

# MAKING A DIFFERENCE

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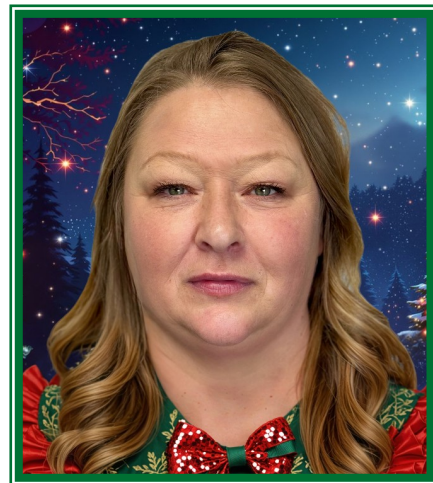
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"Greg consistently goes above and beyond to ensure the DSA program and our homes are well cared for, safe, and welcoming for the people we support. He takes real pride in his work, and it shows in the way our spaces look and feel every day. Greg brings a cheerful, positive attitude to everything he does and is well-respected by both clients and staff."



**Greg John**  
**Curry Programs**  
**\$50.00**



**Shannon Collard**  
**Curry CBS Program Manager**

"Shannon takes initiative, accomplishing tasks with impressive effectiveness. She brings a positive and proactive mindset to her work. Her enthusiasm and upbeat energy help create a nurturing, caring, and warm environment for everyone."



**Jayden Brown**  
**On-Call DSP**

"Jayden steps up to cover shifts on short notice, is reliable, dedicated, and is a pleasure to have on our team."



**Ashley Meyers**  
**Coos SLP/CLS**

"Ashley is positive, compassionate, and exudes teamwork every day; She is a source of uplifting joyous energy!"



**John Whaley**  
**Volunteer**

"John is so loyal to Star of Hope, volunteering to assist in increasing the quality of life for our residents."

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**Gary Winters**  
**Coos SLP/CLS**

"Gary shows up every day ready to help the team and clients, giving 100%. He has a positive attitude and is a great role model for quality DSP work."



**Kelsie Dewater**  
**Administration**

"Kelsie is a steady and loyal employee whose constant and solid work ethic influences the well-being of every team member. Thank you!"



**Shamy Turner**  
**Agency Nurse**

"Shamy is a superb Agency Nurse whose expertise is matched by her giant heart. We are so lucky she shares it with the entire Agency!"



**Jason Grabinger**  
**Administration**

"Jason brings a new energy to our team, striving to ensure our season is filled with joy and festivities! While balancing a multitude of projects, he always has a smile."



**McKayla Beaudry**  
**On-Call DSP**

"McKayla always has a good attitude, shows a strong work ethic, and a genuine caring for the clients we serve every day."



**Karen Jacobsen**  
**Administration**

"Karen is always on top of everything, making sure everything is in the best interest of Star of Hope. She assists where needed and is a stellar team player."



**Adam Barber**  
**Agency Trainer**

"Adam is upbeat and makes learning fun. He ensures everyone understands. Adam, THANK YOU for your dedication to Star of Hope!"



**Stephanie Beery**  
**Coos DSA**

"Stephanie is always there for our clients and lights up the room with her smile!. She goes above and beyond every day with her job duties."

*Happy Holidays*

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**



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**Bill Stanley**  
**On-Call DSP**

"Bill is dependable, responsive, and is always giving quality care to our clients."



**Gavin Jeffs**  
**On-Call DSP**

"Gavin brings positivity, efficiency, and eases difficult days."



**Debra Slater**  
**On-Call DSP**

"Deb always connects meaningfully with our clients and is a team player!"



**Shannon Kleveland**  
**On-Call DSP**

"Shannon is flexible, thorough, and always gets the job done."



**Michael Stoddard**  
**Administration**

"Michael expertly manages complex IT needs with reliability and excellence."



**Julie Wadkins**  
**Administration**

"Julie supports all of Star of Hope with tireless care, wisdom, and dedication."



**Lucas Lindsay**  
**Forest View Program Manager/  
Santa's Right-Hand Elf**

"Lucas consistently demonstrates exceptional leadership, calmness, and reliability—even in the most stressful situations. He manages his home and staff with skill and care while also stepping in wherever the organization needs him most, often quietly and without recognition. From supporting agency-wide efforts like food distribution, to providing critical support during staffing gaps, Lucas shows remarkable initiative and problem-solving ability. He has played a key role in stabilizing the complex health needs of multiple residents, helping ensure their safety, well-being, and quality of life. Beyond his own program, Lucas invests time supporting and mentoring other managers, helping them build confidence and run successful programs. He is often one of the first to respond during a program crisis—staying until stability is restored. His generous heart, strong work ethic, and unwavering commitment to our mission make Lucas an invaluable asset. Star of Hope is incredibly fortunate to have him on our team."