







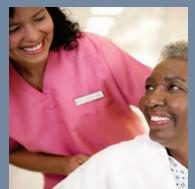


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## Resource Guide

for Individuals with Disabilities in Baltimore County











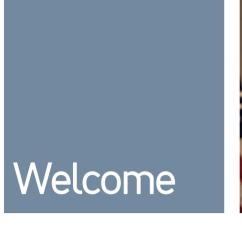


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## Message from the County Council

n behalf of our constituents, we would like to thank the Commission on Disabilities, the Baltimore Sun Media Group, and the sponsors who supported this edition of the "Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities in Baltimore County." We know the Guide will be a valuable resource for those needing information on the programs and services in the County which address the needs of our citizens with disabilities.

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#### Message from Kevin Kamenetz, the Baltimore County County Executive

am proud to present the 4th Edition of the Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities in Baltimore County prepared by the Baltimore County Commission on Disabilities, an agency within the Department of Planning. More than 55,000 copies of the previous three editions of this guide have been distributed throughout the county to our public and private schools, health centers, doctors' offices, universities, agencies that serve individuals with disabilities, and most importantly, to people with disabilities and their families.

More than 155,000 citizens of Baltimore County are challenged with disabilities. It is important that we direct our citizens to the services, programs, and organizations that can help them participate fully in their communities. I believe this guide goes a long way toward meeting that goal.

Finally, I would like to extend my appreciation to the businesses and organizations that saw the value of this guide and supported it with their ads and sponsorships. I would also like to express my sincere thanks to the Baltimore Sun Media Group for partnering with our Commission on Disabilities. Their expertise in publishing the Resource Guide was invaluable in making the final product a success.

## Using this Guide

## The Baltimore County Commission on Disabilities

The Baltimore County Commission on Disabilities is located within the Department of Planning. Members of the Commission include people with disabilities, family members, representatives of public and private service agencies, and staff from state and local government. The Commission sponsors work groups to address such issues as accessibility, education, public policy, and disability awareness.

It is our hope that those who use this Guide will benefit from its information as well as contribute to its on-going update.

Commission meetings are open to the public and occur on the third Wednesday of every month (except the summer months and October, when we have our Annual Awards Ceremony and Luncheon). Meetings run from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. Please call the Commission at 410-887-3580 for the exact date, time, and location of our monthly meetings, and to request special accommodations.

For more information on the Commission, and for additional copies of this Guide, please call or write: Commission on Disabilities
Baltimore County Department of Planning
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#### Using this Guide

Every effort has been made to ensure that the entries in this Guide are accurate and up-to-date. However, since this is a printed document that is updated every three years, we strongly urge you to make use of the Internet in getting additional information about available resources for individuals with disabilities and their families. Where it is available, we have included each resource's website.

This Guide has been developed for use by the public. As such, we encourage you to copy and share it with others. If you need additional copies, or if you need the Guide in an alternative format, contact the Commission at 410-887-3580, or by email at hfranklin@baltimorecountymd.gov.

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The Department of Planning, the Commission on Disabilities and Baltimore County, Maryland do not endorse or recommend any organization or entity listed in this Guide. The information provided in this Guide is presented solely in an effort to assist you in locating helpful resources. Your decision to use any organization or entity contained herein is solely your decision and is made at your own risk. While reasonable efforts were made to verify the accuracy of information provided herein, the information may contain errors and omissions and/or provider's information may change from time to time.

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We provide needed resources to families, help navigating the system, respite and IEP advocacy. Young adults graduating from school count on our support as they transition to the world of work. Our numerous employment and day programs are designed to meet all abilities and preferences. We help people choose how they want to live—alone or with a roommate, in an apartment or home or with their families. Our offerings even include a range of community-based camp, recreational, volunteer and social activities.

Whenever you need us, we're here for you. With the help of our dedicated professionals, people live the life of their dreams: at home, at work and during their free time. In the process, they become their own best advocates and active, contributing members of our community.

Contact us to find out how we can support you and your family.



## ADA Information



#### Baltimore County Office of the ADA Coordinator

111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Room 105 Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-3353

http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/ada/index.html

The Office of the ADA Coordinator is responsible for: responding to citizen requests for access to County programs, services and activities; coordinating County agency ADA compliance; investigating any public complaint alleging noncompliance by the County with the ADA; and, managing the County ADA Transition Plan.

#### The Mid-Atlantic ADA Center

401 North Washington Street, Suite 450 Rockville, MD 20850 800-949-4232 VITTY (Toll Free) http://www.adainfo.org/

The Mid-Atlantic ADA Center provides information, guidance and training on the Americans with Disabilities Act, tailored to meet the needs of businesses, government entities, organizations, and individuals in the Mid-Atlantic Region. We are not an enforcement or regulatory agency, but a helpful resource for obtaining information and guidance on compliance with the requirements of the ADA.

#### United States Department of Justice

Civil Rights Division I Disability Rights Section 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20530 202-307-0663 Information Line: 800-514-0301 (voice), 800-514-0383 (TTY) http://www.ada.gov/
This federal government site provides a wealth of

material on the ADA, including an introduction to the ADA, ADA requirements and technical assistance, ADA enforcement activities, federal and ADA disability resources, and an ADA information line.

#### Fair Housing Information

#### Disabilities, Maryland Department of

http://mdod.maryland.gov/housing/Pages/housing-rights-for-pwd.aspx

For addition information about the Maryland Department of Disabilities, see listing under "Maryland Agencies of Importance."

## Commission on Human Relations, Baltimore County

Drumcastle Government Center 6401 York Road, Suite 1013 Baltimore, Maryland 21212 410-887-5917

https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/humanrelations/

## U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Baltimore Field Office
City Crescent Building
10 South Howard Street, 5th Floor
Baltimore, MD 21201-2505
410-962-2520, TTY: 410-209-6681
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/states/maryland/offices

#### Maryland Agencies of Importance

The offices listed here are primarily state-level offices. Even if an office is not close to your Home, it can usually put you in touch with resources in your community, as well as provide you with information and assistance about disability issues.

#### Aging, Maryland Department of

301 West Preston Street, Suite 1007 Baltimore, MD 21201 410-767-1100; 1-800-243-3425 www.aging.maryland.gov

#### Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Governor's Office of the

217 East Redwood Street, Suite 1300 Baltimore, MD 21202 410-767-6290 (Voice) 410-767-7756 (TTY) 800-735-2258 (Maryland Relay) www.odhh.maryland.gov

#### Disabilities, Maryland Department of

217 East Redwood Street, Suite 1300 Baltimore, MD 21202 410-767-3660 (Voice), 1-800-637-4113 (TTY) www.mdod.maryland.gov

#### Transitioning Youth Resources

http://www.mdtransition.org/Additional%20 Resources.htm See listing under "Transition Services"

#### Education, Maryland Department of

200 West Baltimore Street Baltimore, MD 21201-2595 410-767-0100

www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE

#### Division of Rehabilitation Services

410-554-9442; 1-888-554-0334

www.dors.maryland.gov

See listing under "Education Services"

#### • Division of Special Education/ Early Intervention Services

410-767-0261

www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/earlyinterv

#### Infants And Toddlers Program (ITP)

410-767-0234, 410-767-0863

www.marylandpublicschools.org/msde/divisions/earlyinterv/infant\_toddlers/about/message.htm

#### Hearing Aid Loan Bank

410-767-0706

http://marylandlearninglinks.org/339004

#### • Transition Youth Services

410-767-3660

http://www.mdtransition.org/transition%20planning.htm

#### Health and Mental Hygiene,

#### Maryland Department of

201 West Preston Street Baltimore, MD 21201

410-767-6500

www.dhmh.state.md.us

#### • Behavioral Health Administration

410-402-8300

http://bha.dhmh.maryland.gov/SitePages/Home.aspx

#### Children's Medical Services (CMS) Program

410-767-5588

http://phpa.dhmh.maryland. gov/genetics/SitePages/CMS\_

Program.aspx

#### ${\bf \cdot} {\it Developmental Disabilities Administration}$

410-767-5600

http://dda.dhmh.maryland.gov

See listing under "Developmental Disability Services"

#### Medical Assistance Program

410-767-6500

https://mmcp.dhmh.maryland.gov/SitePages/Home.asnx

Medical Assistance Program – Baltimore County Local Office

Baltimore County Department of Social Services

6401 York Road

Towson, MD 21212

410-853-3000

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/

Agencies/socialservices/

medicalassistance/medicalassistance.html

#### • Prevention and Health Promotion Administration

410-767-6500

http://phpa.dhmh.maryland.gov/

SitePages/phpa.aspx

#### • Office for Genetics and People with Special Health Care Needs

410-767-6730

http://phpa.dhmh.maryland.gov/genetics/SitePages/Home.aspx

See listing under "Children's Services" for Maryland Dept. of Health & Mental Hygiene

#### Human Resources, Maryland Department of

311 West Saratoga Street Baltimore. MD 21201

1-800-332-6347, 1-800-925-4434 (TTY)

www.dhr.state.md.us

Services Offered: The Maryland Department of Human Resources offers a wide variety of procontinues on next page grams and services, including, but not limited to: adult protective services; in-home aide services; child protective services; energy assistance; food supplement program [formerly food stamps]; temporary cash assistance; and, other services for families of limited income.

Local Office: For information about applying for these programs, call the number above, or call or visit the Baltimore County Department of Social Services

6401 York Road Baltimore, MD 21212 410-853-3000

#### Veterans' Affairs, Maryland Department of

16 Francis Street, 4th Floor Annapolis, MD 21401 410-260-3838

http://veterans.maryland.gov/

Services Offered: The mission of the MD Department of Veterans' Affairs is to assist veterans, active duty service members, their families and dependents in securing earned through military service.

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Advance Medical Directives / Living Wills
Trusts / Estate Planning Administration / Wills
Powers of Attorney / Guardianship
Disability Planning / Special Needs Trusts

#### Baltimore County Agencies of Importance

#### Commission on Disabilities

Department of Planning Jefferson Building 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 201 Towson, MD 21204 410-887-3580

http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/neighborhoodimprovement/disabilities/Services Offered: The Commission on Disabilities works to ensure that programs and services offered by Baltimore County are accessible to individuals with disabilities; Housing Accessibility Modification Program (providing funds for accessibility modifications for renters with disabilities); information and referral.

#### Health, Baltimore County Department of

Bureau of Clinical Services Drumcastle Center, 3rd Floor 6401 York Road Baltimore, MD 21212 410-887-2243

http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/agencies/health/ Services Offered: Free family support, case management, information, referral, and advocacy services to anyone between the ages of birth and 21 years who has a developmental disability and is a resident of Baltimore County.

For more information on developmental disability services: 410-887-2720 or 410-887-4410

#### Infants and Toddlers Program, Baltimore County

Drumcastle Center, 3rd Floor 6401 York Road Baltimore, MD 21212 410-887-2169

http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/ Agencies/health/healthservices/ children/infantstoddlers.html

Services Offered: The program's mission is to support families of children (from birth through 36 months of age) living in Baltimore County who have, or may have, developmental disabilities, delays or special health needs.



Many Advocacy Agencies offer support groups. Be sure to check, either by phone or online, to see if an agency you are interested in provides such a service.

#### Alzheimer's Disease

Alzheimer's Association – Greater Maryland 1850 York Road, Suite D Timonium, MD 21093 1-800-272-3900 (24-hour helpline) www.alz.org/maryland

#### **Arthritis**

Arthritis Foundation – Mid Atlantic Region Maryland Office 9891 Broken Land Pkwy, Suite 101 Columbia, MD 21046 1-800-365-3811 www.arthritis.org

#### Attention Deficit Disorder

Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder of Greater Baltimore (CHADD) www.chadd-mc.org

#### **Autism**

Pathfinders for Autism

303 International Circle, Suite 110 Cockeysville, MD 21030 443-330-5370, 443-330-5341 [Help Line] www.pathfindersforautism.org

Autism Society of America: Baltimore-Chesapeake Chapter

P.O. Box 10822 Baltimore, MD 21234 410-655-7933 www.bcc-asa.org

#### **Blind**

www.acb.org

American Council of the Blind 2200 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 650 Arlington, VA 22201 202-467-5081; 800-424-8666

American Foundation for the Blind

2 Penn Plaza, Suite 1102 New York, NY 10121 212-502-7600 www.afb.org

Blind Industries and Services of Maryland

3345 Washington Boulevard Baltimore, MD 21227 410-737-2600, 1-888-322-4567 (Toll Free) www.bism.org

The Foundation Fighting Blindness, Inc.

7168 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, MD 21046 410-423-0600; 800-683-5555 www.FightBlindness.org

National Federation of the Blind

200 East Wells Street at Jernigan Place Baltimore, MD 21230 410-659-9314 www.nfb.org

Brain Injury

Brain Injury Association of Maryland 2200 Kernan Drive Baltimore, MD 21207 410-448-2924 www.biamd.org

#### Deaf-Blind

#### American Association of the Deaf-Blind

PO Box 8064

Silver Spring, MD 20907-8064

301-495-4403 / 301-563-9064 (Video Phone)

www.aadb.org

#### Deaf and Hard of Hearing

#### Deaf and Hard of Hearing,

Maryland Governor's Office

217 East Redwood Street, Suite 910

Baltimore, MD 21202

410-767-6290; (Voice), 410-767-7756 (TTY)

www.odhh.maryland.gov

#### Hearing Loss Association of America

7910 Woodmont Avenue. Suite 1200

Bethesda, MD 20814

301-657-2248

www.hearingloss.org

#### National Association of the Deaf

8630 Fenton Street, Suite 820

Silver Spring, MD 20910-3819

301-587-1788 or 301-328-1443 www.nad.org

#### Developmental Disabilities

#### The Arc Maryland

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 1747

Annapolis, MD 21404-1747

410-571-9320

www.thearcmd.org

#### Maryland Developmental

#### **Disabilities Council**

217 East Redwood Street, Suite 1300

Baltimore, MD 21202

410-767-3670

1-800-305-6441 (within MD)

www.md-council.org

#### **Diabetes**

#### American Diabetes Association

2002 Clipper Park Road, Suite 110

Baltimore, MD 21211

410-265-0075

www.diabetes.org/in-my-community/local-offices/

baltimore-maryland/

#### Down Syndrome

#### Chesapeake Down Syndrome

#### Parent Group, Inc.

P.O. Box 20127

Baltimore, MD 21284-0127

410-321-5434

http://www.cdspg.org/

#### Dyslexia

#### Dyslexia Tutoring Program, Inc.

The Rotunda, Suite 310

711 West 40th Street

Baltimore, MD 21211

410-889-5487

www.dyslexiatutoringprogram.org

#### International Dyslexia Association - Maryland **Branch**

P.O. Box 233

Brooklandville, MD 21022

800-509-4980

http://idamd.org/

#### **Epilepsy**

#### Abilities Network

http://www.abilitiesnetwork.org/

See also listing for Abilities Network under "

Developmental Disability

Services—Agencies Providing Services to Persons

with Developmental Disabilities".

#### Learning Disabilities

#### Learning Disabilities

Association of Maryland, Inc.

P.O. Box 744

Dunkirk, MD 20754

1-888-265-6459

www.ldamd.org

#### Mental Health

#### Maryland Coalition of Families

10632 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 234

Columbia MD 21044

410-730-8267, 1-800-607-3637

www.mdcoalition.org

#### The Mental Health Association of Maryland

Heaver Plaza

1301 York Road, Suite 505

Lutherville, MD 21093

443-901-1550

www.mhamd.org

#### NAMI—National Alliance on Mental Illness

410-435-2600

See also listing for NAMI under "Mental Health Serivces"

#### On Our Own of Maryland

410-646-0262, 1-800-704-0262 See also listing for NAMI under "Mental Health Services"

#### Multiple Sclerosis

National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Maryland Chapter

2219 York Road, Suite 302 Timonium, MD 21093 443-641-1200

http://www.nationalmssociety.org/

Chapters/MDM

#### Muscular Dystrophy

Muscular Dystrophy Association

Baltimore District Office 8501 LaSalle Road, Suite 106 Towson, MD 21286 410-494-7106 http://www.mda.org/office/baltimore

#### Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders

The National Parkinson Foundation 1-800-473-4636

www.parkinson.org

The Johns Hopkins Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Center

410-502-0133

www.hopkinspdmd.org

#### Spina Bifida

Chesapeake-Potomac Spina Bifida, Inc.

