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**Trailer and equipment worth \$40,000 stolen from disabled lawn services team at Quest, Inc.**

**Orlando, Florida (July 6, 2016)** – Quest, Inc., a nonprofit organization serving individuals with developmental disabilities throughout Central Florida, awoke this morning to discover that thieves had stolen their trailer and lawn equipment used by its Enclave lawn services team.

Quest's Enclave Programs support individuals with developmental disabilities through small group employment in the community including grounds keeping and custodial services which increase their financial independence and self-esteem.

"We are devastated by the loss of our trailer and all of the equipment we use every day to earn a paycheck to pay our bills and live on our own," said a lawn services team member. "Because of these bad people, we can't go to work or cut the grass for our customers and we don't know what will happen next for our team."

The white, 17-foot-long trailer with a ramp, donated in recent years by Quest community partner PNC Bank, was among the items stolen from one of its locations in Orlando that contained \$40,000 worth of commercial lawn equipment to include two riding mowers, edgers, trimmers, leaf blowers and various other tools.

Quest is asking for the help of community members and businesses that have access to commercial lawn equipment or would like to make a donation towards the purchase of replacement equipment to please contact Elizabeth Brantley at [ebrantley@questinc.org](mailto:ebrantley@questinc.org) or call 407.218.4300.

"This is the worst kind of criminal," says John R. Gill, President and CEO of Quest, Inc. "To steal from individuals with disabilities who are trying to earn a paycheck in a world lacking meaningful work opportunities for these individuals is inexcusable."

The Orange County Sheriff's Office is investigating. Anyone who sees the trailer or has information that can help investigators find the thieves is asked to call the Orange County Sheriff's Office.

**About Quest, Inc.:**

*Quest, Inc., through quality and innovation, builds communities where people achieve their goals. Quest supports individuals with developmental disabilities by offering choices and opportunities to live, learn, work and play. As Central Florida's premier provider of these services, Quest makes a difference in the lives of more than 1,000 people each day and has been part of the community for over 50 years. For more information please visit [www.questinc.org](http://www.questinc.org).*