

Disability Awareness Month
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It's March Disability Awareness Month, and I'm so pleased to update the community on our progress towards reinventing the Uinta County Business Leadership Network & MentorABILITY programs. It's hard to believe it's been almost a year since we lost all funding and program support. Last August we held a strategic planning session facilitated by Mary Randolph of the Wyoming Rural Development Council and invited both Evanston and Bridger Valley communities. The support and respect shown for the good works and accomplishments of the Evanston & Bridger Valley Business Leadership and MentorABILITY programs strengthened everyone's passion for keeping these programs alive and to continue our mission of making a difference in the lives of people with disabilities. With Wanda Rogers on board as Director, and an army of volunteers willing to share their good management, administrative and program skills, we chose to rebuild our organization from scratch. I couldn't be prouder to report that our recent follow-up planning meeting revealed we had completed and exceeded most of our goals and we have created a strong foundation in which to carry out this mission. The support from our investors, donors and volunteers has enabled us to continue many of our great programs and to be here today to celebrate March Disability Awareness Month and National Mentoring Day. Thank you, Uinta County, for committing to including citizens with disabilities in our workforce and all aspects of our society. We appreciate your trust in the UCBLN & MentorABILITY and our ability to make a better quality of life for our communities and families. . For additional information on employing people with disabilities, contact Wanda Rogers at 783-6302 or director@blnworks.com.