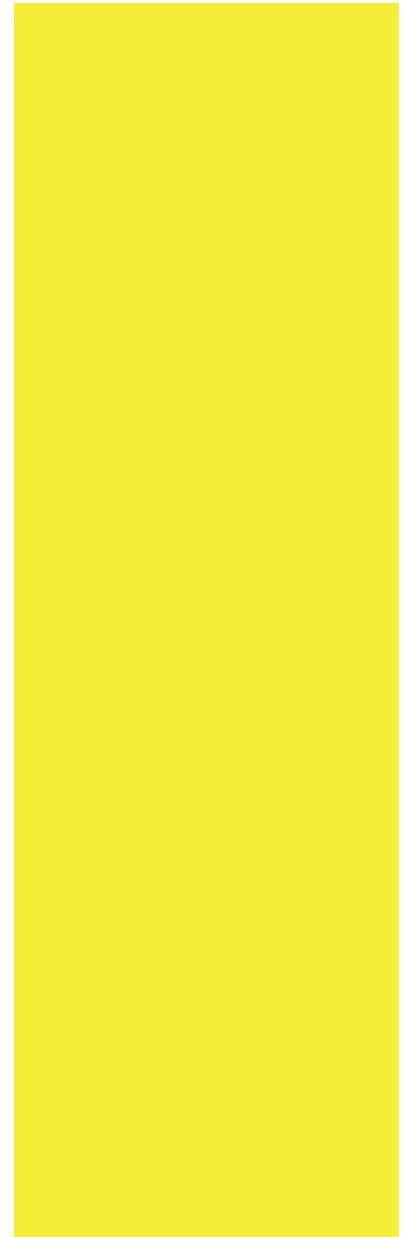
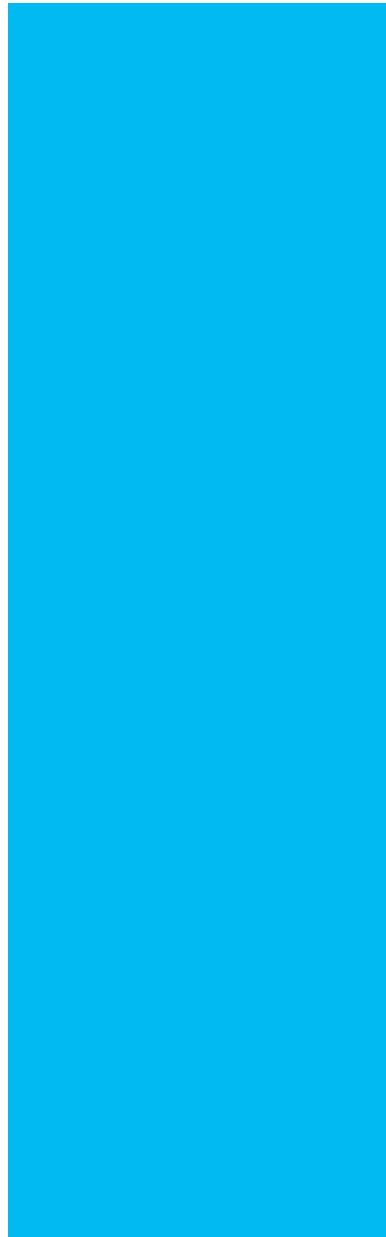


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Annual Report
Bakersfield Association for Retarded Citizens
2005-2006

Letter from the Chairman, Board of Directors and President



On behalf of our Board of Directors, staff, business partners and clients of the Bakersfield Association for Retarded Citizens or BARC, we are proud to present our Annual Report for 2004-2005.

For 57 years, BARC has served as a focal point within the community for persons who are developmentally disabled. As reflected in this report, BARC continues its commitment to fulfill its mission of building a stronger community by helping people with developmental disabilities achieve individual goals for a better life.



Again, thank you for your tireless work, energy, leadership and ongoing advocacy for persons with developmental disabilities. It is only by connecting with the Greater Bakersfield community that BARC can continue...giving people purpose.

Eric Almberg
Chairman,
BARC Board of
Directors

Jim Baldwin
President, BARC

Did you Know?

- BARC serves over 550 adults and more than 100 at risk young children.
- Because of programs such as BARC, 114 clients cost taxpayers \$17 million less than the current cost of a state institution.
- BARC is Kern County's largest service provider for individuals with developmental disabilities.
- Clients working in the Landscaping and Farm Program maintain and grow over 2000 trees for the Tree Foundation of Kern.
- BARC employs over 200 staff.
- For every tax dollar BARC receives, it returns \$7.18 of total economic benefits to the community.
- Our BARC Shop custom heat presses specialty items for area businesses, organizations, schools and other special events.
- BARC Woodshop refurbishes over 11,000 pallets per week for IKEA.
- BARC recycles over 2.5 million pounds of aluminum cans, cardboard, plastic, newspaper, and glass per month.

