Success for Today and Tomorrow Conference

Accessing Disability Resources

You’ve all heard, “it takes a village to raise a child,” but the first step is knowing who and what’s in your village.

Saturday, February 25th
8:30am - 12:00pm
Hilton Garden Inn
College Station
3081 University Dr. E.
Bryan, TX 77802
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Anthony is with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights, and is one of the most sought after antibullying motivational speakers in the Nation. At the age of 4 Anthony was diagnosed with Pervasive Developmental Disorder (PDD), which is on the Autism Spectrum (ASD). Doctors and specialists told Anthony’s parents that he would barely graduate from high school, would never graduate from college, would never have a shot at being an athlete and would likely live in a group institution with other Autistic kids for his adult life.

Anthony worked hard and never gave up. Not only did he earn his Bachelor’s Degree from Michigan State University in Sociology, he is the first Division 1 Basketball Player in NCAA History with Autism. Anthony has pledged his life and career to help those who face similar challenges. He has been invited to tell his story and share his message across the country and has inspired countless individuals to Live Their Dreams.
### PUBLIC EDUCATION

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<td>Bryan ISD Special Education Department</td>
<td>Ashley Kimich&lt;br&gt;1901 E. Villa Maria&lt;br&gt;Bryan, Texas 77802&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:ashley.kimich@bryanisd.org">ashley.kimich@bryanisd.org</a>&lt;br&gt;979-209-2784</td>
<td>Special Education Department</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bryan ISD Transition</td>
<td>Brynn Biggs&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:brynn.biggs@bryanisd.org">brynn.biggs@bryanisd.org</a>&lt;br&gt;979-208-2788&lt;br&gt;1101 N. Texas Ave.&lt;br&gt;Bryan, Texas 77803</td>
<td>BISD transition coordinator</td>
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<td>Brazos Valley Regional Day School for the Deaf</td>
<td>Lora Ouren&lt;br&gt;1901 E. Villa Maria&lt;br&gt;Bryan, Texas 77803&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:lora.ouren@bryanisd.org">lora.ouren@bryanisd.org</a>&lt;br&gt;979-209-2745</td>
<td>We provide educational services to students in 31 districts that are Deaf or hard of hearing and have an educational need.</td>
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<tr>
<td>College Station ISD Public School District</td>
<td>Molley Perry&lt;br&gt;1812 Welsh&lt;br&gt;College Station, Texas 77845&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:mperry@csisd.org">mperry@csisd.org</a>&lt;br&gt;979-764-5433</td>
<td>Special Education Department</td>
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<tr>
<td>College Station ISD Transition Coordinator</td>
<td>Eric Roberts&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:ericroberts@csisd.org">ericroberts@csisd.org</a>&lt;br&gt;979-764-5500 (AMCHS), 979-764-5800 (CSHS)&lt;br&gt;1812 Welsh, College Station, Texas, 77840</td>
<td>College Station ISD Transition Coordinator</td>
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### POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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<td>Blinn College</td>
<td>Brenda Jones-Wilkins&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:brenda.wilkins@blinn.edu">brenda.wilkins@blinn.edu</a>&lt;br&gt;979-209-7251&lt;br&gt;2423 Blinn Blvd.</td>
<td>Blinn College, Higher education Institution. Blinn College office of Disability Services exists to better enable qualified students with documented disabilities to maximize their academic potential. Blinn College is dedicated to providing the least restrictive learning environment for all students. Therefore, support services for students with disabilities are provided on an individual basis, upon request.</td>
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<td>Blinn College, Hodde Center</td>
<td>David Yeager&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:david.yeager@blinn.edu">david.yeager@blinn.edu</a>&lt;br&gt;979-830-4454&lt;br&gt;2810 BlueBell Rd. Brenham, Texas 77833</td>
<td>Workforce training, post secondary skills development</td>
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🌟 Representative at the 2017 Conference
### POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

