

Manitowoc County Resources for Children with Special Needs
Compiled at 5.18.11 Community Conversation

Camps

Camp ABLE kidz –

- Camp for children with special needs.
- ½ day from 1:30-5:30
- June – August
- Contact: Will Schneider 920-901-4235

Camp Evergreen - Sheboygan

The programs offered are traditional summer camp, weekend respite, summer day services and adult day services.

920-452-4221; 920-451-164

Camp TaPaWingo – Association for the Developmentally Disabled (ADD) Camp
Summer camp for adults over 35 and the youth camp serves those aged 10 -34 with cognitive and/or mild physical and/or developmental disabilities who can emotionally and physically adapt to the camping environment.

Linda Gordon or Melissa Gordon-Kowsky

(920) 682-2986 or email at addcamps@gmail.com

CP Center Summer Transition Program: The program is open to students, ages 14-21, with severe physical and developmental disabilities. Conditions may include, but are not limited to: Cerebral Palsy, Neuromuscular and related disabilities (Spina Bifida, Cognitive Impairment, Muscular Dystrophy), or feeding, speech and language problems.
<http://www.cp-center.org/adult/2011SummerTransition.pdf>

Easter Seals Summer Camps – throughout WI

<http://www.eastersealswisconsin.com/content/services>

Empower Me!! ADHD/Asperger's Summer Camp
Appleton

www.thedacare.org/empowerme

Education

Cooperative Education Service Agency (CESA 7)

Autism Specialist – Amanda Reinke

www.cesa7.org

920-492-5960

Headstart – a comprehensive child and family development program. It serves prenatal mothers and children ages 0-5 from low-income families. It is an inclusive program that

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also serves children with special-needs. It is designed to assist and influence the entire family's search for growth and development.

<http://www.cesa7.org/headstart/>

Manitowoc Comprehensive Charter School - The Manitowoc County Comprehensive Charter School (MCCCS) opened its doors in September 2007. MCCCS is a small, specialized school for a handful of children in grades 1-8 with significant emotional/behavioral disabilities. It is a collaborative effort between the MPSD and other school districts in Manitowoc County.

<http://www.manitowocpublicschools.com/webpages/mcccs/>

Syble Hopp School
(920) 336-5754

Wisconsin State Parent Education Initiative –

Eleanor Giriyaappa -Parent Liaison

Serving Manitowoc & Sheboygan County

Phone: (920) 973-5005

egiriyaappa@cesa7.k12.wi.us

http://www.cesa7.org/wspei/How_WSPEI_Can_Help.asp

Wisconsin Family Assistance Center for Education, Training and Support (WI FACETS)
– free information and assistance to families concerning parent and student rights and opportunities in education

www.wifacets.org

877-374-4677

Financial

Autism Society of the Lakeshore – offers scholarships for Summer Camps, ASW Conferences and the Friendship Group- continuing education.

<http://autismlakeshore.org/scholarships/>

Bridge the Gap – Offers small grants to help support families of children with ASD

<http://bridgethegapwi.org/>

County Programs:

- Children’s Long Term Support Waiver - Wisconsin has CLTS Waivers for children with ASD and other developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, and severe emotional disturbances. The purpose of the waivers is to help families support their children with severe disabilities within their own homes. The CLTS Waivers are funded through Medicaid and local funding. They are called Medicaid Waivers because the federal government “waived” certain regulations so that Medicaid dollars can pay for services in the community.
920-683-4230

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- Comprehensive Community Services – Rehabilitative Service offering camps, community mentors, home mentors, and medication management
- Family Support - Provides individual services and supports to families that include a child with severe disabilities. The Program offers information and helps to identify services and maximize community resources; limited funding to buy needed services and necessary items that cannot be acquired through other sources; help to link families with other families to strengthen natural supports.
920-683-4230
- Katie Beckett - A Medical Assistance program that allows eligible children with long-term disabilities or complex medical needs living at home with their families to obtain a Wisconsin Medicaid card
920-593-4311
- Supplemental Security Income – a benefit to people in financial need who are 65 or older or people of any age who are blind or disabled and residents of Wisconsin.

