CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

Hello Fly Brave friends,

We are seeking volunteers for our upcoming events at Sky High Sports and Cottage Pool. Do you have a heart for working with individuals with development disabilities? We could use your help. To register as a volunteer, please email us at flybravefoundation@gmail.com. We promise your heart will be filled.

Volunteer characteristics:

Outgoing

Fun

Positive

Engaging

Kind



The Fly Brave Foundation
Tax ID: 81-1284098

Upcoming Events

June 6, 2017
Monthly Sky High Sports Social Group Meet Up
3-6pm – Cost: $5 per person/$2 for Sky High socks
Sky High Sports, 11327 Folsom Blvd, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742
Fill out your waiver ahead of time, if you haven't done so already. Click here

June 18, 2017
Free Summer Swim Party
12-2pm
Cottage Pool, 3097 Cottage Way, Sac, CA 95825
Let's kick off summer with good vibes and swimming! There's a large area of covered bleachers and plenty of room on the grass so bring your towels, sunscreen, umbrellas and chairs for 2 hours of fun in the sun.

If you attend last years swimming party, you know the fun that is had.

All ages welcome.

Hope to see you there!

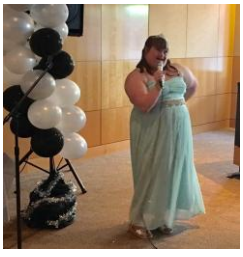


Prom 2017!
Dancers bedazzled like the diamonds they are! They knew how to shine.









Huge heart felt thank you to the UC Davis MIND Institute for donating their venue for our 2nd Annual Autism Prom Night. Thank you MIND staff, Dr. Lauren Libero, Brianna, Annie, Kathryn, Devon, and Caroline for your wonderful volunteer manpower. To view the photo booth photos on our Shutterfly site, click here.

Thank you to Carin Humphrey and her amazing army of bakers for creating a delicious dessert table and for donating to the cost of pizza.

Thank you Fly Brave friends and Board members for your time and good vibes setting up, cleaning up, staffing the event and making sure smiles were abundant all evening long.

Kindness is Magic!



Fashion Show Fundraiser/Silent Auction

We have rented the California Auto Museum on September 10, 2017 from 4-7pm for this event.

This is our first big fundraiser and the goal is to raise enough funds to move into a commercial office. We have outgrown my home base.

The show will open with a musical performance by Mark, a young adult with autism who uses his music to inspire others to follow their dreams; and a poem by Emily Seltzer, an autism sibling with a heart as big as the ocean.

We are accepting donations for our silent auction. If you would like to donate, please contact us.

We will schedule a casting call for a meet and greet and will take head shots to promote the event.

Stay tuned for the announcement.

Our Fashion Show is our first big fundraiser. All proceeds will go toward gaining a physical location for our employment training program.

Everyone deserves a chance

We believe that everyone is capable of reaching their highest potential given the opportunity with the right supports. Have you ever found a job that felt right but the job description required a particular degree or certification or more years of experience than you had? Inside, you probably thought to yourself, "If they give me the chance, I will show them how valuable my talents are." Right? At Fly Brave, we feel that same way. We want to give that chance to young adults with autism. We want to help them build a resume doing what they enjoy. We want to provide options to give them every opportunity possible to spread their wings and fly.

Personal Highlight

One of our shining stars graduated in May from Guiding Hands in El Dorado Hills. He officially aged out of school and stepped into adulthood. We are so proud of you Jack! This guy has so much love in his heart and is the welcoming committee at our events. Well done parents, Jane & Joe, you've raised a dynamite young man. Shout out to Aiden, a wonderful little brother. We love you O'Grady family and are right here with you. Fly Brave!



Our first year financials were filed with the State of CA and the IRS.

2016 recap
Total Income: $6,237.90
Total Expenses: $5,426.30
It left us with a balance of $811.60 going into 2017.

We didn't receive funds from foundations or grants. We received support from you, our community.

We put on Prom and Winter Ball charging just $10 per family, FREE Run Club which included a shirt, Sky High Sports meet ups with sponsored entry fees (5x's in 2016), Ice Skating $10, FREE Roller Skating Halloween party w/ snacks/desserts, FREE Swimming party w/ pizza and desserts, in-house jewelry workshops and a pilot community job program. We rent out each venue privately so that it is open only to Fly Brave families, friends and volunteers. Can you believe what we did in the last year with such a small budget? We have NO paid staff positions. We are run by volunteer manpower. This is proof that when a community comes together, anything is possible. THANK YOU!

Thank you 2016 donors who contributed to Prom and Winter Ball.

Rob Winter	Jerri Koplowitz
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Kristen Heidelback	Nervo family

Thank you to our 2016 fundraising partners.
Restaurant Fundraiser: Chipotle - $ 253.75
Benefit concert: HIGH LOW JACK - $350.50

Thank you to everyone who purchased our jewelry and t-shirts. Your support through sales kept us afloat to fund our events and we are GRATEFUL.

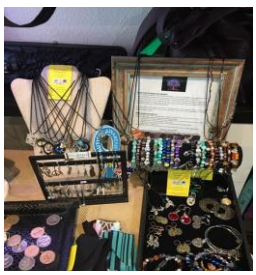
FLY BRAVE JEWELRY, BY YOUNG ADULTS WITH AUTISM.

Jewelry created by our young adults with autism can be purchased on-line, on our Etsy store, and at Article Consignment Boutique in East Sacramento.

Jewelry and t-shirts are created bi-weekly in our jewelry workshops. Our jewelry line helps to fund the events we put on and is a fun social outlet for our young adults to tap into their creativity.

To visit our online store:
https://www.etsy.com/shop/FlyBrave?ref=shop_sugg

To visit Article Consignment:
706 56th St
Unit 100
Sac, CA 95819



To the 2017 graduates,
from our nest to yours,
CONGRATULATIONS!
CARPE DIEM!



On behalf of the Fly Brave Board, thank you for your continued support in our grassroots effort to open an employment training program for adults with autism. Our adults are just beginning to fly when their school services end. Fly Brave's mission is to build a bridge for continued growth and support as they try skillsets they are interested in and foster those skillsets by working with community businesses. We want to offer options; options that lead to doors of opportunity. Our vision is vast and led with heart. To quote Margaret Mead, *"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed it's the only thing that ever has."*

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