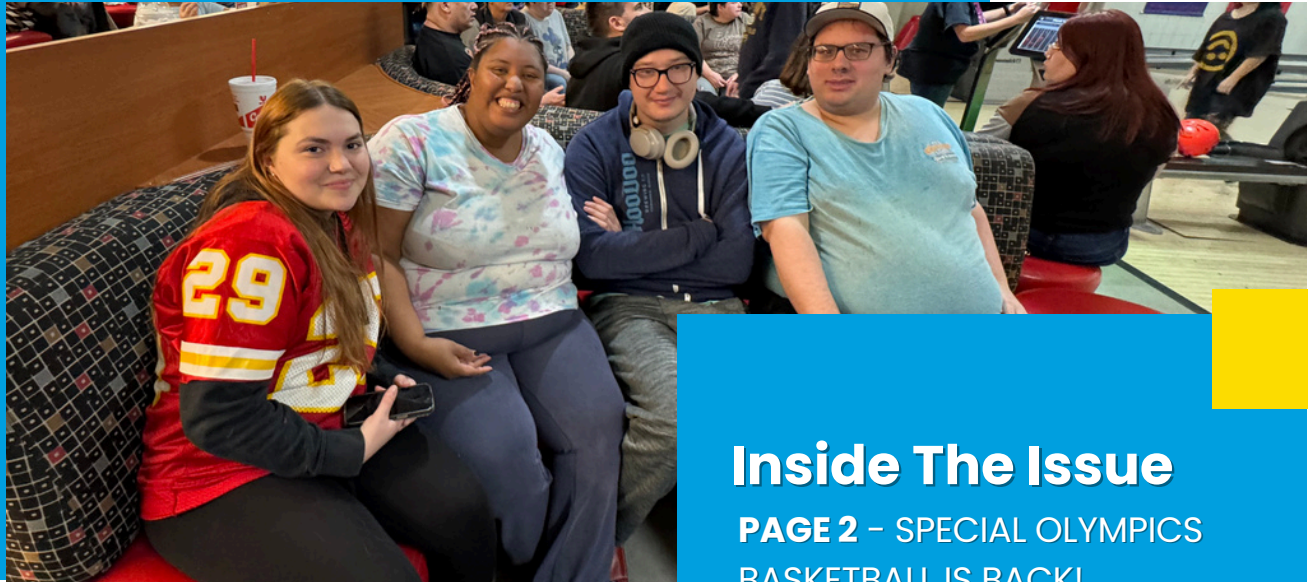


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INCLUSION IS IN THE AIR

February is often associated with love, but for us, it's also about inclusion, connection, and showing up for one another. In this newsletter, we're highlighting two meaningful events—Special Olympics, which kicks off this month, and our Brunch & Bubbly fundraiser coming up in March.

Both events reflect our commitment to creating opportunities, celebrating abilities, and supporting individuals with developmental disabilities in our community.

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Supporting People with developmental disabilities through Advocacy, Resources, and Kindness!

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Letter from the Director

As part of our ongoing Tuesday Talk series, we're taking a closer look at each of our 2026 Strategic Plan priorities. This month, we're focusing on Strategic Priority #2: Optimize Targeted Case Management or TCM.

Targeted Case Management is the heart of our agency. It's where meaningful relationships are built and person-centered plans come to life. And to do it well, our case managers need systems that are clear, efficient, and supportive. That's why in 2026, we're focusing on reducing non-billable tasks, improving documentation tools, and streamlining billing. Every case manager will receive weekly billing reviews, and we'll be rolling out updated templates that make documentation faster and more consistent.

We're also involving staff directly in the process by creating new standards of work with TCM input and finalizing a list of optional billable tasks to maximize the impact of each hour worked. The goal? More time for what matters, supporting people, building relationships, and helping individuals pursue their good life.

We're excited to welcome back Special Olympics Missouri for another season of training, teamwork, and fun. Practices will be held every Sunday beginning February 15 through March 22, except March 8 (Spring Break).

We're proud to cheer on our athletes as they return to the court and continue building confidence, skills, and friendships.

Cost: \$5, one time fee (cash only)

Register Now

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Staff Spotlight: Nick Wilson

Nick Wilson is one of our dedicated Targeted Case Managers and a proud UCM graduate, where he earned a Bachelor's of Fine Arts in Studio Art. He's married and a dad to two kids, and he brings that same patience and creativity into both his work and his hobbies. Nick enjoys growing plants, noting that caring for them feels a lot like creating art. When things are going well, you get to step back and appreciate the care, effort, and overall aesthetic. His thoughtful approach and calm presence make him a wonderful asset to our team.



13th Annual Brunch & Bubbly

Don't miss out on one of our most anticipated events of the year. Join us Saturday, March 14th at 9:30 AM at the Freedom Barn at Spirit Lake in Knob Noster.

Purchasing a ticket helps support individuals with developmental disabilities right here in our community, all while enjoying a fun and meaningful morning together. Click the "buy now" picture to purchase today!

 **BUY NOW**



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2026 Sponsors!

We are deeply grateful to all of our sponsors whose generosity makes the work of the Johnson County Board of Services Foundation possible. Your support helps us bridge gaps in funding, respond to urgent needs, and expand inclusive opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families throughout Johnson County. Because of you, people can access therapies, adaptive equipment, community programs, and vital resources that improve quality of life and promote independence. Our sponsors are more than partners—they are champions for inclusion and advocates for a stronger, more connected community. We are honored to work alongside businesses, organizations, and individuals who believe in investing in people and creating lasting impact. Thank you for standing with us and helping our mission move forward.

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www.lifecoursetools.com



Targeted Case Manager Satisfaction Survey!



Targeted Case Management Satisfaction Survey

Identification of Researchers:

This survey is being done by the Johnson County Board of Services.

Purpose of the Survey:

The purpose of this survey will help JCBS improve our services to the individuals we serve and their families.

Request for Participation:

We are inviting you to participate in a survey on the Johnson County Board of Services. It is up to you whether you would like to participate. If you decide not to participate, you will not be penalized in any way. You can also decide to stop at any time without penalty. If you do not wish to answer any of the questions, you may simply skip them. If you wish to withdraw, please close the browser before submitting, at the end of the survey. Once you submit the survey, we will keep the information you provided confidentially.

Privacy:

All of the information we collect will be kept confidential. Your confidentiality will be maintained to the degree permitted by the technology used. Specifically, no guarantees can be made regarding the interception of data sent via the Internet by any third parties.

Explanation of Risks:

Completing this survey will NOT negatively affect your services.

Explanation of Benefits:

Completing this survey will help provide feedback for JCBS.

Questions

If you have any questions about this survey, please contact Melissa Frey at mfrey@jcmbs.com.

This survey takes approximately 5-10 minutes to complete

Public Meeting Notice

Quarterly Board Meetings are held via Zoom or in person at the Johnson County Board of Services office located at 200 N Devasher, Warrensburg, MO 64093. Meetings are held quarterly on the third Tuesday of that month. Meeting dates are subject to change with notice. Please see our website for meeting information:

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February 17th, 2026

May 19th, 2026

August 18th, 2026

November 17th, 2026

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Complete our now online TCM Satisfaction
Survey!**

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