

# Directory of Services and Programs for Children and Young Adults with Developmental Disabilities and their Families

## Bay and Arenac Counties



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**A Note about Content**

This directory is intended to be a resource to families of children with developmental disabilities. The directory is not meant to be all-inclusive. Included are services specifically for children with developmental disabilities. Please note that some agencies and programs require a referral in order to access services.

Many more programs are available that serve children or families in general, but were not included.

**Please note that if you need assistance finding other services or resources**

**you can contact:**

**2-1-1 Northeast Michigan**

**Dial 2-1-1**

**or**

**1-888-636-4211**

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# **Support Services**

## The ArcArenac Area

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> The Arc Arenac Area, Chapter 2737 PO Box 805 Standish, MI 48658 <b>Phone:</b> 989-846-9829 <b>Contact Person:</b> Carole Obrien <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:caroleo3@sbcglobal.net">caroleo3@sbcglobal.net</a> <b>chapter E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:Arc.Arenac@gmail.com">Arc.Arenac@gmail.com</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.thearc.org">www.thearc.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Provides advocacy services and recreational activities for the development disabled, like Saturday bowling. This program serves individuals who reside in Arenac County.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals with developmental disabilities. <b>Application Process:</b> Call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Membership \$20
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Call for more information.
<b>Accessibility</b>	Full wheelchair access.



## The Arc of Bay County

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b> 709 Columbus Avenue Bay City, MI 48708 <b>Phone:</b> 989-893-1346 <b>Fax:</b>989-893-1281 <b>E-mail:</b><a href="mailto:contact@arcbc.com">contact@arcbc.com</a> <b>Website:</b><a href="http://www.arcbc.com">www.arcbc.com</a></p>
<b>Description of Service</b>	<p>The purpose of the Arc of Bay County is to provide advocacy for individuals with developmental disabilities who reside in Bay County. Services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• providing information on specific disabilities</li> <li>• Individual and system advocacy</li> <li>• educational advocacy services which involves help and support with the IEP process in the school systems</li> <li>• Information is posted on web site- <a href="http://www.arcbc.com">www.arcbc.com</a></li> <li>• representative payee service which serves 150 clients currently and helps with the financials of those in supported self-employment</li> <li>• involvement in person centered planning</li> <li>• presentations on topics that assist those with disabilities and families, and quarterly meeting to keep everyone abreast on topics of every level</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals with developmental disabilities, but any person can be a member of the organization. <b>Application process:</b> Call for information.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	Membership \$25 for family,\$20 for individual
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday-Thursday; 8:00 am - 3:30 pm
<b>Accessibility</b>	Full wheelchair access.

## Bay Arenac Behavioral Health Access Services

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> Access Services 201 Mulholland Bay City, MI 48708 <b>Phone:</b> Toll Free –1-800-448-5498
<b>Description of Service</b>	The purpose of Access Services is to offer mental health and substance abuse screenings, and provide specialized information and referral services to people who reside in Arenac, Bay, Huron, and Tuscola counties. Process includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accepts non-emergency requests related to mental health, substance abuse, and services for the developmentally disabled</li> <li>• Intake staff gathers demographic and insurance information</li> <li>• The call is then forwarded to a specialist for a brief risk assessment to determine eligibility and to identify needed services</li> <li>• If it is determined that the consumer is in need of service, the specialist will authorize a referral to a service provider for services outlined in the clinical protocols</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals with Medicaid or who are financially indigent and reside in the four participating counties and meet criteria. <b>Application process:</b> Call 1-800-448-5498 to request services; insurance and information will be requested.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday through Friday; 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Emergency Services; 24 hours, 7 days
<b>Fees</b>	All insurance accepted, sliding scale fee based on the ability to pay. (Does not provide insurance but screens applicants for available insurance).

## Bay Arenac Behavioral Health Family Support Program

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Phone:</b>989-895-2240  For Questions, Call: 1-800-327-4693  To Request Services, Call: 1-800-448-5498</p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p>This program provides a service to families with members who have developmental disabilities residing in Bay and Arenac counties. These services are intended to increase knowledge, improve family functioning and school relationships, and allow for families to stay together. Most services are provided in the family home, with occasional services provided in the office. Services include:</p> <p><b>Respite:</b> Eligible families receive respite funds as an annual allotment based on a care needs assessment.</p> <p><b>Family Support Subsidy:</b>Financial monthly stipend for qualified families in the amount of \$222.11. This stipend is to delay or prevent out of home placement.</p> <p><b>Supports Coordination (Case Management):</b>Support with assessment, re-assessment, linking, coordinating, advocacy, and planning services.</p> <p><b>Clinical Specialist Services:</b> Provides Individual &amp; Family Therapy to Families who are dealing with difficult emotional and behavioral issues.</p> <p><b>Children's Waiver Program:</b> Provides in home nursing and behavioral aids to children who have very severe medical and/or behavioral challenges.</p>
<b>Eligibility</b>	<p><b>For Respite, Supports Coordination and Clinical Specialist Services:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developmental Disability that impairs ability to carry out normal activities of daily living</li> <li>• Developmental Disability and severe medical or behavioral challenges</li> <li>• Have Medicaid. Those without Medicaid must meet eligibility criteria for the program and will have an ability to pay assessed.</li> </ul> <p><b>Family Support Subsidy:</b>  Must have school certification of Severe Cognitive Impairment, Autism, Severe Multiple Impairment and a taxable income under \$60,000 dollars annually.</p> <p><b>Children's Waiver Program:</b>  Possible support for extreme medical/behavioral needs without active Medicaid. Authorization of services comes through the MI Department of Community Health</p> <p><b>Definition of a developmental disability:</b> Developmental Disabilities are mental or physical problems that people develop during their childhood years and that carry into adulthood such as cerebral palsy, mental retardation, and autism. In order for a condition to be called a developmental disability, it must have developed prior to age 22, it must affect the person's ability to take care of themselves, to communicate, to learn, to earn a living, and/or to perform other daily activities. These problems stay with a person for his or her whole life, but with treatment and supports, many people can lead satisfying and active lives.</p> <p><b>If applied to a child from birth to age 5,</b> a substantial developmental delay or a specific congenital or acquired condition with a high probability of resulting in developmental disability as defined above if services are not provided.</p>
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

## Bay-Arenac Intermediate School District (BAISD) Project Find

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> Bay-Arenac ISD Educational Service Center 1435 West Center Road Essexville, MI 48732 <b>Phone:</b> 989-893-0075
<b>Description of Services</b>	Program provides developmental screenings to children suspected of having a developmental delay. This program serves individuals residing in Bay and Arenac counties. Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appropriate referrals for special education services</li> <li>• Contact for families of special needs children moving into the area</li> <li>• Developmental screening</li> <li>• Referrals to preschool programs</li> <li>• Evaluates Special Education services</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> People from birth to 26 years of age who are suspected of having a developmental delay.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Home visit screenings in Bay and Arenac; call for more information.

## Bay-Arenac Intermediate School District (BAISD) Special Education Services

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> Bay-Arenac ISD Educational Service Center 4228 Two Mile Road Bay City, MI 48706 <b>Contact Person:</b> Jennifer, <a href="mailto:jenkinsj@baisd.net">jenkinsj@baisd.net</a> Director of Special Education - 989-667-3276 Special Education Monitor - 989-667-3228 Education Service Center - 989-686-4410
<b>Description of Services</b>	Provides special education for students/persons in Bay and Arenac counties through itinerant education services, special education classes, and centers.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Persons ages 0 - 26 in need of special classes. <b>Application process:</b> <u>Referral required.</u>
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

**Bay-Arenac Intermediate School District (BAISD)**  
**Early On**

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b>  Living and Learning Center – Bay Campus  1435 West Center Road  Essexville, MI 48732</p> <p>Living and Learning Center – Arenac Campus  2032 Pine River Road  Standish, MI 48658</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 1-800-EARLYON or 989-667-3240  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.1800earlyon.org">www.1800earlyon.org</a></p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p>Families needing services and support to enhance the development of their young children and to enhance the family capacity to service as caregivers can enlist the help of Bay-Arenac Early On. This resource system is designed to identify and coordinate the community services a family may need for a child who may experience a developmental delay.</p>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p>Serves: Families with children up to three-years old, who are experiencing a developmental delay or an established condition that may result in a developmental delay.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	<p>None.</p>
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	<p>Call for more information.</p>

**Bay-Arenac Intermediate School District (BAISD)**  
**Early Childhood Special Education-Infant Toddler**

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> Living and Learning Center – Bay Campus 1435 West Center Road Essexville, MI 48732 <b>Phone:</b> 989-893-3993
<b>Description of Services</b>	The program provides services and monitoring for children 0 - 3 years of age who have special needs and who reside in Bay or Arenac counties: Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical Therapy</li> <li>• Speech Therapy</li> <li>• Occupational Therapy</li> <li>• Social Work Services</li> <li>• Psychological Services</li> <li>• Home visits</li> <li>• Weekly playgroups</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	Children from birth to age 3 who are eligible for Special Education and are in need of services.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weekly home visits for Primary Providers.</li> <li>• Schedules are based on individual needs.</li> <li>• Call for more information.</li> </ul>

## Bay-Arenac Intermediate School District (BAISD)

### Preschool Special Education Services

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b>          Director of Early Childhood Education          4228 Two Mile Road          Bay City, MI 48706  <b>Phone:</b> 989-667-3290</p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p><b>Early Childhood Special Education Classroom Programs:</b> The program provides early intervention services for preschool-aged children found eligible to receive Special Education services. This program serves Bay and Arenac counties.          Services include:          On-going assessment and monitoring of needs up to 5 days per week during the school year. One ½ day home visit is conducted every year services are rendered.</p> <p><b>Ancillary Services:</b> Provide Special Education ancillary services to children from age 3 to kindergarten who reside in Bay and Arenac counties;          Services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical Therapy</li> <li>• Speech Therapy</li> <li>• Occupational Therapy</li> <li>• Social Work</li> <li>• Psychological Services</li> <li>• Nurse</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>ECSE Program Eligibility:</b> Children from age 3 to kindergarten who are eligible for Special Education and are in need of services.</p> <p><b>Ancillary Services Eligibility:</b> Must be Special Ed. Eligible and have an IEP that requires ancillary services.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	School year.

