

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is BrightStone?

A: *BrightStone, located in Williamson County, provides an opportunity for post-secondary educational learning for adults with developmental disabilities. Students learn job skills and productive work habits, as well as receive instruction in cooking and nutrition, daily living, physical wellness, music, art, computer skills and functional academics.*

Q: What is BrightStone's BOWLABILITY?

A: *An annual **FUN**draising benefit that will take place on **Monday and Tuesday evenings, August 11-12, 2014** at the Franklin Family Entertainment Center. Teams select their preferred night and session (either 5:00-7:00 p.m. OR 7:30-9:30 p.m.) Bowlers commit to actively fundraise with a set minimum goal per bowler of \$100.*

Q: Why should I participate?

A: *Living with a developmental disability affects not just the person, but the entire family. Developmental disabilities are not outgrown; they are not cured; they do not go away. Your participation is urgently needed to help BrightStone make a difference in the lives of these very special adults.*

Q: How can I participate?

A: *Individuals can participate by becoming a bowler, a member of a team, or a team captain. The goal of BOWLABILITY is first and foremost fundraising; bowling is the fun reward! Companies can participate by registering a team of six (\$150) and being supportive of their fundraising efforts, or by being a corporate sponsor of the event (various opportunities are available).*

Q: What is a bowling team?

A: *A group of up to six individuals, from a family, business, company, church or organization, that team together to raise funds for BrightStone.*

Q: Is it difficult to raise funds?

A: *Bowlers are provided with brochures, resources and guidance to assist them in their fundraising efforts. An online fundraising component is provided, where each bowler has their own webpage by which they can contact friends and family and include their own personal message.*

Q: How do I sign up to participate as a bowler?

A: *Team captains should register first by completing the online registration process and setting up the team. Bowlers (team members) can then register online for their team by visiting Bowlability under events at www.brightstone.org or via brochure. Once registered, bowlers will receive all the necessary tools to get their fund-raising efforts started, as well as periodic updates to raise the competitive spirit (and in turn increase the amount of funds and awareness generated for BrightStone!)*

Q: How is the money collected?

A: *Donations (cash or checks made payable to BrightStone) are collected by the bowler and turned in frequently to BrightStone, with final funds being submitted on the evening of BOWLABILITY in order to qualify for a t-shirt (\$100 minimum). A completed donor form should be submitted with each check, or the name of the bowler should be indicated in the memo line of each check. For donations made online through FirstGiving, BrightStone will receive these funds electronically (less a processing fee).*

Q: How is the money used?

A: *Money raised through BOWLABILITY will help fund the mission of BrightStone, which is to provide a comprehensive work, social support and future residential community for adults with special needs, expanding their potential and helping them develop mentally, physically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually.*