| PATHS Program at Texas A&M University | Ruth Davenport  
4225 TAMU  
College Station, Texas 77845  
rdavenport@tamu.edu  
979-845-4704 | To provide individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (ID/DD) access to an inclusive post secondary education program, which prepares them for employment in the health and human service field. |
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| Texas A&M University Disability Services | Tracey Forman  
traceyf@disability.tamu.edu  
979-845-1637  
979-458-1214  
701 West Campus Blvd, 1224  
TAMU; College Station, Texas 77843-1224 | Disability Services staff members interact and collaborate with students, faculty and staff to promote an inclusive environment at Texas A&M University by educating the campus community and facilitating appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities. |
| Providence Place | Terri Gutierrez  
6487 Whitby Road  
San Antonio, Texas 78240  
Terri@providence.org  
210-696-2410 | Residential work and independent living program in San Antonio serving all of Texas. Young adults with disabilities live with us for 17 months after high school and learn to get a job, keep a job and how to be as independent as possible. DARS/TWC funded. |

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### COMMUNITY AND RECREATION

| Brazos Valley Booster Club, Inc. | Teresa Herrera  
P.O. Box 4556  
Bryan, Texas 77805  
thererra@davisdavislaw.com  
979-224-0268 | We support athletes that compete in Special Olympic competitions by providing uniforms, transportation, entry fees etc. We are a non-profit organization. |
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| Center on Disability and Development at Texas A&M University | Meagan Sumbera  
meagansumbera@tamu.edu  
979-458-0169  
637F Harrington Tower, 4225 TAMU; College Station, Texas 77843-4225 | The Center on Disability and Development at Texas A&M University (CDD) supports the self-determination, community integration, and quality of life of people with disabilities and their families. The Center serves as a resource to the community in the areas of education, research, and service as relates to the needs of people with disabilities. |
| City of Bryan Community Development Services Department | Vicki Mack  
405 West 28th Street  
Bryan, Texas 77803  
vicarr@bryantx.gov  
979-209-5183 | We offer a first time home buyers down payment assistance and for current home owners we offer a minor repair program to help repair health and safety issues in the home. |
| Cook n Grow | Gina Carrera  
2151 Harvey Mitchell Pkwy, Ste. 110  
College Station, Texas 77840  
gina@cookngrow.com  
979-402-0516 | We offer hands on cooking classes for kids and young adults. We work with local agencies/centers and therapists offering our enrichment program that promotes life skills and independence. |
| Miss Magnificent Pageantry | Lillian Townsend-Reeves  
4304 CR 2708  
Caddo Mills, Texas 75135  
Lillian@missmagnificent.org  
903-413-5141 | A 501(C)(3) nonprofit dedicated to promoting the self-esteem, confidence, and communication skills of individuals with special needs in a positive, encouraging environment where every participant is given a chance to shine! |
| S.H.A.R.E. (Special Horses and Riders Excelling) | Patricia Lombard  
4996 Schehin Road  
College Station, TX 77845  
info@sharetx.org  
979-690-2364 | Mission: “To improve the quality of life for individuals with special needs by providing year round recreational activities for them and their families (including horseback riding and swimming - open for more activities).” |
## COMMUNITY AND RECREATION

