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Teaching Kitchen Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

What: Teaching Kitchen Ribbon Cutting ceremony

Who: Performed by Mayor Matt Walsh special guests included Steve Hodapp, CEO of VODEC, Ron Dickinson, CFA/CPA and co-owner of Dickinson & Clark Associates, P.C., representatives from the Iowa West Foundation, Council Bluffs Community Schools, and local business leaders.

When: Thursday, January 15, 2015
3:00pm-6:00pm
Ribbon Cutting 3:15pm



left to right Aaron W., Shawn H., and Kyle A. preparing appetizers in the new teaching kitchen for the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Why: The kitchen serves VODEC's day habilitation program and its Adult Transition program (ATP). This space was very small, had limited access for proper nutritional literacy and was not accessible to persons in wheelchairs.

The Iowa West Foundation awarded VODEC a large grant last fall to begin a remodeling project for the teaching kitchen along with funds donated from the "Ride for Full Potential".

The newly remodeled and expanded kitchen is now handicapped accessible with space and equipment needed to teach cooking skills to support good nutrition and healthy living

For interviews or additional information please contact Daryn Richardson or Clarissa Conolley at 712-328-2638 or via email at drichardson@vodec.org

The mission of VODEC is to provide services to persons with disabilities in order that those persons may live, work, and participate in the community in the least restrictive environment to reach their full potential

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