**Bay-Arenac Intermediate School District (BAISD)**  
**Living and Learning Center–Arenac Campus**  
**Special Education**

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> Living and Learning Center – Arenac Campus 2032 Pine River Road Standish, MI 48658 <b>Phone:</b> 989-846-9510 <b>Fax:</b> 989-846-6098
<b>Description of Services</b>	Program provides special education programs and services for students with disabilities ages 15– 26 years who reside in Northern Bay and Arenac County. Services promote education that focuses on academic, daily living and transition. Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Instruction</li> <li>• Community experiences</li> <li>• Acquisition of daily living skills</li> <li>• Therapies including; physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, teacher consultant, psychologist and social worker</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Persons ages 0 – 26 in need of special classes. <b>Application process:</b> <u>Referral required.</u>
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 3:30 pm Available - September – June.



**Bay-Arenac Intermediate School District (BAISD)**  
**Living and Learning Center - Bay Campus**  
**Special Education**

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b>  Living and Learning Center – Bay Campus  1435 West Center Road  Essexville, MI 48732</p> <p><b>Phone:</b>  Classroom Programs: 989-667-3205  Infant/Toddler Program: 989-893-0075</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 989-893-4898</p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p>Program provides transition services for students with disabilities age 16 - 26 years who reside in Bay County. Services promote movement from school to post-school activities. Services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Instruction</li> <li>• Community experiences</li> <li>• Development of employment</li> <li>• Other post-school adult living objectives</li> <li>• Acquisition of daily living skills</li> <li>• Functional vocational evaluation</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Special Education:</b>  <b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals in pre-transition from school to work or other activity.  <b>Application process:</b> Per individual Educational Plan (IEP), referral required.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Available - September – June.

## Bay-Arenac Intermediate School District Post-Secondary Program

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> Bay-Arenac ISD Service Center 4228 Two Mile Road Bay City, MI 48706 <b>Phone:</b> Transition Coordinator 989-667-3285, Ext. 3325
<b>Description of Services</b>	Program provides Post-Secondary Education Options for young adults ages 16 - 26, with disabilities, who reside in Bay and Arenac counties. Services promote transition from school to post school activities and helps prepare individuals for participation in the community.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> <u>Referral Required.</u>
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

## Bay-Arenac Intermediate District (BAISD) Transition Services

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> Bay-Arenac ISD Service Center 4228 Two Mile Road Bay City, MI 48706 <b>Phone:</b> Liaison 989-667-3285 Ext. 3325
<b>Description of Services</b>	Program provides transition Services for Students with Disabilities who reside in Bay and Arenac counties. Services promote transition from school to post school activities and helps prepare individuals for participation in the community.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Students with Disabilities who receive Special Education services.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

## Bay-Arenac Intermediate School District (BAISD)

## Parent Advisory Committee

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b>            Bay-Arenac ISD Educational Service Center            4228 Two Mile Road            Bay City, MI 48706</p> <p><b>Phone:</b>            Planner Monitor:            989-667-3228</p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p>Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) is a committee comprised of parents of students with disabilities from each local educational agency within an ESD and appointed by the ISD Board of Education. The PAC is responsible to participate in the development of the intermediate school district plan and to advise the Bay-Arenac ISD Board of Education on matters relating to special education programs and services.</p>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> All parents from the Bay and Arenac school districts who have children in special education programs.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> N/A</p>
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Contact school for more information.

## Children's Special Health Care Services

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b>          Bay County Health Department          1200 Washington Avenue          Bay City, MI 48708</p> <p><b>Phone:</b>          Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) RN Mary Jo Hill, 989-895-2009          Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) Sandy Graff, patient representative:          989-895-4235          Family Phone: 1-800-359-3722</p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p>Program provides Medical Bill Payment Assistance for residents of Bay county. Services help persons with chronic health conditions, and related specialty care cover the costs of medical expenses. Coverage assistance varies according to household income and qualifying conditions.</p> <p>Services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supplemental Health Insurance Program</li> <li>• Assistance with paying specialty medical bills</li> <li>• Mileage assistance</li> <li>• Coordinates services</li> <li>• Assistance with paying co-pays, deductibles, and more</li> </ul> <p>This is a program within the Michigan Department of Community Health.</p>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Children age 21 or younger with a chronic physically disabling condition. Persons age 21 or older with Cystic Fibrosis and certain blood clotting disorders may qualify. Must be a resident of Michigan.</p> <p><b>Application Process:</b> Call for information.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	<p>Payment plans are available based on financial information.          Medicaid/MiChild/Ward of the State.</p>
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	<p>Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 5:00pm</p>

## Children's Special Health Care Services

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 3727 Deep River Road Standish, MI 48658 <b>Phone:</b> 989-846-6541
<b>Description of Services</b>	Program assists families with medical care and financial resources when they have a child with a chronic disease. Services include nursing assistance by phone, office, or home visits.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	Children from birth to age 21 who reside in Arenac County, who have a qualifying condition or disease as determined by CSHCS medical staff in Lansing. Clients with cystic fibrosis or a blood clotting disorder are eligible to be enrolled for life.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Call for more information.

## Community Resolution Center (Mediation)

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 111 S. Michigan Avenue Saginaw, MI 48602 <b>Phone:</b> 1-989-799-5949 Toll Fee: 1-800-873-7658
<b>Description of Services</b>	Process in which a trained volunteer facilitator (or mediator) helps people listen to each other, discuss issues, and find agreement.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	Please call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Each party pays a \$75 fee, which is due at the time the mediation takes place. A 425 fee will be charged to any party who cancel with less than 48 hour notice.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Call for more information.

## Michigan Special Education Mediation

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 516 S. Creyts Road, Suite A Lansing, MI 48917 <b>Phone:</b> 1-517-485-2274 <b>Toll Free:</b> 1-800-8RESOLVE <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:msemp@drer.org">msemp@drer.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Helping parents, educators, and service providers develop productive relationships to resolve issues related to early intervention and special education.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	Please call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	No cost to parent and school districts.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Call for more information.

## Delta College Counseling/Advising and Career Services

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 1961 Delta Road, D102 University Center, MI 48710 <b>Phone:</b> 989-686-9330 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:counsel@delta.edu">counsel@delta.edu</a> <b>Fax:</b> 989-667-2228
<b>Description of Services</b>	Institution provides Disability services and accommodations for students with disabilities. Some of the services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advising</li> <li>• Instructional aid services</li> <li>• Interpreter services</li> <li>• Reader services</li> <li>• Adapted equipment</li> <li>• Orientation to the campus and assistance with college procedures.</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Students actively enrolled in an academic program focused on completion of a certificate or degree. <b>Application Process:</b> Call or walk in.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	NOTE; Staff meeting last day of week, please call ahead. Monday through Thursday 8:00 am - 10:00 pm Friday; 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Fall/Winter hours - August 1 - May 18 Monday - Thursday; 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Friday; 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Doors open at 7:45 am

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 3709 Deep River Road Standish, MI 48658 <b>Phone:</b> Toll-Free: Information: 989-846-5500 Protective Services Centralized Intake, Toll-Free: 855-444-3911 <b>Fax:</b> 989-846-4365 <b>E-Mail:</b> <a href="mailto:Khaki.engsterk@michigan.gov">Khaki.engsterk@michigan.gov</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Agency provides state disability assistance to individuals residing in Arenac County. Provides financial assistance to disabled persons who are not eligible for Family Independence Program (FIP).
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Age 18 or older, based on monthly income. <b>Application process:</b> Walk-in for application. *Documents required at time of appointment: Driver's license, Social Security Card, and proof of income.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

## Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) - Bay County

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 1399 W. Center Road Essexville, MI 48732 <b>Phone:</b> Toll-Free: Information: 989-895-2100 Protective Services Centralized Intake, Toll-Free: 1-855-444-3911 <b>Fax:</b> 989-895-2494 <b>E-Mail:</b> (Kim) - <a href="mailto:catesk@michigan.gov">catesk@michigan.gov</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Agency provides state disability assistance to individuals residing in Bay County. Provides financial assistance to disabled persons who are not eligible for Family Independence Program (FIP).
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Age 18 or older, based on monthly income. <b>Application Process:</b> Walk in for application. *Documents required at time of appointment: Driver's license, Social Security Card, and proof of income.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 5:00 pm

