

New Levels of Confidence

Success stories come in all different forms. While some clients come to NewView with limited mobility or independence, others arrive with plenty of tools in their toolbelt. Daniel falls in the second category. He lost his vision as a 2-year-old, when doctors discovered two large tumors on his brain. Through his personal tenacity and support from family and educators, Daniel has lived a “happy and normal life.”

Daniel came to NewView at the age of 16 as a young man who was independent, mobile, and skilled with technology. Even so, when he first attended Keys to Work, NewView’s job readiness and independent living program

for young adults, he was surprised at all he learned.

“I learned little things that you take for granted, that you don’t realize you don’t know until you really need to know [them].” Things like how to use a plunger and how to confidently cook meals.

NewView didn’t provide Daniel with confidence—he already had it. We simply built upon his skills, so he has every resource he needs to live an independent and successful life.

When asked what he’d like to tell others who are visually impaired, Daniel shared these words: **“Don’t underestimate yourself. You can do anything you want to do; you’ve just got to try.”** We couldn’t agree more.



Daniel poses with Lauren Branch during Keys to Work graduation

Gifts in Action: Masonic Charity Foundation

We’re deeply grateful for a recent grant totaling \$256,650 from The Masonic Charity Foundation of Oklahoma City. This much needed gift will offset costs for capital needs for our Center for Low Vision and Blindness and will cover expenditures for building improvements, including greater accessibility and security.

Since 2017, the Masonic Charity Foundation of Oklahoma has been a generous and enthusiastic supporter of NewView’s efforts to improve the lives of visually impaired Oklahomans.

“We are deeply grateful for the immense generosity of the Masonic Charity Foundation



Pictured: Jim Cloud, Masonic Board Member, Bob Peters, 2020 Grand Master, Lauren Branch, NewView president and CEO, John Logan, Masonic Charity Executive Director

of Oklahoma,” said Lauren Branch, NewView president and CEO. “This gift allows us to continue serving our clients and community to the highest standard.”

Thank you, Masonic Charity Foundation!

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