A note from our CEO

For great is His love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever!

The words of the Psalmist in Psalms 117:2 are so encouraging, and have proven true for Echoing Hills for almost 50 years! A brief review of the enclosed timeline demonstrates the Lord’s faithfulness to us for nearly half a century. As we look to our Mission of ‘Revolutionizing Lives where people live, learn, connect, play and worship,’ we know He will be faithful in the future.

As we close the chapter on 2014, we are so grateful for the many people who helped us impact the lives of the individuals we serve. It was a little over 2 years ago that we renewed our focus on our consolidated values by realigning our programs and direction with the emphasis on personal choices, dignity, fulfillment, and relationships. Again in 2014 we have had the opportunity to put those values into action.

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In 2012, Echoing Hills introduced echoingU, a transitional program in Dayton designed to change the lives of young people with big dreams for the future.

In 2014, Echoing Hills made Community Integration a priority, as construction began on two new community homes in Summit County.

Our Vision for the Future

Revolutionizing Lives Where people Live - by providing homes in the community with private rooms
Where people Learn - by teaching the skills to live successfully in the community
Where people Connect - by helping discover talents and places to belong
Where people Play - by developing networks of friends and social activities
Where people Worship - by demonstrating God’s love and by providing opportunities to know Him