## Disability Network of Mid-Michigan



<p><b>Contact Information</b></p>	<p><b>Address:</b> 1705 S. Saginaw Road Midland, MI 48640</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> Voice/TTY: 989-835-4041</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 989-835-8121</p> <p><b>Contact Person:</b>Karen Peckham</p> <p><b>E-Mail:</b><a href="mailto:karen.peckham@knmm.org">karen.peckham@knmm.org</a></p>
<p><b>Description of Services</b></p>	<p>Disability Network of Mid-Michigan is a federally funded Center for Independent Living, established in the Mid-Michigan area in 1990. We offer a variety of services that promote and encourage people with all types of disabilities to live, work and participate independently in the community. Not only do we strive to meet consumer needs, we also strive to provide services to families and a variety of community members and businesses.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>OUR MISSION:</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>To Promote and Encourage Independence for All People with Disabilities Community Education and Outreach</u></b></p> <p>The Disability Network staff works to help individuals with disabilities gain access to equal opportunities in social, economic, educational and legal forums. In systems Advocacy we work to identify local, state and national inclusion and improved implementation of existing laws.</p> <p>In peer support/mentoring we connect individuals with disabilities to other individuals and networks to provide opportunities for people to share ideas in order to gain greater awareness and control over their own lives.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b><u>PCP Facilitator Training</u></b></li> <li>2. <b><u>Community Education: Disability Presentations</u></b></li> <li>3. <b><u>Advocacy</u></b></li> <li>4. <b><u>Peer Support/Mentoring</u></b></li> <li>5. <b><u>Community Outreach</u></b></li> <li>6. <b><u>Coalition Building</u></b></li> <li>7. <b><u>Consumer Involvement</u></b></li> <li>8. <b><u>Volunteers</u></b></li> </ol> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Information and Referral</u></b></p> <p>Disability Network fulfills its vision of being the disability experts in your community by providing information and referrals to people with disabilities, families and the community. We provide the resources needed to make informed choices about living, learning and working independently in the community.</p> <p><b><u>Independent Living Program</u></b></p> <p>Our goal is to teach everyday self-sufficiency by helping individuals with disabilities build the skills needed to live independently. Skill building programs may focus on budgeting, healthy diet, housing, transportation, personal assistance, employment, and strategies for self-advocacy.</p> <p><b><u>Nursing Facility Transition</u></b></p> <p>This program provides individuals, regardless of their ability, and opportunity to choose community based living as a viable alternative to nursing facility residency.</p> <p><b><u>Veterans Services (VA)</u></b></p> <p>Staff will provide assessments and supports coordination services to veteran through the Department of Veterans Affairs.</p>

	<p><b><u>Business and Employment Services</u></b>  Staff will assist and increase the number of consumers finding employment in inclusive workplaces throughout DNMM's eight county service area. Emphasis will be placed on the rural counties where a higher demand for this service has been identified. Primary consumers will be MRS referrals on a fee-for services basis.</p> <p><b><u>Business Leadership Network</u></b>  DNMM will collaborate with businesses/employers to develop a Business Leadership Network to increase the number of people with disabilities who achieve their employment outcomes through participation in the Network and to increase the number of Network employers who hire/retain project participants.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Skills Development Program</u></b></p> <p><b><u>STAGES Youth Transition</u></b>  Staff will provide employment and independent living skills training to youth with disabilities including community based instruction, an after-school program, and summer program. Students will be prepared to live and work independently when they reach adulthood. Provides youth with disabilities the skills necessary to live independently as adults. Included opportunities to practice life skills and gain self-knowledge. The community based instruction and personal empowerment groups are designed to assist students to become future focused.</p> <p><b><u>Representative Payee</u></b>  The Representative Payee Program will increase the number of consumers who maintain/increase their self-determination opportunities and avoid guardianship through the provision of financial payee services. Consumers will also be offered IL skills training that will assist them with managing their finances.</p> <p><b><u>Vocational Skill Development</u></b>  Staff will provide soft skills, employment skills and assistive technology training to customers on an individual or group bases including, but not limited to Michigan Rehabilitation Services and Michigan Commission for the Blind consumers through the READY Program.</p> <p><b><u>Job Club</u></b>  This series of classes focuses how to search for employment, interview successfully and increase employability. Participants will learn how to effectively complete an application, create a resume, gain confidence, and reduce anxiety with the job search process.</p> <p><b><u>Support Brokering</u></b>  Staff will provide these billable services to Midland CMH consumers through referrals from CMCMMH case workers. The services are designed to enhance the consumer's person centered planning process and their support system in collaboration with the consumers CMH supports coordinator.</p> <p><b><u>Discover</u></b>  This group program offers participants a creative opportunity to spend time examining the skills they have to offer an employer, skills they need to develop for employment, and new ways to reach employment goals. In addition to reevaluating employment expectations, individuals will prepare for future efforts with an MRS counselor.</p>
<p><b>Eligibility/Application Process</b></p>	<p><b>Independent Livings Services:</b>  <b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals with disabilities and the ability to pay for assistance through the DHHS or CMH eligibility, private pay, or insurance. Clients must be working towards the goal of independence and self-determination.  <b>Application Process:</b> Appointment required.  <b>Information and Referral:</b>  <b>Eligibility:</b> Individual or family member must have a disability.  <b>Application Process:</b> Prefer that individuals call for appointment.</p>

	<p><b>Transition - S.T.A.G.E.S.:</b>  <b>Eligibility:</b> Special education students High School age.  <b>Application Process:</b> Referral by phone accepted.</p> <p><b>Representative Payee:</b> Referral required by the Social Security Administration.</p> <p><b>Ready, Discover and Job Club:</b> Referral required by MRS.</p> <p><b>VA:</b> Referral required by the Department of Veteran Affairs.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	Most services free, consumers call for more information.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

## Disability Services Resource Center

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b> 1820 N. Trumbull Drive Bay City, MI 48708</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 989-895-5444</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 989-895-3917</p> <p><b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:dsrcbc@gmail.com">dsrcbc@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.dsrcbc.org">www.dsrcbc.org</a></p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Disability Services Resource Center</u></b></p> <p>The Disability Services Resource Center (DSRC), formerly known as the Bay County Society for Crippled Children and Adults was founded in 1933 and is dedicated to helping people with disabilities.</p> <p>Our mission is to serve individuals who are temporarily and permanently disabled by helping them remain and/or become part of their community to the fullest extent of their capabilities. We believe that all people, regardless of their ability or disability, should have the opportunity to experience the rich rewards of daily living.</p> <p><b><u>What We Do</u></b></p> <p>Camping for Children and Adults</p> <p>The DSRC provides scholarships for children and adults to the summer camp of their choice. Camps are both recreational and educational in nature. In addition to helping campers, the camping experience also benefits the families of campers, providing a much-needed respite.</p> <p><b><u>Disability Awareness Training™</u></b></p> <p>This innovative program educates people who do not have disabilities as to the difficulties that people with disabilities encounter in their daily living. This hands-on training provides students, teachers and healthcare workers a personal experience with a disability.</p> <p><b><u>Ramp Building</u></b></p> <p>Every year DSRC constructs re-pairs and removes over 30 wheelchair ramps. DSRC recognizes that people with physical disabilities cannot take the accessibility of their homes or other buildings for granted. Ramps are necessary not only for individuals to enter their homes safely, but also to leave their homes and have access to their communities. Our ramp building program is highlighted by our annual Ramp Blitz in June where 10 or more wheelchair ramps are constructed in a single weekend by volunteer teams headed by a licensed contractor. On average, ramps cost \$2,000.00 each to construct.</p> <p><b><u>Loan Closet</u></b></p> <p>Every year we loan out, at no charge hundreds of pieces of durable medical equipment ranging from hospital beds to bath benches to Hoyer Lifts. Over \$285,000 worth of durable medical goods is currently on loan in the Bay County Community.</p> <p><b><u>Adaptive Sports</u></b></p> <p>There is real value in the therapeutic and socialization benefits of participating in sports -the strengthening of participants' self-esteem and the disciplines of teamwork, sportsmanship and fair play. DSRC sponsors a bowling league and a baseball program called A.C.E.S.</p> <p><b><u>ACES-A11</u></b> Children Experience Sports™ program was founded in 2002 and has hosted Softball for children ages 6 to 18. We supply an opportunity for disabled people to participate fully in sports regardless of their personal limitations and/or ability. It is our goal to get our disabled children and adults off the sidelines and into the game.</p> <p><b><u>Five Main Programs</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Camping For Children &amp; Adults</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disability Awareness Training™</li> <li>• Ramp Building</li> <li>• Durable Medical Goods Loan Closet</li> <li>• Adaptive Sports/Athletic Events</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bay County residents with disabilities who meet the income guidelines</li> <li>• Application due by March 30th.</li> </ul> <p><b>Application Process:</b> Call for more information. Applications available on website, once at center.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	Mostly free, small fees may apply for some adaptive sports.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Thursday; 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
<b>Accessibility</b>	Designated parking, full wheelchair access.