P.O. Box 1750

Annapolis, MD 21404

1-888-733-0988

http://www.chesapeakespinabifida.org/

#### Spinal Cord Injury

Spinal Network Support Groups

http://www.spinalcord.org/ spinal-network/support-groups/ location/maryland/ Provides a listing of support groups in the Baltimore Metropolitan area.

#### Tourette Syndrome

Tourette Syndrome Association of Greater Washington

5851 Deale Churchton Road, Suite 4 Deale, MD 20751 410-867-1151 www.tsagw.org

#### Traumatic Injury

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The Trauma Survivors Network

R. Adams Crowley Shock
Trauma Center
University of Maryland Medical Center
22 S. Greene Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
410-328-5545, 410-328-4967
http://www.traumasurvivorsnetwork.org/trauma\_

# Children's Services

## Baltimore County Infants and Toddlers Program

Baltimore County Department of Health Infants and Toddlers Program

6401 York Road, 3rd Floor Baltimore, MD 21212 410-887-2169

http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/health/healthservices/

children/infantstoddlers.html

Services Offered: The Infants and Toddler's Program is a joint venture of the Baltimore County Department of Health, Baltimore County Public Schools, Department of Social Services and other private agencies. The program's mission is to support families of children (from birth through 36 months of age) living in Baltimore County who have, or may have, developmental disabilities, delays or special health needs.

#### Baltimore County – Protective Services

Baltimore County Department of Social Services

6401 York Road, Third Floor Baltimore, MD 21212 410-853-3000

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/

Agencies/socialservices/abuse/index.html#child Protective Services for children provides assistance to families to ensure the safety and well-being of children: protect children from further abuse and neglect; support families in accessing resources to keep children safe; keep children with their families, if safe and appropriate.

#### Baltimore County Public Schools – Department of Special Education and Student Support Services

Special Education Resource Center

White Oak School 8401 Leefield Road, Room 100 Baltimore, MD 21234 410-887-5443

http://www.bcps.org/offices/special\_ed/parent-resources.html

The Resource Center supports parents of children with disabilities, age birth to 21. Its mission is to promote positive, effective partnerships within the school community. Staffed by parents of children with disabilities, the center activities include but are not limited to the following services:

#### Services Offered:

- Maintains a lending library of articles, newsletters, books, and videotapes on a wide range of special education topics such as special education law, types of disabilities, support groups and recreational opportunities.
- Seeks ways to encourage and strengthen communication between parents and school personnel.
- Teams with educators to teach free workshops
- Makes community presentations to both parent groups and school staff.
- Represents special education issues and concerns of parents and students with special needs.
- Directs parents to available community resources.
- Establishes a family-to-family support network.
- Offers support to parents who need someone to talk to on an individual basis in a confidential, supportive atmosphere.
- Coordinates the PTA Special Education Liaison Project.

#### Catholic Charities Child and Family Services

2300 Dulaney Valley Road Timonium, MD 21093 410-252-4700 ext. 265 www.family-navigator.org

Family Navigator Service: If you are concerned about a child experiencing behavioral, emotional, or developmental challenges, or if you are just overwhelmed, a Family Navigator can help by offering support and connecting you with workshops, support groups, and community based services. Baltimore County families who have private health insurance, public health insurance,

or no health insurance are encouraged to take advantage of this free service.

Kinship Care Navigator: The challenges of raising grandchildren and other related children can severely stretch the resources a family has available to them. As a kinship care provider, you may be eligible for certain resources to help you raise the child you are caring for. Kinship Care Navigator is a free service that can connect you with financial assistance resources, support for housing, child care Resources, health care services, legal services, support groups, behavioral/mental health services, and educational advocacy resources.

The Community College of Baltimore County

Essex Campus - Children's Developmental Class for Children with Cognitive Challenges 7201 Rossville Boulevard, WELL-6 Rosedale, MD 21237 443-840-1387, mhill@ccbcmd.edu www.ccbcmd.edu/Resources-for-Students/ Disability-Programs-and-Services/Children-with-Cognitive-Challenges.aspx

Services Offered: The Children's Developmental Class helps children with special needs manage their unique challenges. We assist children ages 1 -14 in developing motor skills, strengthening social abilities, and enhancing academic talents.

#### The Coordinating Center

See listing under "Agencies Providing Services to Persons with Developmental Disabilities"

#### Maggie's Light Foundation

See listing under "Respite Care Services"

#### Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Office for Genetics and People with Special Health Care Needs 201 West Preston Street Baltimore, MD 21201 410-767-6730, 410-767-6500 http://phpa.dhmh.maryland. gov/genetics/SitePages/Home.aspx Birth Defects Reporting and Information System: 410-767-6737

Children's Medical Services: 410-767-5588 Critical Congenital Heart Disease Screening Program: 410-767-6736

Infant Hearing Program: 1-800-633-1316

Medical Home: 410-767-5298

Newborn Metabolic Screening: 410-767-6736, 410-767-6099 (Lab) Sickle Cell Disease Program: 410-767-6737 Youth to Young Adult Health Care Transition: 410-767-5602

#### Mentor Maryland

5720 Executive Drive

Baltimore, Maryland 21228-1757 410-455-6601, 410-455-4609 (Youth and Family Services) http://md-mentor.com/welcome.aspx Services Offered: Therapeutic Foster Care, Medically Fragile Foster Care, Adoption Services, Family Preservation, Transition Services, Mental Health Programs, Education Programs, Wraparound Services.

#### Muscular Dystrophy Association

See listing under "Advocacy Agencies"

#### PACT: Helping Children with Special Needs

7000 Tudsbury Road Baltimore, MD 21244 410-298-7000

http://pact.kennedykrieger.org/?gclid=CNLZzfOCO boCFUie4AodQjkAMA

Services Offered: PACT's mission is to promote the development of young children with special needs and their families through programs providing comprehensive assessments, early intervention services, family support services, parent education, counseling and specialized childcare.

#### Parents' Place of Maryland, Inc.

801 Cromwell Park Drive. Suite 103 Glen Burnie, MD 21061 410-768-9100 www.ppmd.org

Services Offered: The Parents' Place is a Maryland nonprofit organization that provides information to Maryland families of children with all disabilities and special health care needs. We are the statewide Parent Training and Information Center (PTI) and the Family-to-Family Health Information Center.

#### Sheppard Pratt Health System

See listing under "Developmental Disabilities Services"

# Developmental Disabilities Services



## The Developmental Disabilities Administration

The Maryland Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) provides funding for over 45 agencies in Baltimore County which serve the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities. (See listing for Developmental Disabilities Administration under "Statewide Agencies of Importance.") These agencies provide a wide range of services, including residential (group homes, Alternative Living Units, Community Supported Living Arrangements, etc.), day services (supported employment, work adjustment training, transitional youth services, day habilitation services, etc.), and family support services. While any of the agencies listed below may provide services on a private pay or gratis basis, the DDA usually provides most of the funding for an individual's services.

In order to receive funding from the DDA, it is imperative that an individual goes through the application process. The first step in that process is calling the DDA Regional Office at 410-234-8200 (Toll Free 1-877-874-2494) and requesting an application. The application can also be downloaded from the DDA's website at http://dda.dhmh.maryland.gov/SitePages/apply.aspx. Once the application is received by the DDA Regional Office, the DDA will assign a representative to conduct a personal interview with the applicant. This representative may be an employee of the Developmental Disabilities Administration, or a Service Coordinator. DDA has contracts with different agencies to provide service coordination to particular counties or regions of the State.

While we have presented a brief summary of the agencies in Baltimore County that provide services to individuals with developmental disabilities, it is highly recommended that you visit the DDA website.

This site includes an in-depth description of each agency and the application process.

#### Low Intensity Support Services Providers

The Developmental Disabilities Administration contracts with licensed Providers to provide Low Intensity Support Services (LISS). Support services are designed to enable a family to provide for the needs of a child or an adult with developmental disabilities living in the home or to support an adult with developmental disabilities living in the community.

The Providers of LISS services may change from year to year. For more information on the Providers currently offering LISS, visit the DDA website at http://dda.dhmh.maryland.gov/SitePages/liss.aspx, or contact the Central Maryland Regional Office of the DDA at 410-234-8200.

## Agencies Providing Services to Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

The agencies listed below provide a wide range of community services to people with developmental disabilities. For a more complete description, check out the agency's website.

#### Abilities Network

8503 LaSalle Road Towson, MD 21286 410-828-7700

www.abilitiesnetwork.org

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements.

#### Alliance. Inc.

See listing under "Mental Health Services".

#### Apex Network Consolidated, Inc.

5310 Old Court Road, Suite 102 Randallstown, MD 21133 443-405-0099, 443-540-3337 www.apexnetworkinc.com/index.html

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Vocational Day Program, Day Habilitation Program, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements. Respite Care.

#### The Arc Baltimore

7215 York Road Baltimore, MD 21212 410-296-2272

www.thearcbaltimore.org

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Residential Services, Day Habilitation Program, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Vocational Day Program, Transitioning Youth Services, Individual Family Care, Behavioral Support Services, Children Summer Camp, Respite Care.

#### Artemis Mission, Inc.

429 Macintosh Circle Joppa, MD 21085 410-322-6428 Services Offered: Residential Services, Respite Care.

#### Associated Catholic Charities I Gallagher Services

2520 Pot Spring Road Timonium, MD 21093 410-252-4005 www.catholiccharities-md.org/ developmental-disabilities

Services Offered: Residential Services, Medical Day and Rehabilitation Activities. Day Services, Supported Employment, Aging Services.

#### Athelas Institute, Inc.

9104 Red Branch Road Columbia, MD 21045 410-964-1241

www.athelasinstitute.org

Services Offered: Residential Services, Supported Employment, Vocational Day Program/Sheltered Workshop, Individual Support Services, Day Habilitation Program, Behavioral Support Services, Respite Care and Community Support Living Arrangements

#### Bello Machre, Inc.

7765 Freetown Road Glen Burnie, MD 21060 443-702-3000 www.bellomachre.org

Services Offered: Residential, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Respite Care, Community Support Living Arrangements and Individual Family Care.

#### Be Our Guest, Ltd.

7522 Slade Avenue Pikesville, MD 21208-4538 410-602-8411

Services Offered: Residential Services.

#### Best Buddies Maryland

3500 Boston Street MS 47 – Suite 210 Baltimore, MD 21224 410-327-9812

www.bestbuddiesmaryland.org

Services Offered: Matching people with and without disabilities in one on one friendship through five programs: Middle School, High School, Colleges, Citizens and e-Buddies (through the Internet).

## Bestcare Nursing and Residential Services

600 Reisterstown Road Pikesville, MD 21208 410-415-6505

http://bestcareresidential.com/

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Residential, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Respite Care.

#### Caring Hands, Inc.

41 North Philadelphia Boulevard Aberdeen, MD 21001 410-273-9736 www.caringhandscommunity.com Services Offered: Residential services, Respite Care.

#### Center for Community Integration

1829 Reisterstown Road, Suite 350 Baltimore, MD 21208 941-375-0229 (Main Office) 443-280-1893 (Program Office)

www.centerforcommunityintegration.org/index.html continues on next page

Services Offered: Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential Services, Respite Care, Vocational Day Program/Sheltered Workshop, Supported Employment.

#### Changing People's LivesICPL

500 Redland Court, Suite 204 Owings Mills, MD 21117 www.cplcares.org 410-581-7800

**Services Offered:** Individual Family Care, Respite Care.

#### Center for Social Change, Inc.

6600 Amberton Drive
Elkridge, MD 21075
410-579-6789
www.centerforsocialchange.org
Services Offered: Residential Services, Family
Support Services, Individual Support Services,
Community Supported Living Arrangements,
Vocational Day, Day Habilitation, and Supported
Employment.

#### Change, Inc.

115 Stoner Avenue Westminster, MD 21157 410-876-2179 www.changeinc.cc

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Vocational Day Program, Day Habilitation Program, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Respite Care.

#### The Chimes, Inc.

4815 Seton Drive Baltimore, MD 21215 410-358-6400 www.chimes.org

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Vocational Day Program, Day Habilitation Program, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Individual Family Care, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential Services, Respite Care, Behavioral Support Services.

## Community Based Alternatives and Initiatives [CBAI]

7222 Ambassador Road Baltimore, Maryland 21244 410-265-1490 www.ncianet.org

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Vocational Day/Sheltered Workshop, Day Habilitation Program, Individual Family Care, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Behavioral Support Services, Residential Services, Respite Care

## Community Support Services for the Deaf (CSSD)

2606 Rolling Road, Suite 301 Windsor Mill, MD 21244 410-597-8780

9921 Reisterstown Rd. Suite 2D

**Services Offered:** Individual Support Services, Residential Services

#### Companions, Inc.

Owings Mills, MD 21117 410-394-8790 www.companionsmd.org Services Offered: Supported Employment, Residential Services

#### The Coordinating Center

8531 Veterans Highway, Third Floor Millersville, MD 21108 410-987-1048 www.coordinatingcenter.org

Services Offered: The Coordinating Center coordinates all services that people of all ages, with complex needs and disabilities, must have to live in the community through care coordination provided through Medicaid home and community based waiver programs; provides private care coordination and life care planning; helps people move from

#### Creative Options, Inc.

nursing facilities to home.

9411 Philadelphia Road, Suite H Rosedale, MD 21237 410 780 4095

www.creativeopts.org

Services Offered: Residential, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Vocational Day Program/Sheltered Workshop, Day Habilitation Program, Community Supported Living Arrangements.

#### Destiny Group Home, Inc.

7412 Ricksway Road Baltimore, MD 21208 443-794-9094

**Services Offered**: Residential Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements

#### Dominion Resource Center, Inc.

9818 C Liberty Road Randallstown, 21133 443-388-4848

www.dominionresource.net

**Services Offered:** Residential Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Individual Support Services

#### Emerge, Inc.

9180 Rumsey Road, Unit D-2 Columbia, MD 21045 410-884-4420

www.emergeinc.org

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential Services, Vocational Day Program, Day Habilitation Program, Respite Care, Behavioral Support Services

#### Empowerment Options, Inc.

9633 Liberty Road, Suite D Randallstown, MD 21133 410-521-5500

**Services Offered:** Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential Services

#### Erosun, Inc.

1045 Taylor Avenue, Suite 101 Baltimore, Maryland 21286 410-296-4643 www.erosun.org

Services Offered: Residential Services, Community Supported Living Arrangement, Vocational day Program, and Respite Care

#### Family Service Foundation, Inc.

2622 Lord Baltimore Drive Baltimore, MD 21244 301-459-2121 www.fsfinc.org

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Residential Services, Community Supported Living

Arrangements, Vocational Day Program/Sheltered Workshop.

#### Fidelity Resources, Inc.

1018 A Cromwell Bridge Road Towson, MD 21284 410-337-0340

Services Offered: Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Supported Employment, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Summer Programs/Camps and Vacations, Respite Care, and Residential Services

#### Forward Visions, Inc.

2035 York Road Lutherville, MD 21093-4229 410-252-7171

Services Offered: Family and Individual Support Services, Residential Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements

#### Freedom To Choose, Inc.

109 Melrose Ave., Suite E Catonsville, MD 21228 410-788-0852

Services Offered: Individual Family Care, Residential Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements.

## Group for the Independent Learning Disabled (GILD)

P. O. Box 322 Brooklandville, MD 21022 410-557-4944

www.gild-maryland.org/GILD/GILD\_Home\_Page.

Services Offered: Classes for independent living, social skills, and friendship building. Planning meetings, outings, parties, and informal gatherings. Support for parents and family through shared experiences and guest speakers.

#### The Hearing and Speech Agency

5900 Metro Drive Baltimore, MD 21215 410-318-6780 (Voice) 410-318-6758 (TTY) www.hasa.org

Services Offered: Speech-language evaluation and therapy, audiology, occupational therapy, physical therapy, sign language interpreting, sign language continues on next page

classes, oral interpreting, oral preschool education, special education and other related services and programs for children and adults who are deaf, hard of hearing or who have speech/language disorders, autism or other communication impairments.

#### Home-Sweet-Home DD, Inc.

9535 Liberty Road Randallstown, MD 21133 443-618-4344

Services Offered: Family Support Services, Individual Family Care, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential Services, Respite Care, Behavioral Support Services, Vocational Day, Supported Employment.

#### **HUMANIM**

6355 Woodside Court Columbia, MD 21046 410-381-7171

www.humanim.com

Services Offered: Family Support Services, Supported Employment, Individual Support Services, Behavioral Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential Services, Respite Care, Vocational day, Day Habilitation, Low Intensity Support Services.