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<td>Texas A&amp;M Chapter of Project Sunshine</td>
<td>Elizabeth Piron</td>
<td>College Station, Texas 77845 <a href="mailto:psun.asst.director@gmail.com">psun.asst.director@gmail.com</a> 281-409-8036</td>
<td>We are the largest chapter of the greater Project Sunshine Organization that is based out of New York City. We host free events and programs for children with special needs and long term disabilities or illness as well as their siblings. We provide fully inclusive local and occasional away events free of charge bringing smiles to any cloudy day.</td>
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<td>The Arc Bryan/College Station</td>
<td>Teresa Herrera</td>
<td>P.O. Box 12009 College Station, Texas 77842 <a href="mailto:therrera@davisdavislaw.com">therrera@davisdavislaw.com</a> 979-224-0268</td>
<td>We provide social activities for individuals with IDD. We are a local chapter of The Arc of Texas which is the State Chapter of The Arc of the United States.</td>
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<tr>
<td>United Way of the Brazos Valley</td>
<td>CeAnne Jones</td>
<td>909 Southwest Parkway, Suite 100 College Station, TX 77840 <a href="mailto:cjoness@uwbv.org">cjoness@uwbv.org</a> 979.696-4483</td>
<td>We are committed to building a stronger community. We engage individuals to build strategies, provide resources, and investing in changes.</td>
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<td>Young Life Capernaum</td>
<td>Clay Robinson</td>
<td>1103 Anderson Street, #101 College Station, TX 77840 <a href="mailto:capernaumbv@gmail.com">capernaumbv@gmail.com</a> 832-622-8450</td>
<td>Young Life Capernaum is a ministry for individuals with special needs. We create a fun and loving atmosphere with weekly club and campaigners. We strive to meet each person where they are and help them understand the love of Jesus. Capernaum believes in creating long lasting relationships with individuals with special needs.</td>
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## HEALTH RESOURCES

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<td>Alzheimer’s Association Houston and Southeast Texas Chapter</td>
<td>Sabrina Strawn</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sstrawn@alz.org">sstrawn@alz.org</a> 713-314-1332 6055 South Loop East Houston, TX 77087</td>
<td>Our mission: To eliminate Alzheimer’s disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health. Our vision. A world without Alzheimer’s disease.</td>
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<td>Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas</td>
<td>Yoanna Garcia</td>
<td>7030 New Sanger Rd., Ste. 200 Waco, TX 76712 <a href="mailto:Yoanna_Garcia@bcbstx.com">Yoanna_Garcia@bcbstx.com</a> 254-340-6831</td>
<td>BCBSTX is a health insurance provider that is a part of the Texas Medicaid program. We are pleased to provide a health plan for children and youth, age 20 and younger, who qualify under Medicaid.</td>
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<td>Brazos County Health Department</td>
<td>Nicole Vargas</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nvargas@brazoscountytx.gov">nvargas@brazoscountytx.gov</a> 9793615731 Fax: 9798232275 201 North Texas Ave. Bryan, TX 77803</td>
<td>The Brazos County Health Department is dedicated to preventing disease, protecting life, and promoting a healthy lifestyle in the Bryan/College Station area.</td>
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**Camp LIFE**