Kiwanis Clubs –

- Two Rivers: (920)686-0543
- Manitowoc - (920) 682-7695

Manitowoc Lions Club

<http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/manitowoc/>

Medical Assistance Mileage Reimbursement

Until June, 2011 - 920-683-4892

Starting in June, 2011 will be through LogistiCare - 1-866-907-1493

Other possible funding:

<http://themorganproject.org/2011-New%20Resources-updated14Feb11.pdf>

Information and Referral Services:

Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Manitowoc County: to enable older and/or disabled citizens in Manitowoc County to find and make use of the resources in their communities, helping them experience life with self-sufficiency, security and dignity.

(877)416-7083

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

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Northeast Regional Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN): Offers free and confidential assistance for families and providers who care for children and young adults, from birth to age 21, who have disabilities and/or special health care needs.

(877)568-5205

www.northeastregionalcenter.org

Wisconsin First Step

<http://www.mch-hotlines.org>

1-800-642-7837

Mental Health

Aurora Behavioral Health Center – Outpatient Mental Health Clinic

Two Rivers

Dr. Judith Arnold – Child Psychiatrist

(920) 793-7420

Holy Family Memorial

Tamarack Behavioral Health – Offers psychiatry, psychology, counseling services with a specialty in children and adolescents

<http://www.hfmhealth.org/?id=166&sid=1>

(920) 320-8600

Dr. Mylan Kohler – Child Psychiatrist

Phoenix Behavioral Health

Paulette Sears works with children with RAD

<http://www.phoenixbhc.com/>

Oral Care

Manitowoc County Health Department

Dr. Christian in Omro

(920) 426-4540

Family Dental Center – Accepts MA

Dr. Ron Egan

(920) 773-2525

NWTC Dental Hygiene Clinic - a classroom/learning environment where student dental hygienists provide clinical and educational services to individuals in the community.

(920) 498-5450

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Healthy Teeth Healthy Community Dental in Manitowoc County
Children: 920-973-9707
Adults 920- 683-4155

Recreation

4-H - now accepting individuals with disabilities

The 4-H Club is a volunteer-led organization that reaches boys and girls through small clubs. Members decide for themselves which of more than 40 projects they want to learn more about. Most projects use hands-on learning experiences to teach subject matter and life skills. The 4-H is open to boys and girls through age 18 and is sponsored in Wisconsin by the University of Wisconsin Extension.

(920) 683-4169

Aqua Ability at Manitowoc-Two Rivers YMCA: Group and individual swimming lessons for children with special needs

<http://www.mtrymca.org/aquatics>

920.682.0341

Autism Society of the Lakeshore – offers activities (golf, movie night, etc.)

<http://autismlakeshore.org/>

The Edge Youth Center – After school recreation program

920.785.2030

Kindermusik- teaches children music so they can become better learners. It's about developing skills in the whole child - ages newborn to 7 years - cognitive, physical, social, emotional, language and musical.

<http://hansonstudio.yourvirtuoso.com/>

Miracle League of Green Bay - a non-profit organization that provides children with mental and/or physical challenges, ages 4 to 19 years, an opportunity to play baseball as a team member, with real uniforms, in an organized league, regardless of their capabilities.

www.greenbaymiracleleague.com

920-544-0072

Miracle League of the Fox Valley - an organized baseball league for children ages 4-19 with mental and/or physical disabilities. Games are played at the John Wollner Fox Cities Miracle Field at Memorial Park in Appleton, WI

<http://www.foxvalleymiracleleague.com/>

920.733.3217

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Music for Tots - The Music For Tots™ program is designed to help improve not only the tonal, listening, coordination and rhythmic skills of the children, but also their verbal and socialization skills, as well as their ability to follow directions, focus attention and share with their peers.

<http://www.sl.edu/music/musicfortots.asp>

Reel movies for Real Needs- specially designed program to serve families with special needs such as autism or other challenges.