#### Innovative Services, Inc.

300 Redland Court, Suite 215
Owings Mills, MD 21117
410-363-9495
Services Offered: Community
Supported Living Arrangements, Residential

#### Itineris, Inc.

2050-A Rockrose Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21211 443-275-1100

Services, Respite Care

www.itinerisbaltimore.org/index.htm

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Vocational Day Program, Day Habilitation Program, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements.

#### Jewish Community Services (JCS)

5750 Park Heights Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215 410-466-9200 www.jcsbaltimore.org Services Offered: Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Residential Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements.

#### The League for People with Disabilities, Inc.

1111 East Cold Spring Lane Baltimore, MD 21239-3998 410-323-0500

www.leagueforpeople.org

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Vocational Day Program/Sheltered Workshop, Day Habilitation Program, Summer Programs, Camp Greentop Residential Summer Camp, Respite Care.

#### Living Out Loud, Inc.

1740 East Joppa Road, Suite 301
Parkville, MD 21234
410-665-2600
https://livingoutloudagency.wordpress.com/
our-code-of-ethics/
Services Offered: Community Support Living
Arrangements, Family Support Services, Individual
Support Services.

#### LIFE, Inc.

2822 Hollins Ferry Road Baltimore, Maryland 21230 410-735-5433 www.lifeinc.org Services Offered: Residential

Services, Individual Support Services, Summer Programs, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Respite Care.

#### Linwood Center

3421 Martha Bush Drive

Ellicott City, MD 21043 410-465-1352 www.linwoodcenter.org Services Offered: Residential Services, Supported Employment, Day Habilitation program.

#### Living Sans Frontieres, Inc.

7124 Ambassador Drive Baltimore, MD 21244 Woodlawn, MD 21207 410-944-6005

www.lsfrontiers.com/#xl\_xr\_page\_index Services Offered: Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential Services, Respite Care.

#### Maxim Healthcare Services

40 York Road Suite 200 Towson, MD 21204 877-586-2946 (Toll free) www.maximhomecare.com Services Offered: Community Supported Living Arrangements, Behavioral

Mid-Atlantic Human Services Corporation

Support Services, Individual Support Services.

9649 Belair Road, Suite 102 Nottingham, MD 21236 410-497-3000 www.ippi.org/maryland Services Offered: Group Homes

**Services Offered:** Group Homes and Alternative Living Units, Individual Service Option, Respite Services.

#### National Multiple Sclerosis Society: Maryland Chapter

2219 York Road, Suite 302 Timonium, MD 21093 443-641-1200

www.nationalmssociety.org/chapters/MDM/index. aspx

Services Offered: Wellness Resources, Family Support, Financial Assistance, Social and Emotional Support, Mobility and Accessibility, Education, Research and Clinical Trials.

#### New Beginnings, Inc.

7501 Liberty Road, Suite A Lochearn, Maryland 21207 410-597-8092 www.newbeginningsagency.org Services Offered: Residential Services, Respite Care.

#### NorthStar Special Services, Inc.

106 Old Court Road, Suite 205 Pikesville, MD 21208 410-415-5887

Services Offered: Community Supported Living Arrangements, Supported Employement, Day Habiliation Program, Residential Services.

#### Penn-Mar Human Services, Inc.

310 Old Freeland Road Freeland, MD 21105 410-343-1069 www.penn-mar.org

Services Offered: Residential Services, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services,

Vocational Day Program/Sheltered Workshop, Day Rehabilitation Program, Supported Employment, Community Supported Living Arrangements.

#### Precision Healthcare Resources Incorporated

2 East Rolling Cross Road, Suite 155 Catonsville, MD 21228 410-747-4572

Services Offered: Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential Services, Supported Employment, Respite Services, Individual Family Care.

#### Progress Unlimited, Inc.

11431 Cronhill Drive, Suite C Owings Mills, MD 21117 410-363-8550 www.progressunlimited.org Services Offered: Residential Services.

#### Progressive Horizons, Inc.

7008 Security Blvd, Suite 120 Baltimore, MD 21244 410 944 6166

www.progressivehorizonsinc.com

Services Offered: Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Respite Care.

#### Quantum Leap Incorporated

100 Painters Mill Rd., Suite 820 Owings Mills, MD 21117 443-660-9470 www.qlincorporated.com

Services Offered: Family Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential Services

#### Richcroft. Inc.

Executive Plaza IV 11350 McCormick Road, Suite 700 Hunt Valley, MD 21031 410-785-3274 www.richcroft.com

Services Offered: Residential Services, Individual Family Care, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, and Respite Care.

#### Shared Support Maryland, Inc

5115 Edmondson Ave. Baltimore, MD 21229

410-945-4356

www.sharedsupportmd.org

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Behavioral Support Services.

#### Sheppard Pratt Health System

6501 N. Charles Street Baltimore, MD 21204 410-938-5000 www.sheppardpratt.org

Services Offered: Sheppard Pratt offers inpatient, partial hospitalization, residential, special education, respite and outpatient mental health services for children, adolescents, adults & older adults with co-existing developmental disabilities or significant neurological impairments.

#### Shura. Inc.

3104 Lord Baltimore Drive, Suite 201
Windsor Mill, MD 21244
443-660-7664, 1-800-33-SHURA (Toll Free)
Services Offered: Residential; Community
Supported Living Arrangement; Individual Support
Services; Respite Care.

#### Son Grace, Inc

7122 Harford Road, 2nd Floor Baltimore, MD 21234 410-444-8133 www.songraceinc.com

Services Offered: Respite Care, Residential Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements

#### Spectrum Support, Inc.

6505 Ridenour Way East Eldersburg, MD 21784 410-795-6543

www.spectrum-support.org

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Community Support Living Arrangements, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Day Habilitation Program, Residential Services, Vocational Day Program/Sheltered Workshop, Individual Family Care, Behavioral Support Services.

#### Starflight Enterprises, Inc.

8930 Old Annapolis Road, Suite A Columbia, MD 21045 443-661-1301

www.starflightenterprises.com/index.html Services Offered: Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Individual Family Care, Community Supported Living Arrangements, and Residential Services.

#### St. Peter's Adult Learning Center

13 S. Poppleton Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
410-685-7340
www.stpetersalc.org
Services Offered: Day Habilitation
Program; Supported Employment.

#### Unified Community Connections, Inc.

Executive Plaza III 11350 McCormick Rd., Suite 1100 Hunt Valley, MD 21031 410-484-4540, 1-800-451-2452 (Toll Free) www.uc2.org

Services Offered: Respite Care, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Community Supported Living Arrangements, Residential Services, Supported Employment, Day Habilitation Program.

#### WorkFirst, Inc.

3501 East Federal Street Baltimore, MD 21213 410-276-1613 www.humanim.com

Services Offered: Supported Employment, Vocational Evaluations, Vocational/Situational Assessments, Work Adjustment Training, Training Center.

## Additional Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities

Hussman Center for Adults

with Autism

One Olympic Place Towson, MD 21204 410-704-4486

www.towson.edu/iwb/hussman/

Services Offered: The Hussman Center for Adults with Autism brings together Towson University students and young adults on the autism spectrum to create a mutually rewarding learning environment. We have created more than 350 fun social activities, art classes, comedy workshops, creative

movement experiences as well as specialized training in language skills and personal fitness.

Institute for Well-Being Towson University

One Olympic Place, Room 200

Towson, MD 21204

410-704-7300, 410-704-3095 (Voice and TTY)

towsoniwb.com

Services Offered: Hussman Center for Adults with Autism; Occupational Therapy Center; Speech, Language and Hearing Center; Wellness Center.

#### Kennedy Krieger Institute

707 North Broadway Baltimore, MD 21205 443-923-9400 or 888-554-2080 www.kennedykrieger.org

Services Offered: Kennedy-Krieger Institute has a number of locations throughout the Baltimore Metropolitan area and provides services addressing: autism spectrum disorders, behavioral disorders, bone disorders, brain injury, cerebral palsy, communication disorders, developmental disorders, Down Syndrome, feeding disorders, learning disorders, muscular dystrophy, rehabilitation, sleep disorders, spina bifida, spinal cord injury and paralysis, Sturge-Weber Syndrome.

#### Loyola Clinical Centers

Belvedere Square 5911 York Road, Suite 100 Baltimore, MD 21212 410-617-1200

www.lovola.edu/clinical-centers

Services Offered: Operating as a graduate training facility under the auspices of Loyola University Maryland, the Loyola Clinical Centers provides audiology, speech language pathology, literacy, psychoeductional assessment, counseling, and other mental health services on a fee for service basis. Sliding scale available for those demonstrating financial need.

#### Maryland Center for Developmental Disabilities at Kennedy Krieger

7000 Tudsbury Road Windsor Mill, MD 21244 443-923-9555

http://mcdd.kennedykrieger.org/

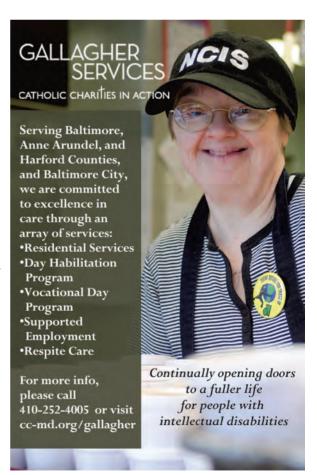
Services Offered: The Resource Finder informs consumers, families and professionals about community services, trainings, research, and

other information on developmental disabilities; Project HEAL serves as a bridge among advocates, attorneys, doctors, social workers, educators, and health care advocates, enabling them to work together for the benefit of children and adolescents needing both legal and medical assistance; The Inclusive Child Care Training Program provides training, consultation, and mentoring to child care providers throughout Maryland; and, Transition Lecture Series of workshops is designed to educate about issues important to adolescents with disabilities who are approaching adulthood.

#### People on the Go

7000 Tudsbury Road Merritt Family Building Gwynn Oak, MD 21244 443-923-9593

www.peopleonthegomaryland.com
Services Offered: People On the Go is a group of
advocates with intellectual and developmental
challenges who use our voices to be heard and
recognized. We believe all people should be active
participants in their communities and we strive to
eliminate discrimination.





Baltimore County offers a variety of services for children and adolescents with disabilities, both public and private.

#### Baltimore County Public Schools – Office of Special Education

The Jefferson Building, 4th Floor 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204 410-887-3660

www.bcps.org/offices/special\_ed/ This website provides descriptions of a variety of services offered through the Office of Special Education.

Services Offered: The Office of Special Education seeks to improve the performance of students with disabilities and assist in narrowing the achievement gap by ensuring equal access to the curriculum and differentiated instruction in the least restrictive environment (LRE).

#### The Community College of Baltimore County

CASE Single Step Program 7200 Sollers Point Road, Suite 104 Baltimore, MD 21222-4649 443-840-3262

www.ccbcmd.edu/Programs-and-Courses/Adults-with-Disabilities.aspx

Services Offered: CASE Single Step provides students with academic, pre-vocational, social and independent living skills. Students leave the program prepared for success in college study, employment and adult life.

#### Conflict Resolution Center of Baltimore County

See listing under "Legal Resources for People with Disabilities in Baltimore County".

http://crcbaltimorecounty.org/newsite/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/CRC-IEP-Presentation-in-pdf2.pdf

Services Offered: The CRC offers trained Individualized Education Program facilitators to make the IEP process more effective.

#### Maryland State Dept. of Education— Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS)

2301 Argonne Drive Baltimore, MD 21218-1696 410-554-9442 (Administration) www.dors.maryland.gov

The Maryland Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) offers programs and services that help people with disabilities go to work or stay independent in their homes and communities. DORS is composed of the public vocational rehabilitation (VR) program and the Disability Determination Services.

## Administrative Offices / Eastern Baltimore County • Regional Office

10461 Mill Run Circle, Ste. LL1, Owings Mills, MD 21117 410-998-2040

#### • Towson

113 Towsontown Blvd., Suite B Towson, MD 21286-5352 410-321-4044, 410-415-9300 (TTY or VP)

#### Owings Mills

10461 Mill Run Circle, Ste. LL1 Owings Mills, MD 21117 410-998-2030

#### • Eastern Baltimore County

2301 Argonne Drive, Baltimore, MD 21218 410-554-3320

#### Maryland Coalition for Inclusive Education (MCIE)

7484 Candlewood Road, Suite R Hanover, MD 21076 410-859-5400, 800-899-8837 www.mcie.org

24 Baltimore County Commission on Disabilities

Services Offered: MCIE is a statewide nonprofit organization dedicated to the inclusion of students with disabilities in their neighborhood schools. MCIE provides a variety of services to families and schools, including, but not limited to: individual advocacy; administrative advocacy; training and support; inservice training; and, individual student planning.

## Maryland Association of Nonpublic Special Education Facilities (MANSEF)

P.O Box 6815 Baltimore, MD 21285-6815 410-938-4413 www.mansef.org

Services Offered: The Maryland Association of Nonpublic Special Education Facilities (MANSEF) is a not-for-profit organization of nonpublic special education facilities approved by the Maryland State Department of Education. These facilities, throughout Maryland, promote quality services for children and youth with disabilities. MANSEF schools in Baltimore County include:

#### The Arrow Center for Education

1605 Cromwell Bridge Road Baltimore, MD 21234 410-882-9133 www.arrow.org

Provides foster care, diagnostic services, specialized education, kinship care.

#### The Arrow Center for Education Tangram

8800 Orchard Tree Lane , Suites 8824-30 Towson, MD 21286 410-657-2330 www.arrow.org Serves abused and neglected children and families

#### Auburn School-Baltimore Campus

7401 Park Heights Avenue

Baltimore, MD 21208 410-617-0418 www.theauburnschool.org/baltimore.cfm Serves students with social and communication challenges.

#### Chesapeake Treatment Center – New Directions Academy

9700 Old Harford Rd. Baltimore, MD 21234 410 663 8500

in crisis

Residential treatment center for adolescent males age 13–21 with sexual behavior problems.

#### Delrey School

3610 Commerce Drive, Suite 804-807 Baltimore, MD 21227 410-314-5000 www.delreyschool.org Serves children with multiple disabilities.

#### The Forbush School at Glyndon

407 Central Avenue Reisterstown, MD 21136 410-517-5400

www.sheppardpratt.org/special-education-services/our-schools/forbush-school-glyndon/ Serves students who have emotional and behavioral disabilities and autism

#### The Forbush School at Hunt Valley

11201 Pepper Road Hunt Valley, MD 21031 410-527-9505

www.sheppardpratt.org/special-education-services/our-schools/forbush-school-hunt-valley/ Serves children with complex intellectual and behavioral disabilities

#### The Forbush Therapeutic Preschool at Towson

6501 N. Charles Street Gibson Building Towson, MD 21204 410-938-4411

www.sheppardpratt.org/special-educationservices/our-schools/forbush-therapeuticpreschool-towson/

Serves students with autism, pervasive developmental disorder (PDD), developmental delays in one or more areas, severe behavioral and emotional problems, multiple learning problems, and other related disorders.

#### Good Shepherd School

4100 Maple Avenue Baltimore, MD 21227 410-247-2770 www.gssmaryland.org

A residential treatment center for adolescents with severe emotional and behavioral problems.

#### Hannah More School

12039 Reisterstown Road Reisterstown, MD 21136-3042 410-526-5000

www.hannahmore.org

Provides individualized academic, vocational and therapeutic programs to students whose needs require a specialized school setting.

#### The Harbour School at Baltimore

11251 Dolfield Boulevard Owings Mills, MD 21117 443-394-3760 www.harbourschool.org Serves students with learning disabilities, autism, speech language impairments, and other disabilities.

#### High Road School of Baltimore County

7707 German Hill Road Baltimore, MD 21222-1525 410-282-8500

www.sesi-schools.com/schools/high-road-school-of-baltimore-county-md/

Provides individualized academic, behavioral, and therapeutic needs of students requiring special education services

#### Mann Residential School

Sheppard Pratt Health Systems
P.O. Box 6815, 6501 N. Charles St.
Baltimore, MD 21285-6815
http://www.sheppardpratt.org/sp\_htmlcode/sp\_locations/sp\_loc\_balt\_rtc.aspx
Serves adolescents with severe behavioral problems who require a self-contained program.

#### New Visions Academy of Baltimore

7131 Rutherford Road Baltimore, MD 21244-2702 410-298-2691

www.thenewvisionsacademy.com

Provides specialized education, therapy and handson training to male students who have been unable to succeed in the public school system.

