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US Department of Labor to Issue Excellence in Disability Inclusion Award

The US Department of Labor is encouraging inclusive hiring with a new award and incentive program. The Excellence in Disability Inclusion Award will “recognize federal contractor and subcontractor establishments that ensure equal employment opportunity,” and foster employment opportunities for those with disabilities. You can read a story about the program [here](#). The plan is open for public comment until December 4th. You can learn more information and comment [here](#).



National Family Caregiver Month

November is National Family Caregiver Month. Established in 2016 by President Obama, National Family Caregiver Month aims to “encourage all Americans to pay tribute to those who provide for the health and well-being of their family members, friends, and neighbors.” Find more information [here](#), and [here](#), and read the original proclamation [here](#). See Sooner Success’s information on respite care for families [here](#). See our *Mark Your Calendar* section for related events.



Oklahoma Deaf-Blind Technical Assistance Project

The Oklahoma Deaf-Blind Technical Assistance Project is a free service targeting children and youth who have a loss in both vision and hearing. The program will provide one-on-one services, visits to the child’s home or school, and access to and information about state and national resources. The project is the only entity devoted to serving children with deaf-blindness. For more information, view their website [here](#), or find their Facebook [here](#).



OKSAN to be Awarded “Catalyst of Change” Award

The Oklahoma Self-Advocate Network is a collaborative effort to strengthen the self-advocacy movement in Oklahoma and to increase the inclusion and independence of people with disabilities. OKSAN is being honored with TARC’s 2018 “Catalyst of Change.” The award recognizes individuals, groups or organizations that have been catalysts for significant positive change in improving the lives of Oklahomans with developmental disabilities over a long period of time.

Join us for an exciting evening to benefit families served by the Family Support 360° Center!



To purchase tickets, click [HERE](#)

To donate to the Family Support 360° Center, click [HERE](#)

FAMILY SUPPORT 360 CENTER
PRESENTS

Circle of Giving

A Fundraising Event

DECEMBER 7TH

7:00 - 11:00 PM

OLD SCHOOL BUSINESS
201 N BROADWAY ST, MOORE

Silent Auction ~ Food ~ Music



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CLL SPOTLIGHT

The CLL and OKLEND Welcome David Nangosi, International Fellow

The Center for Learning and Leadership and OKLEND are excited to welcome David Nangosi, a member of the Professional Fellows Program on Inclusive Disability Employment. During his fellowship, Dr. Megan Peters has served as David's host and mentor. David is a lawyer from the National Union of Disabled Persons of Uganda (NUDIPU). While in Oklahoma, David has met with several professional organizations, self-advocates, and employment professionals. He has met with several members from the Center for Learning and Leadership to learn about employment initiatives in the state, and has spoken with several self-advocates to learn from their perspective.

Using the knowledge and experiences acquired while in the state, David will implement a six-month Mentorship and Internship Project for Graduating Youth with Disabilities at Makerere University, Kyambogo University, and Uganda Christian University.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Oklahoma Caregiver Conference: Supercharge your Caregiving!

Sooner Success

November 28
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

OU Tulsa Learning Center
4502 E. 41st
Tulsa

Free conference for
caregivers in Oklahoma

[More Information](#)

[Registration](#)

Caregiver Support Group

WovenLife Inc. and Sunbeam Family Services

November 28
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

WovenLife
701 NE 13th Street
Oklahoma City

Free support group for
caregivers with free lunch

For additional
groups, click [here](#)

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To register: call
405-239-2525 ex. 18

Sensory Santa Day

Rogers/Tulsa County Sooner Success

December 2
2:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Claremore First North Campus
Student Building
405 W 4th Street
Claremore

Free sensory friendly Santa

To register, contact:
tonda-ames@ouhsc.edu

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[Facebook](#)

Wrightslaw Special Education Law & Advocacy Conference

Sooner Success

December 6
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

The Children's Center
Rehabilitation Hospital
6800 NW 39th Expressway
Bethany

Free special education law
and advocacy training

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