BROOKLYN FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES
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Programs for Individuals and Families with Developmental Disabilities
New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities
www.opwdd.ny.gov
INTRODUCTION
ABOUT THIS DIRECTORY

This directory lists services available to Brooklyn individuals with a developmental disability and/or their families. In order to use many of these services, the person with a developmental disability must live with his or her family in Brooklyn. Developmental disabilities include intellectual disability, autism, cerebral palsy, neurological impairment, global delays, and epilepsy, etc.

This directory includes the programs for Brooklyn families that are funded by the New York State Office of People with Developmental Disabilities and administered through its local office, the Brooklyn Developmental Disabilities Services Office. Also included are several other programs appropriate for families with a relative with a developmental disability. Please call Family Support Coordinator Angela Blades at (718) 264-3928 or email Angela.Blades@opwdd.ny.gov to obtain additional copies of this guide or if you have questions regarding any of the services provided in this directory.

ABOUT THE BROOKLYN DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL

The Brooklyn Developmental Disabilities Council collaborates with the New York State Office of People With Developmental Disabilities, as well as the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Inter Agency Council (IAC), on many issues. This Council is made up of service providers, governmental representatives, and families of people with developmental disabilities. The Council sponsors monthly meetings that offer families of people with developmental disabilities an excellent opportunity to join with others in advocating for whatever is needed. Please join us. For information and a meeting schedule, please call Bryan Rothenstein, Chairperson at 718-788-5252 ext. 12. Email: brothenstein@hhcsny.org or BKDDCouncil@hhcsny.org Website: BKDDCouncil.org

ABOUT THE BROOKLYN FAMILY SUPPORT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Brooklyn Family Support Advisory Council meets monthly to share resources, network, and learn about programs and services that may benefit persons with developmental disabilities and their families. They also assist the Brooklyn Developmental Disabilities Council in identifying needs and priorities for this population. This Committee is responsible for the Annual Brooklyn Family Support Fair. Professionals, family members, advocates and individuals with disabilities are welcome. For more information, please call Debra Greif, Tel. 718-264-5084 Email: bfssac@yahoo.com

ABOUT THE BROOKLYN FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE ADVISORY COUNCIL

At each of OPWDD’s Developmental Disabilities Regional Offices (DDROs) to help families access Family Support Services. Each DDRO also has a Family Support Services Advisory Council to represent the interests of family members and people with developmental disabilities. The councils work in partnership with the DDROs to make decisions supporting families and loved ones. Family Support Services can help in times of crisis when a family member or loved one becomes ill, or when things get difficult at home for other reasons. With assistance and support, families can often work these situations out and stay together. Find out more information about these services and supports by calling the Family Support Services Coordinator at the DDRO representing the county in which the individual/family lives.

DDROs continually work with local community agencies to ensure that other family support services for people with developmental disabilities and their loved ones are available when and where they are needed. The Brooklyn Family Support Service Advisory Council also serves in an advisory capacity to the New York State and New York City Government. We have representatives from the Brooklyn office of the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) Brooklyn DDRO. In addition, we advise and get support from the Brooklyn Developmental Disabilities Council (BDDC) BKDDCouncil@hhcsny.org. For information call Debra Greif, BFSSAC at 718-264-5084.

EMAIL BFSSAC@YAHOO.COM WEBSITE WWW.BFSSAC.COM
Additional Resources

Additional resources including programs and services for people with developmental disabilities include the following:

- For list of OPWDD/DDRO4 service and MSC vendor agencies day service providers and family support agencies, please visit website – www.bfssac.com Email: bfssac@yahoo.com Tel: (718) 264-5084

- For general information for all individuals with developmental disabilities call the Brooklyn Developmental Disabilities Regional Office Front Door at 718-642-8576.

- For multi-lingual information about special educations services for children ages 3-21 go to https://www.schools.nyc.gov/learning/special-education or CALL 311

- For multi-lingual information about programs and services available throughout New York City go the Mayor’s Office for People with Disabilities [MOPD] https://www1.nyc.gov/site/mopd/index. (212) 788-2830 Or CALL 311

- Additional resource information is available through the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (518) 402-0836, 800-577-2229 or CALL 311

- For Early Intervention information, contact the Brooklyn Regional Early Intervention Office at 718-722-3310 Or CALL 311

- ACCES-VR – Adult Career and Continuing Education Services – Vocational Rehabilitation (Formerly known as VESID) 718-722-6700. Website: http://www.acces.nysed.gov/vr

- Residential Request List contact the Brooklyn Developmental Disabilities Regional Office at 718-642-8569

- Advocates for Children for educational rights. 8 languages available. 212-947-9779

- INCLUDENYC. (Formally Resources for Children) 212-677-4650 (English) or 212-677-4668 (Spanish) www.includenyc.org

- Adult Protective Services (city wide intake system) 212-630-1853. Services de Proteccion Para Adultos – 1-844-697-3505

- Administration for Children’s Services Central Registry to report child abuse and neglect, call 1-800-342-3720. Mandated Reporters should CALL 311 in NYC or Call SCR’s Mandated Reporter Hotline directly at 1-800-635-1522. If the child is in immediate danger, CALL 911.

▪ New York City Human Resources Administration (HRA) info line 718-557-1399 or CALL 311

▪ Verizon Services for people with disabilities 800-974-6006
To reach Customer Service for People with Developmental Disabilities contact Verizon Wireless National Accessibility Customer Service dedicated team at 888-262-1999, Mon – Fri, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM EST.

▪ The Cross-Island Y has adaptive recreation programs on a sliding scale fee structure. Find out more at https://ymcanyc.org/locations/cross-island-ymca/programs-classes/adaptive-programs or call 718.551.9325,

▪ Shore Front Y also has adaptive recreation and sports programs on a sliding scale fee structure. Find out more at https://www.shorefronty.org/community-support/special-needs/specialneeds-children or CALL 311. Additional information can be found at: https://ymcanyc.org Click on >Locations> Type>Amenities.

▪ Extreme Kids and Crew has sensory friendly arts and movement programs. Some are free. Find out more at info@extremekidsandcrew.org or call (347) 410-6050

▪ Brooklyn Center of Independence of the Disabled (BCID) is a non-profit, grass roots organization operated by a majority of people with disabilities for people with disabilities since 1956. BCID is dedicated to guaranteeing the civil rights of people with disabilities. Find out more at https://bcid.org/ or call (718)998-3000.

▪ Care Coordination Organizations (CCO)

1. ADVANCE CARE ALLIANCE of NYC Inc.
   833-MYACANY – 833-692-2269
   P.O Box 1977, New York, NY 10113
   1410 Broadway, 2nd Fl., New York, NY 10018

2. CARE DESIGN NY
   518-235-1888
   8 Southwood’s Blvd., Suite 110, Albany, NY 12211
   New York City Address: 33 Maiden Lane, Suite 601, New York, NY 10038. (646) 491-6497

3. TRI-COUNTY CARE
   844-504-8400 x 9202
   829 East 15th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11230
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ADVOCACY

AHRC New York City Educational Advocacy Program
80 Maiden Lane, 10th FL.
New York, NY, 10038

Contact Information
Katherine Hoy, LMSW
Referrals: https://forms.office.com/r/3feAs3CBac
Questions: Katherine.Hoy@ahrcnyc.org
Web: www.ahrcnyc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Students ages 3-21 with OPWDD eligibility and their parents, care givers, care managers and coordinators, and other professionals who serve youth with disabilities.

Program Description
We provide non-legal, collaborative, 1:1 support to help you understand your rights and successfully navigate NYC’s complex special education system, including assistance with IEP meetings, school tours, evaluations, placement and more.

ADAPT Community Network
80 Maiden Lane, 2nd Floor, New York, NY, 10038

Contact Information
Wendy DeLeon
212-683-6700 ext. 1154
wdeleon@adaptcommunitynetwork.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.

Program Description
Information and referrals to affordable accessible housing, landlord/tenant negotiations and fair housing mediation. Provides home modifications to eligible Brooklyn Families.

Chinese American Planning Council, Inc. (CPC)
4101 8th Ave, 4th Fl.
Brooklyn, NY 11232

Contact Information
Wei Zhang
(718) 492-0409 x302 (718)
567-0397 (fax)
wzhang@cpc-nyc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Chinese speaking parents of individuals diagnosed with developmental disabilities (ages 3 and up)

Program Description
Individual and family counseling

General Human Outreach
125-10 Queens Blvd.
Suite #2705
Kew Gardens, NY 11415

Contact Information
Pat Liu Chang
718-261-6552, ext. 2012

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Asians with developmental disabilities

Program Description
Training, presentations, and self-advocacy. Individuals with disabilities are assisted in joining and starting self-advocacy groups.
Advocacy, Cont.

Self-Advocacy Association Of New York State (SANYS)
25 Beaver Street, Room 4J05
New York, NY 10004

Contact Information
Sandy Mislow
Recreation Coordinator, NYC Westchester Region
646-896-1938
nyc@sany.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals of all ages with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Program Description
We provide support to people with I/DD in speaking up for their human and civil rights through training, presentations, and regional/statewide events, meetings & conferences. We also help new self-advocacy groups get started and provide ongoing support to already-existing groups.

SINERGIA
Metropolitan Parent Center 2082 Lexington Ave., 4th Fl.
New York, NY 10035

Contact Information
Johanna Santana
Tel: 212-643-2840 ext. 302
Email:pjsantana@sinergiany.org
Web: www.sinergiany.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and their families. OPWDD eligible for services.
Ages 3-22 years.

Program Description
Educational Advocacy. Parent Training & Information Center. Workshops, parent support groups, and individual educational advocacy.
Wheelchair accessible. English and Spanish spoken.
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane, 6th Fl., New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Mary Anne Killeen
212-780-2524

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
ID/DD, autism enrolled in HCBS Waiver Middle/high school age.

Program Description
After school 3 days a week (Sheepshead Bay area).

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane, New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Mary Anne Killeen
212-780-2524

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Teens with Developmental Disabilities attending AHRC Middle & High School

Program Description
Provides site-based respite @AHRC Middle & High School – 1201 66th St. in Dyker Heights. Program operates from 2:30pm to 5pm 3 days per week for 9 months. NYC DOE transportation provided.

Eihab Human Services
168-18 South Conduit Avenue, Springfield Gardens, NY 11434

Contact Information
Sandy Moreira
718-276-6101 ext.: 403
Brooklyn Site: 718-277-3714

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children diagnosed with Developmental Disabilities between the ages of 6 - 15 years of age.

Program Description
Assist program participants with their homework, artwork in Music, dance and Karaoke, opportunity to increase their socialization skills etc.

Elmy’s Special Services, Inc
163 Van Buren Street, Brooklyn, NY 11221

Contact Information
Tamara McDonald
646-919-7944

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
We provide services to all OPWDD individuals.

Program Description
Assist program participants with their homework, artwork in Music, dance and Karaoke, opportunity to increase their socialization skills etc.

Imagine Foundation
1458 East 14th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11230

Contact Information
Intake: 718-376-8882

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children ages 5-16 diagnosed with Autism/Autism Spectrum Disorders.

Program Description
After School programming offered 1 day per week from October to June.
After School Programs, Cont.

▪ HASC Center Inc.
1221 East 14th St, Brooklyn, NY 11230

Contact Information
Surie Taub
718-535-1953  718-535-2056
(fax) staub@hasccenter.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
School age children with developmental disabilities
Program Description
Provides recreational activities to school age children, with transportation included. This program is available September through June

▪ Hebrew Educational Society (H.E.S)
95-02 Seaview Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11236

Contact Information
Ericka Charles, Director of Disability Services
(718) 241-3000 ext. 133 or 143
DisabilityServices@thehes.org

After School Program
Program Description
After School Program is a OPWDD Waiver Respite service which focuses on the potential of children with developmental disabilities. For each child attending, individualized academic, behavioral and socialization goals are developed and supported with being worked on by a Counselor.

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children with developmental disabilities

▪ Pesach Tikvah/Door of Hope
18 Middleton St, Brooklyn, NY 11206

Contact Information
Ruchie Lipshitz
718-875-6900

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children with developmental disabilities
Program Description
After school program operates on Monday to Thursday.

