



## Achieve with us.

*"For people with intellectual, developmental and other life-affecting disabilities."*

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May 1, 2014

Dear Family and Friends of The Arc:

"There's no place like home, there's no place like home... "All Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz had to do was click her heels together to return to her safe and loving home where her Auntie Em, family and friends were waiting for her. For families whose children were born with life-affecting disabilities and placed in large institutional settings there is no yellow brick road to guide their sons and daughters back home. There is however, The Arc Quinebaug Valley. We are moving forward in acquiring a new residential home which will provide a safe and nurturing environment for those who will live there. They will be reunited with family and become active members of their community, as they were meant to be.

We have also created a new vocational initiative for those seeking a positive and fulfilling work experience. Project Redemption is a bottle and can redemption and recycling business that provides valued, paying jobs for individuals with disabilities. Education, socialization and a chance to help the community are all integral components of the program.

The Arc Quinebaug Valley, Inc. has been a lifeline for families for more than 62 years in our community. Advocacy, education and quality programs enable individuals to live their lives according to their hopes and dreams. Community based services provided by The Arc help individuals with life-affecting disabilities from birth to end of life.

**You can help us reach our goal of \$25,000** by partnering with The Arc. Your investment will directly provide critical services and resources. The Arc maintains a high degree of excellence in the delivery of these services but we need your help.

Make a difference in someone's life. Join with us in supporting **"A Life of Our Own – A Life Like Yours" Giving Appeal**. Take the next step, all gifts are meaningful and are fully tax deductible.

Thank you on behalf of all of us at The Arc for your support of our Giving Campaign and your trust, belief and investment in our mission.

Sincerely,

Willie and Fran Bousquet  
Campaign Chairpersons