

# Strategies to Facilitate Learning and Growth

Attract and Retain a Quality Workforce			
Vision	Activities	Expected Outcomes	
Stone Belt attracts and retains a wide variety of qualified staff and has capacity to meet service demands	-outreach to alternate pools of workers – contracted workers, work study, grad students, older workers, faith communities -increase new employee's connection to agency and his/her assigned workplace during first months of employment -increase efficiency and effectiveness of orientation training	<ul> <li>increase applicant flow from identified groups.</li> <li>increase retention in first 6 months of employment.</li> <li>improved satisfaction of supervisor/new employee relationship.</li> <li>increased capacity to accept new clients in high demand programs</li> </ul>	
2. Direct Support staff have professionalized positions with defined career ladders	-provide DSP professionalization opportunities through Direct Support Specialist positions -create multiple levels of direct support positions to attract new candidate pools and to reward high performing employees -continue Talent Development program	- more effective and engaged DSP workforce -additional opportunities for professionalized position with increased earnings	

Create and Support Strong Core Competencies			
Vision	Activities	<b>Expected Outcomes</b>	
3. Stone Belt has a well -developed, competent, and engaged workforce	-Provide effective competency based training and testing system -increase interaction and communication with DSPs (how) -utilize resources provided by the National DSP Alliance. -facilitate effective team functioning strategies throughout the agency	-efficient and effective delivery of service at direct support levelbetter informed and engaged workforcemore continuity of services for clients -greater levels of staff satisfaction in feeling a part of a team -greater levels of team performance (client outcomes)	
4. Accountability systems	-create standardized lists and measurements for accountability -improve structure and accountability within programs according to internal and external requirements -train management in accountability structures and expect consistent follow-through	-accreditation and licensure of programs is achieved with high performance ratings -agency resources are conserved for quality improvements rather that quality corrections -staff have structure and support to perform their functions well -clients have consistency in their support structure	

Build and Sustain Strong Leadership			
Vision	Activities Expected Outcomes		
5. Stone Belt managers are effective in	- use manager development	-managers retain their employees	
supporting employees and affecting client	plans as continuous quality	-managers are prepared for higher	
outcomes	improvement tools	positions in the organization	
	-provide ongoing professional -employee retention is pos		
	training opportunities for	influenced due to exceptional	
	supervisors	supervision	
	-evaluate VOICE training and its	-exceptional supervisors have the	
	impacts then revise accordingly	opportunity to advance within the	

		organization
6. Stone Belt's leadership development and succession planning lay the foundation for	-identify and develop possible successors for all key positions	-Stone Belt is prepared for expected and unexpected leadership changes
agency continuity and continued growth	-Develop executive skills of all directors	-Stone Belt leaders are versatile and competent in multiple areas within the company
7. Stone Belt's board of directors provides effective leadership and governance	TBD	TBD

### **Strategies to Grow Partnerships and Public Support**

Secure Appropriate Facilities for Current and Future Operations			
Vision	Activities	Expected Outcomes	
8. Stone Belt facilities meet the needs of clients and staff with an eye to future trends in service delivery and worker productivity.	-determine strategy for the 10 <sup>th</sup> Street facility -evaluate use of group homes in context of changing service models -plan for growth of all programs -determine capital needs for upcoming facilities rehabilitation or development	- programs are appropriately resourced with facilities and equipment -financial resources are directed to the most useful and adaptable facilities -facilities are professional and provide a positive image for the organization and its constituents	

Anticipate, shape and respond to external regulations and mandates					
Vision	Activities Expected Outcomes				
9. Stone Belt is a Go-To information resource	-Continue community education -Stone Belt representatives develop				
for the administration and legislators on how	events and legislative forums	more expertise in methods and			
to best meet needs of individuals with	-Develop list of experts from	opportunities for advocacy with decision			
intellectual and developmental disabilities	within Stone Belt and IU who can	makers			
	speak on relevant issues	-legislators call upon Stone Belt			

-Educate key staff and board members on issues at state level -investigate best practices in other states and in the industry -Foster relationships with former legislators with influence -Use social media and video campaigns -increase involvement in The Arc of US legislative activities - Position Stone Belt directors to be included in work groups that advise State officials. -provide public comment on state and federal policies and rules

representatives for issues impacting people with I/DD

- -Stone Belt's input influences State administration in their decision making -Federal lawmakers are responsive to Stone Belt, taking its positions into account
- -Stone Belt has knowledge early on upcoming changes so it can more effectively respond.