▪ Unique Care Community Services
9317 Avenue L, Brooklyn NY, 11236

Contact Information
Intake Coordinator: Angelica James  email: ajames@uniquecarenyc.org  347-784-4622
Respite Coordinator: Renae Davis
Email: rdavis@uniquecarenyc.org
(347) 502-2956 ext. 408
Program Director: Heidi Hernandez
Email: hhernandez@uniquecarenyc.org
(347) 502-2956 ext. 412
(646) 733-6194 - Cell

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
After-school Respite provides supervision for children and relief for their parents. Activities are available to kids in a group and individual formats. Program offers individual opportunity for socialization, arts and crafts and assistance with homework. Transportation can be arranged and/ or provided by the family or agency. Program Description
After School Respite give family members needed respite and provide participants with an opportunity to interact with other people while improving their academic skills, and social skills outside the family.
ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

ADAPT Community Network
Techworks
175 Lawrence Ave
Brooklyn, NY, 11230

Contact Information
Peter Piterrasi
Techworks-voicemail 718-436-7979 ext. 711
techworks@adaptcommunitynetwork.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals of all ages who need assistive devices such as durable medical equipment, accessibility needs, communication devices, adapted workstations, iPad apps, etc.
Individual does not have to have a developmental disability.

Program Description
Provide information and referral services and has 4 short-term lending libraries for switches, adapted toys, etc. Also has two demonstration centers to observe and test drive various devices. Provides loaners of durable medical equipment i.e. (wheelchairs, gait trainers). Information on computer access and augmentative communication equipment is also given.

YAI Center for Specialty Therapy
220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
New York, NY 10017

Contact Information
YAI LINK 212-273-6182
link@yai.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities who have complex communication needs.

Program Description
We offer comprehensive evaluations for people with complex communication needs. Follow-up training, therapy, and programming is available for new device users, as well as those who have previously acquired a device.
BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT

▪ HCS
(Human Care Services for Families and Children, Inc.)
1042 38th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11219

Contact Information
Ayelet Katz, LCSW
a.katz@hcsny.org 718-854-2747
ext. 1140

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals of any age and their families/caregivers residing in Brooklyn

Program Description
In-home parent/caregiver/family training to address challenging behaviors.

▪ New York State Institute on Disability, Inc. (NYSID)
25 Beaver Street
Room 408A
New York, NY 10004

Contact Information
Juliet Hawkins, MA, LMHC
Project Director (917)
524-4856
jhawkins@nysidinc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals must be OPWDD-eligible and must reside with boroughs of Brooklyn, Queens, and the Bronx.

Program Description
This time-limited in-home crisis behavior management program teaches parents how to manage the challenging behaviors of their child in the home.

▪ YAI
220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
New York, NY 10017

Contact Information
YAI LINK
212-273-6182 or link@yai.org

In Home Behavior Management
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Families who have a family member with a developmental disability residing with them.

Program Description
A short-term, in-home based training program dedicated to helping caregivers manage their child’s/family member’s challenging behaviors.
Requirements: OPWDD eligibility.

▪ YAI
220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl.,
New York, NY 10017

Contact Information
YAI LINK 212-273-6182
link@yai.org

Project Intervene
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Families who have a family member with a developmental disability residing with them.

Program Description
We offer short-term, in-home based training program dedicated to helping caregivers manage their child’s/family member’s challenging behaviors. The service is designed to help caregivers better understand and more effectively cope with their child’s/family member’s needs. Training may focus on behavioral issues and daily living skills, such as toileting.
Requirements: OPWDD eligibility.
Behavior Management, Cont.

● Yaldeinu School, inc.
1600 63rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11204

Contact Information
Shuli Rotberg
718-305-7137 ext. 248
shuli@yaldeinu.net
intake@yaldeinu.net

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
ASD, multiply handicapped, Intellectual Disability, Downs Syndrome.

Program Description
Intensive behavioral supports for people with autism and other special needs.
CAMP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

- **The Jewish Board / Mishkon**
  1366 56th Street
  Brooklyn, NY 11219

  **Contact Information**
  Sarah Danzig-Pearlman
  [sdanzig@jbfcs.org](mailto:sdanzig@jbfcs.org) 718-854-0454
  ext. 471212

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Individuals with developmental/intellectual disabilities who live at home in Brooklyn.

  **Program Description**
  Provides scholarship and/or reimbursement to Brooklyn based individuals who attended summer camp (sleep-away or overnight in NY State) up to $3,000.

- **Ohel Bais Ezra**
  1268 East 14th Street
  Brooklyn, NY 11230

  **Contact Information**
  Erica Friedman
  718-686-3451
  [Erica_friedman@ohelfamily.org](mailto:Erica_friedman@ohelfamily.org)

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Individuals with developmental disabilities who are living at home.

  **Program Description**
  Funding towards summer camp.

- **Pesach Tikvah/Door of Hope**
  365 Willoughby Ave, Suite 400
  Brooklyn, NY 11205

  **Contact Information**
  Diana Masri
  718-875-6900, ext. 1123
  [Dmasri@pesachtkvah.org](mailto:Dmasri@pesachtkvah.org)

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Individuals with diagnosis of Intellectual Disabilities. Need proof, i.e. LOC Eligibility, or Psychological report.

  **Program Description**
  Funding towards Sleep-Away Summer Camp. For individuals from Brooklyn that are residing with their family.

- **YAI**
  220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
  New York, NY 10017

  **Contact Information**
  YAI LINK  212-273-6182
  [link@yai.org](mailto:link@yai.org)

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Children and adults with developmental disabilities.

  **Program Description**
  We offer Camp reimbursement for eligibility camp services to families.
CLINICAL EVALUATIONS for CHILDREN WITHOUT MEDICAID

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane
New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Marissa McMillan 212-780-2565
marrissa.mcmillan@ahrcnyc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals (ages 5 to adult) seeking OPWDD eligibility
Program Description
Provides comprehensive psychological and psychosocial evaluations for individuals without Medicaid to determine eligibility for OPWDD services. Evaluations can be provided in English and Spanish.

Community Assistance Resources and Extended Services, Inc. (CARES)
465 Grand Street, 2nd floor
New York, NY 10002

Contact Information
Lisa Louie  English & Chinese
llouie@caresnyc.org
212-420-1970 ext. 117

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with ID/DD. No Medicaid required.
Chinese dialects and Spanish Spoken
Children or adults 2 years 6 months +
Program Description
FSS Non-Medicaid Clinical Evaluations for OPWDD eligibility for Residents of Brooklyn.

Constructive Partnerships Unlimited
842 Lefferts Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11203

Contact Information
Ester Girald
egiral@cpofnys.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
For persons with I/DD, Veterans and Seniors.
Program Description
Physical, Speech and Occupational Therapy sessions. Wheelchair clinic, social work & counseling, psychological & Psychosocial evaluation. Opportunities for scheduled wheelchair evaluation, cleaning, sanitizing, and repair is provided in all boroughs.

Eden II Programs - Clinical Evaluations

Contact Information
Gina DePrima
718-816-1422 ext. 1200
GDeprima@eden2.org
Program Director: Janet La Mantia,
718-816-1422 ext. 1076

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Autism diagnosis, ages 3+
Program Description
Skilled clinicians will perform Psychological (including IQ and Adaptive scores) and Psycho-social evaluations for children and adults with developmental disabilities who are seeking OPWDD eligibility to obtain access to HCBS Waiver services. This program is open to individual who do not currently have active Medicaid. (Spanish speaking evaluators available)
Clinical Evaluations for Children Without Medicaid, Cont.

- **Heart Share Human Services**
  330 Jay Street, 29th Fl
  Brooklyn, NY 11201

  **Contact Information**
  Esther Llenas
  Office: 718-422-3257 Mobile: 347-853-0492
  Esther.Llenas@heartshare.org

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  No-cost psychological, psychosocial and autism evaluation for Brooklyn residents who do not have Medicaid.

  **Program Description**
  Clinical Evaluation Program for HCBS Waiver/OPWDD eligibility determination.

- **New York State Institute on Disability, Inc. (NYSID)**
  930 Willowbrook Road, Bldg. 41-A
  Staten Island, NY 10314

  **Contact Information**
  Elizabeth Sunshine
  930 Willowbrook Road
  Building 41A
  Staten Island NY, 10314 Cell: 917-699-0578
  esunshine@nysidinc.org

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Individuals of all ages that reside at home with their families who do not have Medicaid.

  **Program Description**
  Free In Home Psychological & Psycho-Social Evaluation, for the determination of OPWDD Eligibility for Non-Medicaid Individuals in the (4) boroughs, Bklyn, Bx, Qns and S.I.

- **OHEL/Bais Ezra**
  1268 East 14th Street
  Brooklyn, NY 11230

  **Contact Information**
  800-603-OHEL (6435)
  Access@ohelfamily.org

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Children and Adults with I/DD

  **Program Description**
  No cost psychological and psychosocial evaluations for children and adults living in Brooklyn who do not have Medicaid in order to determine OPWDD eligibility.

- **YAI**
  220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
  New York, NY 10017

  **Contact Information**
  YAI LINK 212-273-6182
  link@yai.org

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Children and adults who are seeking diagnostic clarity for diagnosis of intellectual and developmental disabilities.

  **Program Description**
  We offer comprehensive Psychological, Psychosocial, and Autism evaluations to determine the diagnosis of intellectual and developmental disabilities.

  **Requirement:** Ages 4 and older with active Medicaid.
Clinical Evaluation for Children Without Medicaid, Cont.

YAI
220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
New York, NY 10017

Contact Information
YAI LINK
212-273-6182  link@yai.org

Free Evaluation
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities who are not Medicaid eligible and are seeking OPWDD eligibility.

Program Description
Through different grants, we offer comprehensive psychological, psychosocial, and autism evaluations for people without Medicaid to determine eligibility for OPWDD services. Different grants have varying eligibility criteria.
Chinese American Planning Council. Inc. (CPC)
Service for Families with Special Needs Program.
4101 8th Ave, 4th FL., Brooklyn, NY 11232

Contact Information
Wei Zhang
TEL: (718)492-0409 ext. 302 FAX:
(718)567-0397
Email: wzhang@cpc-nyc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Chinese (Cantonese and Mandarin) speaking parents of individuals diagnosed with Developmental Disabilities (age 3 and up).

Program Description
Individual and family counseling Provide information on resources and available services.

City Access New York
1207 Castleton Avenue,
Staten Island, NY 10310

Contact Information
Jrosario@cityaccessny.org

Employment Training Program
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
ADHD, Intellectual disability, Autism.

Program Description
ETP- Employment training program is an intern to hire program. During the internship your wages will be paid by through the Employment Training Program while you learn the skills needed for the job. After the completion of the internship the employer will take the individual on to their payroll and the individual will continue to receive job coaching supports as needed.

Office for People with Developmental Disabilities Brooklyn DDRO - Region 4
750 Vandalia Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11239

Contact Information
Mauricina Pardovani
718-264-3959
Mauricina.Pardovani@opwdd.ny.gov
Andrew Archer
718-264-3775
Andrew.E.Archer@opwdd.ny.gov

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities ages 17 to 22

Program Description
Employee Training program. Program is designed to offer training and on the job work experience. After trainee has successfully learned the skills, job site will be asked to consider trainee for permanent employment.

Jewish Union Foundation/Yachad (Orthodox Union)
11 Broadway, 13th Fl,
New York, NY 10004

Contact Information
212-613-8299
Amanda Levy
212-613-8172
Levya@ou.org
Jacobsons@ou.org
212-613-0796 (fax)

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Family members of individuals with developmental disabilities. Individuals with developmental disabilities 18+

Program Description
Individual and family counseling 2-3 10-week social skills trainings on Tuesday evenings.
Counseling, Training & Socialization
Groups Cont.

INCLUDEnyc
Formally Resources for Children with Special Needs
116 E. 16th Street
New York, NY 10003

Contact Information
212-677-4650

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Parents and professionals

Program Description
Workshops on laws, regulations, rights, entitlements, and procedures in securing services with OPWDD.

Sinergia, Inc.
2082 Lexington Ave., 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10035

Contact Information
Yasmin Campos
T: 212-643-2840 ext. 315
E.ycamposmendez@sinergiany.org
Website: www.sinergiany.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Parents with Developmental Disabilities who are eligible for community habilitation and/or with children in foster care.

Program Description

YAI
220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
New York, NY 10017

Contact Information
Autism Family Support Series
YAI LINK
212-273-6182

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Family members of individuals on the autism spectrum disorder.

Program Description
Family members are provided with therapeutic support with an educational component. Groups offered in English, Spanish, and Mandarin.

YAI
220 East 42nd Street 8th Floor
New York, NY 10017

Parent With Special needs
Contact Information
YAI LINK
212-273-6182

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Parents who have an intellectual and developmental disability.