<http://www.marcustheatres.com/Promotion/PromotionDetail/21/>

Special Olympics –

http://www.specialolympicswisconsin.org/area_5.asp

Sunshine Story Time – A story time for children on the Autism Spectrum

Lester Public Library, Two Rivers

920-793-8888

www.lesterlibrary.org

Respite

ABLE, LLC

920-901-4235

Homes for Independent Living

<http://hil-wi.com/>

Human Service Department of Manitowoc County

Social Skills Groups

Autism Society of the Lakeshore – friendship/socialization groups for children, teens, and young adults with Asperger's and high functioning autism meet at the same time as the Manitowoc parent support meeting (3rd Thursday of every month)

<http://autismlakeshore.org/socialization-groups/>

WEAP Social Skills Classes/Teen Groups

<http://www.wiautism.com/groupsandclasses.php>

(920)338-1610

Support for families/Support Groups

Autism Society of the Lakeshore –

Manitowoc: 3rd Thursday of each month

Sheboygan: 4th Wednesday of each month

<http://autismlakeshore.org/>

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Hand in Hand – Green Bay, provides support and facilitates resources for families with children experiencing hearing loss.

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

Holy Family Medical Center – offers a support group for parents of children with depression and/or bipolar. For times and locations call (920) 684-3742

Lakeshore Family Resources - Parents of children with ADHD support group – 6:30 pm the second Monday of each month
(920) 686-8702

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)
(920)682-7025

Painting Pathways Clubhouse –a community of adults diagnosed with mental illness who give support to each other as they work together to rebuild their confidence, stamina, concentration, social and vocational skills. Painting Pathways Clubhouse is designed to empower and support its members within a psychosocial rehabilitation framework.

<http://www.ppclubhouse.org/index.php>

Parent support group of children with R.A.D.

Call Sharon at 920-754-4171 or email at cjnsdn@hotmail.com with “support group” in the subject line for more information

Therapy Providers

Applied Behavior Analysts

<http://www.wiaba.com/>

Bertrand Schmitz Consulting Services
920-364-0203

Birth to Three - Wisconsin’s early intervention program for infants and toddlers with developmental delays and disabilities and their families. A federal law, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), provides a framework for a comprehensive program and coordinates developmental, health and social services within the community. The Department of Health Services oversees the Birth to 3 Program in Wisconsin and has developed rules (DHS 90) that specify the program requirements.
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Innovative Counseling

<http://www.innovativecounseling.com/>

Integrated Development Services (IDS)

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<http://www.ids-wi.com/>

Music Therapy with Trisha Pratt in Manitowoc County

Phoenix Behavioral Health

<http://www.phoenixbhc.com/>

Rhythm Therapeutic Riding – Plymouth, WI

(920) 892-7787

Rising Star Stables

(920) 682-0158

Wisconsin Early Autism Project (WEAP)

www.wiautism.com

Transition

Goodwill – Help train students to transition from school to work

<http://www.goodwillncw.org/ManitowocPrograms.htm>

Lutheran Social Services – Offers living skills for ages 16-21

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

Other Important Resources

Assist to Transport- through Maritime Metro transportation for those with disabilities

DynaVox Mayer-Johnson

R.J.Chesterton – sales consultant many families have used to obtain a communicate device

920-750-9629

Homes for Independent Living

<http://hil-wi.com/>

Independent Residential Options:

Renee Dereene: 686-9266

J&B Medical Supplies - Diapers/Pull-ups for those over age 4 with incontinence issues

Lakeshore CAP - Parent support and education, Teen Parenting, Access and Visitation, play groups, Baby's Closet, Clothing Closet, Community Response, Home Visiting and Hispanic Home Visiting.

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Youth Services includes: Juvenile Restitution, Restorative Justice, Youth Mentoring, POINT program, and Independent Living Skills.

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

(920) 682-3737

New Beginnings, Inc.- Provides services to individuals with developmental disabilities, and/or physical and mental health issues. Provides supported employment services, matching person with disabilities to paid jobs in the community. Support staff assists employee in learning the job and maintaining their employment.

(920) 683-1905

Jackie Mayer is looking for help! She is working to implement a 2 phase program:

Phase one: A friendship program, which consists of pairing up the teens with children with special needs. Also, an adult division which will consist of adults with disabilities developing friendship while participating in fun activities.

Phase two: A facility which will consist of an activity wing, volunteer lounge, parents lounge, conference center, and a village that will be used to practice "life lessons".

Want to help? Contact Jackie at jsmayer@tds.net