## Epilepsy Foundation

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b>
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	<p>20300 Civic Center Drive, Suite 250          Southfield, MI 48076-4154  <b>Phone:</b> 1-248-351-7979 or 1-800-377-6226  <b>Fax:</b> 1-248-351-2101  <a href="http://www.epilepsymichigan.org">www.epilepsymichigan.org</a></p>
<p><b>History</b>  <b>Description of Services</b></p>	<p><b><u>Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan</u></b>          The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan leads the fight to stop seizures, find a cure, and overcome challenges created by epilepsy.</p> <p>Established in 1948, the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan is the only statewide non-profit organization focusing on epilepsy. It is our goal to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Close the treatment gap between what is being done for people with epilepsy and what should be done.</li> <li>• Improve how people with epilepsy are perceived, accepted, and valued in society.</li> <li>• Ensure that people with epilepsy and their families have access to full life experiences.</li> </ul> <p>The Foundation provides education, referrals, camp, advocacy, public awareness, support, and research. Most programs are free. Minimal fees for some services with most offering financial assistance. Through our services that include one-on-one assistance, educational workshops, epilepsy awareness and first aid training for public and professional audiences, public policy advocacy, and social and recreational opportunities, we help people with epilepsy and their families reach their goals.</p>
<p><b>Eligibility/Application Process</b></p>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Anyone who is interested in making a difference in the lives of individuals with Epilepsy.  <b>Application:</b> Volunteer applications are found on the website.</p>
<p><b>Fees</b></p>	<p>None.</p>
<p><b>Hours of Operation</b></p>	<p>Monday - Friday; 9:00 am - 5:00 pm</p>

## Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS)

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b>
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	1399 West Center Road Essexville, MI 48732 <b>Phone:</b> 989-894-6300 Toll-Free: 1-877-901-9181 <b>Contact Person:</b> Laura Gould <b>E-Mail:</b> <a href="mailto:gouldl@michigan.gov">gouldl@michigan.gov</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.michigan.gov">www.michigan.gov</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Program provides Vocational Rehabilitation services for individuals with disabilities. Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vocational assessment</li> <li>• Vocational counseling</li> <li>• Vocational training</li> <li>• Job development and placement</li> <li>• Coordination of medical services to reduce disability</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	Must be a resident or have a work visa and <b>be of working age</b> . Also must have a disability that presents a substantial barrier to employment and requires agency services to prepare for, secure, and obtain or regain employment.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
<b>Accessibility</b>	Full wheelchair access.

## National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD)

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 55 Kenosia Avenue Danbury, CT 06810 <b>Phone:</b> 1-800-999-6673 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:orphan@rarediseases.org">orphan@rarediseases.org</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.rarediseases.org">www.rarediseases.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	NORD had administered programs to assist uninsured or under-insured individuals in securing life-saving or life-sustaining medications.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Call for information. <b>Application:</b> Call for information.
<b>Fees</b>	Information is free; prescription prices vary.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

## Social Security Administration - Bay City Office

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b>
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	1115 Washington Avenue Bay City, MI 48708 <b>Phone:</b> 1-800-866-4924 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://socialsecurity.gov">socialsecurity.gov</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Services Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provides retirement, survivors, and disability benefits to workers and their qualified dependents.</li> <li>• Provides social security numbers and social security earnings history.</li> <li>• Provides Medicare health insurance program to adults over 65 years of age, and certain disabled people.</li> <li>• Runs the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program to provide financial assistance to indigent, elderly, blind, and disabled persons.</li> <li>• Provides lump sum death benefits of \$225 to widows and qualified dependent children.</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Varies based on individual programs. <b>Documents required:</b> Proof of age, marriage, income, etc. <b>Application Process:</b> Application required. Call for information.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Office: Monday - Friday; 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Except Wednesday 9:00am to 12:00pm Telephone information: 7:00 am - 7:00 pm daily to number: 1-800-866-4924

**United Way of Bay County**  
**Call United Way for Help - formerly "Bay Arenac Call Center"**



<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 909 Washington Avenue, Suite 2 Bay City, MI 48708 Located on Washington in Downtown Bay City between Herman Hiss and the State Theatre. <b>Phone:</b> 989-893-7508 <b>Fax:</b> 989-893-0087 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:info@unitedwaybaycounty.org">info@unitedwaybaycounty.org</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.unitedwaybaycounty.org">www.unitedwaybaycounty.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Raises resources for quality human care programs and has internal programs that provide community impact. Proactively secure funds, assets and volunteers to support these efforts.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> All welcome. <b>Application Process:</b> Call or walk-in.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

# Transition Services for Young Adults

**Arenac Opportunities, Inc.**

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 4358 Airpark Dr. Standish, MI 48658
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	<b>Phone:</b> 989-846-4441, Ext. 1 <b>Fax:</b> 989-846-2137 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:arenac@sbcglobal.net">arenac@sbcglobal.net</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Agency provides opportunities for transitional or ongoing gainful employment in a controlled, protected environment for individuals with disabilities who, on a long or short term basis, are unable to compete in the regular job market.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals with developmental, physical, or emotional disabilities <b>Application Process:</b> Referral from Access Services 1-800-448-5498 required.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
<b>Accessibility</b>	Designed parking, limited access.

## Bay-Arenac Intermediate School District (BAISD) Transition Services

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> Bay-Arenac ISD Service Center 4228 Two Mile Road Bay City, MI 48706 <b>Phone:</b> Liaison 989-667-3296 Ext. 3325
<b>Description of Services</b>	Program provides transition Services for Students with Disabilities who reside in Bay and Arenac Counties. Services promote transition from school to post school activities and helps prepare individuals for participation in the community.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Students with Disabilities who receive Special Education services.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

## Bay City Housing Commission

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 315 14 <sup>th</sup> Street Bay City, MI 48708
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	<p>Located on N. Madison Avenue between 1st and 3rd Street</p> <p><b>Phone:</b>989-892-9581</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 989-892-5818</p> <p><b>TTY:</b> 1-800-545-1833, Ext. 561</p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	To provide affordable housing to those in need. The Bay City Housing Commission is the largest provider of rent assisted housing in Bay City. The Housing Commission manages 526 one-bedroom apartments at four high-rise developments (Smith Manor, Maloney Manor, Pine Towers, and Maplewood Manor). The Housing Commission also provides housing for families with their inventory of 193 scattered site dwellings that range from one to five bedrooms.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> For the one bedroom high-rise buildings, the first priority is given to an applicant who is age 62 or older and/or disabled adults age 18 or older. Next priority is given to persons age 50 and older. Then, any income eligible persons who is 18 or older and attending college full time or is employed at least 20 hours or more per week.</p> <p><b>Application Process:</b> Applications available at the administrative office. Separate waiting lists exist for both the high rise and family housing developments.</p> <p><b>Documents required:</b> Driver's license or State ID, social security card, birth records, and proof of income.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	No application fees; rent is income based and is 30% of monthly income.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

## Do-All

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b></p> <p>1400 S. Lincoln Street</p> <p>Bay City, MI 48708-8103</p> <p>Located near the railroad tracks on Lincoln, north of Cass.</p>
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	<b>Phone:</b> 989-894-2851 <b>Fax:</b> 989-894-4522
<b>Description of Services</b>	Program provides supported employment for people who are disabled who reside in Bay County. Assists persons seeking employment to choose, obtain, and retain integrated employment in the community. Provides employment in the community for disabled adults either individually with a job coach or in crews with a crew leader. Also supports employment for disabled adults placed in community jobs.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals with disabilities. <b>Application Process:</b> Please call for information.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

## Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS)

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 1399 West Center Road Essexville, MI 48732 <b>Phone:</b> 989-894-6300
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	<b>Toll-Free:</b> 1-877-901-9181 <b>Contact Person:</b> Laura Gould <b>E-Mail:</b> <a href="mailto:gouldl@michigan.gov">gouldl@michigan.gov</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.michigan.gov">www.michigan.gov</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Program provides Vocational Rehabilitation services for individuals with disabilities. Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vocational assessment</li> <li>• Vocational counseling</li> <li>• Vocational training</li> <li>• Job development and placement</li> <li>• Coordination of medical services to reduce disability</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	Must be a resident or have a work visa and <b>be of working age</b> . Also must have a disability that presents a substantial barrier to employment and require agency services to prepare for, secure, and obtain or regain employment.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
<b>Accessibility</b>	Full wheelchair access.

## New Dimensions, Inc.

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 2 Johnson Court Bay City, MI 48708 Corner of Woodside and Johnson <b>Phone:</b> 989-892-8883
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Fax: 989-892-8760

Website: [www.newdimensionsinc.org](http://www.newdimensionsinc.org)

**Description of Services**

**COMPETITIVE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM**

**Service Description:** Offers an employment alternative for those participants whose work behavior and productivity is an asset to the agency while they still need social supports as they prepare for community employment.

**Eligibility:** Adults with disabilities.

**Hours:** Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Application Process:** Call for appointment.

**Documents Required:** Application/Resume, Picture ID, proof of citizenship, and copy of social security card.

**Fees:** Varies

**WORK ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM**

**Service Description:** A short-term training program designed to help participants recognize and overcome issues and barriers to employment.

**Eligibility:** Adults with disabilities.

**Hours:** Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Application Process:** Referral from another agency.

**Documents Required:** Picture ID, proof of citizenship, and copy of social security card.

**Fees:** Varies

**COMMUNITY JOB PLACEMENT**

**Service Description:** Placement Services for participants in finding and maintaining employment in the community.

**Eligibility:** Adults with disabilities.

**Hours:** Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Application Process:** Referral from another agency.

**Documents Required:** Picture ID, proof of citizenship, and copy of social security card.

**Fees:** Varies

**TICKET TO WORK PROGRAM**

**Service Description:** Assists people with disabilities who are interested in going to work. Removes many barriers that influence peoples' decision about going to work because of concerns over losing their health coverage and benefits.

**Eligibility:** Adults with disabilities.

**Hours:** Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Application Process:** Referral from referring Agency (Bay-Arenac Behavioral Health, Michigan Rehabilitation Center, private insurance companies, etc.)

