

## **Pulaski County Sheltered Workshop RECEIVES QUALITY OF LIFE GRANT FROM CHRISTOPHER & DANA REEVE FOUNDATION**

**Richland, Missouri February 19, 2010** is proud to announce that it has received a **\$2,334** Quality of Life grant from the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation. The Reeve Foundation awarded \$520,000 in Quality of Life grants to 75 non-profit organizations within the United States and Canada. Created by the late Dana Reeve in 1999, the Reeve Foundation's Quality of Life Grants are awarded twice a year to non-profit organizations that provide services and programs to individuals living with paralysis. Close to 1,600 grants totaling nearly \$13 million have been awarded to organizations since the program's inception.

**Pulaski County Sheltred Workshop** will use the grant for **(installation of power assist ADA swing door operator. The employees of PCSW are thrilled with this grant. We have 4 employees currently in wheelchairs and 1 that uses a walker. This will make it much easier to enter and leave the building. In the past, fellow employees have tried to "help" by propping the door open for 30 minutes while people get off or on the bus. The problem with that is the loss of heated or cooled air. This will**

"The Quality of Life program that Dana Reeve created eleven years ago is based on freedom," said Peter T. Wilderotter, president and CEO of the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation. "We are happy to be able to support **Pulaski County Sheltered Workshop** to create more independence, increase opportunities, and provide support for those living with paralysis along with their families and caregivers."

The Reeve Foundation's Quality of Life grants are divided into three categories, Actively Achieving, Bridging Barriers and Caring and Coping. Some grants are funded through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (Award #1U59DD000338), and are awarded to nonprofit organizations that address the needs of people living with paralysis caused by spinal cord and other injuries, diseases and birth conditions.

### ***About the Reeve Foundation***

*The Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation is dedicated to curing spinal cord injury by funding innovative research, and improving the quality of life for people living with paralysis through grants, information and advocacy. For more information, and to review the entire list of Quality of Life grant recipients, please visit our website at [www.ChristopherReeve.org](http://www.ChristopherReeve.org) or call 800-225-0292.*

The Pulaski County Sheltered Workshop's mission is to provide a suitable place of employment to make choices and realize their goals, accomplishments and achievements.

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