Program Description
Parents with Special Needs provides an in-home training with a focus on parenting and independent living skills as well as monthly support groups. Requirements: OPWDD eligibility is required for the parent.
Counseling, Training & Socialization Groups Cont.

▪ YAI Autism Center
220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
New York, NY 10017

Contact Information
YAI LINK
212-273-6182

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children with autism spectrum disorders or those with similar needs.

Program Description
Clinical social skills training program. Fees charged.

▪ YAI Project Intervene
220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
New York, NY 10017

Contact Information
YAI LINK
212-273-6182

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Families who have a family member with a developmental disability residing with them.

Program Description
A short-term, in-home based training program dedicated to helping caregivers manage their child's/family member's challenging behaviors. The service is designed to help caregivers better understand and more effectively cope with their child's/family member's needs. Training may focus on behavioral issues and daily living skills, such as toileting.

▪ YAI Ballet/Yoga
220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
New York, NY 10017

Contact Information
YAI LINK
212-273-6182

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children ages 4-10 diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder.

Program Description
This program encourages physical movement in a fun and supportive environment with a focus on improving motor skills, socialization, and sensory integration.

▪ YAI
220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
New York, NY 10017

Contact Information
YAI LINK
212-273-6182

Social Skills
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children between the ages of 5-12 diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder.

Program Description
This program promotes positive peer relationships amongst children through role playing, recognizing emotions, social stories, and modeling. The group is ideal for children who can independently engage in conversation.
CRISIS INTERVENTION

Eden II Programs
15 Beach St. Staten Island, NY 10304

Contact Information
Olena Zaretska
HCBS Waiver Coordinator
OZaretska@eden2.org
718-816-1422 ext. 1075

Irene Cavanagh
Associate Executive Director
icavanagh@eden2.org 718-816-1422 ext. 1011

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Autism, ages 3-25

Program Description
Staff trained in Autism, ABA and behavior management provide respite services on an as needed basis during emergency situations. Emergency situations include: an ill parent, consumer engaging in severe challenging behaviors, a situation in which the physical or emotional well-being of an individual is in jeopardy, or if the short term provision of childcare is essential for a family and they have exhausted all other resources. This service can be provided in the individual’s home or in the community.

Lifespire
213-01 Northern Blvd. Bayside, NY 11361

Contact Information
Jay Kleinman 718-454-6940 or 718-454-2700
jkleinman@lifespire.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
All OPWDD eligible individuals residing with their families. Medicaid Waiver not required.

Program Description
Linkage, Information & Referral, and general short-term case management

Human Care Services for Families and Children
1042 38th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11219

Contact Information
Ayelet Katz, LCSW 718-854-2747 ext. 140 a.katz@hcsny.org

Behavior Management Program
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities residing in Brooklyn.

Program Description
Provides in-home behavior management training to parents and family members of individuals with developmental disabilities and challenging behaviors.

Innovative Resources for Independence

Crisis Services
112-40 Francis Lewis Blvd,
Queens Village, NY 11429

Contact Information
Mr. Al Gibson, Coordinator of At-Home Services
646-542-4643 al.gibson@iriny.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities aged 14 and over, living in Brooklyn with their caregivers.

Program Description
In-Home crisis services provide on an emergency basis by a mobile team on call 24/7 and proactively by trained crisis intervention specialists. Provides crisis intervention service in the form of intensive, in-home respite (20 hrs. per week) to individuals with challenging behavior disorders for a maximum of 13 weeks.
Crisis Intervention, Cont.

- **NY State Institute on Disability, Inc.**

  **Contact Information**
  Juliet Hawkins, MA, LMHC
  25 Beaver Street
  New York, NY 10004
  Phone: 646-766-3258
  jhawkins@nysidinc.org

  **Crisis Intervention Services**
  Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
  Individuals who have obtained OPWDD eligibility, who are living at home with their caregiver in the boroughs of Brooklyn, Queens or the Bronx. HCBS Waiver not necessary. No age limits.

  **Program Description**
  This crisis behavior management program empowers parents to effectively manage the challenging behaviors of their son/daughters. Parents are taught positive behavior management techniques. They are provided with a written, structured, individualized behavior plan and receive support in implementing it.

- **YAI**

  220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl
  New York, NY 10017

  **Contact Information**
  YAI LINK 212-273-6182
  link@yai.org

  **Emergency Respite Fund**
  Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
  Families caring for a relative with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

  **Program Description**
  We offer emergency respite funds assisting in compensation for temporary care during an emergency. These funds may help to pay for staffing, food, and other necessities identified by each family and approved by OPWDD.

  Requirements: OPWDD eligibility.
DAY, SLEEP AWAY & END OF SUMMER CAMPS

ADAPT Community Network
A.C.T.I.O.N Summer Day Camp
175 Lawrence Ave, Brooklyn, NY, 11230.

Contact Information
Alicia Angevine
718-436-7979 ext. 345
aangevine@adaptcommunitynetwork.org
Carmen Orellana 646-625-5000 EXT 5015
corellana@adaptcommunitynetwork.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals 13-21. Brooklyn residents only. All Developmental Disabilities including wheelchair users. All levels of ID.
No major behavioral and or medical issues necessitating a 1:1 or Nurse on staff.

Program Description
Monday-Friday 8:30am-3:30pm.
Last three weeks of summer.
Sports, games, arts & crafts, social opportunities, trips to area attractions, swimming in a therapeutic pool.
Transportation to and from home provided.

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane
New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Mary Anne Killeen
212-780-2524

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children between the ages of 6 and 15

Program Description
Day Camp during last two weeks of August

Children’s Aid Society
PO Box 47
Chappaqua, NY 10514

Contact Information
Vince Canziani
914-238-4761

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children ages 7-17 with developmental disabilities

Program Description
Respite camp program operates throughout the year. Transportation is provided from convenient Manhattan location.

City Access New York
1207 Castleton Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10310

Contact Information
Leslie Mumm 718-285-6548
lmumm@cityaccessny.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Students with developmental disabilities

Program Description
Provides Respite to caregivers.
Day, Sleep Away & End of Summer Camps, Cont.

睫 Eden II
150 Granite Ave
Staten Island, NY 10303

Contact Information
Juanita Bodden, Intake Coordinator
718-816-1422, ext. 151
718-816-1428 (Fax)

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with autism ages 3-21
Program Description
Summer camp offered for two weeks in August from 9 am to 3 pm with structured recreation and leisure activities provided.

睫 EIHAB Human Services
168-18 South Conduit Ave.
Springfield Gardens, NY 11434

Contact Information
Elizabeth Adelaja
718-276-6101

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children with developmental disabilities ages 5-15
Program Description
Recreational activities, trips in the community, indoor activities, opportunities for enhancing socialization and communication skills Door to door transportation provided.

睫 Elmy’s Special Services, Inc
163 Van Buren Street
Brooklyn, NY 11221

Contact Information
Tayesha McDonald
646-919-7944

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
We provide services to all OPWDD individuals.
Program Description
This program runs from 2:30pm-6pm (Monday thru Friday) we are located inside of a school. Staff are there to assist individuals with home-works, arts and crafts.

睫 HASC Summer Program
5902 14th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11219

Contact Information
Chaya Miller, Administrator
718-686-5930

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities
Program Description
HCBS Waiver-Funded camp offered during the months of July and August.

睫 INCLUDEny
Formally Resources for Children
116 E 16th St., New York, NY 10003

Contact Information
212-677-4650
212-254-4070 (fax)
Website: www.resourcesnyc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
All disabilities, ages preschool to 21
Program Description
Annual Special Camp Fair takes place in Jan or Feb and connects parents to representatives of day camps in NYC and sleep away camps all over the northeast.
Day, Sleep Away & End of Summer Camps, Cont.

Hebrew Educational Society (H.E.S)
95-02 Seaview Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11236

Contact Information
Ericka Charles, Director of Disability Services
Ericka@thehes.org
(718) 241-3000 ext. 133

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children ages 4 to 17 that have been diagnosed with Autism, Down’s Syndrome and other developmental disabilities are supported. Children are eligible to participate in services if they are approved for Medicaid waiver service through the OPWDD. For families who are either ineligible to receive or pending determination of eligibility to receive Medicaid Waiver services, DOHMH’s Recreational and Socialization grant at H.E.S. allows children to participate in camp at no cost.

Program Description
“Camp Xtra” is a subdivision of the H.E.S Summer Camp, is an OPWDD Waiver Respite program that supports children with developmental disabilities and allows them to experience camp with typical children to its fullest. Campers are provided with individualized support to ensure they can be part of programming and integrate to the best of their ability. 1:1 support can be provided as needed. Individual goals and socialization skills are worked on to help provide more independence. Program hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Jewish Community Center of Staten Island
1466 Manor Road
Staten Island, NY 10314

Contact Information
Special Needs Coordinator
718-475-5291 ext. 1186
718-475-5207 [Fax]

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
School-age individuals with developmental disabilities

Program Description
Marvin’s Camp – 6-week day camp providing outdoor activities. Door-to-door transportation provided.

Jewish Union Foundation/NJCDYachad
11 Broadway, 13th Fl
New York, NY 10004

Contact Information
212-613-8285
Fax: 212-613-0796

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Jewish developmentally disabled individuals

Program Description
4-7 week sleep away programs in Mainstream camps/ 4-week trip to Israel 18+/ 2-week getaway in NY 18+
Day, Sleep Away & End of Summer Camps, Cont.

Multi-Functional Family Services
130 Waterbury St
Brooklyn, NY 11206

Contact Information
Donna Abrams/Tom Roopchand
718-486-3780
718-486-6017 (Fax)
917-607-6853 (Cell TR)
917-589-7499 (Cell DA)

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities; challenging behaviors; dual-diagnosed.

Program Description
6 Day/5 Night Summer Vacations, sightseeing tours out of state.

Unique Care Community Services
9317 Ave L Brooklyn
New York, 11236

Contact Information
Renae Davis
rdavis@uniquecarenyc.org
(347) 502-2956 ext. 408

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Service all individual with mild/ moderate intellectual disabilities. Ages-4 and above

Program Description
UCCS serves both children with and without developmental disabilities. The Summer Camp Program is designed to let the individuals have fun! Fun! Fun! But educational at the same time. For example, this year our theme was learning about different animals and their way of life. Every week the campers visited different Zoos and at the end of each zoo visit, staff would ask random questions just to see what they have learned. Some activities include, but are not limited:
- New York Hall of Science
- Kids N Action
- Funtopia
- Plaster Galaxy
- Brooklyn Botanic Garden
- Movies
- Lunch out Etc....

Rising Treetops at Oakhurst
(Formerly New York Service for the Handicapped - Camp Oakhurst)

Summer Camp
111 Monmouth Road Oakhurst, NJ 07755
www.risingtreetops.org

Contact Information
Charles Sutherland, Director, Services & Operations
732-531-0215
csutherland@risingtreetops.org

Lori Schenck
Assistant Director, Services 732-531-0215
lschenck@risingtreetops.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Serving physical and developmental disabilities, including autism Ages 6+

Program Description
Camp provided from mid-June through August. Sessions available for youth and adults.
Day, Sleep Away & End of Summer Camps, Cont.

Pesach Tikvah/Door of Hope
18 Middleton Street
Brooklyn, NY 11206

Contact Information
Esther Sperber
718-875-6900 ext. 112
718-875-6999 (fax)

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and young adults with developmental and physical disabilities

Program Description
End of summer recreational day camp

VISIONS - Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired
500 Greenwich St., 3rd Fl.
New York, NY 10013

Contact Information
Carmen Thorne 212-625-1616
ext. 107
cthornet@visionsvcb.org
www.visionsvcb.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and adults who are blind or visually impaired.
The camp can also accommodate wheelchair users.

Program Description
Therapeutic recreation and rehabilitation at our Rockland County facility. Operates camp sessions during weekends (Oct. to June) and summer (June – Aug.). Transportation provided from Manhattan site to the camp. Family sessions also offered.
GUARDIANSHIP INFORMATION & FINANCIAL PLANNING

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane, 6th Floor
New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Laurie Stride
212-780-2586

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Family members of persons with developmental disabilities.

Program Description
Provides advice, information/referral on issues of future planning and legal representation for families petitioning for legal guardianship.

Ohel Bais Ezra
4510 16th Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11204

Contact Information
Simcha Feuerman
718-851-6300

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Family members of persons with developmental disabilities.

Program Description
Financial planning

YAI’s Center for Specialty Therapy

Contact Information
YAI LINK  212-273-6182
link@yai.org  17-A Legal Guardianship

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Adults with intellectual and developmental Disabilities.