**Documents Required:** Picture ID, proof of citizenship, and copy of social security card.

**Fees:** No fee to individual.

**VOCATIONAL EVALUATION PROGRAM**

**Services Description:** Through this program individuals gain actual work experience. The individual's level of production can be assessed and work strengths can be identified. The evaluation also assesses working interests, tolerances, attitude, and intellect, and interpersonal relations with co-workers.

At the completion of the program, a meeting with the referring agent, along with a final written report, is held to review the findings of the evaluation with specific recommendations for achieving competitive employment.

**Eligibility:** Adults with disabilities.

**Hours:** Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Application Process:** Referral from referring Agency (Bay-Arenac Behavioral Health, Michigan Rehabilitation Center, private insurance companies, etc.)

**Documents Required:** Picture ID, proof of citizenship, and copy of social security card.

**Fees:** No fee to individual.

**SKILLS BUILDING PROGRAM**

**Service Description:** Provides a substantial amount of supervision on the job for individuals with disabilities and barriers to employment. The program measures work productivity, work skills, and interests, as well as strengths and weaknesses to determine what supports or accommodations to help the individual develop the skills to transition into Community Employment.

**Eligibility:** Adults with disabilities.

**Hours:** Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Application Process:** Referral from referring Agency (Bay-Arenac Behavioral Health, Michigan Rehabilitation Center, private insurance companies, etc.)

**Documents Required:** Picture ID, proof of citizenship, and copy of social security card.

**Fees:** No fee to individual.

**COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

**Service Description:** This allows an individual the opportunity to experience volunteering, job shadowing, job mentoring in community settings that could lead to employment in the community. All experiences are based on individual choice and a Support Service Assistant is on hand to guide each individual.

**Eligibility:** Adults with disabilities.

**Hours:** Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Application Process:** Referral from referring Agency (Bay-Arenac Behavioral Health, Michigan Rehabilitation Center, private insurance companies, etc.)

**Documents Required:** Picture ID, proof of citizenship, and copy of social security card.

**Fees:** No fee to individual.

**COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM**

**Service Description:** This program is designed to assist the individual in finding and maintaining employment in the community. A job search begins to match-up available employment in opportunities to the interests of the individuals.

**Eligibility:** Adults with disabilities.

**Hours:** Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Application Process:** Referral from referring Agency (Bay-Arenac Behavioral Health, Michigan Rehabilitation Center, private insurance companies, etc.)

**Documents Required:** Picture ID, proof of citizenship, and copy of social security card.

**Fees:** No fee to individual.

**Accessibility**

Full wheelchair access.



# Support Groups

## Autism Support Group

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> Monthly meetings held at: First Presbyterian Church 805 Center Avenue Bay City, MI 48708 <b>Phone:</b> 989-684-1962
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<b>Description of Services</b>	The purpose of this group is to provide support, advocacy, and education for families of individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	Call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Meetings are held monthly, call for more information.

# Recreational Services

## Camp Discovery

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 6225 N. 39th Street Augusta, MI 49012 <b>Phone:</b> 1-800-377-6226 <b>Contact Person:</b> Pam Bird
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	<b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:pbird@epilepsymichigan.org">pbird@epilepsymichigan.org</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.epilepsymichigan.org">www.epilepsymichigan.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Camp Discovery is the only camp in Michigan for children with epilepsy. Staff includes a pediatric neurologist and RN's.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Children with Epilepsy, youth ages 8 - 17 with Epilepsy. <b>Application:</b> Call for more information, parent handbook on website.
<b>Fees</b>	Financial assistance available; contact for more information.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Call for more information.

## Camp Fish Tales

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 2177 E. Erickson Road Pinconning, MI 48650 <b>Phone:</b> 989-879-5199 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.campfishtales.org">www.campfishtales.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	The goal of Camp Fish Tales is to promote an atmosphere for the person with individual disabilities to meet and make new friends while participating in group growth activities. Campers will learn to deal with their own emotional and physical limitations. Camp Fish Tales will provide campers with the opportunity to be away from home and become more aware of the need for their caregiver to have a "break". Campers will become more attuned to the needs of others within their units. Campers are encouraged to participate in as many activities as possible.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Person's with physical and/or developmental disabilities. <b>Application:</b> Application is available on the website. Once submitted, the application will be reviewed to make sure applicant's needs can be met at camp.
<b>Fees</b>	\$450 and up.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Call or check out website for more information. Hours vary by season.

## Camp Grace Bentley

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 8250 Lakeshore Road Burtchville, MI 48059 <b>Phone:</b> 1-313-962-8242 (available during camp season) <b>E-Mail:</b> <a href="mailto:campgrace@hotmail.com">campgrace@hotmail.com</a>
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	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.campgracebentley.org">www.campgracebentley.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p>Camp Grace Bentley provides summer activities for children with physical and mental challenges. Activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Swimming and beach activities</li> <li>• Campfires and sing-alongs</li> <li>• Movie Nights</li> <li>• Team Sports</li> <li>• Dances</li> <li>• Karaoke Night</li> <li>• Arts and crafts</li> <li>• Theme Nights</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals ages 7 through 16 with a physical and/or mental disability.  <b>Application:</b> Application along with other materials for admittance are available on website. Before admittance, each camper is carefully screened to ensure that Camp Grace Bentley is best suited for his or her needs.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	\$400
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Nine day sessions begin late June and run through mid-August.

## Camp Tuhsmeheeta

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b>  Camp location  10500 Lincoln Lake Road  Greenville, MI 48838  <b>Mailing Address:</b>also for business correspondence</p>
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	<p>Camp Tuhsmeheeta  P.O. Box 46  Greenville, MI 48838  <b>Phone:</b> 1-616-606-0682  <b>E-mail:</b><a href="mailto:gwen@oubmichigan.org">gwen@oubmichigan.org</a>  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.oubmichigan.org">http://www.oubmichigan.org</a></p> <p>Gwen Botting, Executive Director  Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind  4175 Westbrook Road  Ionia, MI 48846  <b>Phone:</b> 989-855-2430  <b>Cell:</b>1-616-755-2221  <b>Email:</b><a href="mailto:gwen@oubmichigan.org">gwen@oubmichigan.org</a>  <b>Website:</b><a href="http://www.oubmichigan.org">www.oubmichigan.org</a></p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p>Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind operates summer camps for children ages 7 through high school at Camp Optimist, 10324 Lovers Lane NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49544. Our mailing address is 4175 Westbrook Road, Ionia MI 48846. Our phone number is 989-855-2430 or 616-755-2221 (cell). Our website is <a href="http://www.oubmichigan.org">www.oubmichigan.org</a>. The Executive Director, Gwen Botting, can be contacted at <a href="mailto:gwen@oubmichigan.org">gwen@oubmichigan.org</a>.</p> <p>Descriptions of Services: Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind camps provide summer camp experiences that build skills and self-confidence for children and youth who are blind or visually impaired, and provides summer employment opportunities for college age who are sighted or who are blind or visually impaired. Our camps focus on being active, improving social skills, and learning the special skills of blindness needed to be a full participant in the world today.</p>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	Any child whose family believes their vision issues interfere with their learning academically, socially or physically is welcome to apply. Applications are available online on our website.
<b>Fees</b>	Fees: Fees are \$600 per week for most camps. Please see our website more details and for information on scholarship opportunities and applications.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Hours of Operation: Our office is generally open weekdays 9 am – 5 pm. We do our best to return messages within 24 hours. Please be sure to speak slowly and clearly when leaving a call-back number.

## Camp Wah-Wah-Tay-See

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b>  825 W. South Street  Greenville, MI 48838  <b>Phone:</b> 1-616-754-1376  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:blemmingsen@maisd.com">blemmingsen@maisd.com</a></p>
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<b>Description of Services</b>	Camp Wah-Wah-Tay-See serves adults and children who have received or are receiving Special Education services, regardless of age or ability to pay. The Camp is an overnight tent camping experience and offers fishing, boating, swimming, arts/crafts, nature experiences, trips, and nightly campfires.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals ages 5 to 72 who have received or are receiving Special Education services. <b>Application:</b> Call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Fees are based on income.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Mid June through early August. Please call for more information, camps may not be available due to funding.

## Conductive Learning Center

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 2428 Burton Street SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546 <b>Phone:</b> 1-616-575-0575 <b>Fax:</b> 1-616-285-1935 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.conductivelearningcenter.org">www.conductivelearningcenter.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Conductive education is an intensive, multi-disciplinary approach to education, training, and development for individuals with cerebral palsy, spina bifida and other motor challenges. Variety of programs available.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals ages birth to 26 who have cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury, spina bifida, and/or other motor challenges. <b>Application:</b> Application and other materials are available on the website; call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Call for information.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	July 12 - August 6; 9:00 am - 3:00 pm summer camp plus school year program 9 sessions in school year; call for more information or check out web site.

## Disability Services Resource Center

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 1820 N. Trumbull Drive Bay City, MI 48708 <b>Phone:</b> 989-895-5444 <b>Fax:</b> 989-895-3917
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	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.dsrbcb.org">www.dsrbcb.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Center dedicated to helping people with disabilities.  Disability Services Resource Center operates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• camping for children &amp; adults</li> <li>• disability awareness training</li> <li>• ramp building assistance</li> <li>• adaptive sports &amp; athletic events</li> </ul> * Volunteer opportunities, applications found on website.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bay County residents with disabilities who meet the income guidelines</li> <li>• Application due by March 30th</li> </ul> <b>Application Process:</b> Call for more information. Applications available on website, once at center.
<b>Fees</b>	Mostly free, small fees may apply for some adaptive sports.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Thursday; 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
<b>Accessibility</b>	Designated parking, full wheelchair access.

