



In April 2013 PBHC contracted with RESPECT of Florida and Palm Beach County to provide refuse container collection services along the beaches from Jupiter to Boca Raton. This crew begins at 5 am four days a week. Warren and Harold both work on this crew and have commented that the scenery makes up for the early mornings.



Palm Beach Habilitation Center bid on and was awarded the John Prince Park Shoreline contract in 2009. The crew cleans the shoreline of the ten mile lake each week. Pedro has been an employee of the PBHC crew since June 2013. Pedro especially loves going to work because of his love of fishing and being outdoors.

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**PALM BEACH  
HABILITATION CENTER**

*Creating opportunities for people  
with disabilities since 1959*

**2014 Report  
of  
Activities**



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**55 YEARS  
PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

When the Center opened in 1959, it was the dream that men and women with disabilities could be trained to work. During that time over 10,000 people with significant disabilities have been placed in competitive community employment. Since 1992 \$29,848,055 has been earned by 1,543 of these men and women who have jobs in the community.

When the job market began to slow down significantly, the Center had to get creative in order to provide work for those people who needed to help their families put food on the table. With the assistance of partnerships that had already been formed with community business and employers and with the help of a generous donor who started a fund to buy new equipment, a new endeavor began to emerge. The Center won a consulting contract with No Margin, No Mission, a non-profit company who works with nonprofit organizations to develop and implement business plans. They assisted our staff over a 14 week period to develop a plan that created "Crew 2 U". To date contracts have been negotiated with County, City and private business to create 21 different crews that employ 35 men and women who all make minimum wage or better.

As the crews will tell you, "there's nothing that we cannot do" and we can tailor make a "Crew 4 U"! As examples, the crews are under contract with the Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation Department cleaning beaches from Juno Beach To Boca Raton, and cleaning around the lakes in John Prince Park, and under contract with the City of West Palm Beach to empty the coin meters. Snapshots of two crew members with their stories can be found on the last page of this report.

None of this would have been possible without the generosity and encouragement of businesses and donors. With your help this will be just the beginning of providing another opportunity for people with disabilities.

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**2014 FUNDING  
AND PROGRAM  
STATISTICS**

**FUNDING PROFILE:**

The Palm Beach Habilitation Center is able to carry out its mission due to the generosity of a supportive community of donors including United Ways, many foundations and local businesses. Total revenues received from all sources for fiscal year 2013/2014 was \$5,260,425.

**CLIENT PROFILE:**

Of the 597 people with disabilities that were served this fiscal year the following is a breakdown by disability category:

Developmental Disabilities..355  
Mental Illness.....169  
Physical Disability..... 60  
Hearing/Visual Disability..... 13

38 people were placed in the community job market and maintained a 92% job retention rate. 142 men and women also received assistance through the Center's Supported Employment Program to maintain their job in the community. The men and women being assisted to maintain their jobs and/or placed on the job during this fiscal period earned over \$1,279,982.

