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## CPRF WEBSITE GETS A NEW LOOK

The screenshot displays the CPRF website homepage. At the top, contact information (phone: (316) 688-1888, address: 5111 EAST 21ST STREET N., WICHITA, KS 67208) and a 'DONATE' button are visible. The navigation menu includes 'HOME', 'ABOUT', 'PROGRAMS', 'NEWSROOM', and 'CONTACT'. The main content area features a 'HELLO & WELCOME!' message with a sub-headline: 'We are here to help people with disabilities achieve their employment & independence goals.' Below this is a 'LEARN MORE ABOUT US' button. Two circular images show people in professional attire and a group working on a project. A 'PROGRAMS OFFERED' section follows, with a descriptive paragraph: 'We have a variety of well-developed programs at CPRF to meet the needs of our clients – everything from Adult Day Services, a Wheelchair & Posture Seating Clinic, disability benefits analysis, housing, job placement, and much more.' The programs are listed in a grid with icons: 'HOW OUR PROGRAMS WORK' (gear), 'WHEELCHAIRS/ POSTURE SEATING' (wheelchair), 'EXERCISE & WELLNESS' (heart with pulse), 'ADULT DAY SERVICES' (table with people), 'ADAPTIVE COMPUTER TRAINING' (computer monitor), 'JOB PLACEMENT' (magnifying glass), 'VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENT' (thumbs up), 'HOUSING: TIMBERS APARTMENTS' (house), 'KEY' (key), 'MESSAGES' (speech bubble), 'DOCUMENTS' (document), and 'DONATIONS' (dollar sign with arrows).

CPRF launched a new, improved website that features a blog, simplified browsing, more photos, and much more. Be sure to check it out!



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The mission of the Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation of Kansas, Inc., is to provide people with all types of disabilities the customized services, technology, and support they need – with an emphasis on employment and training – to facilitate their personal and economic independence.



## CPRF NAMES NEW CFO

Marla Brockmeyer, who formerly worked as CPRF's Controller, accepted a new position as Chief Financial Officer, following the departure of Marsha Anderson. Brockmeyer has been with CPRF for 27 years.

## NEW PROGRAM, NEW EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Since 1972, CPRF's mission has been to help people with disabilities gain independence through employment by offering opportunities for workers to earn competitive wages and benefits through both CPRF and our affiliate organizations: Center Industries Corporation and BTCO, Inc.

To supplement our affiliates, CPRF now offers employment through Facilities Services — a program that provides contracted janitorial work to outside companies.

"This new venture came about for several reasons," said Patrick Jonas, CPRF CEO. "First and foremost is the fact that the need for these types of contracts is ongoing and safer from technological advances that are displacing many workers."

Stable, long-term employment is especially key for people with disabilities who want to move away from Social Security benefits, including those employees who prefer to work part time.

In addition to day and evening jani-

torial work, Facilities Services can also provide a Porter/Matron for busier offices.

Having a part-time or full-time Porter on staff to perform everyday tasks during the day ensures that heavy-use areas remain clean and stocked.

Our other services include:

- Floor cleaning
- Dusting
- Trash removal
- Restocking
- Window cleaning

The Facilities Services team will be managed by Ron Burgos, CPRF Facilities Maintenance director.

"Our facilities department has significant experience performing these tasks, as they are currently responsible for the maintenance of more than 80,000 square feet on the CPRF campus," said Jonas.

Unlike Center Industries Corporation and BTCO, Facilities Services is a program offered by CPRF and will not be a separate affiliate.



# RIVER CITY ROLL DISCO FOR DREAMS JUNE 27, 2015



photo by Tiffany Payton

More than 350 guests attended CPRF's 2015 River City Roll: Disco for Dreams event, helping CPRF soar to new heights in providing equipment for people with disabilities by raising roughly \$186,000.

The event, held June 27 at the Wichita Country Club, benefits CPRF's Equipment Fund, which helps people with disabilities obtain equipment such as wheelchairs, ramps, head arrays, and more.

This year's event featured "The Hustle," a 70s-inspired signature cocktail, a groovy DJ, a light-up dance floor, live and silent auctions, a raffle, and a dinner buffet.

Popular live auction items included a five-course dinner for 12 at Wichita Country Club prepared by WCC Executive Chef Roger Meier, along with wine pairings by Jamie Stratton, Jacob's Liquor Sommelier.; as well as "Fund a Cause," which provided attendees the opportunity to contribute to the purchase of two new, custom-built wheelchairs.

Silent auction items included a one-month unlimited guest pass to Title Boxing Club, a behind-the-scenes tour of the Sedgwick County Zoo, a 50-person frozen custard bar from Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers, and many more.

"I can't say enough about the fantastic work of the River City Roll committee, event volunteers, and the generosity of our hosts and sponsors," said Pat Jonas, CPRF president and CEO. "CPRF is truly blessed to have such amazing support from this community."



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Brett Harris from The Brett and Sierra Show dressed for the occasion to emcee the event.



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