Camp LIFE creates an inclusive, barrier-free setting in which children with disabilities (ages 5-21) and their siblings (ages 5-12) can participate in the activities of their choice. This weekend camp is held twice each year at Camp for All, centrally located in Texas.
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<th><strong>Health Resources</strong></th>
<th><strong>Representative at the 2017 Conference</strong></th>
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| Brazos Valley Aging and Disability Resource Center | Morenike Aboaba  
3991 East 29th Street  
Bryan, TX 77802  
maboaba@bvcog.org | The Brazos Valley Aging and Disability Resource Center (BVADRC) works with the aging and disability community by providing information about services and supports to help individuals and families to make informed choices about their health and wellness. We are available to educate individuals of any age who have a disability, or those who are aging, their family members and caregivers to empower them to make knowledgeable decisions, streamline access to a wide variety of services and supports, and serve as a highly visible and trusted resource in the community.  
The resource room is complete with brochures and informational handouts as well as five computers with equipped with different types of assistive technology. The resource room is available for you to use for your computer needs. |
| Brazos Valley Community Action Agency, Inc. (BVCAA-WIC) | Natie Villar  
nvillar@bvcaa.org  
979-260-2942  
Fax: 979-268-7594  
3408 S. Texas Ave  
Bryan, TX 77802 | BVCAA-WIC is a 501c3 private, not for profit program serving a six county area in and around the Brazos Valley. BVCAA-WIC is a nutrition program that helps pregnant women, new mothers, and young children eat well, learn about nutrition, and stay healthy. WIC is a Special Supplemental Nutrition Program providing nutrition education and counseling, nutritious foods, and help accessing healthcare to low-income women, infants and children. |
| Children with Special Health Care Needs Services Program | Kelsey Anderson  
kelsey.anderson@dshs.state.tx.us  
512-776-3114  
P.O. Box 149347 Austin, Texas 78714-9347 (MC 1938) | CSHCN Services Program provides services to children with extraordinary medical needs, disabilities, and chronic health conditions. The CSHCN Services Program’s health care benefits include payments for medical care, family support services, and related services not covered by Medicaid, CHIP, private insurance, or other third party payers. Program also contracts with agencies throughout the state to provide an array of clinical and support services to children with special health care needs and their families and assists children and their families through case management at Department of State Health Services (DSHS) regional offices throughout Texas. The Program focuses on promoting successful transition outcomes throughout the state of Texas to impact the Title V National Performance Measure surrounding transition. The Program also facilitates the Texas Title V Transition Workgroup (TTVTW), which meets quarterly to promote a collaborative approach to the provision of transition services for youth in Texas with disabilities and special health care needs and their families. The TTVTW includes family members, providers, state agency staff, health plans, academic institutions, and community organizations. |
| HealthPoint | Dora Vazquez  
dvazquez@healthpoint-tx.com  
979-595-1700 Fax: 979-595-1732  
3370 S. Texas Ave. Ste. B  
Bryan, Texas 77802 | At HealthPoint, we provide medical, dental, behavior health, and pharmacy services to uninsured and under-insured individuals. |
| MAXIMUS (Texas Health Steps / STAR / STAR+PLUS / STAR Kids) | Deborah Moreno  
4000 S IH 35  
Austin, Texas 78748  
deborahdmoreno@maximus.com  
512-433-4498 | Works with Texas Health Steps and the STAR/STAR+PLUS program serving Medicaid children and families. Our goal is to educate and assist Medicaid families in learning more about managed care, locating a primary care physician, selecting a health plan and Texas Health Steps benefits and services. |
### HEALTH RESOURCES

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<td>Waco, TX 76710</td>
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<td>118 Jo Betsy Drive China</td>
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<td>Spring, Texas 76633</td>
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<td>Medicaid Managed Care organization, information for families</td>
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<th>United Healthcare Community Plan ★</th>
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<td>979-690-0312</td>
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<td>UnitedHealthcare Community Plan is one on the managed care organizations in Central Texas that provides health care coverage for individuals on Star Kids and Star Plus Medicaid programs. Individuals on these plans have Service Coordinator assigned to each of them.</td>
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### INDEPENDENT LIVING AND EMPLOYMENT

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<th>Adaptive Driving Access ★</th>
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<td></td>
<td>Bryan, Texas 77808</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:katie.larson@adaptivedriving.com">katie.larson@adaptivedriving.com</a></td>
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<td>832-454-9278</td>
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<td>Provides wheelchair accessible vehicles and equipment for people with disabilities. Assists in helping people find their independence and mobility.</td>
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<th>Abiding Choice Inc.</th>
<th>Tiffany Gerren</th>
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<td><a href="mailto:abidingchoice@hotmail.com">abidingchoice@hotmail.com</a></td>
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<td>512-446-4846 Fax: 512-446-4742</td>
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<td>PO BOX 1210 Rockdale, Texas 76567</td>
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<td>Services provided: HCS and TXHML</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:helene.reese@afildfw.org">helene.reese@afildfw.org</a></td>
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<td>214-351-0798 Fax: 251-351-3412</td>
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<td>Eunice Rodgers</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:eunice.rogers@afildfw.org">eunice.rogers@afildfw.org</a></td>
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<td>972-239-0153</td>
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<td>2826 Storey Ln., Dallas Texas 75220</td>
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<td>AFIL is a non-profit Life Skills campus designed to develop skills of young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities that will promote independent living in a supportive living environment.</td>
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<th>Beautiful Abilities ★</th>
<th>Phil Haas</th>
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<td>Bryan, Texas 77802</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:phil.beautifulabilities@gmail.com">phil.beautifulabilities@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>979 704 6183</td>
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<td>HCS, Texas Home Living, Day Program, Therapeutic Ranch Program, Adult Summer Camps and Respite Weekends. Ranch located in Edge, TX. Private pay and Contract accepted.,</td>
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<th>Pat Morse (Program Manager)</th>
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<td><a href="mailto:pmorse@bvcil.org">pmorse@bvcil.org</a></td>
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<td>979-776-5505</td>
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<td>BVCIL is a cross-disability, consumer-directed organization that provides peer counseling, independent living skills instruction and other support services to individuals with disabilities in the Brazos Valley.</td>
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## INDEPENDENT LIVING AND EMPLOYMENT

