

"The people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world are the ones who do."

~ Steve Jobs

Steve Job's popular quote reminds us that many of our limits are in our minds. "What will people think?" "Oh, others are better suited for that role." "That's not something I'm good at." How many of us in a Direct Support role have heard, "I could never do that! You're such a saint!" Meanwhile, supporting people in a meaningful way might be one of the most natural and rewarding activities we could imagine.

While we might not like Job's use of the word "crazy" here, it reminds us that sometimes the goals and dreams we have that others might think are foolish, silly, ill-informed, or ridiculous are *actually possible*.

This month's Onward Huddle resource by Sarah Indzeoski, an Independent Personal Plan Facilitator in Saskatoon, talks about the power of independent personal plan facilitation. Sarah shares a story about a mother of a person with a developmental disability who was surprised at what her son was capable of. Sometimes we all need someone who believes in us, who doesn't flinch at our dreams, who can *imagine* with us what the future might hold. Even more, we need people who *believe in us* - people who do not only see our limits but who value our strengths and contributions.

Christian Horizons' roots in the Christian faith point to a reality that everybody is created in God's divine image – capable of transformation and of changing their friendships, communities, and even the world around them. This core belief in the value of people pushes us to support people well through Independent Personal Plan Facilitation. We hope you'll take the time to read and use this new Onward Huddle resource and that it sparks some new possibilities in your team and in our communities!

You can find this Onward Huddle at this link in On the Horizon (info.chconnect.org).