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***Little Rock Non Profit Expands Programs & Services into Cabot,
With a Focus on Supportive Employment for Adults with Developmental Disabilities***

A non-profit headquartered in Little Rock will hold a formal ceremony highlighting an expansion of their programs and services into the Community of Cabot. On Wednesday, October 31st, AEDD, also known as Arkansas Enterprises for the Developmentally Disabled will hold a ribbon cutting event and open house to highlight the growth of their services into Lonoke County, debuting their new *Jobs 4 You* program.

Members of the local community and families of the program's participants will be on hand to celebrate the announcement for the Lonoke County area. At 11:30 AM, Centennial Bank will kick off the festivities with a cook out, followed by a short ceremony introducing AEDD / Jobs 4 You to the City of Cabot and surrounding area. Speakers will include AEDD's Chief Executive Officer, Georganna Huddleston, along with clients served, and program staff.

"AEDD's programs and services have helped individuals with developmental disabilities gain independence and improve the quality of their lives – primarily through education and employment. AEDD upholds their mission by meeting the needs of children and adults through a variety of programs including preschool services, therapy services, work activities, supported employment, supervised living and community-based activities and life skills training," says Georganna Huddleston, CEO. "Following multiple years of growth, and a proven track record, we are thrilled to be expanding into the Cabot Community."

Founded in 1971, the mission of AEDD is to empower children and adults with disabilities to improve the quality of their life by providing community-based services that maximize individual choices, personal development, community inclusion, independence and their contribution to society. AEDD's services reach 17 Arkansas counties and is licensed to provide residential and community-based services throughout the entire state of Arkansas.

JOBS 4 YOU: *Empowering Individuals to Gain Meaningful Employment.*

SERVICE AREA: *The City of Cabot, Lonoke County & the surrounding areas.*

CRITERIA: *Adults must have a certificate of completion from high school & a strong desire to obtain meaningful employment.*

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