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# Press Release

## Outside the Box Announces Program Expansion to Support People with Disabilities in Fishers

**Fishers, IN** April 12, 2023: A local not-for-profit organization, **Outside the Box** will open a day program to support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities toward living their best life in Fishers, Indiana. An industry leader currently supporting almost 300 people at their Indianapolis campus, OTB has been working with stakeholders in Fishers for more than five years toward this expansion. An innovative program known for teaching life skills in a peer matched, curriculum based, community integrated structure will be the first full time offering of it's kind in the city of Fishers. Participants will participate in meaningful, individualized activities that include art and cooking classes as well as pre-vocational training. The program empowers autonomy and personal independence.

While ultimately, the program will find it's future home in the planned Fishers Community & Recreation Center in partnership with the City of Fishers Parks Department, the organization will start their Fishers program at 9795 Crosspoint Blvd. with a planned opening date of July 10, 2023.

"We are thrilled to finally be bringing Outside the Box programming to the Fishers community. We are grateful for the support of the city of Fishers leadership and look forward to continued collaboration to serve the needs of the community," said Val Brennan, President of the Board of Directors for the organization.

"OTB has been active in the Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability, and are helping people get jobs through our employment supports program in Fishers. In partnership with the SouthPointe Village Apartment development, also the first of it's kind in Fishers, we are supporting people with disabilities seeking more inclusive and independent living. Expanding into Fishers with a day program, is the logical next step in to supporting this remarkable community," according to Michelle Miller, OTB's Executive Director.

Fishers City Councilwoman, Cecilia Coble who also serves as the Co-Chair for the Fishers Advisory committee on Disability said, "I am excited to hear of OTB's Fishers expansion, this is so desperately needed in our community. I am proud of our committee's advocacy in helping to bring more community supports for adults with disabilities!"

For individuals and their families who want to learn more about Outside the Box, information can be found at [www.otbonline.org](http://www.otbonline.org). Further, to ask questions or schedule an intake for program consideration, email [Fishers@otbonline.org](mailto:Fishers@otbonline.org).

To see Outside the Box in action, anyone is welcome to schedule a tour of our program in Indianapolis, near 56th & Binford, by calling (317) 253-6658.

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