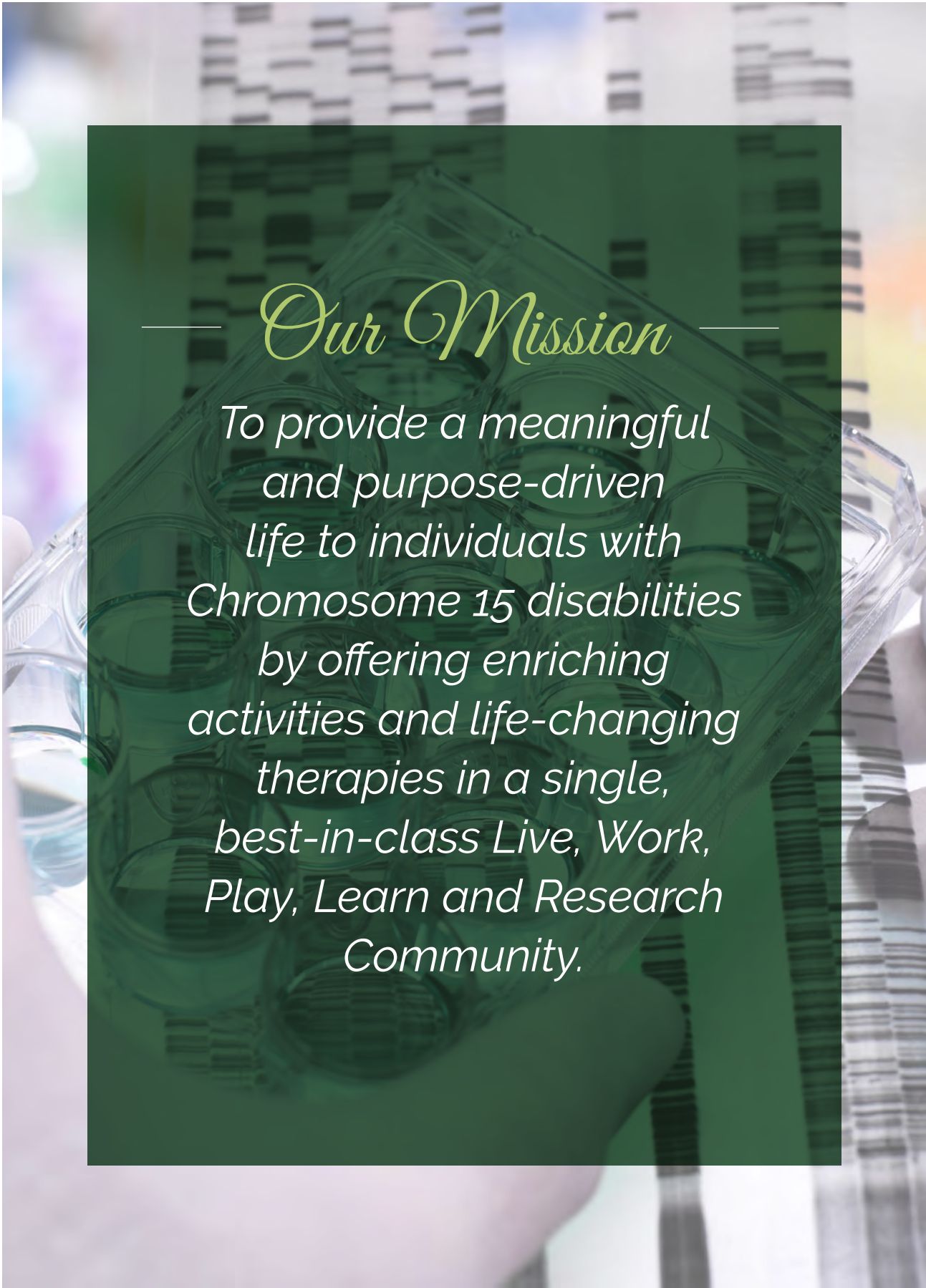




C-15 FOUNDATION



Where Unlimited Potential Can
Grow and Thrive



Our Mission

To provide a meaningful and purpose-driven life to individuals with Chromosome 15 disabilities by offering enriching activities and life-changing therapies in a single, best-in-class Live, Work, Play, Learn and Research Community.



About **C-15** Foundation

Remember that feeling when you welcomed a new child into the world – it could be a parent, family member, or friend. Such joy! Now imagine discovering that child has a life-altering chromosomal disorder that will prevent the child from leading an independent and fulfilling life. Instead, that child will be dependent upon the help of others with most cases requiring the child to live at home throughout their entire lifespan.