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| CAAG | jason.taylor@caag4.com  
1016 La Posada Drive Suite 142, Austin, Texas 78752 | CAAG a state contractor working with DARS Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services providing resources to consumers to VR and from VR. |
| City of Bryan | Matt Dawson-Mathur  
(mdawson@bryantx.gov, 979-209-5041)  
ada@bryantx.gov  
PO Box 1000, Bryan Texas 77805 | The City of Bryan seeks to make its programs, services, and facilities accessible to all people, regardless of age or ability. We appreciate feedback on the accessibility of public meetings, parks, sidewalks, and other areas that enable residents to be active and engaged in civic life. |
| City of Bryan  
- Community Development Services Department | Vicki Mack-Carr  
vccarr@bryantx.gov  
979-209-5183  
405 W. 28th Street Bryan, Texas 77803 | First Time Home Buyers - Down Payment Program. We offer the Down Payment Program which offers 1st time home buyers up to $7,500 for down payment and closing costs. |
| Department of Aging and Disability Services | Laura Eldridge  
laura.eldridge@dads.state.tx.us  
903-536-4778 Fax: 903-536-2017  
3000 E Villa Maria Bryan, Texas 77802 | The Department of Aging and Disability Services provides grants for out of pocket medical expenses, non skilled provider assistance, emergency response service and home delivered meals to individuals who are aged and/or disabled. |
| Department of State Health Services (DSHS) | Carol Davis-Rios  
Carol.Davis-Rios@dshs.state.tx.us  
979-776-7489  
3000 E Villa Maria Rd Bryan, Texas 77803 | Provide case management and authorize personal care services for special needs children. |
| Junction Five-O-Five | Kodi Stone  
4410 College Main  
Bryan, Texas 77802  
kodi@junction505.org  
979-846-3670 ext. 103  
alicia@junction505.org  
979-846-3670 ext. 109 | Junction Five-O-Five is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for adults with disabilities by providing them with the opportunity to enter the workforce. Supported Employment Specialists perform assessments to ensure a good job match is made, and provide one-on-one training and support at the job site. On-site assistance is reduced as the employee becomes proficient in completing the job independently. On-going support is provided to help the individual maintain employment. |
| MHMR Authority of Brazos Valley | Jermaine East  
P.O. Box 4588  
Bryan, Texas 77805  
jeast@mhmrabv.org  
979-821-9400 | As the Local Intellectual and Developmental Disability Authority (LIDDA), we serve as the point of entry for publicly funded IDD programs, whether the program is provided by public or private entity. We provide an array of services and supports to person with IDD; completes enrollment into HCS, TxHmL, and ICF-ID (including SSLC) Medicaid programs, monitor HCS/TxHmL Interests Lists and conduct Permanency Planning. |
| Project SEARCH | Allison Hollis  
alisonhollis@csisd.org  
979-820-2628  
700 Scott & White Drive  
College Station, Texas 7784 | The Project SEARCH High School Transition Program is a unique, business led, one year school-to-work program that takes place entirely at the workplace. Total workplace immersion facilitates a seamless combination of classroom instruction, career exploration, and hands-on training through worksite rotations. |
### INDEPENDENT LIVING AND EMPLOYMENT

