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PRESS RELEASE

MAXIMUS Foundation awards grant to Emory Valley Center

The MAXIMUS Foundation has awarded Emory Valley Center a \$2,500 grant to help deliver innovative solutions to empower people and promote self-sufficiency.

With the MAXIMUS Foundation grant, Emory Valley Center secured a “Smartboard” for use in the multi-purpose room located in the Caldwell-Thompson building. Since the installation, this technology has been used for “People Planning Together” classes for people they support instructed by a person they support, viewership of enabling technology videos, completing webinars with vendors for enabling equipment to aid in independent living and employment for people supported and “Person Centered Thinking” training for employees.

“This technology has been instrumental in helping Emory Valley Center benefit the people we support in a variety of ways,” said Crystal Hicks, Vice President of Operations. “Vendors, employees and people we support all utilize this technology in seeking ways to give people opportunities to dream and live the lives they choose.”

“It is with great pleasure that I present Emory Valley Center with this MAXIMUS Foundation grant, which is funded, in part, by MAXIMUS employees,” said John Boyer, MAXIMUS Foundation Chairman. “It is an honor to present this grant to such a deserving organization, and I thank Emory Valley Center for its commitment to enriching the lives of those it serves.”

Since 1975, MAXIMUS has operated under its founding mission of *Helping Government Serve the People*, enabling citizens around the globe to successfully engage with their governments at all levels and across a variety of health and human services programs. MAXIMUS delivers innovative business process management



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As the philanthropic arm of MAXIMUS, the Foundation extends the mission of the Company by identifying and awarding grants to partners with specialized expertise to deliver results within the same populations and communities served by the public programs the Company operates. The MAXIMUS Foundation is completely funded by the MAXIMUS and its employees and provides grants to local community organizations with programs and projects in the areas of child and youth development, health and community development.

Emory Valley Center has been meeting the needs of people with intellectual, developmental and physical disabilities in the East Tennessee community for **64 years** and currently provides a wide variety of services including: Community Integration, Education, Employment, Family Assistance, Pre-Vocational Training, Residential and Senior Services. **This support reaches more than 1,400 adults and children, monthly in multiple East Tennessee counties.**

To learn more about Emory Valley Center and their programs and services, visit www.emoryvalleycenter.org, follow them on facebook, www.facebook.com/emoryvalleycenter and Instagram, [emory.valley.center](https://www.instagram.com/emory.valley.center) for program/success stories and photos.