No school, work, sense of community, or vision for independence means a life of difficulty finding purpose or meaning in each day. C-15 Foundation will change that.

The mission of C-15 Foundation, a registered 501(c)(3), is to offer something different, a better place for people to live who are challenged by Chromosome 15 disorders, such as Prader-Willi syndrome (PWS). C-15 Foundation's vision is to create a fully-sustainable community that not only provides a place to live, but offers a true sense of community and a chance for a better future.



About Prader-Willi Syndrome

PWS is a birth defect identified in 1956 by Swiss doctors A. Prader, H. Willi, and A. Labhart. There are no known reasons for the genetic accident that causes this lifelong condition. Along with metabolism, growth and cognitive dysfunctions, additional challenges include hyperphagia (never feeling full) and behavioral issues, which require them to be constantly supervised.

Following high school, most people living with PWS are left with only two options: to continue living with their parents or to move into a group home. Neither option is ideal.

C-15 Foundation was formed to offer an alternative for the wonderful people living with PWS and their families. We will offer people with PWS a community-based, structured environment filled with social obligations, activities and other responsibilities to give them a more purposeful and meaningful life.



The world can be a *better place* for people with PWS. C-15 Foundation will make that dream become a *reality*.



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Research & Medical Complex

A first-of-its-kind facility, the C-15 Foundation Research and Medical Complex, in partnership with a major medical university, will pursue a comprehensive understanding of various genetic defects at Chromosome 15.

Early in its inception, the Complex will focus on PWS to seek and discover life-changing therapies. Moreover, establishing a hyper-focused research complex for PWS will bring the brightest minds together to collaborate and focus on creating adult independence.









Continuing Education

Individuals with C-15 disabilities currently do not have high-quality options after high school. A solid high school foundation and a continued education is critically important for individuals who have struggled with school curriculum and learn more slowly than the typical person. Improving the intellectual function of these young adults increases their ability to secure and perform a job and live an adult life. Specifically for people with PWS, maintaining a meaningful daily schedule helps to fill their time and prevent sedentary lifestyles. The C-15 Foundation aims to provide high school and continuing education to residents and other affected individuals for ten years post-high school. Learning various skills beyond basic math and science will help to develop a well-rounded individual with work and life skills. Meaningful daily courses provide an intentional day, helping to develop true life purpose.





Village Housing

C-15 Foundation plans to construct three, 8-unit apartment buildings connected to a common area with games and entertainment, providing community culture and a sense of belonging. Each private apartment will include a living area and individual bed and bathroom, giving residents a sense of home. These units will not include kitchens as all meals will be served in the secured Dining Facility.

We believe that having your OWN place creates independence and a sense of adulthood.









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Dining Hall

This ultra-secure facility will keep people with PWS safe and healthy. Ensuring that food on campus is not readily available helps these individuals accomplish daily tasks without the constant need and desire to seek food. Once it is understood that the dining room is only open for three planned meals daily and that food is not readily available on campus, the PWS mind can relax and thrive.

While many ingredients will be grown and harvested on our community farm, all foods will be natural and well-balanced following a low fat, low sugar, low carbohydrates, and high protein diet. In addition, resident meal portions will be controlled, and daily intake and nutritional values will be tracked by on-site physicians and nutritionists.



Engage



Activity Center

Given the propensity of people with PWS to be less active and consequently obese, daily movement and exercises appropriate for individuals with low muscle tone are vital. The Activity Center will keep residents moving with a swimming pool, yoga room, walking track, and game room. With daily activity and calorie-burning goals, this requirement will contribute to overall healthier lifestyles for people with PWS.

The Activity Center will also host other activities to keep the residents busy and away from unhealthy distractions.







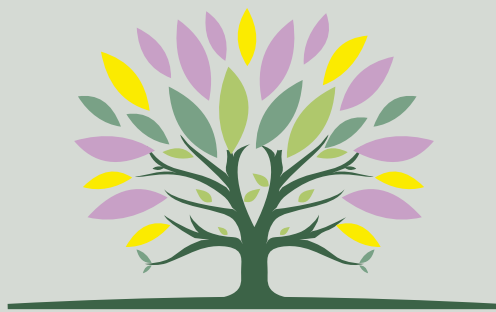


Sustainable Farm

The on-campus farm will provide continued learning and employment opportunities to C-15 residents. For set times each day, select residents will work on the farm, growing and harvesting the same fruits and vegetables that will be served in the Dining Hall. In addition to fruits and vegetables, we hope to plant an orchard of apple and pear trees.

Of course, a farm is not complete without animals. Our goal is to also house a few farm dogs or even pet pigs. Many people with special needs love animals, and providing them with something to care for will bring purpose to their daily lives.





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