

To facilitate the establishment of quality training and employment for teenage and adult persons with disabilities in West Africa.

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**Connie Thrash McGoodwin
VOCATIONAL TRAINING HUB**

Who Would Benefit?

MHAC provides training programs and opportunities to teenage and adult persons who have a primary diagnosis of intellectual disability (IQ of 70 or below). Persons served may also have other developmental or physical disabilities in addition to intellectual disability.

Additional services are provided to the community for persons with other disabilities. All individuals applying for services must meet the eligibility criteria for MHAC and its funding sources in order to be accepted. Eligibility criteria varies by program.

CTM-Vocational Training Hub

A variety of different vocational training experiences are offered weekly, including volunteer or paid work activity (either at our facilities or in the community), work adjustment training, community integration and social activities, and job readiness, placement, and retention groups. The program focuses mainly on work activities, with the emphasis on preparing most individuals for eventual community employment.

CTM-Vocational Training Hub was named after Connie Thrash McGoodwin, M.Ed. and modelled after Dale Rogers Training Center, Inc. (DRTC), in Oklahoma City, U.S.A. It gave us; stated Lovetie Major, M.Ed., Founder & CEO of MHA, a great honor and pride to name our vocational training hub after a trailblazer who has spent her entire career paving the way and altering the minds of society and eventually proven the fact that, everyone can be productive if given a chance.



What motivates McGoodwin?

"As trite as it sounds, I like knowing I've made a positive difference in the lives of people with disabilities and their families" says McGoodwin, Executive Director (DRTC). "I like being the good guy and love seeing how

good management, common sense and the ability to take a calculated risk helps us at Dale Rogers Training Center, Inc., Oklahoma City; to be successful in win/win business endeavors. I like thinking outside the box and watching the folks we serve earning wages and doing things no one ever thought they could. The Board of Directors and the professional staff have a great partnership that keeps us on the same page and promotes success."

McGoodwin spent two years in New South Wales, Australia, teaching and lecturing; and taught in Brooklyn, New York. In addition to her master's degree, she has hours towards an MBA at Oklahoma City University and is certified in all areas of disabilities. Her husband Jim, an attorney, is retired from Office of State Finance. Her son Colin is an endowed microbiologist. The whole McGoodwin family are Thunder Fans, but they are a house divided when it comes to OU versus OSU football.

10- Month Annual Payment Plan

(Two Meals, a Snack and Transportation provided by MHA)

- ☐ \$500.00 Yearly
- ☐ \$125.00 Quarterly
- ☐ \$50.00 Monthly

Programs Offered

Training Developments

Pastry
Tailoring
Handicrafts
Woodworks



Enhancements

Computer/Literacy/
Numeracy Skills
Life Skills/
Agriculture
Music/
Creative Arts
Extra-Curricular
Activities

