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Journey of Hope Cyclists Visit Noble







From karaoke and a dance party to collaborative flower art and "Games Galore," we had a blast with the two dozen guys on this year's **Journey of Hope** bicycle team. They rode into town for our annual Friendship Visit on July 24.

Each year, several teams of college students spend the summer biking across the country to raise money and awareness for disability service organizations like Noble. Their annual stop in Indianapolis gives the guys a well deserved day off before hitting the road again--but not before having some fun with us!

N.E.W.S. Team Equivalent to Superman



When **Will** isn't working on the **N.E.W.S.** *(Noble Employment and Workforce Services)* team, he is a creator of universes. He imagines realities much more inspired than any of us may ever witness--like that of "Jon Kent," the son of newspaper reporter and Metropolis resident, Clark Kent. What the world doesn't know about Jon is that he has inherited a select set of his father's mighty powers that give his dad the name "Superman."

In his spare time, Will animates and writes about the life of Jon Kent—exploring the successes, challenges and inspirations that superhuman strength would provide to humankind. In his work at **Eli Lilly & Co.**, he embodies some of

those extraordinary powers.

On most days, you can find Will facilitating the logistics of corrugated cardboard, plastics and metals on predetermined collection routes throughout the LCC campus. Much like Jon Kent's amazing sight, Will has the ability to "see" trouble before it happens and alert the team of potential solutions for consideration. That kind of thoughtful planning allows Will and the N.E.W.S. team to improve the carbon footprint of Eli Lilly and "clean tall buildings in a single night."

Is the Family Support Network for You?



Since coming to the United States, **Vanessa** has worked hard to forge a great life for herself and her four-year-old son, **Carlos**. Like many young people, she has been trying out a few career paths to find the right one. So far, she has worked in fields from housekeeping to insurance. However, her goal is to be a Child Psychologist so she's working on other skills that will help her here, like speaking English more fluently. Being bilingual in the medical field will be a huge advantage.

While she's doing a lot on her own, she is also getting help from Noble's **Family Support Network**. Funded by a grant from United Way, this program was created to help families move toward a path of independence, greater self-

sufficiency and better economic opportunities.

The Family Support Network is open to adults with a child(ren) with a disability up to age 24. We work with them to help ensure their children are ready to enter school and are meeting educational milestones. We also help parents ensure that their children's mental, physical and behavioral health needs are being met.

Because this is a 2Gen program, we also help parents meet their goals too. We provide needed resources for areas like:

- Career Counseling & Coaching
- Financial Literacy Classes
- Resources Based on Need
- Self-Advocacy Support & Guidance
- Mental Health & Wellness

To learn more, please contact **Johnda Knight**.

Artist Spotlight: Barbara



Barbara is a spirited, talented entrepreneurial artist born and raised in Indianapolis. When asked about her early art experience, she will tell you about the first-place prize she won in grade school for the clown that she painted. She always shares this story with a smile and a great sense of accomplishment. Every time she finishes an art piece, whether it be a watercolor painting, a design made of beads, or an acrylic painting, she will look at it with the same

joy and pride in herself that she has as she remembers her prize-winning clown.

It is fascinating to watch Barbara work her magic on a canvas at **Noble Art**. She specializes in abstract art and bold natural scenes. She is confident with every stroke of her brush, creating her designs by following her creative intuition.

“Paint what’s in your brain. You just do it,” she says when asked about her creative technique. Recently, she has also been exploring different techniques for applying various interesting textures.

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- **Noble served 1,998 babies & toddlers through early intervention therapies last year.**
- **We partner with 200+ businesses, schools & organizations to better serve our community.**
- **453 people volunteered for Noble last year.**

- **In the past year, we served over 4,200 children & adults through core services & ancillary supports.**

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