Program Description
We offer psychological, psychosocial and autism evaluations needed to apply for 17A guardianship, along with the guardianship interview. Requirement: Ages 18+ with active Medicaid.
HOUSING ADVOCACY

ADAPT Community Network
80 Maiden Lane, 2nd Fl
New York, NY, 10038

Contact Information
Annie Rivera
212-683-6700 ext. 1170
arivera@adaptcommunitynetwork.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals and Families with developmental Disabilities.

Program Description
Housing Assistance Services offers services including landlord-tenant mediation, housing court assistance, assistance filing human rights complaints, tenants’ rights information and referrals for low income/affordable housing and follow up advocacy.

QSAC
253 West 35Th Street,
14th Fl., New York, NY 10001

Contact Information
Serena Windett
P-212-224-5560 ext. 2091
Email: serena.windett@qsac.com

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Families of individuals with autism and ID/DD who need advocacy related to housing issues.

Program Description
Housing Advocacy is provided to individuals and families with developmental disabilities who reside in Brooklyn. QSAC provides a trained advocate with an expertise in housing related issues which includes Section 8 issues, NYCHA, housing court, evictions, relocation if needed and much more.

Sinergia Inc.
Housing Advocacy Program
2082 Lexington Ave, 3rd Fl
New York, NY 10035

Contact Information
Lore Barcelona
T: 212-643-2840 ext. 318
E: lbarcelona@sinergiany.org
W: www.sinergiany.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and their families. OPWDD eligible for services.

Program Description
INFORMATION & REFERRAL

▪ ADAPT Community Network
80 Maiden Lane
New York, NY, 10038

Contact Information
Referral and Information Center (RIC)
212-780-4491
Referrals@ahrcnyc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Provides referral, guidance and informational services to families, care managers, schools, hospitals, and other care providers about I/DD and OPWDD services and supports. Available in NYC.

Program Description
Provides referral, guidance and informational services to families, care managers, schools, hospitals, and other care providers about I/DD and OPWDD services and supports. Available in NYC.

▪ CASA South
88 3rd Avenue
3rd floor,
Brooklyn NY 11217

Contact Information
Naomi Bauch, LMSW Supervisor
11 SW bauchn@hra.nyc.gov
Current number 929-221-0302

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
All Ages
People with physical, intellectual and mental disabilities

Program Description
Home Attendant, Housekeeping Services, Assistance and advocacy in obtaining financial entitlements.
Assist with Medicaid, SCRIE, DRIE snap DNSP forms.

▪ Office for People with Developmental Disabilities Brooklyn DDRO – Region 4
750 Vandalia Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11239

Contact Information
Front Door Information Number
718-642-8576
Website: www.opwdd.ny.gov

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities

Program Description
Families/individuals can obtain information regarding upcoming information sessions (Front Door), and how to navigate OPWDD system. Service provider listings and another brochure are available if needed. Assist families and individuals in obtaining OPWDD services.

▪ Chinese American Planning Council. Inc. (CPC)
Service for Families with Special Needs Program.
Address: 4101 8th Ave, 4th Fl.,
Brooklyn, NY 11232

Contact Information
Wei Zhang
Tel: 718-685-3302
Email: wzhang@cpc-nyc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Brooklyn residents with I/DD or their family members, guardians or caregivers.

Program Description
The family support services are helping individuals, family related, guardians, or caregivers to learn OPWDD system. Also, we will help them to find resources to assist their caring needs and referral to outside agencies.
Information & Referral, Cont.

- **General Human Outreach in the Community (GHO)**
  125-10 Queens Blvd., #2705
  Kew Gardens NY 11415

  Contact Information
  Pat Liu Chang
  T: 718-261-6552 ext. 2012
  W: www.ghoinc.org

  Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
  Individuals with DD, ages 3+
  Program Description

- **HASC**
  4501 First Ave
  Brooklyn, NY 11220

  Contact Information
  Tzippy Friedler
  718-535-1953 718-758-0579
  tfriedler@hasccenter.org

  Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
  Individuals with developmental disabilities
  Program Description
  Assist individuals, families and the community with information and referral.

- **HeartShare Human Services of NY**
  Information and Referral 12
  MetroTech Center, 29th Fl.
  Brooklyn, NY 11201

  Contact Information
  Esther Llenas
  Office:718-422-3257
  Mobile:347-853-0492
  Esther.Llenas@heartshare.org

  Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
  Individuals with developmental disabilities and their families
  Program Description
  Assists individuals, families, and the community with information and referral.

- **Hebrew Educational Society (H.E.S)**
  95-02 Seaview Avenue
  Brooklyn, NY 11236

  Contact Information
  Ericka Charles, Director of Disability Services
  Ericka@thehes.org
  (718) 241-3000 ext. 133

  Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
  Parents and caregivers living in Brooklyn, NY with ages 30 - 50 that have been diagnosed with a disability and need support with future planning are supported. Program Description
  The Future Planning For Adults with Disabilities Program is a program that will make benefit planning programming accessible to parents and caregivers of adults with disabilities at no cost. Future planning and training for parents of adults with special needs will be offered. Areas of support will include but not be limited to benefits counseling, case management, referrals to residential services, accessing of benefits and development of trusts.
Information & Referral, Cont.

INCLUDEnyc
Formerly Resources for Children with Special Needs

Contact Information
www.includenyc.org
info@includenyc.org
212-677-4660 English Resource Line*
or call to speak with us in a different language via Language Line
212-677-4668
Spanish Resource Line

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with disabilities and their families; professionals

Program Description
We provide one-on-one support, training, and information to young people with disabilities, their families, and the professionals who work with them in the following areas: learning & school, family support systems, parenting & advocacy, working & adult life, and friendship & social skills.

Learning Disabilities Assoc. of NYC
27 West 20th St. #303
New York, NY 10011

Contact Information
212 924-8896 Fax 212
645-6730 Phone
csblbanyc@verizon.net

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
All persons from birth onward with or concerned about LD.

Program Description
Provide counseling, information, and referrals to NYC residents of all ages who are concerned about LD.

Inclusive Services at Brooklyn Public Library

Contact Information
Carrie Banks
cbanks@bklynlibrary.org
917-751-4890.

Brooklyn Public Library
2065 Flatbush Avenue. Brooklyn, NY 11234
cbanks@bklynlibrary.org
718.253.4948

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
All

Program Description
We offer library services including recreational programs for children and teens with disabilities, workshops and books on raising children with disabilities. We can visit your class virtually or in person starting with Early Intervention programs and continuing through high school and transition programs. Download or borrow our books in print, large print, audio, graphic and multilingual formats. Programs are virtual and in-person when appropriate. Find out more at https://www.bklynlibrary.org/inclusive-services

Mercy Home
243 Prospect Park West
Brooklyn, NY 11215

Contact Information
Elinor LaTouche
718-832-1075

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities

Program Description
Assist families and individuals in obtaining resources.
Information & Referral, Cont.

Multi-Functional Family Services
130 Waterbury St
Brooklyn, NY 11206

Contact Information
Tom Roopchand
718-486-3780
917-607-6853
718-486-6017 (fax)

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities

Program Description
Assist individuals, families and the community with information and referral.

Sinergia Inc.
2082 Lexington Ave., 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10035

Contact Information
Johanna Santana, MA, MHC.
Director of Family Support Services
Sinergia Inc.,
2082 Lexington Ave. - 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10035
Tel: 212-643-2840 Ext: 302
Fax: 212-643-2871
jsantana@sinergiany.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and their families. OPWDD eligible for services.

Program Description

YAI LINK
460 West 34th Street
New York, NY 10001

Contact Information
YAI LINK 212-273-6182
link@yai.org

LINK – Information & Referral
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
People with developmental disabilities, families/caregivers, and service providers.

Program Description
We offer information and referral services about I/DD services in English and Spanish. We can refer families and service providers to services at YAI if available and/or offer resources about I/DD services offered by other agencies. We also offer presentations on navigating the OPWDD service system and available services for people with I/DD.
NON-MEDICAID CASE MANAGEMENT

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane
New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Elisabeth Morgulas
212-895-3478

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Supports people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
Ages: All ages
OPWDD eligibility and lives at home with family in Brooklyn.

Program Description
Assists families through the Medicaid application process to obtain Medicaid Waiver. Provides linkage and information to a vast array of services as well as other Family Support services.

Community Assistance Resources and Extended Services, Inc. (CARES)
465 Grand Street, 2nd floor
New York, NY 10002

Contact Information
Lisa Louie (English & Chinese)
llouie@caresnyc.org 212-420-1970 ext. 117

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with ID/DD. No Medicaid required.
Chinese dialects and Spanish Spoken
Children or adults 2 years 6 months +

Program Description
For individuals that do not have working Medicaid for OPWDD eligibility
Brooklyn and Queens Residents.

General Human Outreach in the Community (GHO)
125-10 Queens Blvd., #2705
Kew Gardens NY 11415

Contact Information
Pat Liu Chang
718-307-6563, pat@ghoinc.org

Mitty (Xue Ying) Wu (Chinese)
718-307-6564 xwu@ghoinc.org

Daesil Choi-Quirk (Korean)
718-307-6570, dquirk@gmail.com

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Asian Americans and others with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities, age 3 and up.

Program Description
Family Support Services – Medicaid not required; OPWDD eligibility application assistance; Case Management Service (linkage to needed services and support); Information & Referrals; Bilingual Staff (Chinese dialects and Korean); CCO enrollment assistance.

OHEL/Bais Ezra
1268 East 14th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11230

Contact Information
800-603-OHEL (6435)
Access@ohelfamily.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and Adults with I/DD

Program Description
Assist individuals with linkage to Medicaid, supports and services, and OPWDD Waiver Services.
NON-MEDICAID CASE MANAGEMENT, CONT.

▪ QSAC
253 West 35Th Street,
14th Fl New York, NY 10001

Contact Information
Britney Hoobraj
QSAC Self Direction
FSS and Brokerage Coordinator (Team Leader)
QSAC
253 West 35th Street, 14th Floor
New York, NY 10001
212-244-5560 ext. 2059 (Office)
Britney.Hoobraj@qsac.com

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Autism/IDD. Families without Medicaid, or not known to OPWDD.

Program Description
We provide Service Coordination, referrals and advocacy to those individuals and their families that are not eligible for Medicaid, or who are not yet known to OPWDD. If eligible, we’ll establish Medicaid and refer you to a permanent CCO. These individuals have access to services such as respite, advocacy, home health aides, and vocational, recreational and other support services.

▪ Sinergia, Inc
2082 Lexington Ave., 3rd Floor New York, NY 10035

Contact Information
Johanna Santana
T: 212-643-2840 ext. 302
E: jsantana@sinergiany.org
W: www.sinergiany.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and their families

Program Description
PARENT/SIBLING SUPPORT GROUP

- **AHRC NYC**
  83 Maiden Lane, 6th Floor
  New York, NY 10038

  **Contact Information**
  Dr. John Fiorello
  212-780-2592

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Children and adult siblings of persons with developmental disabilities.

  **Program Description**
  A varied of activities and support groups

- **Ohel Bais Ezra**
  1563 49th St
  Brooklyn, NY 11219

  **Contact Information**
  Avigail Fogel
  718-436-6124

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Individuals with developmental disabilities and their family members.

  **Program Description**
  Volunteer programs to assist families with a developmental disability.

- **Chinese American Planning Council, Inc. (CPC)**
  4101 8th Ave, 4th Flr.
  Brooklyn, NY 11232

  **Contact Information**
  Wei Zhang
  (718) 492-0409 ext. 302
  (718) 567-0397
  wzhang@cpc-nyc.org

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Chinese (Cantonese and Mandarin) speaking parents of individuals diagnosed with Developmental Disabilities (Ages 3 and up)

  **Program Description**
  Weekend parent support groups

- **Jewish Union Foundation/NJCDYachad**
  11 Broadway, 13th Flr.
  New York, NY 10004

  **Contact Information**
  212-613-8285
  212-613-0796 Fax

  **Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
  Developmentally disabled and hearing impaired individuals.

  **Program Description**
  Support/recreational activities for parents, families and siblings
Parent & Sibling Support
Group, Cont.

▪ My Time Inc.
640 Parkside Avenue, Suite #502
Brooklyn NY 11226

Contact Information
Lucina Clarke, Executive Director
646 7893144
Denise Jordan, Executive Asst/Intake
718 249 7524

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Autism, Intellectual Disabilities

Program Description
Social recreational program for parents, parent support, emotional wellness, “Me Time” recreational activities. Child must be OPWDD eligible for parent to participate.