## Eric RicStar Winter Music Therapy Summer Camp

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 4930 S. Hagadorn Road East Lansing, MI 48823 <b>Phone:</b> 1-517-355-7661
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	<b>Contact Person:</b> Cindy Edgerton <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:edgerton3@msu.edu">edgerton3@msu.edu</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.cms.msu.edu/el/children/camps_ricstar.php">www.cms.msu.edu/el/children/camps_ricstar.php</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	The Eric 'RicStar' Winter Music Therapy Camp is a day camp that provides opportunities for musical expression, enjoyment, and interaction for all persons with special needs and their siblings.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals of any age who have special needs. <b>Application:</b> Application and other materials available on website; call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Per family, all 3 days of camp included; one participant - \$185, two participants - \$350, three participants - \$510
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Call for information.

## Fowler Center

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 2315 Harmon Lake Road Mayville, MI 48744 <b>Phone:</b> 989-673-2050 <b>Fax:</b> 989-673-6355 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:info@thefowlercenter.org">info@thefowlercenter.org</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.thefowlercenter.org">www.thefowlercenter.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	The Fowler Center provides supported recreation for individuals with special needs, including: cognitive and physical disabilities, autism, traumatic brain injuries, and sensory & communication disorders. It offers a barrier free campus with a wide variety of opportunities, promoting independence & personal growth.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals and/or family with special needs such as the following: Attention Deficit Disorder, Asthma and Respiratory Ailments, Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Down's Syndrome, Epilepsy, Hearing Impairment, Mental Retardation, Limited Mobility, Multiple Sclerosis, Muscular Dystrophy, Speech/Communication Impairment, Spina Bifida, Visual Impairment/Blind. <b>Application Process:</b> Call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Vary; Financial aid is available.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Seasonal camps: May – August. Time & application vary. Respite weekends: October – April. Office open Monday - Friday; 9:00 am - 5:00 pm year round.

## Horizons Day Camp for Developmental Disabilities

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 3120 68th Street SE Caledonia, MI 49316 <b>Phone:</b> 1-616-698-0306 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:info@horizonsdrc.com">info@horizonsdrc.com</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.horizonsdrc.com">www.horizonsdrc.com</a>
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<b>Description of Services</b>	Each week a different theme is explored together, complete with lots of opportunities for movement, music, problem solving, working together, and indoor and outdoor fun. Our camps are designed to offer a fun, safe, and therapeutic environment for children with developmental disabilities to engage with peers, try new things, and retain skills over the summer months.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Children ages 4 - 7 & 8 - 12 who have a developmental disability. <b>Application:</b> Application and other materials available on website; call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	\$280
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Can choose from one of four different four day sessions. Call for more information.No overnight camps, either morning or afternoon. Office hours; Monday - Friday all year round.

## Horseback Riding for Handicappers

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:lisa@michigan-horse.com">lisa@michigan-horse.com</a> <b><a href="http://michigan-horse.com/therapeutic-riding-stables.asp">michigan-horse.com/therapeutic-riding-stables.asp</a></b> gives list of riding centers across Michigan
<b>Description of Services</b>	Individuals with development, physical, emotional, or multiple disabilities have the opportunity to experience therapeutic horseback riding. Riders can improve balance, coordination, and posture and muscle tone. Horseback riding also increases self-esteem, self-confidence, discipline and social growth.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Young people and adults who have physical, developmental, emotional, or multiple disabilities. <b>Application:</b> visit website for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Visit website for more information.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Visit website for more information.

## Indian Trails Camp

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 0-1859 Lake Michigan Drive Grand Rapids, MI 49534 <b>Phone:</b> 1-616-677-5251 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:info@indiantrailscamp.org">info@indiantrailscamp.org</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.indiantrailscamp.org">www.indiantrailscamp.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Indian Trails offers a barrier-free camp setting in which those with disabilities can participate in all manner of activities the outside world is ill-equipped to provide. It is a place filled with fun, recreation, and friendship. Campers learn perseverance, team-work, and self-reliance.

<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals ages 5 to 70+ with such disabilities as spina bifida; cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury; congenital anomalies, down-syndrome; autism; multiple sclerosis; arthrogryposis and cognitive impairments. <b>Application:</b> Application and other materials available on website; call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Call for more information.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday office open year round.

## Lions Bear Lake Camp

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 3409 N. Five Lakes Road Lapeer, MI 48446 <b>Phone:</b> 1-810-245-0726 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:info@bearlakecamp.org">info@bearlakecamp.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Lions Bear Lake Camp is an outdoor recreational/educational facility providing opportunities for people of special needs to enhance self-worth, attain independence, acquire social skills, and realize their full potential as human beings.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals of all ages with special needs. <b>Application:</b> Call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Call for information.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday office open year round.

## Michigan Sports Unlimited, Inc.

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> MI Sports Unlimited 1607 Prairie Street Essexville, MI 48732 <b>Phone:</b> 989-771-5530 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.misportsunlimited.com">www.misportsunlimited.com</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	The purpose of this program is to improve the physical, social, and mental wellbeing of individuals with disabilities and ultimately empower them to achieve success. It provides opportunities for people with disabilities to become involved in sports activities (examples are provided in the Hours of Operation section). This program serves individuals residing in

	<p>Mid - to Lower Michigan.</p> <p>Enable those with "limited" ability to have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unlimited access</li> <li>• Unlimited possibilities</li> <li>• Unlimited opportunities</li> <li>• Unlimited amounts of recreational activities</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Any individual restricted to a wheelchair.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> Call for more information.</p>
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	<p>Hours vary on sport, call for more details or participation.</p> <p><b>Outdoor Sports:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Archery - in December</li> <li>• Baseball - with the Miracle League of Michigan, contact Steve Peck at <a href="mailto:stevepeck@comcast.com">stevepeck@comcast.com</a></li> <li>• Cycling - call Nick Long at 989-714-1313</li> <li>• Golf - call Nick Long at 989-714-1313</li> <li>• Kayaking</li> <li>• Racing</li> <li>• Shooting</li> <li>• Downhill Skiing</li> <li>• Water skiing</li> </ul> <p><b>Indoor Sports:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basketball - many openings, call to register</li> <li>• Fitness - Monday - Friday; 9:00 am - 9:00 pm</li> <li>• Rugby</li> <li>• Soccer - E-mail Doug DuRussell at <a href="mailto:ddurusse@misportsunlimited.com">ddurusse@misportsunlimited.com</a></li> <li>• Tennis - many openings, call to register or use special tennis wheelchairs</li> </ul>

## Michigan Career and Technical Institute

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b> 11611 W. Pine Lake Road Plainwell, MI 49080</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> Disconnected</p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.michigan.gov/mdcd">www.michigan.gov/mdcd</a></p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p>The Michigan Career &amp; Technical Institute conducts vocational and technical training programs and provides the supportive services needed to prepare Michigan citizens with disabilities for competitive employment.</p>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals 18 and up who have disabilities.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> Application is available on website</p>
<b>Fees</b>	<p>Information available on website.</p>

<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Information available on website.
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## St. Francis Camp on the Lake

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b> 10120 Murrey Jerome, MI 49249</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 1-517-688-9212</p> <p><b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:campadmin@saintfranciscamp.org">campadmin@saintfranciscamp.org</a></p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.saintfranciscamp.org">www.saintfranciscamp.org</a></p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p>St. Francis Camp on the Lake is committed to providing the ultimate camp experience to children and adults with developmental disabilities. We provide week long summer camp and weekend respite programs which are aimed at inspiring individual campers to be potent, loving, contributing human beings. Our specially designed programs are tailored to meet the individual needs of each camper while promoting physical and emotional well-being.</p> <p><b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals over the age of 8 with a developmental disability. Application: Annual camper application and registration information is available on the website. "Living and Playing Together In Dignity, Respect and Love."</p> <p><b>Fees:</b> Residential Summer Camp: \$495 Day Program Summer Camp: \$250 Respite Care Weekend Camps: \$149</p> <p><b>Hours of Operation:</b> Residential and Day Summer Camp Programs: June through August (one week sessions). Respite Care Weekend Camps: Monthly September through May.</p> <p><b>Michelle Hatfield</b> <b>Camp Director</b> <b>St. Francis Camp on the Lake</b> <b>10120 Murrey Road</b> <b>Jerome, MI 49249</b></p>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals of any age who have cognitive impairments. <b>Application:</b> Application and other materials are available on the website.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	Call for information, fees vary based on camp week attending.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	June through August (one week sessions).

## St. Mary's of Michigan Guardian Angel Respite and Adult Day Services

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p>7540 Davis Road Saginaw, MI 48604</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 989-753-0824</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 989-753-0839</p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	This program experience offers year round respite and adult day services for individuals with developmental disabilities, chronic illness, or special needs ages 18 or older.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> 18 years or older. <b>Application:</b> Call for more information.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	Call for more information, sliding scale available.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 7:30 am - 5:00 pm

## Salvation Army Echo Grove Camp

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 1101 Camp Road Leonard, MI 48367 <b>Phone:</b> 1-248-628-3108, Ext. 15, Camp Director <b>Contact Person:</b> Sharon McClenaghan <b>E-Mail:</b> <a href="mailto:Sharon.mcclenaghan@usc.salvationarmy.org">Sharon.mcclenaghan@usc.salvationarmy.org</a>
<b>Description</b>	Christian camping on the cutting edge for youth, families, & visually impaired.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Call for more information. <b>Application:</b> Call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Call for more information.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Call for more information.

