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## ALIVE & Visions Moving

*New location increases community access*

PRS's ALIVE program for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and Visions youth development program are moving location in March. After decades in the 586 Jackson Street building in Quincy, they will now be welcoming participants at 455 W. Main Street. Beginning Monday, March 3rd, services will be offered from that building, which is a move more than a year in the making.

ALIVE will offer Independent Living Skills, Vocational Training and Placement, and the Day Services from the new location. Services offered include group settings and one-on-one individualized support. The new location offers excellent access to community events and businesses for the ALIVE program and its participants.

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# Bob Battistoni

## *Program Services Manager*

Bob Battistoni moved to the eastern Sierra from Southern California in 1978, settling eventually in Portola in the mountains, which he loved, and has lived there with his wife ever since.

Bob joined PRS in 1989, working with adults with disabilities in the ALIVE program. He felt like he was doing something that was professionally worthwhile and stayed with the program for over two decades.

Bob became the ALIVE Coordinator in 1999 and was instrumental in encouraging ALIVE consumers to see the worth and value they offered and the impact they could bring to the community through engagement and employment. Bob always felt blessed to work in the field where he was interactive, working with people where he could support their lifelong goals and dreams. He also appreciated the many lessons about life ALIVE consumers taught him over the years.



Bob was very invested in making sure the staff coming up in the ALIVE program behind him could steward the program with the same level of integrity and care. The time was right in 2010, and he transitioned into his current role as Program Services Manager, overseeing PRS programs in the disability and child care fields, as well as agency building and vehicle maintenance.

Outside of the office, Bob enjoys all things related to the water, whether in it or on it; the tranquility of water grounds him. He loves being with his family - his wife, his daughter, his grandsons - and deeply values his relationships with them and with friends.

***“I deeply believe in the services I oversee and the team members that provide these services - that they are relevant and meaningful to the communities they serve. And I love that PRS is family-oriented, ensuring team members are able to have real balance with their families, their lives, and their work.”***

# ALIVE & Visions

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The move couldn't come at a better time for the program which lost its wheelchair-accessible van at the end of December due to a fallen tree limb.\* More information about the ALIVE program can be found [here](#).

The Visions youth development program office will also be housed at the new building, providing a central downtown location for youth to meet for gatherings and as a touchpoint for their many community-based activities. More information about Visions can be found [here](#).

*\*For those interested in supporting PRS's fundraising efforts to replace the ALIVE van, please [donate here](#).*



Visions program participants

***"Visions gives me the support  
that a community can provide,  
rather than just myself."  
- 10th grader, 2023***

## New Training Series Offered

PRS is launching a new "Lunch - Learn - Lead: Personal & Professional Development" series designed to help participants maximize their influence and impact at work. Topics include Leadership Style, Management Skills, Emotional Intelligence at Work, Handling Conflict & Developmental Feedback, and Leading Effectively in Crisis Situations.

The series is held in Quincy, 12-2 PM, over 5 Thursdays from April through August. The cost is \$40/session, or sign up for all 5 for a discount. For more information, [click here](#).

**LUNCH - LEARN - LEAD**



# Jordan Blanton

## *Board Member*

Jordan Blanton moved to Quincy with her family 25 years ago and has lived here off and on throughout the years. She moved back most recently with her husband and family in 2023, drawn to the outdoor opportunities and caring community. The best part of living here for her is the strong social connections. "I love having family, close friends, and meaningful relationships with folks in the community," she says.

Jordan has been in education for 15 years, with diverse experience both in the classroom and in administration. She is now in her third year as the Principal of Quincy Elementary School (Alder Campus),

Through her role at the school, Jordan began referring families to PRS for resources and services. Jordan cares deeply about supporting students and families; she listens with intention and strives to support people with where they are. She wanted to be a part of that work to connect families and students to the resources that help them reach their goals, so she joined the PRS Board officially in February 2025.

Jordan values the human-centered approach at PRS to solving systemic problems. "There is so much compassion throughout the organization," she says. "People love coming to work and care deeply about their clients."

Jordan spends a lot of her free time with her kids and at various sporting events. In the summer, her favorite place to be is at the lake, especially Bucks or Almanor.

***"My goal is to connect more people with the great programs offered by PRS, as well as to be a part of developing future programs to support our community."***

## Caregiver Support Groups

PRS's Family Empowerment Center offers Caregiver Support Groups for parents and caregivers of children with disabilities every third Thursday of the month from 12-1 PM. Participate in person in Quincy (711 E. Main St.) or Susanville (805 Main St., Suite E), or join the group via Zoom: [register here](#).

# Coming Up at PRS...

## Events, Trainings, & More

**Tue, March 10, 6:00 - 7:30 PM**

Provider Cafe: Virtual meeting for childcare providers in Plumas County  
Registration required, [email](#) or call Liz Welch at 530-283-4453 x815

**Tue, March 17, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

"Live - Learn - Lead" Personal & Professional Development Seminar:  
Personality Type at Work, Meyers-Briggs® Type Indicator  
CLF Church, 317 First St, Quincy  
\$50/person, [Register here](#)

**Thu, March 19, 12:00 - 1:00 PM**

Parent Support Group for caregivers of children with disabilities in Modoc, Lassen, Plumas and Sierra Counties  
711 E. Main St, Quincy  
805 Main St, Suite E, Susanville  
Virtually via Zoom, [register here](#)

**Tue, March 24, 6:00 - 8:00 PM**

Inclusion Works! Free 2-hour CCIP Training for childcare providers. Priority for Plumas providers. Dinner provided, space limited. Registration required by 3/17; call Debbie at 530-283-4453, x824

**Tue, March 31**

Cesar Chavez Day, PRS Offices Closed



## JOIN OUR TEAM!

Visit [our website](#) for up-to-date information on positions and to apply.

**Housing Coordinator** - Full-Time

**Family Empowerment Center Family Specialist** - Part-Time

**ALIVE Support Specialist** - Part-Time and Full-Time

**Transit Driver** - On-Call

*These positions available at time of print.*



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