#### Shafer Center for Early Intervention

11500 Cronridge Drive, Suite 130 Owings Mills, Maryland 21117 410-517-1113 http://theshafercenter.com/ Serves children with autism and other developmental delays.

#### Strawbridge School

3300 Gaither Road Baltimore, MD 21244-2916 410-922-2100

www.boardofchildcare.org/strawbridge\_school.php Serves students primarily with emotional and behavioral disabilities.

#### Trellis School

14550A York Road Sparks, MD 21152 443-330-7900 www.trellisservices.com

www.trettisservices.com

Serves children with autism and related communication disorders.

#### Villa Maria School at Dulaney Valley

2300 Dulaney Valley Road Timonium, MD 21093-2739 410-252-6343 www.catholiccharities-md.org/villa-mariaschools/timonium/ Serves children with significant emotional,

#### Villa Maria School at Pot Spring

behavioral and learning challenges.

2600 Dulaney Valley Road
Timonium, MD 21093-2732
410-252-3725
www.catholiccharities-md.org/
villa-maria-schools/st-vincents/
Provides intensive educational and clinical services for children and youth with emotional, learning and multiple disabilities.

#### Special Education Citizens' Advisory Committee (SECAC)

6901 N. Charles Street, Building E, Room 114 Towson, MD 21204 www.bcps.org/offices/special\_ed/secac.html

Meeting Times: Second Monday of the month, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Since 1978, The Baltimore County Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee has provided a forum for issues pertaining to children with disabilities. Our members advocate at the county, state and federal level to make recommendations and assist Baltimore County Public Schools about issues including the education budget, inclusion, assessments, support services and other issues concerning children and special education services.

## Additional Special Education Schools in Baltimore County

#### Chimes School

4810 Seton Drive Baltimore, MD 21215 410-358-8270

www.chimes.org/maryland/pdf/chimes-school.pdf Serves students with developmental disabilities.

#### Jemicy School Lower and Middle School Campus

Grades 1-8 11 Celadon Road Owings Mills, MD 21117 410-653 2700

#### Upper School Campus

Grades 9-12 and Upper School Prep Program 11202 Garrison Forest Road Owings Mills, MD 21117 410-653 2700 www.jemicyschool.org Serves students with dyslexia and other related language based learning differences.

#### Maryland School for the Blind

3501 Taylor Avenue Baltimore, MD 21236 410-444-5000 www.mdschblind.org Serves children and vo

Serves children and youth from infancy to age 22 who are blind, visually impaired, and multiply disabled.

## Maryland School for the Deaf *Columbia Campus*

8169 Old Montgomery Rd., P.O. Box 894 Columbia, MD 21043 410-480-4500 (Voice), 410-480-4501 (TTY) www.msd.edu

#### Frederick Campus

101 Clarke Place P.O. Box 250Frederick, MD 21705 301-360-2000 (Voice), 301-360-2001 (TTY) www.msd.edu

Serves deaf and hard of hearing children, ages 4-16. Primarily a day school program with limited residential services. MSD also has a Family Education/Early Intervention program that serves deaf and hard of hearing babies and toddlers from ages birth to 4 years.

#### The Odyssey School 3257 Bridle Ridge Lane

Stevenson, MD 21153-2036 410-580-5551

www.theodysseyschool.org
Serves children in a lower and middle school
setting with above average to exceptional higher
level thinking skills who have been diagnosed with
dyslexia or other language-related learning differences.

## Unified Community Connections, Inc. *Delrey School*

3610 Commerce Drive Suite 804 807 Baltimore, MD 21227 410-314-5000 www.delreyschool.org

Serves children from age 3–21 with multiple disabilities.

#### Transition Services — Maryland Transitioning Youth

The State of Maryland has developed a website specifically directed toward students transitioning out of high school and their families. The site covers topics such as Transition Planning, College, Employment Services, Health Care, Transportation, and Additional Resources. www.mdtransition.org 410-767-3660

#### Developmental Disabilities Administration Transitioning Youth – Central Maryland Office 410-234-8227

http://dda.dhmh.maryland.gov/SitePages/transitioning.aspx

Transitioning Youth comprise a special category of eligibility and priority for services. Through the Governor's Transitioning Youth Initiative the DDA, in collaboration with the Division of Rehabilitative Services (DORS), has been able to fund supported employment and other day services for eligible graduating students who otherwise may not have received DDA services.

For an individual to be eligible for the Governor's Transitioning Youth Initiative (GTYI) he or she must be found fully eligible as developmentally disabled. Additionally, the student is eligible from his/her 21st birthday until his/her 22nd birthday. If the date of graduation is after the individual's 21st birthday, the individual shall continue to be eligible for one year after the date of graduation.

#### Colleges and Universities

Local Colleges and Universities are required to provide equal educational opportunity to students with disabilities in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Virtually all local institutes of higher education have a person or office designated to provide reasonable accommodations and services to students with disabilities. Students needing accommodations must make a request to the designated person or office and submit documentation of their disability. Accommodations are determined based on the student's disability and individual needs. Contact your College or University's Office of Disability Support Services for a more complete explanation of its support services program.

## Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC), Catonsville

Contact: Program Assistant, 443-840 5617

#### CCBC, Dundalk

Contact: Counselor, 443-840-3774



#### CCBC, Essex

Contact: Director, Office of Special Services 443-840-1741

#### College of Notre Dame of Maryland

Contact: Director of Counseling and Disability Support Services, 410-532-5379

#### Coppin State University

Contact: Disability Support Services Program Counselor, 410-951 3944

#### Goucher College

Contact: College Disabilities Specialist, 410-337-6178

#### Johns Hopkins University

Contact: Director, ADA Compliance and Disability Services. 410-516-8075

#### Loyola University Maryland

Contact: Director, Disability Support Services 410-617-2062

#### Maryland Institute College of Art

Contact: Director, Learning Resource Center 410-225-2416

#### Morgan State University

Contact: Coordinator of Disability Support Services, 443-885-3946

#### Stevenson University

Contact: Office of Academic Support Services 443-334-2332

#### **Towson University**

Contact: Director, Disability Support Services 410-704-2638

#### University of Baltimore

Contact: Director of the Center for Educational Access, 410-837-4775

#### University of Maryland Baltimore County

Contact: Student Support Services 410-455-2459

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# Employment Services

## Baltimore County Department of Economic and Workforce Development

Individuals may wish to visit a Baltimore County Workforce Development Center. The Department of Economic and Workforce Development has three Workforce Development Centers to assist individuals seeking new careers or to find new jobs that match their skills. Workforce Development Centers provide career consultation, résumé development, and a computerized job bank. In addition, each office is well equipped with labor market and career information, and a job-resource library. www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/jobtraining/jobseeker.html

The Centers are located at:

#### Workforce Development Center at Eastpoint

7930 Eastern Boulevard

Baltimore, MD 21224

Center Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. 410-288-9050

eastwdc@baltimorecountymd.gov

#### Workforce Development Center at Hunt Valley

11101 McCormick Road, Suite 102

Hunt Valley, MD 21031

Center Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

410-887-7940

huntvwdc@baltimorecountymd.gov

## Workforce Development Center at the Liberty Center

3637 Offutt Road

Randallstown, MD 21133

Center Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

410-887-8912

lcwdrc@baltimorecountymd.gov

#### Blind Industries and Services of Maryland

3345 Washington Boulevard Baltimore. MD 21227

410-737-2600, 1-800-322 4567 (toll free)

www.bism.org

Services Offered: BISM offers innovative rehabilitation and training programs, along with diverse employment opportunities, to blind and low vision adults, seniors, and youth. The Rehabilitation division provides excellence in blindness training in Braille, White Cane Travel, Computer Technology, Independent Living, Adjustment to Blindness, Careers, and much more!

#### **Developmental Disabilities Administration**

The Developmental Disabilities Administration provides funding for over 45 agencies in Baltimore County that serve the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities. Many of these agencies provide supported employment and other employment services. Please see the listings under "Developmental Disabilities" for a more complete listing of the agencies.

## The IMAGE Center – Independent Marylanders Achieving Growth through Empowerment See listing under "Additional Passuress"

See listing under "Additional Resources".

#### Government Employment

Employment opportunities for public service positions can be located at the following websites.

#### Baltimore County Government:

www.baltimorecountymd.gov

Click on "I Want To..." at the top of the page, then click on "View Job Listings" under "Most Requested Services."

#### Maryland State Government:

www.maryland.gov

Click on "Jobs" at the top of the page.

#### Federal Government:

www.usajobs.gov

There is a section specifically for "Individuals with Disabilities"

## Maryland State Department of Education - Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS)

A starting point for individuals with disabilities interested in seeking employment is to contact the Maryland State Department of Education - Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS). This agency screens applicants not only for job placement but for other supportive services such as career

assessment and vocational training. DORS offers specialized training for people who are blind/visually impaired through the Workforce and Technology Center (WTC), a comprehensive rehabilitation facility. DORS places a high priority on supporting high school students with disabilities as they make a transition from school to higher education, training, or employment. Please see the listing for Maryland State Department of Education - Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) under "Education Services".

#### Maryland Works - Your Workforce Connection 10270 Old Columbia Road, Suite 100 Columbia, MD 21046 410-381-8660 (Columbia), 410-551-3130 (Baltimore)

http://mdworks.com/

Services Offered: Maryland Works, Inc. is a state-wide membership association whose members are dedicated to promoting economic and workforce development for individuals facing barriers to employment.

#### Social Security Administration— Ticket to Work Program

For general inquiries, contact: P.O. Box 1433, Alexandria, VA 22313 1-866-949-3687

www.yourtickettowork.com

Services Offered: The Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program is an employment program for people with disabilities who are interested in going to work. The Ticket Program is part of the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999 - legislation designed to remove many of the barriers that previously influenced people's decisions about going to work because of the concerns over losing health care coverage. The goal of the Ticket Program is to increase opportunities and choices for Social Security disability beneficiaries to obtain employment, vocational rehabilitation (VR), and other support services from public and private providers, employers, and other organizations. Under the Ticket Program, the Social Security Administration provides disability beneficiaries with a Ticket they may use to obtain the services and jobs they need from a new universe of organizations called Employment Networks (ENs).



310 Old Freeland Rd., Freeland, MD 21053 (410) 343-1069

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www.penn-mar.org

## Health Services

#### Baltimore County Department of Health

6401 York Road, Third Floor Baltimore, MD 21212 410-887-BCHD (2243)

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/health Services Offered: The Baltimore County Department of Health is divided into five bureaus, which directly provide programs and services that promote and protect public health to individuals, families. and the communities. Those five are:

- Behavioral Health (mental health, smoking cessation, substance abuse)
- Clinical Services (dental, immunizations, schoolbased wellness centers, testing services; Women, Infants and Children)
- Community Health Services (geriatric case management, home health, medical transportation, personal care)
- Healthcare Access (cancer screening, counseling and case management, HIV testing, services for the uninsured)
- Prevention, Protection & Preparedness (animal services; disease control, and environmental health)

#### Health Centers

Baltimore Highlands - Lansdowne

3902 Annapolis Road Baltimore, MD 21227 410-887-1003

#### **Dundalk Health Center**

7700 Dunmanway Baltimore, MD 21222 410-887-7182

#### Eastern Family Resource Center

9100 Franklin Square Drive Baltimore, MD 21237 410-887-0400

#### Essex Health Center

201 Back River Neck Road Baltimore, MD 21221 410-887-0246

#### Hannah More Health Center

12035 Reisterstown Road Reisterstown, MD 21136 410-887-1152

#### Liberty Family Resource Center

3525 Resource Drive Randallstown, MD 21133 410-887-0600

#### Towson Health Center

1046 Taylor Avenue Baltimore, MD 21286 410-887-6000 (WIC). 410-887-2437

#### Woodlawn Health Center

1811 Woodlawn Drive Baltimore, MD 21207 410-887-1332

#### Substance Abuse Treatment Center

Baltimore County Eastern Area Treatment Center 9100 Franklin Square Drive, Third Floor Baltimore, MD 21237 410-887-6465

#### WIC Centers

The Health Department operates seven Nutrition Programs for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Centers throughout the County. For information regarding any of the WIC Centers, call 410-887-6000.

## Additional Programs and Services Provided through the Health Department

Adult Evaluation and Review Services: 410-887-2740 or 410-887-2754 Cancer Screening Services: 410-887-3456 Dentistry: 410-887-2780 Flu vaccinations (free during flu season): 410-887-2705

Hearing Services: (includes assessment and hearing aids]: 410-887-6443 (Eastern Family Resource Center); 410-887-0611 (Liberty Family Resource Center) HIV testing and counseling: 410-887-AIDS (2437) Home Health Services: 410-887-2725 Immunizations (childhood and select adult). 410-887-2705

Maryland Children's Health Program: 410-887-2957 Medical Assistance Personal Care Program: 410-887-3485

Medical Assistance Transportation Program: 410-887-2828

Sexually Transmitted Infections Testing Services: 410-887-2705.

- · Woodlawn Health Center-410-887-1332
- Eastern Family Resource Center 410-887-6452 Tobacco Cessation: 410-887-3828

### HUMANÎM Assessment Center

6355 Woodside Court • Columbia, MD 21046

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## Home and Community-Based Waiver Services



Medicaid Waiver programs help an eligible person to receive services in the home and community rather than in an institution. Waiver programs vary by type of program, requirements and services. The number of people served and monies available also may vary. Call the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene at 410-767-6500 for information on any of the services listed below.

To learn more about the waiver programs in Maryland, eligibility requirements, and applications, visit https://mmcp.dhmh.maryland.gov/waiverprograms/SitePages/Home.aspx.

#### Home and Community-Based Programs include:

- Money Follows the Person Program for those who want to transition from a nursing facility to the community
- Division of Community Support Services for Medicaid participants in need of medical equipment, supplies or transportation.
- Hospice Services: Contact the Division of Community Long Term Care at 410-767-6771
- Programs for Older Adults and People with Disabilities 410-767-1739

Community First Choice, Community Options Waiver, Medical Assistance Personal Care The Medical Assistance Personal Care [MAPC], Community First Choice [CFC] and Community Options Waiver all offer a similar service package. Services vary based on eligibility. The core services are personal assistance, supports planning, and nurse monitoring. The Community Options Waiver also offers services in an assisted living.

• Medical Day Care Waiver 410-767-1444

Medical Day Care is a structured group program that provides health, social, and related support services to functionally disabled adults, age 16 and older.

- Rare and Expensive Case

  Management (REM) 410-767-1903

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- The Rare and Expensive Case Management (REM) Program is a case management program for recipients with specified rare and expensive conditions.
- 410-402-8476, 1-877-4MD-DHMH
  The program provides opportunities for community-based services to individuals who have experienced a traumatic brain injury after the age of 17.

· Waiver for Individuals with Brain Injury

• Model Waiver for Disabled Children For information call the Coordinating Center at 410-987-1048

This waiver targets medically fragile individuals including technology dependent individuals who, before the age of 22, would otherwise be hospitalized and are certified as needing hospital or nursing home level of care.

- Employed Individuals with Disabilities (EID)
  Contact the IMAGE Center at 410-982-6311
  The EID Program provides Medical Assistance to working Marylanders with disabilities who meet the program's eligibility criteria.
- Maryland Health Homes 410-767-6500

The program targets populations with behavioral health needs who are at high risk for additional chronic conditions, including those with serious

persistent mental illness, serious emotional disturbance, and opioid substance use disorders.

#### · Community Pathways

Contact the Developmental Disabilities Administration at 410-767-5600

The Community Pathways waiver provides services and supports to individuals, of any age, living in the community, meet the criteria for a developmental disability.

#### · Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder 410-767-0261

The Autism Waiver through Medical Assistance will allow eligible children with autism spectrum disorder to receive additional waiver services to support them in their home and community.

#### Crisis Support for People in Baltimore County

The following is a list of crisis support programs for homeless and at risk people in Baltimore County. Included are emergency shelters, providers of transitional housing, outreach centers, and referral services. Please note that these descriptions of services are not exhaustive and only list a few of the most pertinent services of each agency. Since these programs vary greatly in their capacities and services, it is highly recommended that you call the agency to determine if it has the capability to meet your individual needs for service.

Also, an extremely valuable resource is the Baltimore County Public Library's "Street Card" site. Visit the site at www.bcpl.info/community/streetcard, where you will find programs and services for individuals who are, or who are in jeopardy of becoming homeless.