## Special Olympics

Contact Information	<b>Address:</b> 1706 Fremont Street Bay City, MI 48708 (activities are not in a particular location) <b>Phone:</b> 989-894-4360 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.somi.org">www.somi.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	The purpose of this program is to provide training and competition for intellectually disabled individuals in the following sports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• softball</li> <li>• soccer</li> <li>• cross-country skiing</li> <li>• alpine skiing</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• snowshoeing</li> <li>• basketball</li> <li>• swimming</li> <li>• gymnastics</li> <li>• track and field</li> <li>• cycling, bowling</li> <li>• power lifting</li> <li>• golf</li> <li>• bocce</li> <li>• coach training camps</li> </ul> <p>Transportation provided for athletes who need a ride to practices or games. This program serves individuals residing in Bay and Arenac counties.</p>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Athletes must be certified intellectually disabled.</p> <p><b>Application Process:</b> Health form completed by a physician is needed for application. Call for more information.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Varies; call for more information.

## Super Kids Soap Box Derby Racing

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b> Lion's Park 1942 Outer Drive Saginaw, MI 48601</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 989-75-DERBY</p> <p><b>Facebook:</b> Super Kids Derby of Michigan non-profit organization</p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	These "Super Kids" are given the opportunity to be drivers in downhill races with the assistance of dual controlled cars and trained co-drivers.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals ages 7 to 20 who have special needs.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> Call for information.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	None; sponsors are provided.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Call for more information.

## YWCA Camp Meadows

<p><b>Contact Information</b></p>	<p><b>Address:</b>          YWCA Camp Meadows          1031 North Jones Road          Essexville, MI 48732  <b>Phone:</b> 989-892-3105  <b>Contact Person:</b> Diane Rapson-Gabil, Director  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:drapsongabil@chartermi.net">drapsongabil@chartermi.net</a></p>
<p><b>Description of Services</b></p>	<p><b>YWCA Camp Meadows</b>, a program of the YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region, is a summer enrichment day program for special needs children who range in age from 5 through 13+ years of age who learn differently than other students in traditional school settings, and who are in most cases, in some type of special education program. Goals of YWCA Camp Meadows are (1) enrichment activities for the special needs children and (2) respite time for their families. The special needs children will be involved in a variety of activities daily</p>



	<p>including arts &amp; crafts, recreation &amp; physical fitness, as well as enrolled in the Bay County Library System Summer Reading Program. Many hands on activities will be available for the children with the help from staff and wonderful volunteers. The volunteers are middle school, high school, and college students; most days the volunteer's numbers are equal to the number of children at the day camp! The day camp serves special needs children from Bay and surrounding counties, who have a wide variety of special education certifications and/or special needs; most of the children attend some type of special education program during the school year.</p> <p>Each special needs child MUST be able to respond positively to direction given to him/her by someone other than just a family member.</p> <p><b>Current Location:</b> YWCA Camp Meadows uses the facilities of and is housed at Bush School, 800 Nebobish Street, Essexville.</p>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Must be a child with special needs aged 5 to 13+. A referral is required from professionals/families and or former/prior enrollees. NOTE: This program is not equipped to include special needs children with severe mental, emotional, or multiple impairments or those special needs children which have access to extended year programming in public/intermediate school district programs.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> Upon acceptance into Camp Meadows, an application form and an information form will need to be filled out. Enrollment limited to eighteen special needs children.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	\$475 per child; Partial scholarships are available.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Three days a week for six weeks during June and July of each year.

## YWCA Greener Pastures and Open Fields

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p>YWCA Great Lakes Bay Area  723 Washington Avenue  Bay City, MI 48708  <b>Contact:</b> Lisa Grills, Executive Director  <b>Phone:</b> 989-894-9055  <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:lgrills@att.net">lgrills@att.net</a></p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>YWCA Greener Pastures</u></b></p> <p>YWCA Greener Pastures, a Summer day program for teenage and young adult girls with special needs, is in session for Summer (June/July) for six weeks Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 10 AM to 2 PM each day. This program is held at Bush School, 800 Nebobish Street, Essexville. This program began in 2000, due to parents of YWCA Camp Meadows children requesting a follow up program for their female children when they 'aged out' of that program. YWCA Greener Pastures is a program of the YWCA, Great Lakes Bay Region, Lisa Grills, Executive Director 989-894-9055.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">YWCA Greener Pastures is a Summer day program for girls with special needs -</p>

ages 13 through 25 - who learn differently than other students in traditional school settings, and who are in most cases, in some type of special education program. The program highlights the transition from school into the world of volunteering/work. Areas of emphasis are: staying on given task, work safety, following directions, completing tasks to set standards, and appropriate social skills in a variety of different situations. The special needs girls are also involved daily in recreation/physical fitness activities, plus Community Service projects. Skills are taught with direct 'hands on' learning, ongoing practice of previously learned skills, progressing in small steps from one task to another - moving toward the final goal of knowing how to work at a volunteer position/job in order to become a productive member of society. The special needs girls receive a small stipend each week which is used for purchasing their needs/wants during this program; this also gives them an opportunity to work with real money in making purchases and concepts of saving money for upcoming events. They work alongside Job Trainers - ratio of 4 to 5 girls per 1 Job Trainer - whose duties are to model the activities to be done, supervise the special needs girls, give direction and guidance as well as being a friend throughout their day. The Job Trainers work with each of the special needs girls to increase their volunteer/employability skills, learn/use appropriate social skills in a variety of situations, to be involved in activities in the Community, plus help increase their personal recreation/physical fitness abilities. This program incorporates the use of Bay Metro Transportation, Bay County Library System, Bay Animal Control/Humane Society, Bay City State Recreation Area, River Walk, Bay City Mall, and other local destinations to help foster a variety of activities for these special needs girls.

The program fee for YWCA Greener Pastures is \$475. Scholarships may be available through Disability Services Resource Center (DSRC), Bay City and possibly through other local civic groups. 'Respite Moneys' may be used toward the fee - check with Bay Arenac Behavioral Health (BABH).

Each special needs girl will need to bring daily a sack lunch including beverage, and snack for 'break time.' Refrigeration is available. Families transport their daughter; Bay Metro Transportation is available on a limited basis, at family's own expense. Call Bay Metro at 989-894-0631.

Enrollment will be based on each individual girl's needs and the ability of YWCA Greener Pastures staff to meet those needs. Each special needs girl enrolled MUST be able to respond positively to directions given to her by someone other than just a family member. Turning in of the application form does not insure the applicant enrollment in YWCA Greener Pastures. Enrollment space is limited to 15. NOTE: This program is not equipped to include special needs girls with severe mental, emotional, or multiple impairments or those special needs girls who have access to extended year programming in public/intermediate school district programs.

If you know of a special needs teenage or young adult girl, between ages of 13 to 25, who would benefit from a 6 weeks Summer transition school to work/volunteer program or have questions, contact Diane Rapson-Gabil, YWCA Greener Pastures , Director, 989-892-3105 home; drapsongabil@chartermi.net.

### **YWCA Open Fields**

YWCA Open Fields is a Summer day program for teenage young men - ages 12 to 20+ with special needs. Program emphasis is on Community Service/Volunteering in the Community, learning how to better advocate for themselves, social awareness skills in a variety of different situations, plus recreation/physical fitness. All this while building friendships!

YWCA Open Fields is in session each Summer (June/July) for six weeks, Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 10 AM to 2 PM each day. The program is held at Bush

	<p>School, 800 Nebobish Street, Essexville.</p> <p>The special needs teenage young men enrolled in YWCA Open Fields learn differently than other students in traditional school settings, and they are in most cases, in some type of special education program. YWCA Open Fields was begun in 2012 because of parents of YWCA Camp Meadows children requesting a follow up program for their male children when they 'aged out' of that program. YWCA Open Fields is a program of the YWCA, Great Lakes Bay Region, Lisa Grills, Executive Director 989-894-9055.</p> <p>The program fee for YWCA Open Fields is \$475. Scholarships may be available through Disability Services Resource Center (DSRC), Bay City and possibly through other local civic groups. Respite Moneys' may be used toward the fee - check with Bay Arenac Behavioral Health (BABH). Payment plans are also available. Each special needs young man will need to bring daily a sack lunch including beverage; refrigeration is available. Families transport their son; Bay Metro Transportation is available on a limited basis, at family's own expense. Call Bay Metro at 989-894-0631.</p> <p>The special needs teenage young men receive a small stipend each week which they will use for purchasing their needs/wants during this program; this also gives them an opportunity to work with real money in making purchases and concepts of saving money for upcoming events. The special needs teenage young men will work alongside Male Mentors - ratio of 3 or 4 teenage young men per 1 Male Mentor - whose duties are to model the activities to be done, supervise the special needs teenage young men, give direction and guidance, as well as, being a friend throughout their day! The Male Mentors will work with the special needs teenage young men to help each of them grow to be responsible, caring young men. This program incorporates the use of Bay Metro Transportation, Bay County Library System, Bay City State Recreation Area, Bay Animal Control/Humane Society, River Walk, Bay City Mall, and other local destinations to help foster a variety of activities for these special needs teenage young men.</p> <p>Enrollment is based on each individual teenage male needs and the ability of YWCA Open Fields staff to meet those needs. Each special needs young man MUST be able to respond positively to directions given to him by someone other than just a family member. Turning in of the application form does not insure the applicant enrollment in YWCA Open Fields. YWCA Open Fields program enrollment space is limited to 12. NOTE: This program is not equipped to include special needs young men with severe mental, emotional, or multiple impairments or those special needs males who have access to extended year programming in public/intermediate school district programs.</p> <p>If you know of a special needs teenage male who would benefit from a 6 weeks Summer day program involving Community Service/Volunteering, learning advocating for himself, gaining social awareness, and recreation/physical fitness contact Diane Rapson-Gabil, YWCA Open Fields, Director, 989-892-3105 home; drapsongabil@chartermi.net.</p>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Current Location:</b> Upon acceptance with special needs aged 13 to 26. A referral is required from professionals/families and or former/prior enrollees.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> Upon acceptance into Greener Pastures, an application form and an information form will need to be filled out. Enrollment limited to twelve girls.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	\$475 per child; Partial scholarships are available.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Three days a week for six weeks during June and July of each year.



