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Some of the most beautiful and engaging persons in our community are the people CCARC, Inc. serves, a list that increases in number with each passing year. At CCARC, the mission is to ensure that those with developmental disabilities—autism, traumatic brain injury, Down syndrome or myriad others—have hope and are able to choose their places in this world as happy productive citizens. That is why we urge you to join us in supporting CCARC's **Making Dreams Come True 2008-2009** campaign.

Your gift, no matter the size, ensures that CCARC is able to provide individuals with significant opportunities for a full and successful life.

William ("BJ") is a 34-year-old man with traumatic brain injury which leaves him medically involved and fragile. For years, BJ's grandmother had been his primary caregiver, but in 2004, unable to provide BJ with the necessary attention, she had a house built—the aptly named group home, "BJ's House"— which was willed to CCARC upon her passing, with the stipulation that BJ should continue to receive the care he requires. Now, four years later, BJ still receives services through CCARC, is rarely hospitalized and his seizures are under control. Where once his whole world revolved around hospitalizations and his grandmother's house, now BJ's whole world *is* the whole world.



BJ's is just one story; one example of how CCARC seeks to improve the lives of those in our care. As we strive to make dreams happen for individuals like BJ, we look to the many people who have given so thoughtfully in the past. Please help us to continue to make dreams happen for people with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities by donating to CCARC's **Making Dreams Come True 2008-2009** campaign.

Sincerely,
The CCARC Making Dreams Come True
Annual Appeal Committee 2008-2009

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