| **Providence Place** | Terri Gutierrez  
6487 Whity Road  
San Antonio, Texas 78240  
Terri@provplace.org  
210-696-2410 | Residential work and independent living program in San Antonio serving all of Texas. Young adults with disabilities live with us for 17 months after high school and learn to get a job, keep a job and how to be as independent as possible. DARS/TWC funded. |
| **Texas Workforce Solutions - Vocational Rehabilitation** | Janis East  
1115 Welsh Ave.  
College Station, Texas 77840  
janis.east@twc.state.tx.us  
979-680-5270 | We provide a variety of support and services to individuals who have disabilities which will assist them in obtaining and maintaining employment. |
| **Workforce Solutions Brazos Valley** | Abigail Gonzales-Davis  
3991 East 29th Street  
Bryan, Texas 77805  
abigail.gdavis@bvcog.org  
979-595-2800 | Workforce Solutions Brazos Valley is a publicly funded employment and training services where all job seekers can conveniently access a network of information and services responsive to their individual needs. We serve a 7 county region which includes: Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Leon, Madison, Robertson and Washington counties. |

### RESOURCES: FAMILY AND SUPPORT AGENCIES

| **Benn Law Group** | Valeria Storchak  
3091 University Drive East,  
#110  
Bryan, Texas 77802  
valeria@mytexaslawyer.net  
9793930345 | The Benn Law Group provides estate planning, guardianship, real estate and Medicaid planning for individuals and families of those with special needs. |
| **Brazos Valley Council of Governments** | Morenike Aboaba  
maboaba@bvcog.org  
979-595-2800 ext. 2013 Fax: 979-595-2810  
3991 East 29th Street Bryan, Texas 77802 | Brazos Valley Aging and Disability Resource Center and Brazos Valley Area Agency on Aging |
| **Down Syndrome Association of Brazos Valley** | Melisa May  
1802 Wilde Oak Cir.  
Bryan, Texas 77802  
ed@dsabv.org  
9797787010 | The mission of the Down Syndrome Association of Brazos Valley is to enlighten the public by promoting a positive understanding of Down syndrome in the community and be a source of support, information and education for families and individuals affected by Down syndrome. |

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**PATHS PROGRAM**

The PATHS Certificate Program is an inclusive program offered through the Center on Disability and Development at Texas A&M University that will prepare graduates to be Direct Support Professionals. This two semester certificate program prepares graduates for employment in a career serving people with disabilities.

**Application deadline is February 28, 2017**

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**Representative at the 2017 Conference**

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**Success for Today and Tomorrow Conference 2017**
### FAMILY AND SUPPORT AGENCIES

