

## Equipping People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities to Sing, Tell, Declare His Marvelous Deeds, \$6500

For three (3) years, Bethesda Lutheran Communities in the Portland, Oregon and the Renton, Washington areas have been sharing God's love to those intellectually and developmentally disabled (IDD). Mona Fuerstenau, Bethesda's Director of Partnership Ministries adapted resources giving leadership training, mentoring, and the opportunity for people with IDD to share their stories and their love of Jesus with people in all venues – from one-on-one to those gathered at conferences and conventions. This grant would allow for program expansion by covering the cost of the training sessions so Ms. Fuerstenau can travel to meet at least once with the Bethesda people in various areas along with training a local staff person who will continue mentoring those intellectually and developmentally disabled so they can present the Gospel and share their stories with others.



Chase at the National Youth Gathering.

