registration. Actively and	
strategically recognize Diversified	
Enterprises members internally and	
externally. Establish Kiwanis Akton	
Club in South Georgia.	

Social Capital Key Performance Indicators		
Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026
Attendence at trainings. Curriculum development. # Voters registered	Continued development of Kiwanis Aktion club. Legislative advocacy actions. Team leader training on Social Capital and building connections. Renew the television projection in front office with upcoming community events.	Attendence at trainings. Curriculum participation. Participation at best buddies and Aktion club. Legislative advocacy actions.

Operational Integrity Vision 2026

Our vision is to develop a high-performing culture at Diversified Enterprises in the areas of business performance, innovation, communication, productivity, and engagement.

Operational Integrity Goal 2026

Our goal is to achieve operational excellence by merging people, processes, and assets into a well-defined, highly efficient and proactive agency.

Operational Integrity Objectives		
Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026
Review systems, processes, and policies Agency-wide. Provide ongoing training for core competencies and system functionality. Begin CARF Accreditation.	Create a structure to support efficient agency operations. Develop systems that respond to rapidly changing regulatory environments. Identify performance mgt. metrics that reflect outcomes important to and for the Agency.	Implement a secure, integrated, and compliant infrastructure that increases organizational capacity and efficencies while improving our return on investment.

Operational Integrity Strategy			
Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026	
Complete IT assessment,	Continue from 2024: Policy and Procedure	Finalize upgrade of IT	
determine needs, and create action	update and review. Train staff on CARF	systems modernize	
plan. Implement Office	standards, Strategic Planning, and Performance	equipment. Train all staff	
365/Therap. Create and conduct	Management and Improvement plans.	on technologies.Increase	

staff training for new technology systems. Systematically review policies and procedures. Train all staff on the CARF standards and Performance Mgt Goals/system. Develop an integrated strategy for promoting operational efficencies between the office workforce and operations staff.

Upgrade IT systems to a common windows platform/modernize equipment. Identify and develop new sources of revenue. Implement telecommunication and backup systems based on the IT assessment. Expand and improve remote access to the organization's information and data resources. Expand knowledge of CARF standards. Develop systems that allow various plans (Risk mgt, strategic, IT, etc.) to flow. Create and maintain a supportive and professional work atmosphere for the division staff to foster high levels of creativity, productivity and satisfaction. Discussion with individuals about safety/security in their home. Security and accessibility upgrades at the office. Research other accounting systems and other staffing agencies.

proficency around CARF and other standards.
Implement systems around Performance mgt, Risk
Mgt. Engage teams in learning organization education.

Operational Integrity Key Performance Indicators							
Fiscal Year 2024 Fiscal Year 2025 Fiscal Year 202							
Complete all requirements for	Monthly metrics reports, Dashboard data,	Monthly metrics reports,					
CARF Accreditation, Monthly	Department budgets, IT Plan, Trainings held and	Dashboard data,					
metrics reports, Dashboard data, IT	Department budgets, IT						
Plan.							

Recognition Vision 2026

Our vision is to position Diversified Enterprises as a leader in disability supports in South Georgia.

Recognition Goal 2026

Our goal is to increase brand awareness and recognition to further Diversified Enterprises as an industry leader and the provider of choice while growing our influence in public policy.

Recognition Objectives					
Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026			
Develop Comprehensive Internal and	Continuation from 2024:	Create memorable brand experiences			
external Marketing Strategy	Develop Comprehensive	through effective planning and execution			
Modernize and improve overall	Internal and external Marketing	of sponsored events onsite and in the			
presentation of electronic	Strategy	community that engage our key			
communications including website,	Modernize and improve overall	audiences. Develop event-specific			
social media channels and other	presentation of electronic	marketing tactics and the metrics to			
avenues to be created. Produce	communications including	measure progress. Create opportunities			
agency communications on a	website, social media channels	for stakeholders to engage and interact			
consistent and more frequent	and other avenues to be	with Diversified. Create, maintain and			

schedule. Identify and recognize	created. Produce agency	enable a coherent set of formal and
Diversified Enterprises and various	communications on a consistent	informal recognition practices and
stakeholders that represent the	and more frequent schedule.	guidelines which support the strategic
agency.	Execute a plan for a	plan.
	coordinated, intentional,	
	integrated marketing program	
	designed to brand Diversified	
	Enterprises as the provider of	
	choice. Identify nomination	
	potentials and develop plan to	
	execute nominations. Produce	
	agency e-newsletter.	