# Advocacy Organizations

## The Arc - Arenac Area

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> The Arc Arenac Area, Chapter #2737 PO Box 805 Standish, MI 48658 <b>Phone:</b> 989-846-9829 <b>Contact Person:</b> Carole Obrien <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:caroleo3@sbcglobal.net/chapter">caroleo3@sbcglobal.net/chapter</a> or <a href="mailto:Arc.Arenac@gmail.com">Arc.Arenac@gmail.com</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.thearc.org">www.thearc.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	Provides advocacy services and recreational activities for the development disabled, like Saturday bowling. This program serves individuals who reside in Arenac County.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals with developmental disabilities. <b>Application Process:</b> Call for more information.
<b>Fees</b>	Membership \$20
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Call for more information.

	Full Wheelchair access.
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## The Arc of Bay County

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 709 Columbus Avenue Bay City, MI 48708 <b>Phone:</b> 989-893-1346 <b>Fax:</b> 989-893-1281 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:contact@arcbc.com">contact@arcbc.com</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.arcbc.com">www.arcbc.com</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	The purpose of the Arc of Bay County is to provide advocacy for individuals with developmental disabilities who reside in Bay County. Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• providing information of specific disabilities</li><li>• individual and system advocacy</li><li>• educational advocacy services which involves help and support with the IEP process in the school systems</li><li>• Information is posted on web site - <a href="http://www.arcbc.com">www.arcbc.com</a>)</li><li>• representative payee service which serves 150 clients currently and helps with the financials of those in supported self-employment</li><li>• involvement in person centered planning</li><li>• presentations on topics that assist those with disabilities and their families, and quarterly meetings to keep everyone abreast on topics of every level</li></ul>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals with developmental disabilities, but any person can be a member of the organization. <b>Application Process:</b> Call for information.
<b>Fees</b>	Membership \$25 for family, \$50 Organization, \$20 individual.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 3:30 pm
<b>Accessibility</b>	Full wheelchair access.

## Autism Society of Michigan

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 2178 Commons Parkway Okemos, MI 48864 <b>Phone:</b> 517-882-2800 <b>Fax:</b> 517-882-2816 <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:autism@autism-mi.org">autism@autism-mi.org</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.autism-mi.org">www.autism-mi.org</a>
<b>Description of Services</b>	The purpose of this group is to advocate for people with Autism and to educate families, friends, and the public about Autism. The mission of Autism Society of Michigan (ASM) is to assure full participation and self-determination in every aspect of life for each individual. We will realize this vision by opening avenues of self advocacy and advocating on behalf of others in a way that values equity, respect, dignity and diversity in all communities.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Services are directed toward individuals with Autism and their families, but anyone interested in the advocacy of Autism can apply to become a member. <b>Application:</b> Application to become a member is available on the website.

	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.autism-mi.org">www.autism-mi.org</a>
<b>Fees</b>	To become a member, a monetary membership due is required, but access to information is of no charge: Individuals with Autism; \$10 Full time student: \$10 Individual (family member, friend, etc.): \$20 Family: \$25 Professional - Individual: \$50 Agency Affiliation (group of 10): \$250
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

## Michigan Alliance for Families - Ann Arbor

<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Address:</b> 1819 S. Wagner Road P.O. Box 1406 Ann Arbor, MI 48106 <b>Phone:</b> 1-800-552-4821 or 734-994-8100, Ext. 1590 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org">www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org</a> <b>E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:info@michiganallianceforfamilies.org">info@michiganallianceforfamilies.org</a> <b>Contact:</b> Regina Hilburn Michigan Alliance for Families Saginaw Regional Parent Mentor <b>Phone:</b> (989) 596-0208 <b>E-Mail:</b> Regina.H@arcmi.org
<b>Description of Services</b>	Michigan Alliance for Families is a statewide resource to connect families of children with disabilities to resources to help improve their children’s education. We help facilitate parent involvement as a means of improving educational services and outcomes for students with disabilities.

	<p>Michigan Alliance can assist you in knowing your rights, effectively communicating your child's needs, and advising how to help them develop and learn. Click here to view or print our brochure (English, Spanish, Arabic).</p> <p><b><u>Who we are</u></b></p> <p>Each Michigan Alliance staff member is a parent or family member of an individual with disabilities who has first-hand experience with the aspects of the special education system. Every staff member is trained in listening, communicating, and problem-solving. Families can connect directly to a regional Parent Mentor. Parent Mentors can assist you in navigating the educational system and are knowledgeable about state and local resources. Parent Mentors support existing and emerging parent leaders involved with groups such as Local Interagency Coordinating Councils (LICCs), Parent Advisory Committees (PACs), the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC), and the Michigan Interagency Coordinating Council (MICC). What we do:</p> <p>Michigan Alliance for Families provides printed, electronic, and multi-media information/resources.</p> <p>Michigan Alliance for Families staff is available to talk to parents and professionals about special education and related services, and disability specific information.</p> <p>Michigan Alliance for Families hosts relevant workshops across the state. All of our events and materials are free of charge to parents/ families.</p> <p>Michigan Alliance for Families encourages and supports parents in leadership roles. This organization offers information, support, and education on disability and education issues to families of children and young adults with disabilities from birth to age 26. The group also helps facilitate parent involvement as a means of improving services and results for children with disabilities. They offer Regional Parent Mentors who can assist parents in connecting with resources, information, provide mentoring for parents, and provide leadership mentoring. The organization also provides training for parents on a variety of topics.</p>
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> Individual with disabilities and their family.</p> <p><b>Application Process:</b> Call for information.</p>
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Thursday; 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Friday; 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

## Michigan Protection and Advocacy Services - Lansing Office

<b>Contact Information</b>	<p><b>Address:</b> 4095 Legacy Parkway, Suite 500 Lansing, MI 48911-4263</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 1-800-288-5923 Voice/TTY</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 517-487-0827</p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.mpas.org">www.mpas.org</a></p>
<b>Description of Services</b>	The purpose of this organization is to provide protection and advocacy for individuals with disabilities. Staff investigates allegations of abuse and/or neglect. They also pursue legal, administrative, and other appropriate remedies to assure protection of rights and access to services, benefits, and education.
<b>Eligibility/Application Process</b>	<b>Eligibility:</b> Individuals with disabilities.
<b>Fees</b>	None.
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Monday - Friday; 8:30 am - 5:00 pm
<b>Accessibility</b>	Full Wheelchair access.



## Disease Specific Organizations

### American Cancer Society

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National: 1-800-ACS-2345

Bay County: (989) 895-1731

Patient Services: 1-800-227-2345

Website: [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)

### American Diabetes Association

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National: 1-800-342-2383

Michigan: (248) 433-3830

Website: [www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org)

**American Lung Association**

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National: 1-800-586-4872

Michigan: (810)-953-3950

Website: [www.lungusa.org](http://www.lungusa.org)

**Autism Society of Michigan**

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Toll Free: 1-800-223-6722

Michigan: (517)-882-2800

Website: [www.autism-mi.org](http://www.autism-mi.org)

**Children's Leukemia Foundation of MI**

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Toll Free: 1-800-825-2536

Michigan: (248)-530-3000

Website: [www.leukemiamichigan.org](http://www.leukemiamichigan.org)

**Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan**

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Michigan: (248)-351-7979 or 1-800-377-6226

Website: [www.epilepsymichigan.org](http://www.epilepsymichigan.org)

**Make a Wish Foundation**

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Toll Free: 1-800-622-9474

Website: [www.wishmich.org](http://www.wishmich.org)

**March of Dimes**

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Michigan: (248)-359-1550

Website: [www.marchofdimes.org/michigan](http://www.marchofdimes.org/michigan)

**Multiple Sclerosis Society**

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Toll Free: 1-800-344-4867

Michigan: (248)-350-0020

Website: [www.nationalmssociety.org](http://www.nationalmssociety.org)

**National Organization for Rare Disorders**

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Toll Free: 1-800-999-6673

Website: [www.rarediseases.org](http://www.rarediseases.org)

**United Cerebral Palsy Association of America**

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Toll Free: 1-800-872-5827

Website: [www.ucp.org](http://www.ucp.org)

**Please note that if you need assistance finding other services or resources  
you can contact:**

**2-1-1 Northeast Michigan**

**Dial 2-1-1**

**or**

**1-888-636-4211**

**[www.211nemichigan.org](http://www.211nemichigan.org)**

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For more information or to get involved please contact:

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