▪ Queens Services for Autistic Citizens
(QSAC)
53 W. 35th St 16th St
New York, NY 10001

Contact Information
Lisa Veglia
718-728-8476

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Autistic individuals and their families

Program Description
Forum allows families to network and share ideas.

▪ Sinergia Inc.
2082 Lexington Ave., 4th Floor
New York, NY 10035

Contact Information
Isabel Malavet
212-643-2840 ext. 324
212-643-2871

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Parents with developmental disabilities

Program Description
Workshops on parenting skills. One-on-one parent coaching. Case Management. Individuals work w/Spanish-speaking parents.

▪ Step by Step
1049 38th St
Brooklyn, NY 11219

Contact Information
Chava Halberstam
718-633-6666

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Families of children ages birth to 3 with developmental disabilities.

Program Description
Support groups for parents/siblings

▪ AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane, 6th Floor
New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Mary Anne Killen
212-780-2524

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
All ages

Program Description
Various recreation program and activities.
RECREATION & SOCIALIZATION

ADAPT Community Network
175 Lawrence Ave Brooklyn, NY, 11230

Contact Information
Alicia Angevine
718-436-7600 ext. 345
aangevine@adaptcommunitynetwork.org
Carmen Orellana 646-625-5000 ext. 5015
corellana@adaptcommunitynetwork.org

“Club Disco” Party Program
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals 18 and older who meet FSS criteria. All Developmental Disabilities including wheelchair users. Moderate to Borderline ID. No major behavioral and/or medical issues necessitating a 1:1 or Nurse on staff.

Program Description
Twice monthly parties that take place in Brooklyn and Manhattan.
Hot dinner served, live “DJ’ prizes, refreshments, social opportunities and more.

NO TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED

Brooklyn Public Library

Contact Information
Central Library
10 Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn, NY 11238
917.751.4890

Inclusive Services
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children ages 0-21 with all types of disabilities; no eligibility requirements.

Program Description
Drop-in recreational programs for children and teens; workshops for parents, caregivers, self-advocates, educators, and other adults; information and referral for all ages.
Recreation & Socialization, Cont.

Brooklyn Public Library

Contact Information
Sunset Park Library
4201 4th Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11232
929-289-0183

Inclusive Services
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children ages 0-21 with all types of disabilities; no eligibility requirements; Bilingual, English/Spanish programs.
Program Description
Drop-in recreational programs for children and teens; workshops for parents, caregivers, self-advocates, educators and other adults; information and referral for all ages.

Brooklyn Public Library

Contact Information
Red Hook Library
7 Wolcott Street
Brooklyn, NY 11231
929-289-0183

Inclusive Services
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children ages 0-13 with all types of disabilities; no eligibility requirements. Program Description Kids mobile is a fully accessible children’s library on wheels! We can come to your camp, recreation program, respite program, or after school program.
Program Description
Kids mobile is a fully accessible children’s library on wheels! We can come to your camp, recreation program, respite program, or after school program.

Chinese American Planning Council, Inc (CPC)

4101 8th Ave, 4th FL.,
Brooklyn, NY 11232

Contact Information
Wei Zhang
(718)492-0409 ext. 302 (718)567-0397 (fax) wzhang@cpc-nyc.org

Weekend Recreational and Educational program.
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals diagnosed with DD and their families (ages 10 and up) Most open day are Sunday.
Program Description
The program provides arts and crafts, group base social activities, holiday parties, annual field trip, and monthly birthday party. English and Bilingual Chinese service (Cantonese and Mandarin).
Recreation & Socialization, Cont.

甸 EIHAB Human Services
168-18 South Conduit Avenue,
Springfield Gardens, NY 11434

Contact Information
Elizabeth Adalaj
1-347-229-2772
Brooklyn Site - 718-277-3714
Queens Site - 718-527-3407

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Must be 21 years old and over. Individuals diagnosed with Developmental Disabilities that reside in Brooklyn only.

Program Description
This program is a community recreation that provides door to door transportation for program participants. Recreational program which promotes and improves participants’ interaction in the community. Provides leisure’s activities and socialization for individuals. Participants plan their own recreational activity calendar.

甸 General Human Outreach [GHO]
125-10 Queens Blvd Suite #2705
Kew Gardens, NY 11415

Contact Information
Pat Liu Chang
718-261-6552, ext. 2012
718-847-4615 Fax

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Asian Individuals with Developmental Disabilities age 18 and up.

Program Description
Weekend recreation program. Lunch and transportation provided, bilingual staff (Chinese dialects).

甸 Hebrew Educational Society (H.E.S)
95-02 Seaview Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11236

Contact Information
Erika Charles
(718) 241-3000

Adult Sunday Recreation Program
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
The Sunday Recreational program engages developmentally disabled adults in weekend activities and provides respite for family caregivers.

Program Description
The Adult Sunday recreation program supports adults living with developmental disabilities with participating in weekend activities while providing respite for their family caregivers. Activities conducted include promoting independence lessons, art therapy, meditation time, adaptive yoga, community outings and more. Furthermore, the Sunday recreation program also supports participants with opportunities to makes friends through socialization with their peers. The program is open to individuals approved for OPWDD HCBS waiver services with 18 to 45 years old, living within the Southeast Brooklyn area. In addition, participants should be individuals that do not require 1:1 supervision, do not have a behavioral support plan and do not need line of sight supervision when in the community. Transportation may be available depending on proximity to H.E.S.
Recreation & Socialization, Cont.

● Hebrew Educational Society (H.E.S)
95-02 Seaview Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11236

Contact Information
Ericka Charles, Director of Disability Services
Erika@thehes.org
(718) 241-3000 ext. 133

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
We serve children ages 4-15 years old that have been diagnosed with autism and other developmental/intellectual disabilities. In addition, parent of those children is also provided with supports and guidance from ABA instructor to allow for follow up of skill development at home.

Program Description
Swim n’ Skills is a swimming/skill building program for children ages 4 - 15 who have been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder. Each child receives individualized swim instruction from swim specialist and life skill instruction for ABA instructor. Parents receive ABA training as well to build on the skills children are learning and promote them in daily activity. Program hours are Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

● HeartShare Human Services

Contact Information
Benita Ramsaroop
(718) 422-3292
(646) 734-5352
Benita.Ramsaroop@heartshare.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and adults ages 6+ with mild-moderate IDD in Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island.

Program Description
Recreational respite groups are a great way to meet new friends and experience new activities. Day trips are available for Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesday and Friday evenings. Transportation available. Both remote and in person services available.

● My Time Inc.
640 Parkside Avenue, Suite #502
Brooklyn NY 11226

Contact Information
Lucina Clarke Executive Director
646-789-3144
Denise Jordan 718 249 7524
Executive Asst/Intake

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Autism and Intellectual Disabilities

Program Description
Social recreational program for parents, parent support, emotional wellness, “Me Time” recreational activities. Child must be OPWDD eligible for parent to participate.

● New York State Institute on Disability
930 Willowbrook Rd, Bldg. 41A
Staten Island, NY 10314

Contact Information
Sarah Alton
Phone: 718-494-6457
Fax: 718-494-6461
salton@nysidinc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
OPWDD Eligible Individuals of all ages that reside at home with their families.

Program Description
Tickets for individual and family members for sports & entertainment venues
Reimbursement for recreational activities and lessons
Transportation available
Recreation & Socialization, Cont.

▪ Ohel Bais Ezra
1268 East 14th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11230

Contact Information
T: 1800-603-OHEL
Website: www.ohelfamily.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities who are living at home.

Program Description
Recreation programs for school-age children during school breaks, occasional weekends, and for one week at the end of the summer.

▪ On Your Mark
645 Forest Ave, Staten Island
NY 10310

Contact Information
Eileen Cunningham
718-720-9233
718-720-9331 (fax)

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and adults with developmental disabilities

Program Description
✓ Provides a 2-hr. weekday therapeutic recreation swim program in Staten Island
✓ Provides a 3.5 Saturday therapeutic recreation program.

▪ Unique Care Community Services
9317 Avenue L, Brooklyn, NY, 11236

Contact Information
Angelica James, Intake Coordinator
929-399-5474 email: ajames@uniquecarenyc.org
Renae Gross, Respite Coordinator
(347) 502-2956 ext. 408
Email: rgross@uniquecarenyc.org
Venese Talbert, Program Director
Email: vtalbert@uniquecarenyc.org
(347) 502-2956 ext. 412

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Providing a fun and interactive program, affording individuals ages 5 and up with an intellectual or developmental disability the opportunity to socialize with peers, learn new skills through enjoyable experiences with unique community activities such as bowling, sporting events and educational learning. Participants learn to support one-another in their own community activities as well as promoting friendships and growth.

Program Description
Recreational Respite promotes inclusion, encourages community participation, and nurtures social connectivity for children, youth, and adults. Recreational Services assist people to enhance their leisure and social skills outside the home, as well as in the community at large.

▪ Pesach Tikvah/Door of Hope
18 Middleton Street
Brooklyn, NY 11206

Contact Information
Ruchie Lipshitz
718-875-6900
718-875-6999 (fax)

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Ages 4-16 with a diagnosis of mental retardation

Program Description
Sunday and legal holiday program for children. Recreational services are provided in a well structured environment. Transportation provided.
Recreation & Socialization, Cont.

YAI
3353 Nostrand Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11229

Contact Information
YAI LINK (212) 273-6182
link@yai.org

Brooklyn Children and Adolescent Program
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
People ages 6+ with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Program Description
Friday and Saturday recreation and socialization programs offering various activities and community trips throughout the metropolitan area for people, ages 6 and up.

YAI
3353 Nostrand Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11229

Contact Information
YAI LINK 212-273-6182
link@yai.org

Saturday Night Drop Off
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
People (16 years+) with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Limited transportation may be available.

Program Description
This program offers recreational activities for people, ages 16 and up. Activities include arts and crafts, drama groups, trips, ball games, and other community events.

Leisure Trax
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
People ages 18+ with LD or I/DD with high level of independence & self-care skills. OPWDD eligibility not needed.

Program Description
Leisure Trax offers vacation and travel opportunities, including weekend trips and extended vacations with domestic and international destinations. Fees vary.
Recreation & Socialization, Cont.

YAI

Contact Information
YAI LINK
212-273-6182

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
People with a developmental disability, 16 yrs. and older with self-care skills.

Program Description
Manhattan based socialization/recreation program and supplemental Day Habilitation: Tues - Fri 4pm-9pm; Sat 10am - 4pm (spent in the community). Members may come as many days as they wish. Activities include karate, music, art, sports, Special Olympics, bowling.
REIMBURSEMENT – Including Scholarships, Respite, Emergencies, etc.

▪ ADAPT Community Network
80 Maiden Lane, 2nd FL. New York, NY, 11230

Contact Information
9:00 AM- 5:00 PM, Mon- Fri
212-683-6700 ext. 1172
Danielle Raymond Director
Draymond@adapt.communitynetwork.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities of all ages, who lives at home.

Program Description
Reimbursement for goods and services. Reimbursement for goods and services. Up to 500 per 12-month cycle per family. Additional funds available for durable medical equipment if denied by Medicaid.

▪ AHRC NYC

Family Reimbursement
83 Maiden Lane, New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Elisabeth Morgulas
212-895-3478
AHRCFamilyReimbursementPrograms@ahrcnyc.org
Application and program information can be found on the program’s webpage:
https://www.ahrcnyc.org/services/community/clinical/family-reimbursement/

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Supports people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. All ages
Requirement: OPWDD eligibility and lives at home with family in Brooklyn.

Program Description
Reimbursement for goods and services, exclusively for the not funded by Medicaid or other programs. Must submit original receipts.

*Applications must be submitted to the program contact person close to the time of the emergency.

▪ Center for Family Support

333 Seventh Avenue, 9th Fl., New York, N.Y 10001

Contact Information
Ashley Farrice
718-667-4263 Ext. 112
Afarrice@cfsny.org
Yiranny Almonte 718-518-1500 Ext. 345
yalmonte@cfsny.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals that meet the criteria for OPWDD

Program Description
Is available to family who have a son/daughter who is developmentally disabled and resides in Brooklyn. Reimbursement can be made for Respite Services or other services and purchases needed for the person with the disability.
Chinese American Planning Council, Inc. (CPC)

Family Support Reimbursement Program.
4101 8th Ave, 4th Fl.,
Brooklyn, NY 11232

Contact Information
Wei Zhang
Tel: 718-685-3302
Email: wzhang@cpc-nyc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Brooklyn residents with I/DD has OPWDD eligibility and not self-direction.

