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The mission of Mental Health Advocacy Services is to protect and advance the legal rights of low-income adults and children with mental health disabilities and empower them to assert those rights in order to maximize their autonomy, achieve equity, and secure the resources they need to thrive.

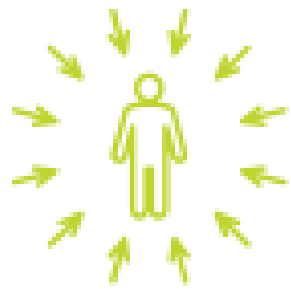


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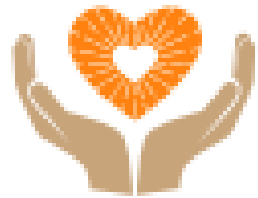
We envision a world in which people with mental health disabilities thrive in the community, free from stigma, discrimination, and injustice. We see a future where all people are safely housed and economically stable, where we are all treated fairly everywhere we go, and where we each have the opportunity to pursue our own dreams.



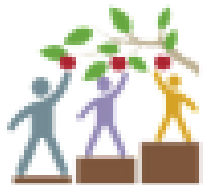
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Empowerment: Our work is driven by the desire to provide our clients with the resources needed to achieve autonomy and self-sufficiency, and to live the life they choose rather than one that is chosen for them by others.



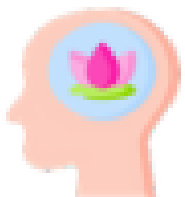
Dignity: We believe in the humanity and value of every person. We aspire to treat every individual with respect, kindness, and understanding.



Equity: We focus on ensuring that our services are both trauma-informed and accessible to communities who have been traditionally underserved or marginalized.



Collaboration: We value collaborating with other organizations in the community and we work in partnership with our clients to help them achieve overall stability and well-being.



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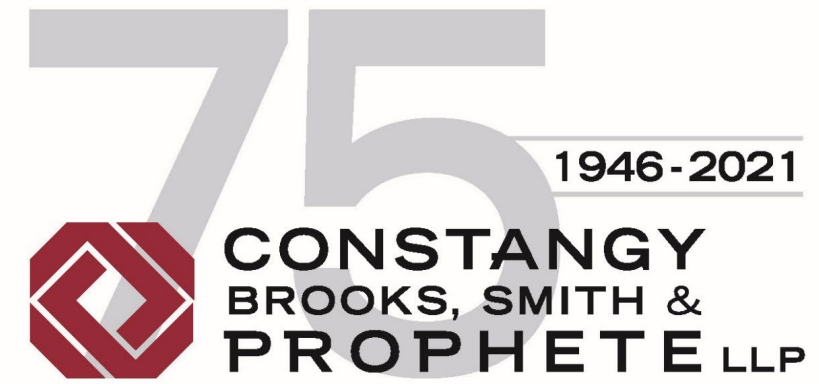
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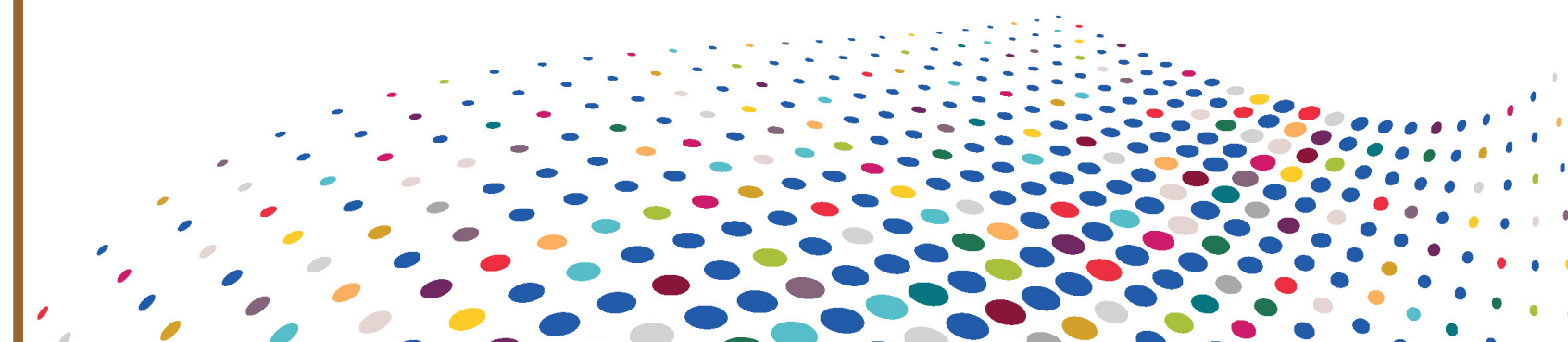
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