

Me

NAME

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PASSION

Making a
Difference

My Story

As a special education teacher, I had a student who was treated badly by a provider. I decided to start my company to make a difference in the lives of others. Everyone has Different Abilities and we are all fearfully and wonderfully made.

Different Abilities has been opened for three years, we provide transportation, hpc, day/vocational services, job coaching and more. I have had the opportunity to work with every client and have enjoyed building a relationship with them and their families. Every client has a story and I am so blessed that they have allowed Different Abilities to be apart of that story.

In 2006, I was in a teacher academy

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program and I was put in a special education class against my will. When I walked in that classroom, I fell in love with the students and knew that I wanted to obtain my bachelors degree in this field. I loved the students and was honored to be in that classroom, assisting the staff helping grow and develop the students.

In 2014, I was the only teacher with the moderate to intensive degree and was blessed with the opportunity to work with some students with intensive needs. In this role, I met a student who was treated badly by a provider and was experiencing trauma. At this moment, I knew God called me to make a difference in the lives of others and Different Abilities was on my heart.

In 2017, my dream came alive and we began making a difference in the lives of others. We started our day/vocational program and our first client was unable to do many tasks. Now, she is out in the community volunteering at local companies and is building a rapport with customers and employees. She was offered a job at one of the places that she volunteers at weekly.

In our Homemaker Personal Care (HPC) program, one of our first clients had been through many providers and his mom was having a hard time trusting again. We began providing reliable, quality services and he is now able to independently do his shower routine, morning routine, and assist in making his own food. The team of DSP's working with this client helped this child by relating task to things of interest to him. His staff assisted him on his first out of state trip to Washington with his school and he had a blast.

Everyone who works for me has a passion to help others. Different Abilities staff loves the clients that they serve. Our clients are apart of our family and without getting compensated employees on their own time attend clients dance recitals, sporting events, school performances, and so much more. Everyone who works for me has a passion to help others. Different Abilities is a faith based company and is just one of the many ways that I try to make a difference in the lives of others. I am blessed to be able to have such a wonderful staff that assist me in making a difference in the lives of others.



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