

“For it is in giving that we receive.”

~ St. Francis of Assisi

Dear Friends,

As the new year approaches, I find myself reflecting on all of the ways in which we deliver happiness and hope to the amazing individuals at Ädelbrook. Because of friends like you, we are able to provide our children and young adults with a future filled with achievement, dignity, happiness, and hope. Thank you for continuing to embrace and support our mission. We have achieved many joys and successes over the past year. In April, our Cromwell Academy was awarded the 2023 National Association of Special Education Teachers School of Excellence Award, the highest honor bestowed upon a private special education school. We've also continued our fight against food insecurity by providing individuals in need with food items through the ÄdelbrookCARES Food Pantry program.

We are looking forward to another eventful year for our extraordinary individuals. Fundraising is vital for enriching the lives of the children and young adults served. Because of donors like you, we will be able to launch Ädelbooks & More, a used bookstore supported by students at the Ädelbrook Transitional Academy, and plan to open a new school, serving more students who do not yet have access to our services. These initiatives, like many of our programs, provide crucial services that are dependent upon continuous financial support.

Your impact directly touches the lives of those we serve. On the back of this letter is the story of Ivana, which showcases the incredible impact being made at Ädelbrook. Ivana has achieved the “impossible” and is now able to speak for the first time in her life. Ädelbrook has helped Ivana grow tremendously, providing her with the many valuable skills for a brighter future. Your generosity helps bring joy, happiness, and success to our individuals year-round.

Please consider a gift to the Ädelbrook 2023 Annual Fund. Your generosity will have a direct impact on the lives of the most deserving people among us.

Thank you for your continued support. We wish you all the best through this holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year!

Gracefully,



Alyssa Goduti, President and CEO



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You can make an impact in the lives of children and young adults at Ädelbrook

Meet Ivana

Ivana is a student at the Cromwell Academy. She enjoys swimming and artwork. At school, she loves to learn about the weather, play games, and do puzzles.

Ivana's mother feels incredibly supported by the multi-disciplinary team members at Ädelbrook. The team collaborates to create a nurturing environment for Ivana to thrive.

Why Ädelbrook

Prior to her arrival at Ädelbrook in 2023, Ivana was nonverbal, meaning she could only communicate without using words. Since coming to Ädelbrook, she has truly thrived. Ivana has forged special relationships with staff, particularly her current teacher and Principal, and is now able to communicate verbally. **In only 3 short months, she has achieved the “impossible” and can now speak for the first time in her life.** Due to Ädelbrook's person-centered approach to growth and development, Ivana is growing immensely on a daily basis.



Ivana and her mother look forward to her future at Ädelbrook. Particularly, Ivana is excited to start the work study program, where she can continue to strengthen her communication skills and gain real-life business experience.



Ädelbrook has changed Ivana's life. She is not only communicating verbally for the first time in her life, but she has also been given the tools and support needed to achieve her hopes and dreams. -Ivana's Mother