#### Shelters

#### Baltimore County Department of Social Services

6401 York Road

Baltimore, MD 21212

410-853-3000, 410-828-6390 (24-hour hotline)

After Hours: 410-583-9398

Energy Assistance: 410-853-3385

http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/socialservices/

Services Offered: Emergency shelter placement; counseling and case management; assistance in applying for benefits; heating and electric bill assistance; and, housing counseling. Also, see listing for the Maryland Department of Human Resources under "Additional Resources".

#### Eastside Family Shelter

www.canconnects.org

Referrals: Through the Department of Social Services: 410-853-3000

Shelter Description: 125 emergency shelter beds for women and families. Residents receive meals, laundry and shower facilities, housing search assistance, tutoring for children, and more. Day programing is provided by the Dept. of Social Services and includes case management, GED, job skills classes, child development and parenting and life skills workshops.

#### Family Crisis Center

P.O. Box 3909

Dundalk, MD 21222

410-285-4357 (Administration)

410-285-7496 (Shelter)

410-828-6390 (Crisis Hotline)

www.familycrisiscenter.net/

Shelter Description: Domestic Violence Shelter for 48 women and children. Services include therapy, court accompaniment, meals, and various other services to help residents gain permanent housing and independence.

#### Hannah More Shelter

www.vincentbaltimore.org

410-773-0320

Referrals: Through the Department of Social Services - 410-853-3000

Shelter Description: 85 emergency shelter beds for women and families. Residents receive meals, laundry and shower facilities, case management, parenting classes, housing and budget counseling, housing search assistance, tutoring for children, life skills classes and more.

#### INNterim Housing Corporation / INNterim House

410-486-8175

www.innterim.org/

Shelter Description: Transitional Housing for nine families with children. The INNterim House transitional shelter offers common space for meals, meeting and gatherings, laundry and shower facilities, and playrooms. Residents work on such goals as employment, financial stability, child care, education, etc. to help them obtain permanent housing. Services provided are case management, tutoring for the children, parenting skills, employment and housing assistance, and counseling.

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#### **INNterim Gardens**

Permanent Supporting Housing for 10 families in individual apartment units. Case management and supportive services are provided for each family.

#### Night of Peace Overnight Shelter

410-922-4357

http://nightofpeace.com/

Referrals: Through the Department of Social

Services - 410-853-3000

Shelter Description: Shelter is located in a church in Randallstown, Maryland. It is an overnight shelter for families with beds for 28 individuals. Residents receive dinner and breakfast as well as laundry and shower facilities. Private cubicles equipped with mattresses and storage closets are provided for each family. Supportive services include case management, life skills classes, tutoring for children, housing counseling, and more.

#### Turn Around, Inc.

401 Washington Avenue Suite 300 Towson, MD 21204 443-279-0379

410-377-8111 (to make an appointment)

http://www.turnaroundinc.org/

Shelter Description: Domestic Violence Shelter for 19 women and children. Women and their children receive many services to help them become stable and move out into independence. Services include therapy, job searches, budgeting, child care, etc.

#### West Side Men's Shelter

www.canconnects.org

Referrals: Through the Department of Social Ser-

vices: 410-853-3000

Shelter Description: Emergency shelter beds for 110 men. Residents receive dinner and breakfast as well as laundry and shower facilities. Supportive services include case management and support with ID's, birth certificates, transportation, clothing, housing counseling and search assistance, like skills classes, and more.

#### Food/Other Emergency Assistance

(Call for days and hours of operation)

Baltimore County Department of Social Services

District Offices in Catonsville, Dundalk, Essex, Reisterstown, and Towson. Call 410-853-3000 to be directed to the office near you.

#### Assistance Center of Towson Churches

120 W. Pennsylvania Avenue Towson, MD 21204 410-296-4855

www.actconline.info/Home\_Page.html Services Offered: Food pantry and referrals. Help with BGE, eviction prevention, prescriptions (for residents of central area), clothing, holds mail.

#### Catonsville Emergency Food Ministries Network

25 Bloomsbury Avenue Catonsville, MD 21228 410-747-HELP (4357)

http://catonsvillehelp.org/

Services Offered: Food pantry. Help with BGE, eviction prevention (for residents of Catonsville area).

#### Community Assistance Network (CAN)

7900 E. Baltimore Street Baltimore, MD 21224 410-285-4674

www.canconnects.org

Services Offered: Food pantry. Help with BGE, eviction prevention, clothing, furniture (Countywide).

Outreach: Offices located in Dundalk, Essex, Hillendale, Lansdowne, Randallstown, and Rosedale.

#### Community Crisis Center

725 Main Street Reisterstown, MD 21136 www.communitycrisiscenterinc.org 410-526-7111

Services Offered: Food pantry. Help with BGE, eviction prevention (for residents of Reisterstown, Owings Mills,Glyndon).

#### Eastern Interfaith Outreach

155 Orville Road Essex, MD 21221 410-391-6181

Services Offered: Food pantry (Essex/Middle River area).

#### Hereford Food Bank

Grace for All Soup Kitchen 16931 York Road Monkton MD 21111 410-343-0660

www.herefordfoodbank.org/Home.html Services Offered: Food pantry. Help with BGE, eviction prevention (For northern Baltimore County residents in 21120, 21111, 21152, 21053, 21155)

#### **Jewish Community Services**

Main Office 5750 Park Heights Avenue Baltimore, MD 21215 410-466-9200 www.jcsbaltimore.org/

Services Offered: Emergency food. Help with BGE, eviction prevention.

#### Southwest Emergency Services

1201 Maple Avenue Arbutus, MD 21227 410-247-8154

Services Offered: Food pantry. Help with BGE, eviction prevention (for residents of 21227), clothing.

#### United Churches Assistance Network (UCAN)

40 Church Lane Cockeysville, Maryland 21030 410-628-2102 http://ucanmd.org/

tions (for residents of northern area).

Services Offered: Food pantry and clothing referrals, eviction prevention, help with BGE, prescrip-

#### We Are Family

8611 Church Lane Randallstown, MD 21133 410-922-9621

Services Offered: Food pantry, help with BGE, eviction prevention, prescriptions (for residents of northwest areal.



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#### **PROTECTING & SERVING**

Planning for the future of an Individual with special needs requires preparation, careful research and experienced professional guidance Parents or grandparents planning for the financial well-being of a special needs individual face several challenges:

- Protecting the eligibility of their child with special needs for government benefits like Supplemental Social Security Income (SSI) and Medicaid;
- Developing a succession plan for when parents are unable to be the central caregivers:
- Providing additional Income to facilitate a better quality of life;
- Reviewing options other than placing siblings in a position of responsibility that they may not be prepared, able or willing to assume; or
- Depriving their other children of a meaningful inheritance.



#### Rental Assistance

#### Housing Choice Voucher Program

Baltimore County Department of Social Services 6401 York Road

Baltimore, MD 21212

410-853-8900

http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/agencies/socserv/financialassistance/dsssec8.html
Services Offered: Housing Choice Voucher Program ("Section 8" Housing Assistance). The Housing Choice Voucher Program helps low-income families or elderly/disabled persons pay their rent. The funding for the Housing Choice Voucher Program is limited. Applicants are placed on a waiting list.

#### Apartment Searches

Accessible affordable housing continues to be a primary need for persons with disabilities in Baltimore County. Unfortunately, given the transitional nature of apartments, it is virtually impossible to print a listing of accessible housing that remains up-to-date. However, following are resources that can direct you services that can make your search easier.

## Greater Baltimore Community Housing Resource Board, Inc.

P. O. Box 66180 Baltimore, MD 21239 410-929-7640

10 727 7040

www.gbchrb.org

Services Offered: Besides publishing a listing of apartments on its website, the Greater Baltimore CHRB provides Fair Housing education, training, and advocacy in Maryland, as well as "Choosing Housing: A Self-Help Guide."

# MD Department of Housing and Community Development—Rental Housing Locator

7800 Harkins Road

Lanham, MD 20706

1-877-428-8844 (MD Housing Search)

www.mdhousingsearch.org

Services Offered: The housing locator service allows people to locate available housing that best fits their individual and family needs. The service can be accessed online 24-hours a day and is supported by a toll-free, bilingual call center M-F, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. EST.

#### St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center— St. Ambrose Homesharing

321 E. 25th Street Baltimore, MD 21218 410-366-6180

www.stambrosehousing.org

Services Offered: In addition to other housing services, the Center provides a homesharing program that helps homeowners stay in and maintain their homes who may be experiencing difficulty making ends meet because of age or some other life circumstance

#### Home Ownership and Home Improvement Initiatives

#### MD Department of Housing and Community Development— Homeownership for Individuals with Disabilities

7800 Harkins Road Lanham, MD 20706 301-429-7852

www.dhcd.maryland.gov/Website/ programs/hidp/Default.aspx

Services Offered: The Homeownership for Individuals with Disabilities Program is offered through

the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and is available statewide. Please call Single Family Housing at 301-429-7852 or send an email to SingleFamilyHousing. dhcd@maryland.gov for additional information.

#### **Emergency Repair Grants**

Services Offered: Grants for repair of imminently hazardous conditions in single family homes. Maximum grant is \$7,500.

Apply Through: Baltimore County Department of Planning, Housing Opportunities Program [410-887-3124]

#### Maryland Housing Rehabilitation Program

Services Offered: Loans for up to 110% of property value for repairs to 1-4 unit dwellings at 0%-6% interest.

**Apply Through:** Baltimore County Housing Opportunities Program, 410-887-3124

#### Settlement Expense Loan Program (SELP)

Services Offered: Loans of up to \$10,000 for closing costs for first-time buyers. Deferred repayment until the transfer of the property, refinance, or non-occupancy by borrower. Loan is forgiven if owner occupies property as principal residence for 15 years. For More Information: contact the Baltimore County Department of Planning, Housing Opportunities Program at 410-887-6055.

#### Single Family Rehab Program

Services Offered: Loans of up to \$25,000 for repairs to owner-occupied properties. Deferred payment loans or at 0%-4.5% low interest loans. Apply Through: Baltimore County Department of Planning Housing Opportunities Program, 410-887-3124.

#### Other Housing Resources/Programs

#### Fair Housing

The purpose of the Fair Housing Laws is to protect a person's right to own, sell, purchase, or rent housing of his or her choice without fear of unlawful discrimination. State and Federal Fair Housing Laws prohibit discrimination in the housing and rental market on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability, or family status. For additional information on Fair Housing, visit www. opportunitycollaborative.org/housing-plan/ and click on "Fair Housing Guide for Rental Homes."

#### • Baltimore County Human Relations Commission

Drumcastle Government Center 6401 York Road, Suite 1013 Baltimore, Maryland 21212 410-887-5917

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/ Agencies/humanrelations

Services Offered: The Baltimore County Human Relations Commission enforces the County's anti-discrimination law, Article 29 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003. The commission is governed by an appointed 15 member board of directors, and an executive director who is appointed by the County Executive to oversee the Office of the

#### • Baltimore Neighborhood, Inc.

2530 N. Charles Street Baltimore, MD 21218

Commission.

410-243-4468, 1-800-487-6007 (Hotline)

www.bni-maryland.org

Services Offered: BNI conducts investigations, responds to complaints, conducts advertising studies and disability surveys, education and outreach, reasonable accommodation and modification assistance, legislative action and the promotion of diverse communities

#### • U.S. Office of Housing and Urban Development

Baltimore Field Office, City Crescent Building 10 South Howard Street, 5th Floor Baltimore, MD 21201-2505

410-962-2520

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/states/maryland/offices

Services Offered: HUD investigates complaints of housing discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or familial status. At no cost to you, HUD will investigate the complaint and try to conciliate the matter with both parties.

#### Lead Safe Baltimore County

Lead is a toxic metal found in sources such as paint used in homes built before 1978, soil, water, old painted furniture and toys. Lead poisoning causes learning disabilities, lowered IQ, hyperactivity, Attention-Deficit Disorder, impaired hearing and brain damage. Lead Safe Baltimore County has been created to remedy homes through a comprehensive plan of testing, risk assessment, remedy and hazard reduction. Grants are available to reduce lead-paint hazards in qualified rental units and owner-occupied properties.

#### Baltimore County Department of Planning Lead Safe Baltimore County

Jefferson Building 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 201 Towson, MD 21204 410-887-3668

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/planning/housingopportunities/leadsafedetail.html

#### Weatherization

The Weatherization Assistance Program helps eligible low income households with the installation of energy conservation materials in their dwelling units. These measures both reduce the consumption of energy and the cost of the maintenance of these homes.

#### Baltimore County Department of Planning / Division of Neighborhood Improvement / Weatherization Assistance Program

Jefferson Building 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 201 Towson, MD 21204 410-887-6055

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/planning/housingopportunities/weatherization.html

• Community Assistance Network 410-285-4674

www.canconnects.org

• Maryland Energy Conservation 1-866-879-2283 www.marylandenergy.net

## Housing Accessibility Modification Program (HAMP)

A program designed to improve the physical access of rental units for people with disabilities.

#### What is HAMP?

The Housing Accessibility Modification Program, offered through the Baltimore County Office of Planning's Commission on Disabilities, provides financial assistance to individuals with disabilities so their rental units can be modified to meet their accessibility needs.

#### Who qualifies for a HAMP grant?

To be eligible, an applicant with an identifiable disability must reside in Baltimore County and have a rental lease agreement for at least one year. The total household income must meet federal guidelines.

#### What modifications are allowed under HAMP?

Most renovations involve the installation of wheelchair ramps/lifts. However, we have made renovations to bathrooms and kitchens to allow for greater ease of use. Each request is reviewed on a case by case basis. Prior to approval, requests are first reviewed by a Commission on Disabilities inspector to determine the scope and viability of the work. (Please note: we do not make accessibility renovations to common areas such as swimming pools, parking lots, etc.)

For information, and to see if you are eligible, contact the Commission on Disabilities at 410-887-3580.





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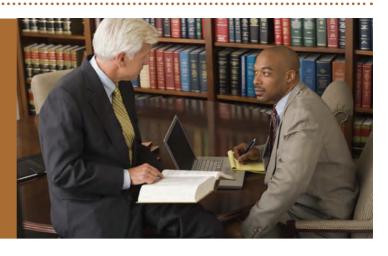




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# Legal Resources



There is a wide range of legal services in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area to assist individuals with disabilities and their families. While we have attempted to list many of the resources in this Guide, it is recommended that those seeking legal assistance make use of the internet for additional resources.

A Word of Advice: when searching for legal assistance, either in this booklet or on the Internet, it is sometimes difficult to get precise answers to your particular needs. If you find that an individual or legal service cannot meet your needs, be sure to ask them for other resources and referrals. It is through this type of networking that you may find the best success in getting answers to your legal questions.

#### Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc.

2530 N. Charles Street Suite 200 Baltimore, MD 21218

410-243-6007 (Tenant/landlord Counseling Hot Line), 410-243-4400 (Fair Housing Information), and 410-243-4468 (Administration)

www.bni-maryland.org

Services Offered: Promotes justice in housing through education, testing, and litigation. The tenant/landlord counseling hotline assists tenants and landlords across the state with information regarding their rights and responsibilities under Maryland law.

#### Conflict Resolution Center of Baltimore County

P.O. Box 34340 Essex, MD 21221 410-780-1206 www.crcbaltimorecounty.org Services Offered: The CRC's mission is to support the resolution of interpersonal and community conflict through the use of Community Mediation, Community Conferencing, and other restorative justice services and education. CRC services are accessible to all persons and organizations in Baltimore County, at convenient times and locations, provided by trained individuals that honor the diversity of the community. The CRC also offers trained IEP facilitators to make that process more effective.

## Domestic Violence Program Family Crisis Center of Baltimore County

Family Crisis Center of Baltimore County, Inc.
P.O. Box 3909, Baltimore, MD 21222
410-285-7496 Emergency Safe Shelter
410-285-4357 Victim Advocacy, Perpetrator
Services, Administrative Offices
410-828-6390 24-Hour Hotline
www.familycrisiscenter.net
Services Offered: Crisis hotline, emergency safe
shelter, transitional shelter, victim advocacy,
lethality assessment program, abuser intervention

#### Federal Public Defender's Office

program.

100 South Charles Street BankAmerica Tower II, Suite 900 Baltimore, MD 21201 410-962-3962 www.md-fd.org

Services Offered: Provides free legal representation to indigent criminal defendants in federal cases when appointed by the Court. Only Federal Public Defender Office in Maryland. (See separate listing for Public Defender's Office for state and local criminal cases.)