Pursue growth and partnership opportunities				
Vision	Activities	Expected Outcomes		
10. Through innovative thinking and community partnerships, Stone Belt will use social entrepreneurial income to reduce its reliance on State/Medicaid funding	<ul> <li>Explore potential social entrepreneurial opportunities that create significant margin and client involvement to provide essential financial stability.</li> <li>Market analysis to determine viable opportunities.</li> <li>Grant research to fund potential opportunities.</li> <li>Research opportunities to transition traditional workshop activities to programs no longer dependent on 14(c).</li> </ul>	-impending paradigm changes are met as opportunities -non-government revenues are increased to support agency operations -clients have additional opportunities to access social and financial capital -market wants and needs within the community are met in innovative ways		
11. Stone Belt is a leader and a preferred collaborator with other organizations in serving a broad spectrum of ages and disabilities throughout the community and state.	-evaluate underserved communities in surrounding counties for possible expansions -develop partnerships that facilitate expansion of services within current locations - Explore partnerships with Home Health agencies -Explore private fee for service opportunitiesmarket expertise and capacity of back-office operations to other similar entities - engage with trusted partners throughout state to share resources and expertise	-Stone Belt increases its ability to meet client and community needs -partners bring needed expertise and resources to the partnership that provides synergistic impact -agency overhead costs are lowered as a percentage of total costs -Stone Belt is more insulated from market, policy and political changes		

Grow Philanthropic Gifts			
Vision	Activities	Expected Outcomes	
12. Stone Belt will meet the National Standard in its category for philanthropic dollars raised	-use constituency model to 1) grow donor base 2) increase LAI/LIA and move constituents toward center of model 3) identify prospective major donors -grow a planned giving society -initiate discussion of capital campaign and steps needed to accomplish one -find innovative ways to increase percentage of first time donors that become donors of record	-development dollars will more significantly support programs of excellence -donor base will grow to support future capital campaign -increased number of donors will be more involved in advocacy efforts, serving on committees, and interested in serving on the board of directors.	

### **Strategies to Create Organizational Effectiveness through Internal Processes**

# Develop high quality, innovative programs to meet new and emerging demands of clients, families

Vision	Activities	Expected Outcomes
14. Stone Belt is a visionary provider of high quality, innovative programs	-Implement resources to develop and market youth servicesIncrease leadership and develop partnerships to grow Skills Development and Wellness services -Develop Respite model separate from residential, that includes leadership, training, and admin supportManage and respond to demand for group home services -Consider alternate staffing models for supported living services -Secure grant resources for agency initiatives -Market new initiatives and programs with capacity to grow	-families receive needed supports for their children and adult sons and daughters still living at home -program participants learn, grow and experience increased opportunities for favored and new activities -program participants have new choices of supports that meet their wants and needs -Stone Belt staff have increased opportunities to provide innovative and varied programs -Stone Belt increases its social capital within the communities it serves -

# Utilize advanced technology and other supports to promote effective and efficient services

Vision	Activities	Expected Outcomes
15. Stone Belt's investment in technology infrastructure supports its changing workforce and its existing and new services	-Develop a mobility strategy -Have a client technology use policy -Implement a technology training strategy -Secure grant resources for improving technology infrastructure and applications -evaluate technology resources	-Stone Belt furthers its excellence in technology use  -Stone Belt's investment in facilities is decreased -Stone Belt clients increase their independence and status through use of technology
	on an ongoing basis	

Program	Meet Demand for services	Personalized Goals	<b>Customer Satisfaction</b>	Productivity Targets
Supported Employment	# of days from referral to plan development # of days from plan development to placement	-# of job placements -Length of job retention	<ul><li>Client satisfaction</li><li>Family/guardian satisfaction</li></ul>	Utilization % of authorized services
Life Long Learning	-% of referrals that meet entrance criteria that start services -# of admissions into youth services programs -average length of time from acceptance until starting	-% of individualized goals accomplished -% in adult program that move to next level of career plans	<ul><li>Client satisfaction</li><li>Family/guardian satisfaction</li></ul>	Utilization % of authorized services
Work Services	<ul><li>-% of referrals that meet entrance criteria that start services</li><li>-Average length of time from acceptance until starting services</li></ul>	<ul><li>-% of individualized goals</li><li>accomplished</li><li>-% in program that move to</li><li>next level of career plans</li></ul>	<ul><li>Client satisfaction</li><li>Family/guardian satisfaction</li></ul>	Utilization % of authorized services
Supervised Group Living	<ul><li>-% of referrals that meet entrance criteria that start services</li><li>-Average length of time from acceptance until starting services</li></ul>	-% of individualized goals accomplished	<ul><li>Client satisfaction</li><li>Family/guardian satisfaction</li></ul>	% of occupancy level
Supported Living	<ul> <li>-% of referrals that meet entrance criteria that start services</li> <li>-Average length of time from acceptance until starting</li> </ul>	-% of individualized goals accomplished	<ul><li>Client satisfaction</li><li>Family/guardian satisfaction</li></ul>	Utilization % of authorized services
Milestones	# of days from referral to admission	-% of treatment goals met	<ul><li>Client satisfaction</li><li>Family/guardian satisfaction</li></ul>	Utilization % of authorized services
Skills Development	# of days from authorization until starting services	-% of treatment goals met	<ul><li>Client satisfaction</li><li>Family/guardian satisfaction</li></ul>	Utilization % of authorized services
Respite	-% of referrals that meet entrance criteria that start services -Average length of time from acceptance until starting	TBD	<ul><li>Client satisfaction</li><li>Family/guardian satisfaction</li></ul>	Utilization % of authorized services