Program Description
The family reimbursement program offers people who have OPWDD eligibility with funds to help pay for clothing and medical goods which Medicaid refuse to reimburse. Items must help individual to improve his disabilities.

HamaspiK of Kings County
4102 14th Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11219

Contact Information
Miriam Gantz
4102 14th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11219
718-387-8400 x154
Mgantz@hamaspikkings.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individual with DD, any age, living in Brooklyn.

Program Description
Reimbursement for Camp Goods and Services

Elmy’s Special Services
163 Van Buren St.
Brooklyn, NY 11221

Contact Information
Phone: 718-789-7539 Contact: Tamara McDonald
Social Media (Twitter, Instagram, Facebook):
@essonvanburen
Ess.info@elmysspecialservices.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and adults with developmental disabilities

Program Description
Family Reimbursement compensates families to help pay for goods and services related to caring for a person with a disability. These services and goods are not reimbursed or obtained through other sources, but which directly benefits the person with a disability. The maximum reimbursement allowed per applicant is $500. A parent committee will review all applications based on income, the nature of the request, and the applicant’s award history.

Eligible items for reimbursement include Clothing, Adaptive equipment, Respite, Recreational activities, summer camp, and Evaluations, And many more.

Applicants must submit a completed application and a personal letter and should also include the following items: Most recent Psychological Evaluation copy, HIPPA Signature page, Notice of Decision/Level of Care if applicable, Original Receipts.
REIMBURSEMENT, Cont.

▪ Heartshare Human Services
330 Jay Street 29th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Contact Information
Esther Llenas
718-422-3257
Esther.Llenas@heartshare.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Intellectual/ Developmental Disability.

Program Description
Reimbursement program help pay for goods and services that are associated with the needs of family member with a developmental disability.

▪ Human Care Services for Families and Children, Inc.
1042 38th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219

Contact Information
D'voiry Singer 718-854-2747
ext. 128 d.singer@hcsny.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
People with developmental disabilities. (Any age range).

Program Description
We provide Family Reimbursement to eligible OPWDD individuals.

▪ Innovative Resources for Independence
112-40 Francis Lewis Blvd.,
Queens Village, NY 11429

Contact Information
Ms. Sophia Lulgjuray, Director of Social Services
718-805-6796 ext. 1107
347-828-0044
Sophia.lulgjuray@iriny.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities, living in Brooklyn alone or with their caregivers.

Program Description
Provides reimbursement for goods and services.

▪ New York State Institute on Disability, Inc.
930 Willowbrook Road, Bldg. 41-A
Staten Island, NY 10314

Contact Information
Jacqueline Tripodi, Associate Program Director
Phone: 718-494-6457
Cell: 929-202-1115 Fax: 718-494-6461
jtripodi@nysidinc.org or info@nysidinc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
OPWDD Eligible Individuals of all ages that reside at home with their families

Program Description
Family Support Reimbursement for:
Goods & Services
Camp Scholarships
Emergency Respite
REIMBURSEMENT, Cont.

▷ New York Families for Autistic Children, Inc.

Contact Information
Mary Rendiero
347-566-3122 ext. 315
msantos@nyfac.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Developmentally disabled.
Persons ages 3 to 65 living at home.
Program Description
Provide families in Brooklyn communities who are unserved &/or underserved assistance in securing percentage of reimbursement for goods and services.

▷ Pesach Tikvah/Hope Development Inc.

365 Willoughby Ave, Suite 400,
Brooklyn, NY 11205

Contact Information
Diana Masri
718-875-6900 ext. 1123
Dmasri@pesachtikvah.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with Diagnosis of Intellectual Disabilities. Need proof, i.e. LOC Eligibility or psychological report.
Program Description
Funding towards Sleep-Away Summer Camp, for individuals residing in Brooklyn with their family.
Camp Reimbursement
Family Support Service

▷ Special Care for Families and Children’s Services

1421 east 2nd Street
Brooklyn, NY, 11219

Contact Information
Basya Belsky 718-252-3365 ext. 116
basyab@specialcarefor.com

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals who are approved for OPWDD services in Brooklyn.
Program Description
Clothing reimbursement and goods and services.

▷ QSAC

253 West 35th Street, 16th Fl.,
New York, NY 10001

Contact Information
Britney Hoobraj
P- 212-244-5560 ext. 2059
Email: Britney.Hoobraj@qsac.com

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Autism Spectrum Disorder
Program Description
QSAC’s family reimbursement is for individuals diagnosed with autism. Eligible families can receive reimbursement for clothing, transportation, camp fees, emergency respite care and various other goods & services.
**Sinergia, Inc**
2082 Lexington Avenue, 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10035

**Contact Information**
Maricela Nunez
T: 212-643-2840 ext. 308
Email: Mnunez@sinergiany.org
Website: www.sinergiany.org

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Individuals with Developmental Disabilities & their families OPWDD eligible for services.

**Program Description**
Reimbursement for goods & services. Wheelchair accessible. Spanish spoken.

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**WellLife Network**
142-02 20th Ave, 3rd Fl.,
Flushing, N.Y. 11003

**Contact Information**
MIGDALIA MURIEL
WellLife Network
142-02 20th Ave. 3rd Floor
Flushing, NY 11351
Desk# 347-542-5665
Migdalia.muriel@welllifenetwork.org

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
IDD individuals with Developmental Disabilities that live at home with family or caregivers.

**Program Description**
The program is designed to help families who cannot purchases goods and services through other means.

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**YAI**
220 East 42nd Street 8th FL
New York, NY 10017

**Contact Information**
YAI LINK
212-273-6182 or link@yai.org

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities who live at home with family.

**Program Description**
We offer reimbursement for goods and services that are not funded by Medicaid or other programs. Camp reimbursement for families is also available. The list of eligible items and /or services are directed by OPWDD.

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**YAI**
220 East 42nd Street 8th FL,
New York, NY 10017

**Contact Information**
YAI LINK
212-273-6182 or link@yai.org

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
People with developmental disabilities who live at home with family

**Program Description**
Emergency respite funds are available to help provide compensation for temporary care during an emergency. These funds help pay for staffing, food, and other necessities identified by each family.
RESPITE – In-Home, Out of Home, Overnight, Weekend, Emergency & School Holiday

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane
New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Mary Anne Killeen
212-780-2524

Weekend Respite for Adults
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
MR/DD, enrolled in the HCBS Waiver
Program Description
Meets Saturdays at Brooklyn site. Transportation provided.

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane, New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Mary Anne Killeen, 212 780-2524

Overnight Holiday Respite
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
MR/DD development diagnosis
Program Description
Program will provide an overnight school holiday respite for children ages 6-17 years who have autism or other ID/DD diagnosis. Program will operate updates campus site for four separates 5-day session when the Department of Education program are closed in August, February and April. Transportation is provided. Non-ambulatory individuals will be considered.

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane, New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Mary Anne Killeen
212 780-2524

Weekend Respite for children
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
MR/DD, enrolled in the HCBS Waiver. Ages 5-12
Program Description
Meets Saturdays for 24 sessions at a Brooklyn site. Transportation is provided.

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane, New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Mary Anne Killeen
212 780-2524

Out of Home Respite for Teens
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
MR/DD, enrolled in the HCBS Waiver. Ages 13-18
Program Description
Meets Saturdays for 15 sessions at a Brooklyn site. Transportation is provided.
RESPITE, Cont.

ADAPT Community Network
1822 Stillwell Ave
Bronx, NY, 10469

Contact Information
Sita Boodram
718-652-9790 ext. 294
sboodram@adaptcommunitynetwork.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals ages 3 and up with a developmental disability.

Program Description
Overnight respite up to 30 days per year. Can stay up to two weeks at a time. (14 days in emergency situations). Free. Wheelchair accessible. Extensive application is required to be completed.

AHRC NYC
83 Maiden Lane
New York, NY  10038

Contact Information
Carleen Smith
212-780-2588

Hotel Respite
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
MR/DD adults enrolled in the HCBS Waiver.

Program Description
Three scheduled weekends a year at an upstate location. Transportation provided.

(CARES) Community Assistance Resources and Extended Services, Inc.
465 Grand Street, 2nd Fl.,
New York, NY 10002

Contact Information
Steven Miller
smiller@caresnyc.org
212-420-1970 ext. 163

Taryn Weiss
tweiss@caresnyc.org
212-420-1970 ext. 121

In-Home or Site Based Respite
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with ID/DD. Medicaid required.
We can serve children or adults Age 3+

Program Description
In-home or site-based respite - care for children in your home or at a site-based area in the community - weekdays, weekends and/or on school holidays.

CARES, Inc.
465 Grand Street, 2nd Fl.,
New York, NY 10002

Contact Information
Larry Miller
212-420-1970

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders

Program Description
School holiday respite. Program will provide school holiday respite to individuals with development disabilities, particularly ASDs and challenging behaviors who have greater difficulty accessing respite due to their intensive needs. Program offers 6 hours of respite up to 33 respite days. Transportation provided as needed.
RESPITE, Cont.

Center for Family Support
333 Seventh Avenue, 9th Floor
New York, NY 10001

Contact Information
Yiranny Almonte 718
518-1500 ext. 345
yalmonte@cfsny.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals of all levels ID/DD that meet the criteria for OPWDD living with their family.
Ages 3 & older and resides in Brooklyn.

Program Description
In-Home Respite: to provide relief to the caregiver of the individual with a developmental disability.

Chinese American Planning Council, Inc. (CPC)
4101 8th Ave, 4th Fl.,
Brooklyn, NY 11232

Contact Information
Wei Zhang
Tel: 718-685-3302
Email: wzhang@cpc-nyc.org

Weekend Recreational and Educational program.
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Brooklyn residents with I/DD has waiver approved. Individuals from age 10 to adults, parent available to bring individuals to the activity room or the locations.

Program Description
The program provides arts and crafts, group base social activities, holiday parties, annual field trip, and monthly birthday party. English and Bilingual Chinese service (Cantonese and Mandarin).
Weekend Parent Support Groups.

City Access New York
1207 Castleton Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10310

Contact Information
Leslie Mumm 347-696-7666
lmumm@cityaccessny.org
1207 Castleton Ave., 2nd fl.
Staten Island, NY 10310

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
People over 21 years old, who are comfortable traveling in a van and being out in the community.

Program Description
This is a without walls program, each program day is in the community. We provide door to door transportation.

School Holiday Program
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Students with Developmental Disabilities attending NYC DOE District 75 Schools.

Program Description
Provides two 5-day sessions of site-based respite for students ages 14-21 during Feb. and Mar./Apr. school break periods. Participants will enjoy activities at the Aviator Sports and Recreation Complex. Door-to-door transportation.
RESPITE, Cont.

City Access New York
1207 Castleton Ave., 2nd floor
Staten Island, NY 10310

Contact Information
Leslie Mumm 347-696-7666
lmumm@cityaccessny.org

School Holiday Respite-Brooklyn
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
School-aged children 14-21 years old, who can take direction, and are comfortable riding in a van.

Program Description
The in-person recreation trips range from fishing, visiting the Intrepid, horseback riding and seeing circuses and seeing live theater. They will meet most school holidays, part of winter break and all of the spring break and 8 days in August, when vans are available to provide door to door transportation.

City Access New York
1207 Castleton Ave., 2nd Fl.
Staten Island, NY 10310

Contact Information
Leslie Mumm 718-285-6548
lmumm@cityaccessny.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Participants are 21 years and older, who can take direction, and are comfortable riding in a van.

Program Description
In the in-person recreational sessions, participants explore the city and the surrounding area engaging in activities, ranging from fishing, horseback riding and seeing circuses and live theatre. The groups meet one Saturday a month, January through December. Also, about 4 times a year, participants will be invited on overnight trips (site-based respite) to Woodlach Pines and other camp experiences. Door to door transportation is provided.

City Access New York
1207 Castleton Ave., 2nd floor
Staten Island, NY 10310

Contact Information
Leslie Mumm 718-285-6548
lmumm@cityaccessny.org

Brooklyn In-Home Respite
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Participants are 14 years and older.

Program Description
During COVID-19 there was a need in a few cases to have In-Home Respite. The participant works one on one with their worker on anything the participants want to improve, such as ADL skills, walking in their neighborhood, getting the hair cut to math skills or reading. There are no set goals that need to be met. It also provides relief to the family.