BARC Board of Directors

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Sally Rainey

Director Appointed
Nicholas P. Azemika,
Azemika and Azemika, Attorneys at Law

BARC's Small and Large Packaging Departments provide a service to companies and organizations that have the foresight and are looking further down the road.

This is no truer and you don't have to look any farther than the partnership BARC's Packaging Department has with BOXSMART, a company based out of Phoenix, Arizona. A supplier for such national companies as Walmart, Dreyers and KRAFT Foods, BOXSMART has been a viable partner of BARC's and the BARC Packaging Department for over six years.

Our clients receive and inspect in terms of reusability. On average, clients sort through 28 pallets of cardboard per day and send out between 70 and 90% clean cardboard for retailers throughout the Western United States. What can not be reused is recycled.



MOVE International is dedicated to helping children and adults with severe disabilities sit, stand and walk. MOVE International was established with the intent to improve the quality of life for people with severe disabilities. This is achieved through instruction and adaptive equipment that enhances independent mobility.

After 20 years of success with the MOVE program for children, MOVE International is developing the Adult MOVE program. In collaboration with MOVE International, the University of West Florida and Kern County Superintendent of Schools, BARC was chosen as the model site for Phase Two of the program. The purpose of Phase Two is to document changes in client's mobility skills, health factors and participation in life activities. The ultimate goal of the MOVE program is to change the day care program focus from a developmental, skill-based approach to an activity-based approach that promotes active participation and increased mobility.

Phase One shows that the MOVE program enables adults with disabilities to increase mobility skills, develop self determination, decrease medications and live a more independent and healthier life. Phase Two's data will be used to develop the Adult MOVE Program Guide and Assessment Profile Tool. These guides will be used internationally by MOVE International and the University of West Florida to train health care professionals around the world.

Occupying 26,000 square feet with 22 clients and 23 staff, the BARC Woodshop is in its fourth year of working with IKEA, the Swedish home furnishings retailer and premier pallet refurbishing company in the United States.

What started in 1961 as a vocational training program specializing in building stakes and lath and Christmas tree stands, BARC expanded the business four years ago to include the lucrative custom pallet sector. BARC refurbishes almost 15,000 pallets a week for IKEA's Distribution Center in Tejon Ranch in Southern Central Valley, California.

IKEA is strongly committed to BARC and considers the BARC Woodshop a viable partner and model for which they can replicate their pallet repair operations with other vendors that they work with.

BARC is in alignment with the city and county's development strategy and is pleased to partner with a company that is one of those targeted industries for Kern County's economic development.

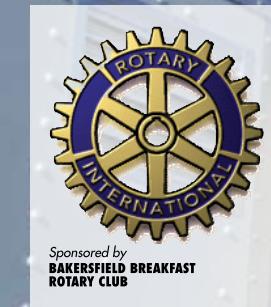
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主办 : 投资北京国际有限公司

