

## ABOUT US

For nearly 50 years, Creative Living has been providing affordable, wheelchair-accessible housing for adults with physical disabilities who desire to further their education, pursue careers and contribute to the community. With the support of our staff and the added benefit of a 24-hour, on-call Resident Assistance Program, our residents are empowered to be self-sufficient and lead full, productive lives while independently managing their disabilities.

## HOW WE CAME TO BE

- In November 1963, in the exciting, final moments of an intramural fraternity football game at Ohio State University, Richard "Max" Maxwell dove into the end zone to score the winning touchdown.
- While his teammates walked away with a win that day, sadly, Max never walked again. His game-winning play resulted in a broken neck that rendered him paralyzed.
- At that time – nearly 30 years before the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 – the options and opportunities for individuals with disabilities were few and far between. Max, therefore, made it his life's work to pioneer accessibility for disabled students at OSU.
- In September 1974, with the help of many volunteers and significant donations from civic clubs, foundations, corporations and individuals, Creative Living came to be with the opening of our first, 18-unit apartment community on Perry Street (Creative Living I) at the foot of The Ohio State University's Wexner Medical Center.
- In 1986, Creative Living II opened on West 10th Avenue, expanding our portfolio to two properties with a total of 34 accessible units.

## WHAT MAKES US UNIQUE?

Creative Living was founded to provide motivated individuals the opportunity to live independently while pursuing their life goals. Everyone needs a bit of help from time-to-time, however, which is why we have our Resident Assistance Program, a unique service that provides our residents with peace-of-mind and on-call assistance 24 hours per day, seven days per week, 365 days per year. Furthermore, we are an affordable alternative to expensive, skilled nursing facilities and our communities were designed specifically for wheelchair accessibility.

**Affordability thanks to HUD subsidies**



**24/7/365 on-call assistance**

**Wheelchair Accessibility**



**A supportive community**



**Close proximity to OSU, Columbus State and other centers of education and employment**