

News Release: New Web Site
United Way Agency Profile

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Agency Description: The Beaver County Rehabilitation Center provides vocational training, job placement, on-the-job training, vocational assessment, job readiness instruction, Psychosocial Rehabilitation services, sign language instruction, School-to-Work Transition and Welfare to Work services to more than 300 people with disabilities and social and economic disadvantages in Beaver County.

The Beaver County Rehabilitation Center, a United Way agency that serves more than 300 people with disabilities and economic disadvantages, recently launched a new web site at www.bcrc.net. According to BCRC Executive Director, Paulette Miller, "The web site is a way of exposing people in Beaver County to the many programs and services that we have to offer. The web site features state of the art flash effects, colorful program descriptions, recent and archived newsletters, slide shows and more."

While BCRC is the most experienced vocational provider in Beaver County with more than 40 years of service to people with disabilities, it is also one of the most innovative. According to Ms. Miller, "Our new web site gives an exciting view of our newer services like psychosocial rehabilitation, School-to-Work Transition, and Welfare to Work Services. These programs are highlighted in addition to traditional programs like work activities, job placement, job development, and vocational evaluation." Ms. Miller states, "We realize that there are many needs in our community, and thanks to agencies like the United Way, we have been able to do our part to meet those needs."

Another way that BCRC has met those needs is by providing work opportunities at its production facilities in New Brighton and at many settings in the community. The BCRC web site shows individuals with disabilities working at community jobs such as hospital laundry, office filing, document preparation, and preparing clothing for retail sale.

Seeking to provide a well rounded experience for its clients, www.bcrc.net slide shows feature BCRC clients participating in picnics, softball games, safety carnivals and more.

In addition to program displays, the BCRC web site will soon be launching an on-line store that will provide work and creative outlets for the many people served by the agency. The store will make items available for on-line purchase such as wreaths, floral arrangements, and memorial items from BCRC Gifts Delivered business.

You can enter the agency's web site contest by offering your opinions at www.bcrc.net. For more information visit BCRC at 1517 Sixth Ave., New Brighton or www.bcrc.net.