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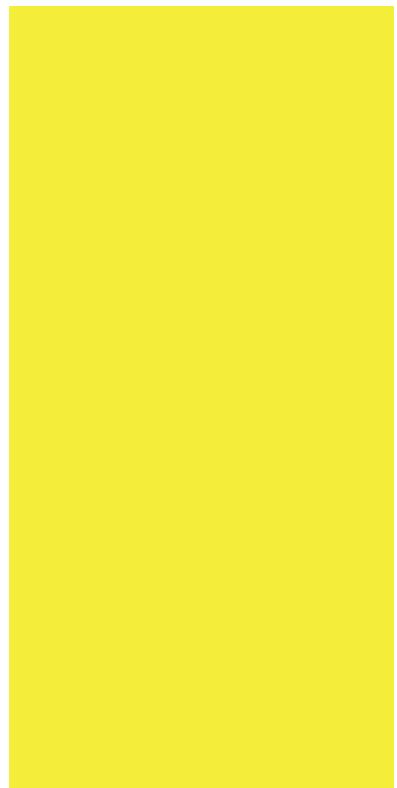
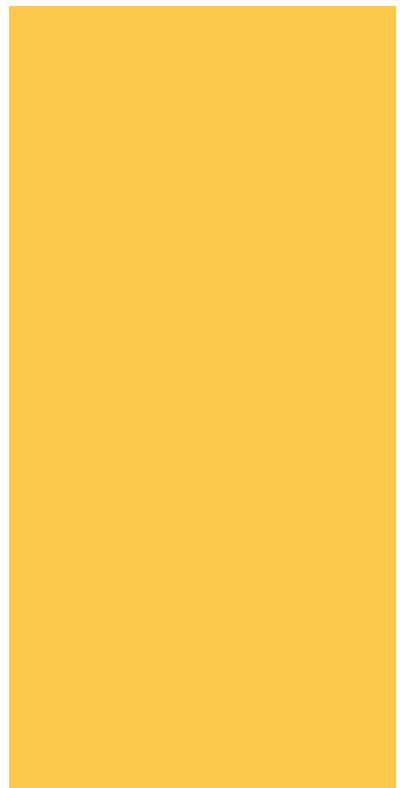
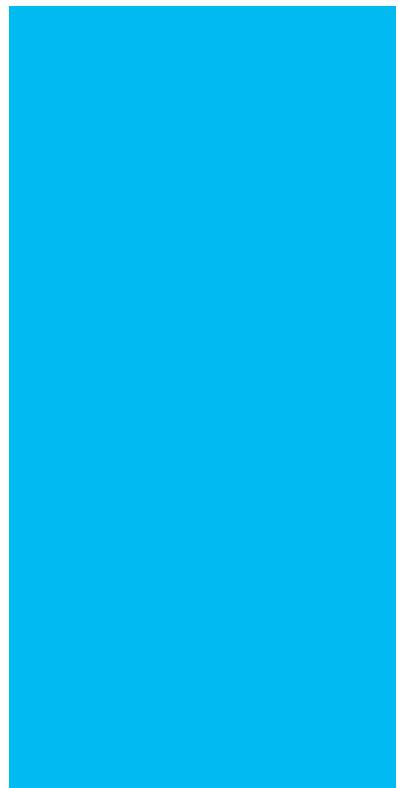
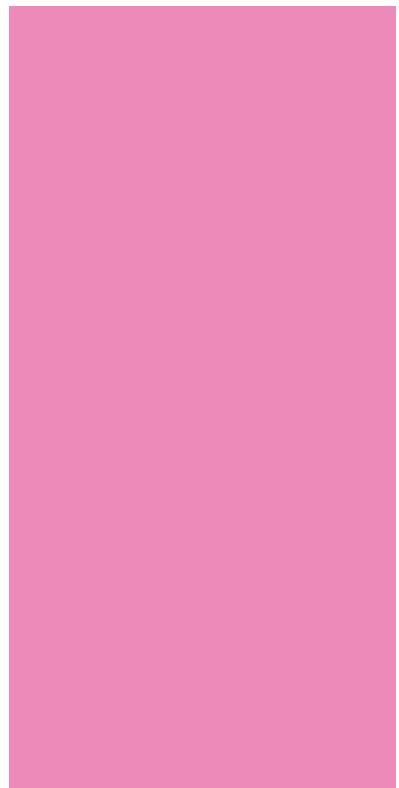
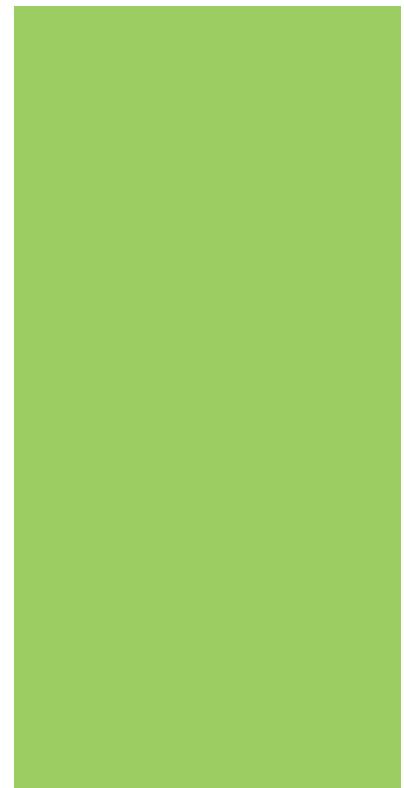


BARC is one of the founding members of the Secure Document Alliance (SDA), an alliance of organizations that provide customized secure document destruction services locally, regionally and nationally.

SDA members are nonprofit organizations that provide AAA certified destruction services while employing persons with disabilities in the community. BARC was the first company in Kern County to be AAA certified by the National Association of Information Destruction (NAID).

A partnership with SDA means that BARC can be proactive by implementing a customized document destruction agreement that protects the information that our customers entrust with us.

A partnership with SDA is a "win-win" situation for BARC and everyone concerned. With over 300 accounts here in the Greater Bakersfield area and throughout the Southern San Joaquin Valley, those companies that hire BARC to provide their document destruction services also directly control the economic viability of our community. BARC's Secure Document Destruction program allows our clients to have gainful employment in a self-sustaining business that is projected to only grow in the years to come.



Community Partners

Kern Regional Center
Bakersfield Adult School
United Way of Kern County
Department of Rehabilitation
Kern Assistive Technology
Kern High School District
Kern Medical Center
Bakersfield City School District

Affiliations

ARC US
ARC California
Greater Bakersfield
Chamber of Commerce
CRA

Accreditations

CARF International

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