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to live independently and free of paid support.

"Adults in society are expected to contribute as well as receive," Horner said.

Professor Diane Bricker works in the area of Early Intervention, a program that addresses "at risk" children, from infancy to age six.

These young children, Bricker says, are at risk in the sense that the early years of development are crucial in determining how well an individual will function later as members of the community.