#### Homeless Persons

#### Representation Project, Inc.

201 N. Charles Street, Suite 1104 Baltimore, MD 21201

410-685-6589

800-773-4340 (Maryland only)

www.hprplaw.org

Services Offered: The Homeless Persons Representation Project (HPRP), a non-profit organization, provides legal services and systemic advocacy on behalf of people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

#### House of Ruth Domestic Violence Legal Clinic

2201 Argonne Drive

Baltimore, MD 21218

410-889-7884 (24-Hour Hotline), 1-888-880-7884 [Legal Hotline], 410-889-0840 [Administration]

www.hruth.org

Services Offered: Provides legal representation and advice through staff and volunteer lawyers for victims of domestic violence. The agency also provides shelter and individual counseling, group counseling (support groups), and housing and employment advice for battered women. Children's services and community education are also provided. Liaison with the Baltimore City State's Attorney's Domestic Violence Unit in criminal cases of spousal assault to provide support to victims.

#### Baltimore County Human Relations Commission

Drumcastle Government Center 6401 York Road. Suite 1013 Baltimore, Maryland 21212 410-887-5917

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/

Agencies/humanrelations

Services Offered: The Baltimore County Human Relations Commission enforces the County's anti-discrimination law, Article 29 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003. The commission is governed by an appointed 15 member board of directors, and an executive director who is appointed by the County Executive to oversee the Office of the Commission.

#### Kennedy Krieger Institute, Project HEAL

(Health, Education, Advocacy and Law) 716 N. Broadway, Office 106 Baltimore, MD 21205 Director - Office 106: 443-923-4416 Legal Advocate - Office 111: 443-923-9571 www.kennedykrieger.org/community/marylandcenter-developmental-disabilities/project-heal Services Offered: Project HEAL is Maryland's only comprehensive medical-legal partnership. A community-based program of the Maryland Center for Developmental Disabilities (MCDD) at Kennedy Krieger Institute, Project HEAL provides comprehensive advocacy and legal services for children with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. Project HEAL attorneys collaborate with Kennedy Krieger health care professionals and trainees to ensure that patients receive the medical and legal care they need. Representation: special education matters, Supplemental Security Income appeals, and simple family law matters.

- · Limited representation: brief advice, document review, referrals, information, and resources.
- · Case consultations: advice to Kennedy Krieger healthcare professionals, trainees, and educators.
- · Pro bono referrals: Ober Kaler, Ballard Spahr, LLP, and nonprofit legal services organizations.
- · Professional trainings: for healthcare professionals, trainees, and educators.
- · Community trainings: for children, families, service providers, and outside agencies.

#### Lawyer Referral and Information Service

401 Bosley Avenue, Room 100 Towson, MD 21204

410-337-9100

www.bcba.org

Services Offered: Refers clients to attorneys in Baltimore County in most areas of the law. The initial half hour consultation fee is \$35. If the person decides to hire the attorney, then subsequent fees are set by the attorney. Fees may be waived for eligible senior citizens and those who qualify for reduced fees.

#### Legal Aid Bureau, Inc.

29 W. Susquehanna Ave., Suite 305 Towson, MD 21204 410-427-1800 [877]-878-5920 [toll free]

www.mdlab.org

Services Offered: Maryland Legal Aid is a staffed legal services program offering free civil legal services to low income people and the elderly. Legal Aid does not accept fee generating, criminal or traffic cases.

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Case Types: Consumer Rights, Elder Rights, Employment, Family, Farmworkers Rights, Government Benefits, Healthcare, Housing

## Maryland Attorney General's Office—Consumer Protection Division

Maryland Attorney General's Office 200 St. Paul Place Baltimore, MD 21202

410-576-6300, 410-528-8662 (Consumer Hotline) www.oag.state.md.us

General Description: Enforces Maryland's Consumer Protection Act. This law forbids unfair or deceptive trade practices such as false advertising, phony guarantees, defective goods or services. Services Offered: The Consumer Protection Division provides mediation services to consumers to help resolve complaints against businesses and health insurance carriers. The Division can also provide information about complaints that have been filed against businesses, tell you if your new home builder or health club is properly registered and provide publications to help you make good decisions in the marketplace.

#### Maryland Commission on Civil Rights

6 St. Paul Street, Suite 900 Baltimore, MD 21202 410-767-8600, 410-333-1737 (TTY) 1-800-637-6247 (Toll Free) www.mchr.state.md.us

Services Offered: MCCR is charged with enforcement Maryland's anti-discrimination laws in employment, housing, public accommodations, and state contracts; providing educational outreach services related to provisions of this law; and promoting and improving civil rights in Maryland. Whether you believe you are a victim of unlawful discrimination, wish to train your employees/community on civil rights protections in Maryland, or want to work with MCCR to expand and improve civil rights in Maryland, MCCR is here to help.

#### Maryland Disability Law Center

1500 Union Avenue, Suite 2000 Baltimore, MD 21211 410-727-6352 ext. 0 410-235-5387 (TTY) www.mdlclaw.org

Services Offered: Advocates for the interests of persons with disabilities: legal representation and counseling; advocacy; and, information and refer-

ral services for persons with any mental and/or physical disability and their families.

#### Maryland Office of the Public Defender -Towson Office

200 Washington Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 410-324-8900 www.opd.state.md.us

Services Offered: The Office of the Public Defender provides legal representation to indigent defendants in the State of Maryland by safeguarding fundamental individual rights and ensuring access to the guaranteed protections afforded by the United States Constitution, the Bill of Rights, the Maryland Constitution and Declaration of Rights, and the laws of Maryland.

#### Maryland Senior Legal Helpline

410-951-7750 in Baltimore, or 800-896-4213, ext. 7550 in Maryland outside of Baltimore City www.mdjustice.org/files/SeniorHelplineFlyer.pdf Services Offered: The Legal Services for Senior Citizens Program provides free legal assistance, consultation and/or representation to Maryland residents age 60 or over for specific types of cases.

#### State's Attorney's Office - Baltimore County

County Courts Building 401 Bosley Avenue, Room 511 Towson, MD 21204 410-887-6600 www.baltimorecountymd.gov/ agencies/statesattorney/

General Description: Advocates for the victims of crime and the citizens of Maryland. We want to help victims and witnesses navigate the often perplexing criminal justice system.

#### Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

201 North Charles Street, Suite 1400 Baltimore, MD 21201 410-547-6537 (Intake) Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. www.mvlslaw.org

MVLS does not accept walk-ins. All clients must call for service.

Services Offered: MVLS provides free (and in some cases low cost) legal representation to Marylanders with limited income. We also provide free legal help for community-based nonprofits that are working to strengthen low-income communities in Maryland.

# National Association of the Deaf Law and Advocacy Center

8630 Fenton Street, Suite 820 Silver Spring, MD 20910-3819 301-587-1788 or 301-328-1443 (Voice/VP), 301-587-1789 (TTY) www.nad.org

Services Offered: The NAD Law and Advocacy Center educates, advocates, and litigates on behalf of and to empower deaf and hard of hearing people.

#### Public Justice Center, Inc.

1 N. Charles Street, Suite 200
Baltimore, MD 21201
410-625-9409
www.publicjustice.org
Services Offered: The Center is dedicated to protecting the legal rights
of the under-represented. It works
to achieve systemic change—
through litigation, public education and legislation.

#### St. Ambrose Housing Aide Center

321 E. 25th Street Baltimore, MD 21218 410-366-8550, x249 www.stambros.org

Services Offered: Provides legal representation to individuals who have been victimized by unfair and deceptive practices in the purchase or refinance of their home and/or for people who have problems with mortgage lenders, mortgage brokers, or any predatory actors in the real estate market.

#### U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Baltimore Field Office, City Crescent Building 10 S. Howard Street, Third Floor Baltimore, MD 21201 1-800-669-4000, 1-800-669-6820 (TTY) www.eeoc.gov

Services Offered: Enforces federal legislation prohibiting employment discrimination based on race, sex, religion, national origin, color, age, equal pay, or disability.

#### University of Baltimore Clinical Law Offices

1401 N. Charles Street Baltimore, MD 21201 410-837-5709

http://law.ubalt.edu/clinics/

Services Offered: Law students practice under the

supervision of law school faculty and provide legal representation to low-income clients in a variety of civil matters before courts and administrative agencies, including housing and tenant issues, consumer cases, defense of contract claims and disputes concerning entitlement to public benefits.

#### University of Maryland School of Law

Clinical Law Office 500 West Baltimore Street Baltimore, MD 21201 410-706-3295

(Note: this is not a walk-in clinic)

www.law.umaryland.edu/programs/clinic/index.html Services Offered: Law school students under the supervision of experienced lawyers provide legal representation to low-income people on a wide range of legal problems, including juvenile and special education issues, social security benefits, unemployment benefits, housing court cases, environmental issues, criminal cases, intellectual disability issues, and representation of those who are HIV positive.



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410-617-1200 theclinics@loyola.edu

Loyola Clinical Centers

# Mental Health Services

The Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) is an agency within the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (see listing for the Mental Hygiene Administration under 'Maryland Agencies of Importance"). The Behavioral Health Administration will develop an integrated process for planning, policy, and services to ensure a coordinated quality system of care is available to individuals with behavioral health conditions. The Behavioral Health Administration will, through publiclyfunded services and supports, promote recovery, resiliency, health, and wellness for individuals who have emotional, substance use, addictive and/or psychiatric disorders.

BHA has established a 24 hour contact number for inquiries regarding eligibility, benefits, and access to services. That number is 1-800-888-1965.

### Baltimore County Department of Health Bureau of Behavioral Health/Core Service Agency

Drumcastle Center, 3rd Floor 6401 York Road Baltimore MD 21212 410-887-3828

Crisis Response Line: 410-931-2214 www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/health/healthservices/mental/index.html

Services Offered: The Baltimore County Bureau of Behavioral Health is the unit within the Department of Health which, in addition to receiving county funding for its operations, has been designated by the Behavioral Health Administration as a Core Service Agency. In this role, they are responsible for the planning, development, managing, and monitoring of local public mental health services provided by a network of community based agencies. The array of public mental health services available to county residents includes: Adult

Services, Emergency Mental Health Services, Geriatric Services, Outpatient Services, Mental Health Forms, Provider and Consumer Information, Psychiatric Medication Financial Assistance, Residential Rehabilitation Program, Supportive Employment Program, Youth and Family Services.

Crisis Response Services are available through a 24-hour/7 day per week hotline at 410-931-2214. Available services include a police and clinician staffed mobile crisis team, a clinician staffed inhome intervention team, an urgent care clinic, and a critical incident stress debriefing response.

## Affiliated Sante Group—Baltimore County Crisis Response System

410-931-2214 (Hotline), 410-931-2116 (Administrative) www.thesantegroup.org

Services Offered: 24/7 hotline for counseling, information and referral; urgent care clinic in Timonium (by appointment only; evening and weekend hours); mobile crisis team for all of Baltimore County; in-home intervention team for all of Baltimore County; crisis bed referral, and critical incident stress management team.

#### Alliance, Inc.

9201 Philadelphia Road Rosedale, MD 21237 410-282-5900 www.allianceinc.org

Services Offered: Psychiatric rehabilitation, residential rehabilitation program, vocational rehabilitation program, business services, veterans' housing assistance program, targeted case management, assertive community treatment, outpatient mental health clinics, forensic services, launching individual futures together (LIFT).

#### Institute for Family Centered Services

5720 Executive Drive Baltimore, MD 21228 410-455-4600

http://md-mentor.com/welcome.aspx Services Offered: Therapeutic foster care, medically fragile foster care, adoption services, family preservation, transitional services, mental health programs, education programs, wraparound services

**Key Point Health Services— Administrative Office** 135 N. Parke Street Aberdeen, MD 21001 443-625-1600

www.keypoint.org

Services Offered: Community mental health clinics psychiatric rehabilitation program, school based counseling program, community outreach programs, in-home counseling program, residential rehabilitation program

Outpatient Clinic

135 N. Parke Street, Aberdeen, MD 21001

443-625-1600

Outpatient Clinic

500 N. Rolling Road, Catonsville, MD 21228

410-788-0300

Outpatient Clinic

1012 North Point Road, Dundalk, MD 21224

443-216-4800

Outpatient Clinic

1001 Cromwell Bridge Road, Baltimore, MD 21286

410-337-5523

#### Mosaic Community Services, Inc.

Administrative Office:

1925 Greenspring Drive

Timonium, MD 21093 410-453-9553

www.mosaicinc.org

Services Offered: Mosaic offers a range of programs and services to help individuals with mental illness or substance use deal with both long-term, chronic issues as well as crisis situations. Our programs range from behavioral health clinics, adult residential services and vocational programs to physical health care, adult medical day care, in-home services for children and adolescents and much more.

### NCIA, National Center on Institutions and Alternatives

7222 Ambassador Road Baltimore, MD 21244

410-265-1490

www.ncianet.org

Services Offered: NCIA's services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities include residential homes in the community, mental health services and employment training and other related programs for adults and youth. Additionally, NCIA operates a non-public specialized education school accredited by the Maryland State Department of Education for youth in grades 6 through 12.

#### NAMI – National Alliance on Mental Illness

NAMI Metropolitan Baltimore County 5210 York Road Baltimore, MD 21212

140 425 2600

410-435-2600 www.nami.org/MSTemplate.cfm?MicrositeID=82

Services Offered: NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. NAMI advocates for access to services, treatment, supports and research and is steadfast in its commitment to raising awareness and building a community of hope for all of those in need

#### On Our Own of Maryland

7310 Esquire Court, 3rd Floor Mailbox 14 Elkridge, MD 21075 410-540-9020, 1-800-704-0262

www.onourownmd.org

Services Offered: On Our Own of Maryland is a state-wide mental health consumer education and advocacy organization that promotes equality in all aspects of society for people who receive mental health services and develops alternative. recovery-based mental health initiatives. Our purposes are: to support, advise, and provide technical assistance to our affiliated consumer-operated organizations; to foster self-help programs; to promote improvements in and alternatives to the current mental health system; to educate the public regarding the problems and needs of persons involved in the mental health system; and, to educate the public regarding the need for the enforcement or extension of civil and human rights for current and former recipients of mental health services.

#### Prologue, Inc.

3 Milford Mill Road Baltimore, MD 21208 410-653-6190

www.prologueinc.org

Services Offered: Prologue provides a range of programs to those recovering from mental illness, including, but not limited to: psychiatric rehabilitation, health home services, homeless ourtreach, residential rehabilitation, supportive housing, supported employment, and peer support.

# Improving the Lives of All Affected by Autism Baltimore-Chesapeake

# Monthly Support Group Meeting:

First Thursday, 7:00 pm, Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital

#### **Teleconferencing**

available for Support Group: Call 1-877-594-8353. At prompt enter participant code: 94378086#

www. Baltimore Autism Society. org

P.O. Box 10822
Baltimore, MD 21234
410-655-7933
info@baltimoreautismsociety.org

## Sheppard and Enoch Pratt Hospital/Sheppard Pratt Health System

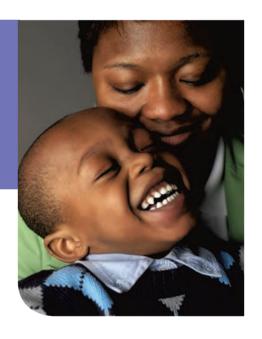
6501 North Charles Street P.O. Box 6815 Baltimore, MD 21285 410-938-3000

www.sheppardpratt.org Services Offered: Sheppard Pratt Hospital and its satellite locations offer a wide range of services for persons of all ages experiencing psychiatric, emotional, addictive, eating, trauma, sexual, neurological (including behavioral manifestations of dementias, strokes, brain injuries) and developmental disorders. Services include inpatient hospitalization, residential treatment center/ respite services, day (partial) hospital programs, outpatient counseling and community mental health centers, special education schools, psychiatric rehabilitation programs, clinical research programs, and ancillary services such as electro convulsive therapy (ECT) and transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS). Crisis Intervention/Evaluation and Urgent Assessment Services are also offered and may be accessed by contacting 410-938-4357 or 5302.

# Unlocking the potential of individuals with developmental disorders and injuries since 1937.

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For more information, call **443-923-9200** or visit **KennedyKrieger.org/go/BCCD**.





# Recreation, Leisure, Camps and Vacation Opportunities



There is an abundance of recreation and leisure activities available for individuals with disabilities in Baltimore County, from baseball, basketball and soccer to Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, private art and music lessons, horseback riding, vacation and travel suggestions, even dating. But, like most resource guides, this one is not comprehensive and there may be some programs in your area of interest that are not listed. If you don't see a program or activity that appeals to you in this resource guide's Leisure and Recreation section—don't give up.

