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## Garfield County Human Services Grants YEAR-TO-DATE OUTCOMES REPORT

This report must be completed and provided (7 Copies) to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) at your agency's annual presentation.

Date: 2/18/2025

### **Reporting Agency:**

Mountain Valley Developmental Services, Inc. is a Provider Agency Early Intervention Evaluating Entity, and an Early Intervention Broker supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and delays.

### **Desired Goals and Outcomes:**

Our goals are to meet our mission which is to encourage and support individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, enhance their ability to live, learn, and work in an independent and inclusive manner and educate the community on their contributions and capabilities.

Our outcomes are to continue providing high quality supportive and extensive services to participants. We rely heavily on county funding to assist us in achieving these outcomes, as our state funding continues to be flat across the state and does not consider the expense of providing services in this high cost area.

### **What was accomplished to date in each of the following categories?**

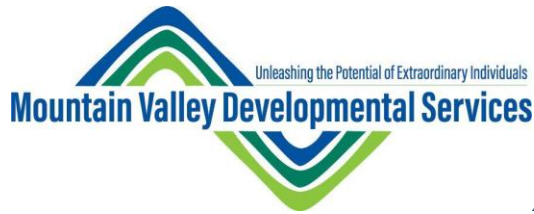
#### **Major Activities (Outputs):**

Our Deliverable activities of providing Residential Services, Day Enrichment Services, Supported Employment, and Early Intervention continue to meet or exceed documented targeted numbers, and are in good standing with Health Care Policy and Finance, the Colorado Department of Early Childhood, the Colorado Department of Public Health and the Environment, and local fire and safety codes.

Deliverable activities related to Community Outreach have also been accomplished and continue to be on-going, reaching many people each month. We participate in local, regional and statewide meetings on a regular basis. Many of our employees participate in community based councils, committees, forums, or other gatherings of related human service providers. This helps us understand and connect with the community, and enables us to contribute information about people with IDD to discussions.

#### **Significant Results (Outcomes):**

Residential Services- We continue supporting individuals in community inclusive living environments throughout our county. On a daily basis we support them in achieving their life goals by providing high quality supportive services tailored to meet their wants and needs. There are 61 individuals in Garfield County receiving residential services from MVDS. Additionally, we contract with dozens of family caregivers in Garfield County to support their adult family member at their home.



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Day Services- We emphasize the provision of self- directed, meaningful opportunities. These opportunities enable people to enjoy their communities for learning, recreation, and engagement. There are 45 participants in these services.

Supported Employment- The number of Garfield County individuals who are employed in community jobs has grown to 62. This indicates growth from the past year and coincides with the growth of the job market. We have a robust team of Job Coaches who assist and support individuals with obtaining, learning, and maintaining community jobs.

Case Management- Our Case Management services ended on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. These services are now provided by Garfield County Department of Human Services.

Early Intervention & Services- Over 350 children and their families living in Garfield County receive Early Intervention evaluations, services and supports. These services entail in-home or virtual therapy, in which the parent and family are taught how to apply therapeutic interactions in their everyday routines. This method greatly expands the child's receipt of therapy beyond the time provided by the therapist. In 2022, we began providing Early Intervention Evaluations to children whose families were applying for services. These activities had previously been completed by school districts.

Family Support Services- Our administration of Family Support Services ended on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. These services are now provided by Garfield County Department of Human Services.

Community Outreach- MVDS continues to work with a number of community organizations in an effort to provide wrap-around services and supports for individuals and families. MVDS collaborates with numerous community partners including but not limited to WMRHA, RMECC, QHN, CRN, school districts, BOCES, the Arc Central Mtns., Windwalkers, COAD, and local governments.

Other Significant Outcomes or Successes (not previously identified): As stated earlier, we transitioned out of providing Case management services, this year. After years of work at the federal, state level, and local level, we successfully supported our participants with this change. We continue to remain involved in Case Management by participating in the Community Advisory Committee, meeting with the Case Management Supervisor for Home and Community Based Services, and offering meeting space for mutual clients and their Case Manager. Additionally, MVDS transitioned away from being a Community Centered Board, based on Health Care Policy and Finance's redefinition of it.

If progress toward outcomes were/are not able to be met please explain: NA