



# Deepwood Foundation

# FACT SHEET

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## DEEPWOOD FOUNDATION INFORMATION

Since 1996, the Deepwood Foundation has been providing assistance to Lake County children and adults with developmental disabilities such as Mental Retardation, Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Down Syndrome, and behavioral challenges among others.

The Foundation was created by forward thinking parents, families and DD professionals and advocates who recognized the ever increasing need for community backed financial aid. Through financial support and resource development, we provide special services, tools and items necessary for children and adults to achieve their full potential.

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, the Deepwood Foundation relies strictly on charitable contributions, events and foundation grants in order to continue to help those in need of its assistance. As a result of generous contributions and fund raising efforts we have been able to assist more than 400 children and adults annually.

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## MISSION

**To Empower • To Enrich • To Promote**

"To empower individuals with developmental disabilities and to enrich the quality of their lives by providing support, advocacy, grants and resources, and to promote community awareness"

## VISION

Provide support for individuals of all ages with developmental disabilities to achieve their full potential.

## SERVICES

Deepwood Foundation provides funding and assistance to children and adults with developmental disabilities. It supports several programs including providing camp and after school scholarships; therapeutic and specialized equipment; health and safety items; emergency referral and assistance; advocacy; community education; and other unique support not available through insurance, public schools and traditional sources.

Each year the Deepwood Foundation provides summer camp scholarships to over 100 children and adults. It provides funding to families for personal equipment such as hearing aids, walkers or strollers, and assists with unique expenses a family may need in caring for their child or family member with special needs. Deepwood Foundation also supports existing athletic programs including the *Lake County Special Olympics*. The Foundation has inspired hundreds of children and adults to achieve their dreams and realize their potential with financial support and assistance.