



Community Agency Resource Local Nonprofit Agencies

Ability

Ability First, The Center for Independent Living of North Florida, Inc.

www.ability1st.info/

The range of services offered through Ability1st's Accessibility program provides critical resources for low-income individuals with physical disabilities to remain in the community and live as independently as possible. These services include the construction of wheelchair ramps, loans of durable medical equipment, and provision of disposable medical supplies.

Advocacy Center for Persons with Disabilities

http://www.flspedlaw.com/Advocacy_Cntr.ht

Protection and Advocacy program for Florida. Headquartered in Tallahassee, the Advocacy Center also has offices in Tampa and Fort Lauderdale.

Association for Retarded Citizens of North Florida

<http://arcflorida.org/>

Working with local, state, and national partners, The Arc of Florida advocates for local chapters, public policies, and high quality supports for people with developmental and other disabilities to be fully included in all aspects of their community

Disability Rights Florida

www.disabilityrightsflorida.org

The Center's mission is to advance the dignity, equality, and self-determination and expressed choices of individuals with disabilities. We promote, expand, protect and seek to assure the human and legal rights of disabled persons through the provision of information and advocacy. This is accomplished through 5 federally funded programs and information/referral services.

Dyslexia Research Institute

www.dyslexia-add.org

Dyslexia Research Institute is involved with "ADD" and dyslexic children and adults through educational and support programs. When addressed appropriately, these learning differences can become assets not deficits to the individual and society.

Epilepsy Association Of The Big Bend

www.epilepsyassoc.org

The Epilepsy Association provides services to those with epilepsy, as well as distributing information to the general public concerning epilepsy.

FAMU - Learning Development and Evaluation Center

www.famu.edu/index.cfm?cedar

The LDEC is a special center for college students with a wide array of learning disabilities. The center provides services, programs, and technology to approximately 300 students.

Florida Disabled Outdoors Association, Inc.

www.fdoa.org

The goal of the program is to improve the quality of lives for people with disabilities through active leisure.

Gretchen Everhart School

www2.everhart.leon.k12.fl.us

Gretchen Everhart School was established in 1972. It is a fully inclusive pre-K and K-12 school for students with moderate, severe and profound exceptionalities.

Leon Advocacy and Resource Center

www.leonarc.com

Our Purpose is to end the segregation and de-valuing of persons with developmental and other disabilities by promoting supports and services that provide access to all of community life.

Lighthouse of the Big Bend- Vision Loss

www.lighthousebigbend.org

To provide services and technology to enable independent living for the blind citizens of Leon County and the Big Bend area.

Muscular Dystrophy Association

www.mdausa.org/office/tallahassee

MDA provides diagnosis and medical management for persons with neuro-muscular disorder, orthopedic equipment, wheelchairs, physical and occupational therapy, plus information and referral regarding neuro-muscular disorders, support groups and recreational opportunities.

Progressive Pediatric Development Center

www.progressivepediatric.org

Progressive Pediatric Developmental Center (PPDC) is a non-profit organization that was founded on the premise that children need one main location that encompasses progressive education, quality therapies and interventions, and mental health services. The ultimate goal of PPDC is to provide services that cover all aspects of development and support needed by children with disabilities and their families. Volunteer/shadowing opportunities include: day-to-day operations, facility assistants, help with newsletters, marketing and PR, assisting therapists, and help with Spring Cleaning event, Summer Escape, Afterschool, Creation Station Night and our Teen Game/Movie Nights.

Pyramid, Inc.

www.pyramidinc.org

Pyramid is best known for its unique arts program, which offers a full range of visual and performing arts, catering to each student's level of ability and interest.

Special Olympics Leon County

www.specialolympicsleon.org/

To provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

Student Disability Resource Center

www.disabilitycenter.fsu.edu/

FSU is noted for its accessibility and sensitivity to students with disabilities. By providing support services at no cost to students with disabilities, the Student Disability Resource Center offers an opportunity for students with disabilities to achieve their academic goals. As the primary advocate on campus, SDRC works with faculty and staff to provide accommodations for the unique needs of students both in and out of the classroom.

The Dick Howser Center

<http://www.dickhowser.org/>

The Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing quality therapy, training, and educational instruction to any child who exhibits developmental delay. Some of the programs offered include: respite care, preschool program, day care program, and early intervention program.

Workshop For Adult Vocational Enrichment, Inc. (WAVE)

www.waveonline.org

The mission of the organization is to provide meaningful activities for developmentally disabled teens and adults in Leon and surrounding counties. WAVE is composed of 3 distinct programs; a social activities program funded in part by CHSP, and a performing chorus and life skills training program that are not funded by CHSP.