

# MHMR Visions – June 2018 Impact Summary

## Disability Services

- Participants enjoyed weekly music therapy at ABG and ACS.
- ABG participants attended yoga and art instruction classes.
- Nine ABG participants visited *The Lands of Asia* exhibit at the Kimbell Art Museum.
- Five group homes hosted birthday celebrations at local restaurants that were attended by 35 residents.
- Project Transformation to enhance 1300 Circle Drive continues. Amon Carter Foundation funds have been used for new artwork, paint, and a television for the waiting room.
- The Resource Center supports dually-diagnosed adults (people with an intellectual/developmental disability and a behavioral health diagnosis) Visions funds supported a Field Day event for 15 former participants and their family members. The day included a DJ, face painting, outdoor games, dancing, and lunch. (see pictures below).

## Early Childhood Services (ECS)

- Visions funds purchased food and refreshments for 10 Parent Cafés that were attended by 68 people.

## Behavioral Health (BH)

### Substance Use Disorder (SUDS) – The Campus

- 16 adolescents attended an overnight, weekend therapeutic camp and eight therapeutic program sessions.

### Veterans Services (VS)

- An ongoing grant from The Jewish War Veterans helped purchase 16 fuel cards for veterans to travel to work and school.



## **Maps Key to Success at ABG**

*By Brandy Qualls  
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There is someone we serve who had intense outbursts of anger. She wasn't involved much with anyone or anything, often isolating herself from peers. However, she LOVES zoos.

In order to get her socially and mentally engaged, she would ask people to print zoo maps. After a while, her vocational trainer recommended that she start writing letters to zoos requesting maps. With some paper, envelopes and stamps, purchased with funds from Visions, the letters started going out. Soon, she was too busy writing and drawing to get angry.

Not only had the outbursts all but ceased, she was now able to learn skills to help her improve her quality of life.

There are so many similar stories that wouldn't be possible without assistance from Visions. Thank you for all you do.