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<th>Amy Tutoki, asst. director <a href="mailto:atutoki@esetx.org">atutoki@esetx.org</a></th>
<th>Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) – a federally-mandated program for infants and toddlers under the age of three with developmental delays or disabilities; medically diagnosed conditions that have a high probability of resulting in a developmental delay; or auditory or visual impairments as defined by the Texas Education Agency. ECI provide comprehensive services such as case management, specialized skill training, physical, occupational and speech therapy, counseling, nutrition, translation and transition services.</th>
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<td>Easter Seals East Texas DBA Brazos Valley Rehabilitation Center</td>
<td>Dr. Amy Heath (<a href="mailto:aheath@eastersealsetx.org">aheath@eastersealsetx.org</a>) Alina Fifer (<a href="mailto:afifer@eastersealsetx.org">afifer@eastersealsetx.org</a>) Cheryl Allen (<a href="mailto:callen@eastersealsetx.org">callen@eastersealsetx.org</a>) 979-776-2872 1318 Memorial Dr. Bryan, Texas 77802</td>
<td>Our mission is to provide exceptional services to ensure that all people with disabilities or special needs and their families have equal opportunities to live, learn, work and play. BVRC has been fortunate to be able to provide therapy services to those in need. We have never turned away any person who was in need of our services. Service Provided: As an affiliate of Easter Seals, BVRC provides a wide variety of rehabilitative services to people of all ages through its physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech-language pathology departments. We have the only Autism Clinic in the Brazos Valley and are offering highly sought after autism evaluations, clinic services, in-home therapy and individual sessions.</td>
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<td>Easter Seals East Texas-Early Childhood Intervention</td>
<td>Amy Tutoki 1318 Memorial Dr. Bryan, Texas 77802 <a href="mailto:atutoki@esetx.org">atutoki@esetx.org</a> 979-776-4788</td>
<td>ECI is a statewide program for families with children, birth to three, with disabilities and developmental delays. ECI supports families to help their children reach their potential through developmental services. Services are provided in the child’s natural environment.</td>
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<td>Food Allergy Research &amp; Education (FARE)</td>
<td>Michelle Johnson 4411 Woodland Ridge Dr College Station, Texas 77845 <a href="mailto:locontom@post.harvard.edu">locontom@post.harvard.edu</a> 9794508627</td>
<td>We are the local Food Allergy Research &amp; Education (FARE) Chapter Join us for monthly topic chats, family and ALLERGY friendly events/activities, opportunities to share tips and resources, community outreach and education opportunities.</td>
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<td>NAMI Brazos Valley (National Alliance on Mental Illness)</td>
<td>Jody Schuz 1713 E Broadmoor, Suite 101 Bryan, Texas 77802 <a href="mailto:namibvtx@yahoo.com">namibvtx@yahoo.com</a> 979-277-4646</td>
<td>NAMI BV provides weekly support groups, resources, education and referral for those living with mental health issues and their families.</td>
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<td>Parks Behavior Therapy</td>
<td>Margaret Parks 3988 Greens Prairie road west College station, Texas 77845 <a href="mailto:Maggie@parksbehaviortherapy.com">Maggie@parksbehaviortherapy.com</a> 713-494-4997</td>
<td>We provide ABA therapy to children, adolescents, and adults with a variety of disabilities in the home, school, &amp; community.</td>
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| PATH Partners Resource Network | Gail Wright 3260 Old Houston RD Huntsville, Texas 77340 gwrightpath@gmail.com 936 581 2045 | The PATH Project is one of three federally funded Parent Training and Information Centers (PTI) serving Texas parents of children and youth with disabilities ages 0-26. We serve families living in ESC regions 5-13. PATH Regional Coordinators are here for you! We can help you:  
- Understand your child’s disability;  
- Understand your rights and responsibilities under IDEA;  
- Obtain and evaluate resources and services for your child;  
- Fully participate as a team member with professionals in planning services for your child. |
# FAMILY AND SUPPORT AGENCIES