If you aren't able to locate the kind of program you want, consider going to the Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks Office of Therapeutic Recreation Services (410-887-5370). Talk to the staff there about the possibility of starting a new program.

#### Recreation and Leisure

Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks I Office of Therapeutic Recreation Services Farring-Baybrook Recreation Center

4501 Farring Court Brooklyn, MD. 21225 410-396-1550

http://bcrp.baltimorecity.gov/Recreation/ TherapeuticRecreation.aspx

Services Offered: The Baltimore City Recreation and Parks offers a year round program at the Farring-Baybrook Recreation Center for adults, including Bocce, wheelchair basketball, ceramics class, jazzercise, a monthly dance, etc. The program is open to Baltimore County residents.

Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks I Office of Therapeutic Recreation Services 1801 Glen Keith Blvd Parkville, MD 21234 (Physical address) 9831 Van Buren Lane
Cockeysville, MD 21030
[Mailing address]
410-887-5370, 410-887-5319 [TTY]
www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/
recreation/programdivision/therapeutic/index.html
Services Offered: The Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks and the local recreation and parks councils offer a variety of recreational opportunities and services for individuals with disabilities county-wide.

Baltimore Adaptive Recreation and Sports—BARS

P.O. Box 878 Sparks, MD 21152 478-BARS FUN (227-7386) www.BARSinfo.org

Services Offered: BARS offers year-round recreational opportunities to individuals with disabilities of all ages. Hosts annual snow skiing clinic at a nearby ski resort, in addition to water skiing, canoeing, cycling, kayaking, camping, wheelchair tennis and more.

Boy Scouts of America

See listing under "Day Camps"

Caring Communities, Inc. See listing under "Additional Resources"

Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating (CRAB)

177 Defense Highway, Suite 9 Annapolis, MD 21401 410-266-5722

www.crabsailing.org

Services Offered: Chesapeake Regional Accessible Boating (CRAB) is a non-profit organization continues on next page

dedicated to making the thrill of sailing a reality for physically and/or developmentally-challenged individuals and for those individuals whose financial circumstances preclude their participation in recreation on the waters of Chesapeake Bay. Operations are conducted from Sandy Point State Park - located on the Chesapeake Bay approximately seven miles from Annapolis - under contract with the State of Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

#### DateAble

15520 Bald Eagle School Road Brandywine, MD 20613 301-657-DATE (3283), 301-888-1177 www.dateable.org

Services Offered: DateAble, Inc. is a non-profit organization founded to combat the social isolation experienced by people with disabilities. It is a unique non-profit social organization for people with and without disabilities who seek new friends and relationships. DateAble also provides assistance with enhancing members' social skills and developing life goals via telephone on an appointment basis. It is involved with several advocacy issues, groups, and events. Also, DateAble publishes a quarterly newsletter that features informative articles and a calendar of events for DateAble members in the Washington, DC area.

#### Downtown Sailing Center

1425 Key Highway, Suite 110 Baltimore, MD 21230 410-727-0722

www.downtownsailing.org

Services Offered: The Downtown Sailing Center is a volunteer-driven organization that instills confidence, teamwork and a sense of community through educational and recreational sailing programs. We are committed to providing access to these life enriching programs to everyone in the greater Baltimore area, especially youth and those with disabilities or limited opportunity.

#### Girl Scouts of Central Maryland, Inc.

4806 Seton Drive Baltimore, MD 21215 410-358-9711 www.gscm.org

Ages: 5-17

**Disabilities Accepted:** All girls are invited to participate in girl scouting. We strive to provide

accommodations for all interested girls.

Services Offered: Girl Scouts of Central Maryland offers a variety of activities for girls in grades K-12. Girls are invited to participate in all activities and events regardless of skill or ability. Our new pathways provide opportunities for girls to participate in events of their choice or in on-going troop activities. Day and resident camps are available throughout the summer. Please visit our website for a full listing of programs and events or contact the Girl Scouts of Central Maryland membership office (410-358-9711) for specific questions or more information.

#### League of Dreams— Baseball and Softball

1901 Clifton Road Baltimore, MD 21228 410-719-1641

www.leagueofdreams.org

Services Offered: The League of Dreams provides all individuals, regardless of their physical or mental capacities, the opportunity to experience the joy, challenges, and personal growth through playing the all-American game of Baseball and Softball.

#### The League for People with Disabilities, Inc.

Also see listing under "Agencies Providing Services to Persons with Developmental Disabilities".

- Wellness Center and Therapeutic Pool Contact: 410-323-0500, ext. 318
- Assisted Travel national trips offering personal attendant care for those requiring it. Contact: Vice President, Camping & Therapeutic Services 410-323-0500, ext. 366. www.leagueforpeople.org

#### Maryland Council for Special Equestrians

2501 Frederick Road Catonsville, MD 21228 410-418-4300

Services Offered: Therapeutic horseback riding for individuals with disabilities. Please call the office for information regarding specific program descriptions and individual qualifications.

#### Maryland Ravens, Inc.

1413 Glendale Road Baltimore, MD 21239 855-379-9538

www.marylandravens.org

Services Offered: Wheelchair basketball, softball and other recreational opportunities for children and adults with physical challenges. Also provides disability awareness in schools. The goal of the

Maryland Ravens is to promote abilities utilizing physically challenged participants through athletics, lectures, and community service.

#### Muscular Dystrophy Association

See listing under "Advocacy Agencies."

#### Rebounders Gymnastics: "I CAN DO IT TOO"

7-A West Aylesbury Road Timonium, MD 21093 410-252-3374 ext. 112

www.rebounders.com/special-needs

Services Offered: A sensory/motor/gymnastics program for children of all ages with any minimal to severe physical, mental, emotional, social, language, and/or sensory challenges.

#### Special Olympics Maryland - Baltimore County

3701 Commerce Drive, Suite 103 Baltimore, Maryland 21227 410-242-1515, 1-800-541-7544 (Toll Free In Maryland Only) www.somd.org, or www.somdba.org

(link to Baltimore County)

Services Offered: Year-round sports organization including 24 sports ranging from aquatics and alpine skiing to soccer and sailing. Programs also include unified sports which combine approximately equal numbers of Special Olympics athletes and athletes without disabilities (partners) on sports teams for training and competition. Check the website for the annual calendar.

#### TALMAR Gardens and Therapeutic Center

1994 Cromwell Bridge Road Baltimore, MD 21234 410-825-2020 www.talmar.org

Services Offered: TALMAR Gardens and Horticultural Center provides vocational and horticultural therapy programming to youth and adults in collaboration with Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks, Office of Therapeutic Recreation Services. A greenhouse and cutting gardens provide an environment that enhances self-esteem and allows for the development of practical and marketable work skills.

#### Day Camps

Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks

Ages: 6-21

Disabilities Accepted: Disabilities vary with camp selection

Location: Varies

Description: The Baltimore County Recreation and Parks operates 11 summer day camps in cooperation with local community recreation councils, for young people with disabilities throughout the county. Swimming, nature, crafts, sports, games, guest entertainers and field trips are part of the fun. Contact: Office of Therapeutic Services 410-887-5370

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/agencies/recreation

#### Boy Scouts of America

Ages: 7-21

Disabilities Accepted: Developmental, Emotional, Physical, Hearing Impaired, Visually Impaired and Intellectual Disability

Location: Various locations in Baltimore Area (Baltimore City and County, Anne Arundel, Howard, Harford and Carroll Counties) Description: Seven different day camps emphasizing scouting activities. Boys must be registered with Boy Scouts of America prior to attending camps. Contact: Boy Scouts of America, 701 Wyman Park Drive, Baltimore, MD 21211, 443-573-2500 www.baltimorebsa.org/OpenRosters/View OrgPageLink.aspx?LinkKey=38866&orgkey=749

#### J.C.C. Special Needs Summer Camps

Ages: 5-24

Disabilities Accepted: Learning, speech language, hearing impaired, vision impaired, ADHD, developmentally delayed, autistic campers, social, emotional

Office Location: 5700 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215

Camp Location: 3506 Gwynnbrook Avenue,

Owings Mills, MD 21117

Description: The Jewish Community Center offers a variety of camping experiences designed to nurture and challenge the camper. 410-559-3576 for information

www.jcc.org/camps/special-needs-summer-camps

#### **CAMP JEMICY**

Ages: 6-12 Co-ed

Disabilities Accepted: Dyslexia and other related language based learning differences Location: 11 Celadon Road, Owings Mills, MD 21117 Description: Camp Jemicy provides daily, individualcontinues on next page ized, structured, multisensory instruction and tutoring tailored to each child's needs. At the same time, the program helps to build self-esteem and promote individual growth through exciting and enjoyable social and activity based camping experiences.

Contact: Jemicy School

410-753 8032

www.jemicyschool.org/programs/camp

#### The Mary Salkever Inclusive Summer Day Camp

Ages: 7-15

Disabilities Accepted: Persons with or without

disabilities

Location: 2301 Argonne Drive, Baltimore, MD 21218 Description: Learn to use computers, adaptive technology, scanners, digital cameras and creative drawing software. Visit nearby art centers, museums, and galleries.

410-554-9134

www.v-linc.org/services/computer-arts-summercamp

#### Camp Variety

Ages: 5 thru 21

Disabilities Accepted: Children who are physically, mentally, and/or emotionally challenged.
Location: Farring-Baybrook Recreation Center, 4501 Farring Court, Baltimore, MD 21225
Transportation: Program includes door-to-door transportation for Baltimore City residents.
Description: The camp is a day camp for physically, mentally, and emotionally challenged children sponsored by the Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks. 410-396-1550 http://bcrp.baltimorecity.gov/Recreation/
TherapeuticRecreation/CampVariety.aspx

#### Residential Camps

#### Camp Fairlee Manor (Easter Seals)

Ages: 6 through adulthood - depending on the week Disabilities Accepted: Open to all types of disabilities. Unable to serve individuals who have aggressive and abusive behavior.

Location: Eastern Shore, 22242 Bay Shore Road, Chestertown, MD 21620

Description: Programs include adaptive swimming, sports & recreation, canoeing, gardening, and other activities.410-778-0566 or 302-324-4444 www.easterseals.com/de/our-programs/camping-recreation

#### Camp G.L.O.W. (God Loves Our World)

Archdiocese of Baltimore

Ages: 18 and up

Disabilities Accepted: Developmental and/or

physical disabilities

Location: Monsignor O' Dwyer Retreat Center in Sparks, MD

**Description:** Activities include swimming, nature hikes, sports, dancing, and arts and crafts.

410-547-5410

www.archbalt.org/evangelization/ disabilities-ministry/camp-glow

#### Camp Greentop

Catoctin Mountain National Park 15001 Park Central Sabillasville, MD 21780 410-323-0500 ext. 366

www.campgreentop.org

Ages: 8 and up

Disabilities Accepted: Physical and multiple disabilities, intellectual and learning disabilities, autism spectrum

Description: Camp Greentop is operated by The League for People with Disabilities, Inc. Camp Greentop's rustic setting lets campers experience all the thrills of camping with modern accessible accommodations. Open since 1937.

Contact: Vice President, Camping and Therapeutic Recreation, The League for People with Disabilities, 1111 East Cold Spring Lane, Baltimore, MD 21239

#### Melwood Recreation Center / Camp Accomplish

9035 Ironsides Rd.

Nanjemoy, MD 20662

**Ages**: 5 -18

Disabilities Accepted: All

Description: Day, overnight, teen, and equestrian camps in an inclusive setting (campers with and without special needs). Free day camp transportation from five locations! Year round equestrian program for youth and adult.

Contact: 301-870-3226, recreation@melwood.org www.melwoodrecreation.org/camp

#### Vacation Opportunities

#### Melwood Recreation Center I Access Adventures

Ages: 18+

Disabilities Accepted: All

Location: 9035 Ironsides Road

Nanjemoy, MD 20662

Description: Assisted travel for adults with special

needs. Weekend and week-long retreats at the recreation center, as well as travel to beaches. cities, cruises and theme parks. Custom trips available for parties of 6 or more.

Contact: 301-870-3226, recreation@melwood.org www.melwoodrecreation.org

#### Milton Lodge Vacation Program-CHI, Inc.

Ages: 18 and older

Disabilities Accepted: Intellectual Disability, Autism, and physical disabilities of all kinds. Membership Fee: To become a member of CHI requires a minimum donation of \$25, however, this is not required for the vacation program.

Location: Milton, Delaware

Description: Wide variety of vacation opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities. Vacations are from one week, minimum. Contact: CHI Centers, 10501 New Hampshire Ave. Silver Spring, MD 20903 301-439-4330

www.chicenters.org/recreation.html



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Dundalk 443-216-4800

1012 N. Point Rd., Baltimore, MD 21224

www.KeyPoint.org

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# Respite Care Services



#### The Arc Baltimore Respite Program

7215 York Road
Baltimore, MD 21215
410-296-2272 (ask for Outreach and Family Services)
Services Offered: Funding to families caring for children and adults with developmental disabilities. Eligibility determined by disability and income.

Baltimore County Health Department

6401 York Road. 3rd Floor

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### A Resource for Parents of Children with Disabilities

A range of 85 nonpublic stateapproved special education schools offering specialized services and hands-on support to students with disabilities. These schools, located across the state, provide high-quality services customized to meet each student's needs. Students are referred by Local School Systems, which results in no cost for parents.

For more information and a listing of our member schools, contact

The Maryland Association of Nonpublic Special Education Facilities (MANSEF) www.mansef.org P.O. Box 6815 Baltimore, MD 21285 410-938-4413



Services Offered: Limited case management and support in locating resources. A limited amount of funds are available for respite care and community activities for children with disabilities whose families meet financial criteria. Please call for additional information

#### Developmental Disabilities Administration

Central Maryland Regional Office 1401 Severn Street, Suite 200 Baltimore, MD 21230 410-234-8200, 1-877-874-2494

Services Offered: Access funds may be available to provide low intensity support services, such as respite care, for children and adults with developmental disabilities. This may be in addition to other services. [Please see the chapter on DDA to learn how to apply for services, and all of the services available.]

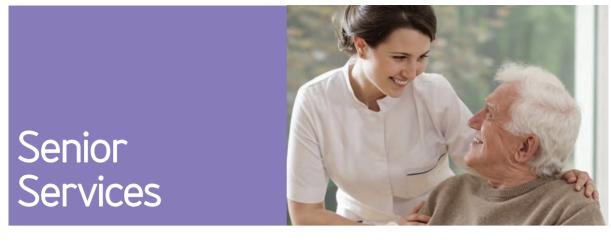
#### Maggie's Light Foundation

P.O. Box 6 Phoenix, MD 21131 410-785-1425 www.maggieslight.org

Services Offered: Maggie's Light is a non-profit organization assisting Maryland families help their children & young adults with special needs create lives they love — lives filled with friends, new experiences, and opportunities to grow and to be active in their communities. Maggie's Light assists families in navigating local and state resources to make this possible. We help families obtain funding for respite services and identify caregivers.



**54** Baltimore County Commission on Disabilities



#### Baltimore County Department of Aging

611 Central Avenue Towson, MD 21204

410-887-2594 Maryland Access Point of Baltimore County

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/aging Services Offered: The Baltimore County Department of Aging (BCDA) develops and administers programs and activities that support Baltimore County senior citizens and people with disabilities in their efforts to remain healthy, active and independent members of the community. BCDA provide, coordinates and advocates for services which ensure the highest quality of life for active and health-impaired seniors, people with disabilities, their families and caregivers.

- BCDA operates 20 senior centers throughout the County that serve as community focal points for programs, activities and services for county residents age 60 and older.
- BCDA houses Maryland Access Point of Baltimore County (MAP), which serves seniors and people with disabilities with information, referrals and options counseling. MAP is the point of entry for obtaining information about services and benefits available to seniors, adults with disabilities, their families, caregivers and professionals. The MAP phone line, 410-887-2594, is answered by a team of Certified Information and Assistance Specialists (CIRS) Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Visit the Maryland Access Point online at: www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/aging/helpfulnumbers/mapbaltco.html

### Baltimore County Department of Aging resource materials include:

- "Community Resources Guide" A directory listing a range of services and resources from adult day care to vision services for seniors and people with disabilities.
- "The Caregiver Connection" Quarterly newsletter for family caregivers of older adults.
- A list of nursing homes to assist in the location of skilled-care facilities throughout Baltimore County, grouped by geographic area.
- CountyRide brochure and application CountyRide is a specialized transportation program providing service to Baltimore County residents 60 years of age and over, disabled residents aged 21 through 59 and those living in the rural area. Destinations include medical appointments, shopping and other general purpose trips.
- A list of housing options offering a variety of housing choices. The most appropriate option will depend on an individual's finances, lifestyle and health.
- "Senior Digest" The award winning, larger-print newspaper mailed to thousands of subscribers that highlights information that affects the lives of senior adults.