Eden 2 Programs
15 Beach Street
Staten Island, NY 10304

Contact Information
Olena Zaretska HCBS Waiver Coordinator
ozaretska@eden2.org
718-816-1422 ext. 1075
Elizabeth Caiazzo
Director of Family Services
ecaiazzo@eden2.org
718-816-1422 ext. 1076

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Autism, ages 3-25

Program Description
Crisis Respites provides respite services to families on individuals with Autism on an as needed basis during emergency situations. Emergency situations include an ill parent, individual engaging in severe behaviors, and a family that has exhausted all other resources.
RESPITE, Cont.

ElHAB Human Services
168-18 South Conduit Avenue
Springfield Gardens, NY 11434

Contact Information
David Brown
718-276-6101
718-276-6063

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and adults with developmental disabilities

Program Description
Provides opportunities for recreation and socialization both at home and in the community.

Elmy’s Special Services, Inc.
163 Van Buren Street
Brooklyn, NY 11221

Contact Information
Julian Gordon
Weekend Respite
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
We provide services to all OPWDD individuals

Program Description
Individuals can go away for the entire weekend from (Friday-Sunday) Individuals go out on different activities such as movies, park, museum, circus and other activities.

Elmy’s Special Services, Inc
163 Van Buren Street
Brooklyn, NY 11221

Contact Information
163 Van Buren Street
Brooklyn, NY 11221 718-789-7539
www.elmysspecialservices.org

Social Media (Twitter, Instagram, Facebook):
@essonvanburen
E.info@elmysspecialservices.org

In-Home Respite
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
All disabilities

Program Description
Respite is offered outside of the home. It is scheduled and time-limited and is available overnight from Friday to Sunday. Our respite services include, Family Support Waiver Respite, After School, Summer Camp, In-Home Respite. This service provides temporary relief for families and caregivers of people with developmental disabilities in NYC. Trained direct care professionals work with individuals inside their homes and provide them with opportunities for community inclusion. The Holiday Respite provides temporary relief for families and caregivers of people with developmental disabilities ages 6 and 19 in Brooklyn. This program corresponds with the Department of Education’s holiday schedule and runs 24 days a year. When students are out of school for a holiday or school break, they can participate in various recreational activities, such as visiting museums, zoos, and amusement parks to increase their socialization and community awareness skills.

This program provides temporary relief for families and caregivers of people with developmental disabilities ages six and older to help them have time for errands, weekend vacations, and other planned activities. This service can be offered outside of the home in various NYC hotels and is available overnight from Friday to Sunday. Individuals can participate in activities and go to places, including sporting events, concerts, recreational centers, and shows that will help them have greater opportunities for independence.
RESpite, Cont.

Elmy’s Special Services, Inc.
163 Van Buren Street
Brooklyn, NY 11221

Contact Information
Tayesha McDonald
646-919-7944

School Break Holiday Respite
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
We provide services to all OPWDD individuals.

Program Description
This program runs only when school is out on holiday break such as (Rosh Hashanah, Columbus Day, Election Day, Thanksgiving Recess, spring, winter Recess, and other school holiday) Individuals go out on different activities such as movies, park, museum, circus and other activities.

General Human Outreach in the Community (GHO)
125-10 Queens Blvd., #2705
Kew Gardens NY 11415

Contact Information
Pat Liu Chang
T: 718-261-6552 ext. 2012
Website: www.ghoinc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with DD, age 18+

Program Description

Hebrew Educational Society
9502 Seaview Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11236

Contact Information
Ericka Charles, Director of Disability Services
Ericka@thehes.org
(718) 241-3000 ext. 133

R.A.P After School Program
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children ages 4-17 that have been diagnosed with Autism, Down’s Syndrome and other developmental disabilities are supported. Children are eligible to participate in services if they are approved for Medicaid Waiver services through the OPWDD Front Door approval process. For families who are either ineligible to receive or pending determination of eligibility to receive Medicaid Waiver services, DOMH’s Recreational and Socialization grant at H.E.S. allows children to participate in the R.A.P. program at no cost. As the child receives waiver respite services through the afterschool service, their Parent/Caregivers also receive Family Support Services to receive guidance and support with the Front Door approval process.

Program Description
The Reaching Academic Potential (R.A.P.) After School Program is a OPWDD Waiver Respite service which focuses on the potential of children with developmental disabilities. For each child attending, individualized academic, behavioral and socialization goals are developed and supported with being worked on by a Counselor. Furthermore, the R.A.P. program provides homework assistance and recreational opportunities such as dance, yoga, karate, music, baking and more.
Program hours are Monday through Friday 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Friday 5:30 p.m. for early closing).
**RESPITE, Cont.**

**HASC Center**
5601 First Avenue
Brooklyn, NY  11220

**Contact Information**
Arthur S. Toporovsky
Com-Hab Supervisor & Intake Coordinator
P: 718-535-1952
1221 East 14th St. Brooklyn, NY 11230
atoporovsky@hasccenter.org
HASCCENTER.ORG

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Individuals with developmental disabilities

**Program Description**
Lev Tova Overnight Respite
Overnight Holiday Program

**Heritage Human Services**
2123 Utica Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11234

**Contact Information**
KERISSA MARCELLIN
1504 Ralph Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11236
718-629-3187 / 718-444-4340
kmarcellin@heritagehumanservices.org

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Serving ID/DD Individuals of all ages

**Program Description**
Respite service for In-Home, Weekend and Recreational respite service available with OPWDD eligibility.

**HeartShare**

**Contact Information**
Benita Ramsaroop
(718) 422-3292
(646) 734-5352
Benita.Ramsaroop@heartshare.org

“Holiday Overnight” Site-Based Respite

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Adults with mild-moderate IDD and have participated in our day trips.

**Program Description**
A group of individuals that have the opportunity to take 1-2 nights trips to local destinations.
Transportation is provided from a central location.

**Human Care Services for Families and Children**
1042 38th Street Bklyn, NY 11219

**Contact Information**
Raizy Schwarzmer
718-854-2747 ext. 115
R.schwarzmer@hcsny.org

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Individuals with developmental disabilities

**Program Description**
In home respite program designed to give relief to parents and caregivers.

**JBFC/Mishkon**
1358 56th St., Brooklyn, NY 11219

**Contact Information**
Sarah Danzig Pearlman
(718) 854-0454 ext. 212 SDanzig@jbfcs.org

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
All individuals eligible for OPWDD services, Brooklyn residents only.

**Program Description**
Respite-hourly and overnight
RESPITE, Cont.

▪ Human Care Services for Families & Children
1042 38th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11219

Contact Information
Chaya Biederman
718-854-2747, ext. 245
718-633-6345 Fax

Sunday Morning Respite Program
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children with Developmental Disabilities ages 5-13
Program Description
Sunday Morning Respite Program: Provides site-based respite on Sunday mornings from 8:30am – 1:30pm for 44 sessions, and includes recreational activities, exercise, self-care training and computer use. Door-to-door transportation provided.

▪ Imagine Foundation
1465 East 7th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11230

Contact Information
718-376-8882 – Phone
718-376-8118 – Fax

After School Program
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children diagnosed with Autism, ages 5-15
Program Description
After School Program: Provides one afternoon per week of recreation activities for 25 weeks yearly. Transportation is provided.

▪ Innovative Resources for Independence
112-40 Francis Lewis Blvd., Queens, NY 11429

Contact Information
Mr. Al Gibson, Coordinator of At-Home Services
646-542-4643 718-805-6796
ext. 3108 al.gibson@in-res.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities, living in Brooklyn with their caregivers
Program Description
In Home Respite
Provides temporary relief to families.

▪ Iyaho Social Services
71 N. Franklin Ave., Suite 211,
Hempstead, NY 11550

Contact Information 516-280-5930.

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities
Program Description
At-home Respite: a program designed to provide substitute care to individuals and offer parents and caregivers a break to run personal errands.

▪ JBFCS/Mishkon
1358 56th St. Brooklyn, NY 11219

Contact Information
Sarah Danzig Pearlman
(718) 854-0454 ext. 212
SDanzig@jbfcs.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
All individuals eligible for OPWDD services, Brooklyn residents only.
Program Description
Respite-hourly and overnight.
**RESPITE, Cont.**

[The Jewish Board of Family and Children’s Services](#)

1366 56th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11219

**Contact Information**
Mrs. Sarah Danzig-Pearlman
SDanzig@jbfcs.org
718-851-7100 ext. 471212

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Individuals with disabilities who reside at home with family.

**Program Description**
Provides hourly in-home respite services to individuals and their caregivers.

[Long Life Information & Referral Network](#)

1958 Fulton Street
Brooklyn, NY 11233

**Contact Information**
Lauryn Jackson, Coordinator
718-778-0009 ext. 22

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Adults, mild moderate, and mobile

**Program Description**
Adults

[New York Service for the Handicapped/Camp Oakhurst](#)

**Contact Information**
Camp Oakhurst: 212-533-4020
or Lori Schenk: 732-531-0215
www.nysh.org

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Persons ages 7-adult, with physical or developmental disabilities and/or diagnosed with autism.

**Program Description**
**Summer sleep away camp** with 5-13-day sessions at Camp Oakhurst, NJ’s 15-acre site. Transportation provided.
Scheduled **overnight respite** at Camp Oakhurst, NJ for 2-12 days. Seasonal Activities. Transportation provided. Spanish spoken.
**Emergency out-of-home overnight respite** Available Sept-June (i.e., due to illness, hospitalization or death of a care giver, housing transitions). Length of stays flexible; not available in July/August. Eligibility based on medical/care needs, available staffing, OPWDD eligibility.
RESPITE, Cont.

▪ New York State Institute on Disability
930 Willowbrook Rd
S.I., NY 10314

Contact Information
Elizabeth Sunshine
718-494-6457

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities
Program Description
Sports and entainment opportunities.

▪ Ohel Bais Ezra
1268 East 14th St, Brooklyn, NY 11230

Contact Information
Tel: 1800-603-OHEL
Website: www.ohelfamily.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with developmental disabilities who are living at home.
Program Description
In Home respite to provide respite relief to the caregivers of individuals who have a developmental disability.

▪ Ohel Bais Ezra
4510 16th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11204

Contact Information
Jesse Kenigsberg
718-686-3487

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children with Developmental Disabilities up to age 17 without Medicaid.
Program Description
In-home Hourly Respite
Overnight/Out of Home

▪ On Your Mark
645 Forest Ave
Staten Island, NY 10304

Contact Information
Eileen Cunningham
718-720-9233 ext. 5027
718-720-9331 (Fax)

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and adults with developmental disabilities
Program Description
3.5-hour Saturday Therapeutic Recreation Program from October to May located in Park Slope, No Transportation provided.
**Respites, Cont.**

**Pesach Tikvah/Hope Development Inc.**
18 Middleton Street,
Brooklyn, NY 11206

**Contact Information**
Diana Masri
718-875-6900 ext. 1123
Dmasri@pesachtikvah.org

*Respite:*

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Individuals with Diagnosis of mild to moderate Intellectual Disabilities. Ages 5-28

**Program Description**
Various recreational activities in a class setting, I.E., arts & crafts, baking, singing, and sports activities.

Sunday, Legal Holidays
End of Summer Day Camp
Hours: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
After School: 2:30 PM - 5:00 PM.

**QSAC**
253 West 35th Street, 16th Fl.
New York, NY 10001

**Contact Information**
Farzana Karim
P-718-728-8476 ext. 1233
F- 718-204-7570
Email: Fkarim@qsac.com

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Autism Spectrum Disorder

**Program Description**

- Emergency Respite provided from September through June.
- Respite provided from late September through early June in scheduled sessions ranging from 2-7 nights. Youth sessions available during most school holidays.
- Summer Camp: Camp provided from midJune through early September. Sessions available for youth and adults.
**RESPITE, Cont.**

**· SINEGRIA**
2082 Lexington Avenue, 3rd Fl.
New York, NY 10035

**Contact Information**
Egdabel Alvarado
Tel: 212-643-2840 ext. 351
Email: ealvarado@sinergiany.org
Website: www.sinergiany.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and their families with care coordination.

Program Description
**Emergency Respite:** Overnight weekend/weekday respite. Wheelchair accessible. Spanish spoken.

**In-Home Respite:**
In-home relief for parents. English and Spanish spoken.

**Overnight/Extended Stay:** Overnight weekend/weekday respite. Wheelchair accessible. Spanish spoken.

**· Unique Care Community Services**
9317 Avenue L, Brooklyn NY, 11236

**Contact Information**
Angelica James, Intake Coordinator  email: ajames@uniquecarenyc.org  929-399-5474
Venese Talbert, Program Director  Email: vtalbert@uniquecarenyc.org
(347) 502-2956 ext. 412
(646) 733-6194 – Cell

**Individual Respite**
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individual respite can start from infant and up. This service provides temporary relief to caregivers who are responsible for the primary care and support of a person with an intellectual/developmental disability. Respite can take place in the home or in the community.