Recognition Strategy					
Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2025			
Produce agency communications on a consistent and more frequent schedule. Develop internal newsletter.	Implement marketing and recogition plan. Deploy agency newsletter. Self-advocates involved in social media posts. Person-centered Champion. Staff recognition. Tiered wage scale.	Implement sponsored events onsite and in the community as well as event-specific opportunities for stakeholders to engage and interact with Diversified.			

Recognition Key Performance Indicators					
Fiscal Year 2024 Fiscal Year 2025 Fiscal Year 2026					
Agency promotional materials. Nominations. Developing marketing team.	Marketing plan, newsletter, nominations. Coordinate with finance on wage increases.	Marketing plan, events, nominations, newsletter.			

Satisfaction & Engagement Vision 2026

Our vision is to provide an optimal experience for each transaction our agency performs.

Satisfaction & Engagement Goal 2026

Our goal is to improve experiences with the Agency while increasing loyalty and retention.

Satisfaction & Engagement Objectives

Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026
Develop organized system to collect and analyze satisfaction and engagement of people supported, employees and other stakeholders.	Refine collection of data based on results. Expand surveys as additional stakeholder groups and other targets are identified. Identify methods to increase responses.	Refine collection of data based on results. Expand surveys as additional stakeholder groups and other targets are identified. Identify methods to increase responses.

Satisfaction & Engagement Strategy					
Fiscal Year 2024 Fiscal Year 2025 Fiscal Year 2026					
Identify targets and timeframes to collect satisfaction and engagement data. Deploy surveys for persons supported, employees and stakeholders. Track retention and turnover data, Publish results.	Analyze and refine survey questions. Identify additional appropriate targets to survey. Track retention and turnover data, Publish results.	Analyze and refine survey questions. Identify additional appropriate targets to survey. Track retention and turnover data, Publish results.			

Satisfaction & Engagement Key Performance Indicators					
Fiscal Year 2024 Fiscal Year 2025 Fiscal Year 2026					
Survey responses, Data measures and	Survey responses, Data	Survey responses, Data measures and			
results measures and results results					

Updated 2024

Persons Supported Vision 2026

Persons Supported had their own facilitated session in addition to participating in the overall strategic planning. These are ideas that they generated for the agency to address on their behalf.

1. Employment 1st

- a. Community Employment Placements
 - i. Employment Specialists make connections between people supported, funders and employers.
 - ii. "Add more jobs!"
- b. Apprenticeships
 - i. Trade organizations, internships and mentoring

2. Relationships

- a. Community gatherings
- b. Churches
- c. Social media
- d. Friend connections
- e. "More Fun Days!"

3. Retirement

- a. Identify bucket list items.
- b. Travel and budgets
- c. Concerts and social events
- d. Gardening and healthy hobbies

4. Safety

a. Explore ideas to assist with feeling safe at home and in the community.

Strategic planning Leadership Group

	Leadership and Advocacy	Expansion and Capacity building	Social Capital	Operational Integrity	Recognition & Branding	Satisfaction
Kristy Dominy	Member	Member		CHAIR		Member
Brianne Milliones				Member		Member
Izolla Hightower	Co-Chair	CHAIR	Member		Member	
Sam Skaggs	Member	Member				Member
Sharon Fullmore		Member	Co-Chair		Member	
Yolanda Powell	Member	Member	CHAIR			Member
Chequila Hayes		Member	Member			
Stephanie Fender			Member		Member	Member
Angeanicky Searcy	Member			Member		
Melinda Ball	Member				CHAIR	Member
Angel Stewart	Member	Co-Chair	Member		Member	
Jason Revels		Member		Co-Chair	Member	
Danny Hoover	CHAIR		Member	Member	Co-Chair	
Brandilyn Smith	Member	Member			Member	
Raven Coney		Member	Member			Chair

Amanda Sullivan					Member	Co-Chair
Lindsay Van Avery			Member	Member		
Brianne Milliones				Member		Brianne
Alicia Garcia				Member		
Rhonda Hillman	Member	Member				