For information about any of the programs, publications or services provided by the Baltimore County Department on Aging, contact Maryland Access Point by emailing aginginfo@baltimore-countymd.gov and by calling 410-887-2594 [Maryland Relay 711].





Below is a listing of support groups in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area. If you do not find a group here the meets your needs, *check the listings under "Advocacy Agencies."* 

#### The IMAGE Center

See listing under "Additional Resources."

#### R. Adams Crowley Shock Trauma Center

22 S. Green Street Baltimore, MD 21201 410-328-5545, 410-328-1375

www.traumasurvivorsnetwork.org/trauma\_centers/9

Support Groups: The R. Adams Crowley Shock Trauma Center sponsors a number of support groups both its

22 S. Green Street location, as well as at the University of Maryland Rehabilitation and Orthopaedic Institute, located at 2200 Kernan Drive, Baltimore, MD 21207. Please call the numbers listed above for information about the groups and their locations.

#### • Trauma Survivors Network Support Group 2nd Wednesday of Each Month 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

This is a general survivor and family member support group for all those who have experienced a traumatic injury. Please come and share your stories, thoughts, concerns, and hopes for the future with others facing similar challenges while moving forward in the recovery process. For specific location information, please contact us.

#### • Family & Friends of Trauma Patients: Information Class

Every Monday • 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. These are weekly meetings offered to family and friends of patients in the trauma center. The goal of these meetings are to answer questions and give support to those who care for and about the patient during hospitalization. Learn more

#### Brain Injury Support Group

1st Monday of Each Month 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

For more information, please call 410-448-6303.

#### Spinal Cord Injury Support Group

2nd Tuesday of Each Month

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

For more information, please call 410-448-6307 or 410-448-6311.

#### Amputee Support Group

3rd Wednesday of Each Month 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

For more information, please call 410-448-6706.

#### Caregivers Support Group

4th Tuesday of Each Month

6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

For more information, please call 410-448-6311.

#### W.E.A.N. – Women Embracing Abilities Now

C/O The League for People with Disabilities 1111 East Cold Spring Lane Baltimore, MD 21239-3998 410-433-0614, 410-294-6930 www.wean1.org

Services Offered: W.E.A.N. seeks to empower and enable women with dis-ABILITIES to become more productive by creating one-on-one mentoring relationships between women with "new" dis-ABILITIES and women who have been living successfully with their disABILITIES. Visit the W.E.A.N. web site or call to get a listing of community events.

# Transportation Resources

The Baltimore Metropolitan Area has a wide array of public and private transportation agencies and businesses that serve individuals with disabilities. This information is available online in the "Out and About Travel Guide," which is published by the Baltimore Metropolitan Council as a public service. For a copy of the "Out and About Travel Guide," the reader is directed to do a Google search for "Out and About Travel Guide — Baltimore Metropolitan Council," or go directly to www.baltometro.org/OutAbout/OutAbout2OO6.pdf.

#### CountyRide

Baltimore County
Department of Aging
611 Central Avenue
Towson, MD 21204
410-887-2080
www.baltimorecountymd.gov/
Agencies/aging/countyride

Services Offered: CountyRide provides specialized transportation services to Baltimore County residents 60 years of age or older, persons with disabilities ages 18 to 59, and rural residents of all ages. Destinations include medical appointments, shopping and other general purpose trips.

CountyRide's buses have easy, low-step entrances, and all can accommodate wheelchairs. Escorts may accompany riders needing special assistance at no additional cost. Each CountyRide driver has a commercial driver's license with a passenger endorsement indicating that he or she has passed special written and road tests. All receive ongoing monitoring, training and biannual certification in CPR and first aid. Drivers wear uniforms and vehicles are clearly marked for easy identification.

Days/Hours Of Service: By Reservation - Weekdays (8 a.m. – 4 p.m.), Weekday paratransit transportation provided (7 a.m. – 5 p.m.), Weekdays, Saturday, Sunday (Taxicab service – 24 hour)

Trip Purposes Served: Unrestricted trip purpose, priority for medical trips.

Please call the CountyRide Office or visit their website for additional information about fares, schedules, etc.

#### Maryland Transit Administration – Mobility

Mobility Certification Office 4201 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, MD 21215 Mobility Paratransit Certification Office:

410-764-8181 www.mta.maryland.gov/mobility

Services Offered: Mobility/Paratransit is a specialized, door-to-door service for people with disabilities who are unable to ride or navigate fixed-route public transportation, including lift-equipped buses. Mobility/Paratransit service is provided within three-quarters (3/4) of a mile of any fixedroute service in Baltimore City and Baltimore & Anne Arundel counties. The term "fixed-route" refers to Local Bus, Light Rail or Metro Subway routes operated by the MTA. Mobility service is not offered within three-quarters (3/4) of a mile of Commuter Bus or MARC Train routes. Fare: The one-way cash fare on Mobility service is \$1.85. For your convenience, pre-paid books of 20 Mobility tickets are sold for \$37 at the MTA Transit Store located in the lobby of 6 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, MD, 21202. The tickets have no expiration date. Days/Hours Of Service: Mobility/Paratransit service is provided during the hours and days of the week MTA fixed-route service (Local Bus, Metro Subway, Light Rail) operates. If you have questions about the service hours of specific routes, please consult the MTA website or call 410-764-8181. Trip Purposes Served: Unrestricted trip purposes Please call the Mobility Paratransit Office at 410-764-8181 or visit their web site for additional information about fares, schedules, etc.

# Additional Resources



#### 211 Maryland

2-1-1 Maryland 100 S. Charles, #500 Baltimore, MD 21203 211, 1-800-492-0618 www.211md.org

Services Offered: 2-1-1 Maryland provides a link to community health and human service resources statewide 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in over 180 languages on such topics as childcare; eviction prevention; food pantries; job training; low cost health care; mortgage assistance; prescription assistance; rental assistance; senior citizens; utility assistance.

#### ADA Coordinator for Baltimore County

Office of the ADA Coordinator 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Room 105 Towson, Maryland 21204 410-887-3353

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/ada Services Offered: The Office of the ADA Coordinator assists County citizens in gaining greater access to County programs, services and activities. The Office also assists County employees, departments, divisions, and/or offices in ensuring that their programs, services and activities are accessible to citizens with disabilities.

# Assistive Technology Loan Program (ATLP) and Technology Assistance Program (MDTAP)

Maryland Department of Disabilities
Maryland Technology Assistance Program – MDTAP
2301 Argonne Drive Room T 17
Baltimore, Maryland 21218
1-800 832 4827 Toll Free
1-866-881-7488 (TTY-Toll Free)
www.mdtap.org
Services Offered: The Maryland Technology As-

sistance Program (MDTAP) is a program run by the Maryland Department of Disabilities. Our mission is to enhance the lives of all Marylanders with disabilities, older Marylanders, and their families by helping support access to assistive technology (AT) devices and services.

#### Baltimore County Public Library

Administrative Offices
320 York Road
Towson, MD 21204
410-887-6100 (Voice), 711 Maryland Relay
www.bcpl.info/services-policies/
library-services#assistive- technology
Services Offered: The Baltimore County Public
Library catalog is available in a large text version.
This includes information accessed through the
Catalog and My Account button on the library's
home page.

Large Type titles and audio books, books on CD, Playaways, downloadable audio books and Read Alongs are available at all Baltimore County Public Library branches. There is also a small collection of Braille board and picture books. To find Braille books in the BCPL catalog, type Braille Books in the catalog search box.

Assistive or adaptive technology equipment is available on a first-come first-served basis at the Towson Branch. Customers should have basic keyboard skills and familiarity with the available software. Advanced training in use of this equipment is not provided. Ask at the Information Desk to use this equipment, which includes:

- Optelec, a text/image enlargement system
- JAWS (Job Access With Speech) that speaks and reads word processed documents, websites, databases, email messages, etc.
- · ZoomText to enlarge text

• OPENBook scans a printed documents or graphic based text into an electronic text format using accurate optical character recognition and quality speech

Each branch has a magnifying glass at the Information Desk for customer use.

Deaf or hearing or speech impaired customers and TTY users can reach Baltimore County Public Library branches and the Administrative Offices through Maryland Relay.

InfoEyes is a question and answer service for people with a visual impairment or other print limitation. Librarians from the Maryland State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped and Maryland AskUsNow and across the country provide the service. You can use it from a Baltimore County Public Library branch or from home, school or work. You can schedule an appointment to talk live with a librarian on the Internet or you can email a question to a librarian. Service is available during normal business hours, Monday through Saturday, except holidays.

The meeting rooms at the Catonsville, North Point, Randallstown, Towson and White Marsh Branches are equipped with Phonic Ear VocaLight, an infrared transmitter-receiver sound field amplification system.

Appropriate accommodations for individuals with disabilities planning on attending or who are an integral part of a branch program will be provided upon request. Please notify the branch holding the event eight to ten working days prior to the event.

#### Caring Communities, Inc.

1341 W. Liberty Road Sykesville, MD 21784

410-549-5490 (Office), 1-866-CARING-4 (Toll Free) www.caringcommunities.org

Services Offered: The Mission of Caring Communities, Inc. is to offer disability-related training, education, publications, and events for the benefit of children and adults with disabilities, their families and caregivers, as well as healthcare and education professionals.

#### Curb Cuts/Curb Ramps

When Baltimore County repairs or reworks a public sidewalk or designs a streetscape, curb cuts and curb ramps are added as a matter of course. Citizens with special needs should contact the Department of Public Works at 410-887-3554.

#### Fidos for Freedom, Inc.

1200 Sandy Spring Road Laurel, MD 20707 410-880-4178

www.fidosforfreedom.org

Services Offered: The Mission of Fidos for Freedom is to enhance the quality of life for people in the Washington-Baltimore Metropolitan community by providing specially trained hearing dogs, service dogs, and therapy dogs. Fidos also educates the public about individuals with disabilities and about the benefits of assistance dogs and therapy dogs and the work that these specially trained dogs do for individuals with disabilities, children with reading difficulties, and patients in health care facilities.

### Housing Rehabilitation Programs in Baltimore County

Department of Planning Housing Opportunities Program Jefferson Building 105 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 201 Towson, MD 21204 410-887-3124

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/ Agencies/community/housing.html Services Offered: The Office of Planning, Division of Housing and Community Development offers a variety of programs to assist low- and moderateincome individuals to purchase, rehabilitate, and repair their homes. Contact the Office for a brochure and full details on their programs and services.

# The IMAGE Center – Independent Marylanders Achieving Growth through Empowerment

300 East Joppa Road, Suite 312 Towson, MD 21286

410-982-6311

www.imagemd.org

Services Offered: Peer Mentoring (individuals with disabilities share their experiences with those managing the effects of disability in their lives); Independent Living Skills Training (programs are designed to teach individuals with disabilities the skills necessary for acquiring, maintaining, or increasing their independence); Information and Referral (center staff members identify resources, services, and service providers in public, private, and community organizations that can assist

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individuals with their independent living goals); Individual Advocacy (staff members train and assist individuals with disabilities in understanding and exercising their civil rights regarding government and other service providers); High School Transition Program (staff identify transition resources and match individuals with appropriate services and service providers based on goals set by the student); and, Youth Transition Program (Helping High School and College students set goals and learn to live independently in the community).

#### Jill Fox Memorial Fund, Inc.

101 W. Mt. Royal Avenue Baltimore, MD 21201 410-369-9322 www.jillfoxfund.org

Services Offered: The Jill Fox Memorial Fund accepts applications from degreed social workers or healthcare professionals only [RN, Occupational, Speech or Physical Therapist, Physician, Case Manager, etc.] who advocate on behalf of their clients. The Jill Fox Memorial Fund provides grants to help cover unmet medical and healthcare needs not paid for by medical insurance, government agencies, health associations, community organizations, public or personal resources. [Please note: Individuals may not submit applications on their own behalf.]

#### Maryland Caregivers Support Coordinating Council

Department of Human Resources Social Services Administration 311 W. Saratoga Street Baltimore, MD 21201 410-767-7323

www.dhr.state.md.us/blog/?page\_id=4563 Services Offered: The purpose of the Council is to coordinate Statewide planning, development, and implementation of family caregiver support.

#### Maryland Community Services Locator (MDCSL)

The University of Maryland, College Park invites you to find approximately 9,000 health, social service and criminal justice resource programs in Maryland using this tool. The Maryland Community Services Locator can provide you with service information, maps, and driving directions to programs! Go to the MD Justice web site at http://www.mdjustice.org/node/1534 and click on the website at the end of the first paragraph, or go directly to www.mdcsl.org/advantagecallback. asp?template=map\_search

#### Maryland Disabilities Forum

10270 Old Columbia Rd., Suite 100 Columbia, MD 21046 443-539-0178

www.mddforum.org

Services Offered: Maryland Disabilities Forum is a non-profit cross-disability organization led by people with disabilities that produces statewide systems change in order to achieve community inclusion, civil rights, and equal opportunity. The Maryland Disabilities Forum achieves this through education, leadership development and facilitating consensus within the disability community, while respecting its diversity.

#### Maryland Relay

Relay Service – 711 410-767-6960 (Voice/TTY) 443-453-5970 (TAM – Video Phone) www.mdrelay.org

Services Offered: With Maryland Relay, people who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Deaf/Blind or Speech Disabled can easily communicate through TTY (text telephone) with anyone using a standard phone. Simply call 711. This is a free service.

#### Meals On Wheels of Central Maryland, Inc.

515 South Haven Street Baltimore, MD 21224 410-558-0827

www.mealsonwheelsmd.org

Services Offered: Provides nutritious meals to people who are homebound due to age or disability. Some programs serve meals at congregate locations like senior centers, some programs deliver meals directly to the homes of individuals whose mobility is limited, and many programs provide both services.

#### Parking for Individuals with Disabilities

Motor Vehicle Administration 6601 Ritchie Highway NE Glen Burnie, MD 21062 410/768-7000 (Customer Service Center) 1-800-950-1682 (Voice) 1-800-492-4575 (TTY) www.mva.maryland.gov/About-MVA/DISABILITIES/default.htm

The MVA is responsible for taking applications for individuals who wish to have handicapped parking signs installed. The numbers listed above can also be used for handicapped tags, renewals, etc.

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3501 Taylor Avenue Baltimore, MD 21236 410-779-4969

www.radioreadingnetwork.org/welcome.html Services Offered: The Radio Reading Network provides radio access to current newspapers and magazines for persons who are visually or physically impaired to the degree that they are unable to read for themselves. Listeners do not have to be legally blind to receive programming. Contact the Radio Reading Network for a listener application.

#### Rare and Expensive Case Management Program (REM)

The REM Program

Department of Health & Mental Hygiene 201 West Preston Street, Room 210 Baltimore, MD 21201 1-800-565-8190 https://mmcp.dhmh.maryland.gov/longtermcare/ SitePages/REM%2OProgram.aspx What is REM? The Rare and Expensive Case Management (REM) Program is a case managed fee for service alternative to HealthChoice Managed Care



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Services Offered: REM enrollees have access to state wide case management services, including, but not limited to: assessment of recipient needs; patient education; family support services; development of treatment plan; coordination of provider services; and, follow-up of recipient's progress.

#### Sign Language Interpreter Services

The Hearing and Speech Agency Centralized Interpreter Referral Service 5900 Metro Drive Baltimore, MD 21215 410-318-6780 (ask for CIRS Services) www.hasa.org/interpreting

#### Mid-Atlantic Interpreting Group

2825 Westchester Avenue Ellicott City, MD 21043 410/750-0297 (Voice) 443-471-8416 (TTY/VP) 443-985-6373 (24 Hours) www.interpretmaig.com

#### V-LINC

2301 Argonne Drive Baltimore, MD 21218 410-554-9134 www.v-linc.org

Services Offered: V-LINC provides technological solutions to improve the independence and quality of life for individuals of all ages with disabilities in Maryland. We do this by helping people learn about and use existing assistive technology devices and software for computer access and by creating one-of-a-kind, customized assistive technology. We aim to help people with disabilities meet their educational, vocational, and independent-living goals.



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