When a family member/caregiver needs a break, respite services can ensure that their loved one's needs are met. Individual respite can be provided during the day, evenings or overnight.

Program Description
We provide temporary relief from everyday demands for the primary caregiver, helping to reduce overall family stress and improve the quality of life for the entire household. It gives caregivers time to accomplish necessary tasks, such as grocery or clothes shopping, and to attend to other responsibilities.
**Recreational & Saturday Respite**

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Providing a fun and interactive program, affording individuals ages 5 and up with an intellectual or developmental disability the opportunity to socialize with peers, learn new skills through enjoyable experiences with unique community activities such as bowling, sporting events and educational learning. Participants learn to support one-another in their own community activities as well as promoting friendships and growth. This service is offered whenever DOE is closed or for schedule half days.

**Program Description**
Recreational Respite promotes inclusion, encourages community participation, and nurtures social connectivity for children, youth, and adults. Recreational Services assist people to enhance their leisure and social skills outside the home, as well as in the community at large.
Unique Care Community Services.

9317 Ave L
Brooklyn NY, 11236

**Contact Information**

**Angelica James**, Intake Coordinator
Email: ajames@uniquecarenyc.org 929-399-5474

**Renae Gross**, Respite Coordinator
Email: rgross@uniquecarenyc.org  
(347) 502-2956 ext. 408

**Venese Talbert**, Program Director
Email: vtalbert@uniquecarenyc.org  
(347) 502-2956 ext. 412
(646) 733-6194 – Cell

**Site Based Respite**

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
After-school Respite provides supervision for children and relief for their parents. Activities are available in a group and individual formats. Program offers individual opportunity for socialization, arts and crafts and assistance with homework. Transportation can be arranged and/or provided by the family or agency.

**Program Description**
After School Respite give family members needed respite and provide participants with an opportunity to interact with other people while improving their academic skills, and social skills outside the family setting.

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**YAI**

220 East 42nd Street 8th Fl.,
New York, NY 10017

**Contact Information**

YAI LINK
212-273-6182 or link@yai.org

**Extend-A-Family**

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and adults with developmental disabilities.

**Program Description**
Overnight respite services for a period, such as during school breaks and in emergency situations for Brooklyn residents. Room, board, and 24hr supervision for the family members are provided by trained respite host in their home.

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New York, NY 10017

**Contact Information**

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**In-Home Respite**

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children and Adults (13 years and older) with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

**Program Description**
This program provides respite services in the home and/or in the community that encourages children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in developing skills as needed. OPWDD eligibility and Medicaid.
SPECIAL POPULATIONS & MISCELLANEOUS, etc.

AHRC Health Care, Inc. d/b/a
83 Maiden Lane
New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Barbara Cajdler, LCSW, CASAC
212-780-2570

Access Community Health Center
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and Traumatic Brain Injury with Alcohol and Substance Abuse problem.

Program Description
Medically Supervised Outpatient Chemical Dependency Program offers individual and group counseling, psychiatric, psychological and nursing services, family support services, socialization and recreation services.

AHRC New York City
83 Maiden Lane, 7th Floor
New York, NY 10038

Contact Information
Katherine Hoy, LMSW
Email: Educational.Advocacy@ahrcnyc.org
Website: www.ahrcnyc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Parents, family members and professionals serving students ages 3-21 with OPWDD eligibility. Program Description
Free training and workshops for parents and professionals to increase understanding of NYC DOE special education services. Topics include: Advocacy Skills, Tips & Tricks; ASD, D75, and NPS Programs and Services; Understanding the IEP; and the "Turning 5" Kindergarten Transition.

AHRC NYC
551-2nd Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11232

Contact Information
Ana Sostre
718-832-2390

Bush Terminal
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury
Program Description
Program meets Monday through Friday.

Constructive Partnerships Unlimited

Contact Information
Marcia Lewis, Dir of Vocational Services
Email: mlewis@cpofnys.org
Tel: (718) 735-8601
Kadia Hibbert, Associate Dir of Voc. Services
Email: khibbert@cpofnys.org
Tel: (718) 235-6328

Metro Options for Independence (Voc. Services)
Supported Employment
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Adults with intellectual & developmental disabilities.

Program Description
 The Pre-Voc. program provides diverse volunteer opportunities to develop professional skills with an outlook towards long-term employment with the assistance of Independent Living Skills Trainers.
 SEMP support individuals to work in a variety of settings such as government agencies, fortune 500 companies, cinema chains, Amazon, warehouses, printing companies & area businesses.
Special Population & Miscellaneous, Cont.

- **City Access New York**
  1207 Castleton Avenue,
  Staten Island, NY 10310

  **Contact Information**
  Email: Jrosario@cityaccessny.org

**Pathway to Employment**

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
ADHD, Intellectual disability, Autism.

**Program Description**
Pathway to Employment is a year long program in helping you explore your career interests through internships and volunteering.

- **City Access New York**
  1207 Castleton Avenue,
  Staten Island, NY 10310

  **Contact Information**
  Email: Jrosario@cityaccessny.org

**Supported Employment**

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
ADHD, Intellectual disability, Autism

**Program Description**
Vocational program- providing supported employment services to individuals with disabilities to obtain and maintain employment. This includes assistance with writing resumes, applications, follow up, job coaching support, and building employer connections.

- **Heartshare Human Services of NY – OPWDD funded**
  177 Livingston St., 2nd Fl.
  Brooklyn, NY 11201

  **Contact Information**
  Joy Palmer, Director of Employment Services
  Tel.: (718) 422-3313
  Email: joy.palmer@heartshare.org

**Supported Employment Services (SEMP)**

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Adults with developmental disabilities.

**Program Description**
- **SEMP** for individuals who need supports to obtain and maintain paid employment. Individuals typically transition to SEMP after they have received supported employment services funded by ACCES-VR and require limited job coaching supports to successfully maintain employment.
- **Community Prevocational Program:** The Community Prevocational Program is for individuals who are interested in preparing for and obtaining employment.

- **HeartShare Human Services of NY**
  1825 Bath Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11214

  **Contact Information**
  Jamie Petrone, Dir.
  Tel.: (718) 621-1614
  Email: jamie.petrone@heartshare.org
  Website: www.theheartshareschool.org

**The HeartShare School**

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Children, ages 5-21, who have autism spectrum disorders.

**Program Description**
The HeartShare School offers a comprehensive, special education in an enhanced learning environment at no cost to eligible children.
Special Population & Miscellaneous, Cont.

HeartShare Human Services of NY

1825 Bath Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11214

Contact Information
Kathy Toal, Dir.
Tel.: (718) 238-4637
Email: kathy.toal@heartshare.org

Taranto First Step Early Childhood Center

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children, ages 3-5, with developmental delays or disabilities, including autism spectrum disorders.

Program Description
HeartShare operates high-quality, innovative programs for preschool age children. We also provide Universal Pre-K half-day classes for 4 year old children.

HeartShare Human Services of NY

1825 Bath Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11214

Contact Information
Jamie Petrone, Dir.
Tel.: (718) 621-1614
Email: jamie.petrone@heartshare.org
Website: www.theheartshareschool.org

The HeartShare School

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children, ages 5-21, who have autism spectrum disorders.

Program Description
The HeartShare School offers a comprehensive, special education in an enhanced learning environment at no cost to eligible children.

HeartShare Human Services of NY

Contact Information
Joy Palmer, Director of Employment Services
177 Livingston St., 2nd Fl.
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Tel.: (718) 422-3313
Email: joy.palmer@heartshare.org

ACCES-VR Funded Rehabilitation Services and Supported Employment

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Adults with developmental disabilities.

Program Description
This program provides an array of services for students and youth (ages 14-24) and adults (ages 18+) who have disabilities to assist them in becoming gainfully employed in a variety of industries. Type of services: Pre-Employment; Transition Services; Job Preparation; Job Development & Placement; Travel Training; Self Advocacy; Work Readiness.

Heartshare Human Services of NY

Contact Information
MaryBeth Blank
(718) 323-2877
Alt. (718) 805-7117
Email: mary.blank@heartshare.org

Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) Children’s Evaluations

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Children ages 3-5 who have consent from DOE

Program Description
Offering remote and in-person (in Howards Beach, NY) CPSE evaluations for children ages 3-5 (psychological, social history, educational, and speech/OT/PT).
Requires consent form from DOE.
**Metro Community Health Centers Network**
177 Livingston Street, Lower Level
Brooklyn, NY 11201

**Contact Information**
Tel. (718) 855-7707 or (855) 624-2692
Fax: (718) 855-7717
Website: http://www.mchcnyc.org/

**Federally qualified health center**

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Specializing in services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

**Program Description**
Services include:
- Primary Medical Care
- Psychiatry
- Dentistry
- Neurology
- Gastroenterology
- Optometry
- Podiatry
- Social Work
- Wheelchair Clinic (Lefferts Avenue location)

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**New York Lawyers for the Public Interest, Inc.**
151 W 30th Street, 11 FL. New York, NY 10001

**Contact Information**
212-244-4664

Intake hours:
Mondays-Fridays 10am-3pm. Paola Martinez Boone
pmartinez-boone@nylpi.org
Michelle Kraus mkraus@nylpi.org

**Disability Justice Program**

**Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served**
Individuals with developmental disabilities and Individuals with mental illness.

**Program Description**
The Disability Justice Program (DJ) seeks to ensure equality of opportunity, self-determination, and independence for people with disabilities. In partnership with individuals and community organizations, NYLPI advocates for the rights of New Yorkers with disabilities to equal access to a variety of critical services, including education, health care, housing, and more. NYLPI advocates for individuals with disabilities to live as independently as possible in the community with the support services. NYLPI provides FREE legal representation for individuals with disabilities. NYLPI also provides FREE workshops to individuals with disabilities, families, and professionals.
WellBound Certified Home Care
Home Health Aide

Contact Information
718) 400-9355
LConille@wellboundhc.com

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
Developmental Delay, Intellectual Delay, MR, Down Syndrome, Autism, Ages 0-18

Program Description
▶ Hands on clinical services; ADL, daily living, self -actualization; independence
▶ In person Fine Motor Skills ❖ In person Gross Motor Skills
▶ In person Swallow evaluations, communication, socialization, feeding therapy.
▶ Alternative to ABA therapy through Medicaid; A licensed therapist paired with a minimum of 20 hrs. per week for ongoing practice with an HHA.

WellLife Network

Contact Information
Nicole Thomas, ISS coordinator
347-542-5657
Nicole.Thomas@WellLifeNetwork.org

ISS (Individual Support Services)
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
IDD-Individuals with development disabilities who are over 18 years of age.
Program Description ISS is available for individuals who are capable of living on their own or with others. The program is designed to assist individuals by contributing a percentage of the rent.

Yaldeinu School, inc.

Contact Information
Shuli Rotberg
718-305-7137 #300
intake@yaldeinu.net

Family Education and Training
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
ASD, multiply handicapped, Intellectual Disability, Downs Syndrome.
Program Description
Family Education and Training for parents and caregivers of individuals with developmental disabilities.

YAI

Contact Information
YAI LINK
212-273-6182
link@yai.org

Supported Employment
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
We offer SEMP (Supportive Employment) and ETP (Employment Training Program) services to assist people with job readiness and employment opportunities. OPWDD eligibility, Medicaid, and if this is for SEMP services, referrals need to come to YAI from Access-VR
TRANSPORTATION

NYS Institute on Disability, Inc.
930 Willowbrook Rd., Bldg. 41-A
Staten Island, NY 10314

Contact Information
John O’Grady
930 Willowbrook Road
Building 41A
Staten Island NY, 10314
Cell: 917-747-9424
Email: jogrady@nysidinc.org

Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
OPWDD Eligible Individuals residing at home with their families. Person with developmental disability must be accompanied by family member.

Program Description
Transportation Services available for recreational activities and medical/clinical appointments (up to 4 trips per fiscal year).

YAI

Contact Information
YAI LINK 212-273-6182
link@yai.org

Travel Training Program
Disabilities/Characteristics of Population Served
People with developmental disabilities, ages 14 and up.

Program Description
Travel training program for people with developmental disabilities, ages 14 and up. Also offers training for staff at I/DD agencies on the travel training process.