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From the Desk of Dan:

Greetings from REACH, Inc.!

March has been a busy month in Alaska for the Intellectual and Developmental Disability community! On March 1, Governor Mike Dunleavy proclaimed that March is officially Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Alaska. Also on March 1, REACH, other statewide agencies, disability advocates, and the Key Coalition of Alaska, rallied for the Individuals we support on the Capitol steps to bring awareness to the Legislature on the importance of supporting Alaskans who experience intellectual and developmental disabilities. And finally, in collaboration with the Key Coalition of Alaska, we hosted a Key Campaign reception at REACH, where we welcomed Legislators and disability advocates to gather together to learn more about each other and the work we do.

Sincerely,

Dan Elstad
Executive Director

REACH Partnerships:

We're proud to partner with SourceAmerica! SourceAmerica provides support to REACH and other agencies and nonprofits serving people who experience disabilities. Recently, we had a site visit with our Account Manager, Jonathan Rabara and our Senior Account Manager Michael Smith. Our Executive Director Dan Elstad, Custodial Director Geoffrey Abad, and Custodial Site Supervisor Daniel Brown took them to see the Mendenhall Glacier while they were here!



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Employee Anniversaries:

We're incredibly proud of the people who work at REACH, and their hard work does not go unnoticed! Please join us in celebrating the following employee anniversaries:

January

Tirso Galamay - 4 years
Tim Wilson - 5 years
Carol Schaaque - 5 years
Va'Esui Tupou - 6 years
Caroline Levale - 7 years
Rudy Lumba - 14 years
Anne Eichorst - 17 years
Angelito Francisco - 25 years

February

Sara Mason - 1 year
Jacob Lewis - 2 years
Ericka Nebert - 3 years
Mary Diamzon - 6 years
Juan Cabrera - 7 years
Laurel Stafford - 8 years
Geofrey Abad - 10 years
Ariel Cristobal - 13 years
Cynthia Benin - 14 years
Kat Willard - 16 years
Charles Wisner - 16 years
Michael George - 16 years
Danielle Authier - 21 years

March

Martin Reid - 1 year
Gwynne Jones - 1 year
Renee Sullivan - 1 year
Rodrigo Guzman - 1 year
Tammra Birch - 1 year
Ralph Bullman - 3 years
Michael Livingston - 3 years
Carolyn Geiger - 4 years
Naomi Vakauta - 6 years
Joshua Berg - 6 years
Nonoy Castro - 7 years
Charles Mattingly - 7 years
Mercedes Villagomez - 9 years
Hannah Ashenfelter - 11 years
Josefina Quirino Rosas - 12 years
Xiao Lu - 12 years
Kaelen Del Castillo - 14 years
Ruth Legg - 16 years
Donald Jackowick - 16 years
Colleen James - 32 years



Key Coalition of Alaska's Rally at the Capitol on 3/1/23