| **PATH Project ★** | Gail Wright  
walkcountypath@yahoo.com,  
gail@partnerstx.org  
936-581-2045  
3260 Old Houston Rd  
Huntsville, Texas 77340  
1090 Longfellow Drive, Suite B  
Beaumont, Texas 77706 | The PATH Project is one of three federally funded Parent Training and Information Centers (PTI) serving Texas parents of children and youth with disabilities ages 0-26. Our mission is to empower parents of children and youth with disabilities in their roles as parents, decision makers, and advocates for their children. Our goal is to promote partnerships throughout the state among parents and professionals, parent organizations, school districts, and service agencies. See more at: http://www.partnerstx.org/path. |
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| **Sexual Assault Resource Center, Brazos Valley** | Tracey Calanog  
tcalanog@sarcbv.org  
979-731-1000  
PO BOX 3082 Bryan, Texas 77805 | SARC offers services to all those affected by sexual assault regardless of gender, sex, race, ability, age, religion, national origin, or sexual orientation. We are an open and affirming organization and hope to provide a safe zone for all survivors. All services are free and strictly confidential:  
- 24-Hour crisis hotline  
- 24-Hour accompaniment by a trained victim’s advocate to medical facilities  
- Confidential counseling for survivors of sexual assault and their families  
- Community Education and Outreach  
- Accompaniment to court or law enforcement |
| **Texas Parent to Parent ★** | Susan Prior  
1805 Rutherford Ln.,  
Ste. 201  
Austin, Texas 78754  
susan.prior@txp2p.org  
866-896-6001 | Texas Parent to Parent provides information and support for parents of children with disabilities or chronic illness. We do that in the way of a parent to parent match. We also point parents to resources that they may need. We also conduct trainings across the state. |
| **Voices For Children ★** | Joyce Carter  
115 N. Main St  
Bryan, TX 77807  
jcarter@vfcbrazos.org  
979-822-9700 | CASA program for Brazos Valley. UP is a mentoring program for current and former foster youth. |

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**LEAPing Toward Independence & Employment**

The Leadership, Employability, and Advocacy Project (LEAP) provides training and experiences to youth with disabilities to develop their leadership and advocacy skills. Project LEAP selects youth participants from among high school juniors and seniors across the state. Participants learn the history of the disability rights movement, engage in career activities and explore assistive technologies. They also gain exposure to legislative activities at the Texas Capitol, such as mock testimonies and a legislative session, and a tour of the facilities and meetings with state legislators.

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<td><strong>Register online at <a href="http://cdd.tamu.edu/project-leap">http://cdd.tamu.edu/project-leap</a></strong></td>
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The Center on Disability and Development at Texas A&M University supports people with disabilities and their families. We serve as a resource to the community in the areas of education, research, and service as relates to the needs of people with disabilities.

- Provides community services, training, and technical assistance to individuals with disabilities, their families, and those who support them.
- Conducts research and evaluation to improve school services and outcomes, and increase the quality of community life.
- Offers disability-related interdisciplinary pre-service training through Texas A&M University.
- Develops tools for better information dissemination to people with disabilities and their support systems.

CDD.TAMU.EDU

The W.A.C.O. project at TAMU is a 5-week program held June 18 - July 21, 2017 for students who are blind or have low vision. Participants receive development and instruction in Professionalism, Self-determination and Teamwork. Learn about college opportunities and work in the community 16-20 hours a week.

cdd.tamu.edu/waco-project

Directory of Community Resources in Texas

A site affiliated with the Center on Disability and Development

Search Resources
Find disability resources and community services throughout Texas! Customize your search by zip code, county, region, keyword, or category.

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Edit Resources
Did you spot an incorrect phone number or something that is outdated? You can fix it! Simply create a free account. If you’re already registered, log in now.

disabilityresources.tamu.edu
Free Workshop Series for Parents, Family Members and Children with Exceptionalities

Topics for 2016/2017

September 1, 2016
Looking Ahead - Series Overview & Speaker Panel

October 6, 2016
Who is the "I" in IEP? - Review of ARD and IEP

November 3, 2016
Sticks and Stones- Words Do Hurt!
- Bullying

December 1, 2016
You Can’t Pour From an Empty Cup
- Family Wellness

February 2, 2017
My Kid’s Going To Be A Grown-Up?
- Moving Towards Independence

March 2, 2017
Surviving Puberty- This Time As a Parent - Adolescence and Puberty

April 6, 2017
Behavior- What Are You Trying to Tell Me? - Behavior Management

May 4, 2017
Teaching Social Skills- Because No One Lives in Isolation - Social

Location:
Central Baptist Church
Fellowship Room
1991 FM 158 Road
College Station, TX 77845

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Dinner, child care and youth training provided RSVP at cdd.tamu.edu (Service and Outreach) For accessibility or transportation requests contact Pat Morse at BVCIL (979.776.5505)