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FAMILY RESIDENCES AND ESSENTIAL ENTERPRISES (FREE) HOLDS RIBBON CUTTING AT NEW SHIRLEY SPECIAL NEEDS HOME



Assemblyman Joseph DeStefano helped cut the ribbon with representatives from FREE, family and a resident at FREE's new residence in Shirley.

OLD BETHPAGE, NY – Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE) hosted a ribbon cutting and open house at their latest residential home in Shirley, NY. FREE, a leader in the field of human services

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dedicated to helping individuals of all abilities realize their full potential and prevail over life's challenges, opened this home to serve individuals with autism and differing abilities.

"I'd like to thank our dedicated team for making this a reality," said Robert S. Budd, CEO, FREE. "We believe that the individuals we are proud to serve should have every opportunity to live just as any other person would, and that includes having someplace they can call home," he continued.

Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE)

Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE), founded in 1977, benefits and proudly supports more than 4,000 individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities, mental illness and traumatic brain injury. It is the mission of FREE to help individuals of all abilities realize their full potential. FREE provides a diverse array of supports and services including: housing; recovery services; transition to work; employment; day, community and family services; respite; crisis services; education and after school support; specialty health services; and advocacy.

FREE also collaborates with a variety of diverse 501(c)(3) nonprofit partners on educational, vocational, rehabilitative and a myriad of other creative initiatives to enhance the local communities and the lives of more than 25,000 people that reside within them. Each of the valued partners of the FREE Network has a unique mission, vision and strategic goals that are aligned in purpose, and embody the spirit of the meaningful work we do every day. For more information, please call 516-870-7000 or visit www.familyres.org.

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