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Learn about the Bridges Program

MEAF is proud to support the Bridges from School to Work program through Marriott Foundation for Youth with Disabilities.

Each year, Bridges helps thousands of young people with disabilities across the US transition from school to the workplace.

Gianna, Bridges Youth, from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Watch Gianna's Story
Learn More about Bridges

Disability Mentoring Day (DMD)

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) and it's a time when businesses open up their doors to allow students with disabilities an opportunity to learn about different career paths.

LOVE Volunteers present to students from the Special Needs School during Disability Mentoring Day

This year, Mitsubishi Electric US companies have been opening their doors throughout the year instead of only in October! In April, we shared how Mitsubishi Electric Research Labs in Cambridge, MA hosted presentations for students from Partners for Youth with Disabilities, and in May we learned about Mitsubishi Electric Automation and their VISION Committee in Vernon Hills, IL hosting students from North Suburban Special Education District for a job shadowing event.
This August, volunteers from the LOVE Committee/MEUS - Heating and Air Conditioning Division in Suwanee, GA hosted 7 students from the Special Needs School. The students learned about basic air conditioning 101, where products are sold along with customer service, purchasing, training, and front desk operations and how each division is important to the business.

ASAN Announces New Toolkit

MEAF is a proud supporter of the Autistic Self Advocacy Network and their Autism Inclusion Leadership Training which brings youth with autism to DC to learn about advocacy skills on college campuses.

ASAN recently unveiled a new toolkit to ensure people with disabilities have access to integrated home and community based services. If you are a person with a disability, an advocate, a family member, or an administrator this one is for you.

ALS Ice Bucket Challenge

Mitsubishi Electric volunteers answered the call and participated in the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge this summer to raise awareness! MEAF staff also participated along with
Volunteers from the **PEACE Committee** at MEAA/Northville, MI participate in a run to support **Special Olympics**.

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Finally, the **LOVE Committee from MEUS/Suwanee, Georgia** adds pool toys to the mix to get involved with the cause.

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**Learn More about ALS**

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