

Opportunities & Activities for Parents/Guardians

Arc of Butler County

An advocacy group of family members and friends committed to improving opportunities for persons with developmental disabilities of all ages.

The ARC sponsors three annual events during the year: a membership dinner in May, a picnic and hayride in September, and a holiday dinner dance in December. The Arc supports and/or sponsors educational programs, a drama club, a chorus group, a band, softball leagues, and recreational trips.

Contact: Arc of Butler County
282 N. Fair Ave,
Hamilton, Ohio 45011
www.butlercountyarc.org

Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to provide the means for each individual with developmental disabilities to realize his or her potential.

As a volunteer, your first contact will be through the Community Resource Coordinator who will process your application, conduct your initial interview, and refer you to the program which best meets your needs as a volunteer.

Contact: Cathy Howell
513-450-2570 ext. 29
clhowell@butlerdd.org

Liberty Center Advocates, Inc.

Members include parents and family members of individuals who attend Liberty Center. The group sponsors many activities throughout the year including parties.

The "LCA" is a wonderful support to Liberty Center and provide input to our program and are able to network with the other parents in this venue.

Contact: Liberty Center
513-867-5977

Middletown Center Advocacy Group

Members include parents and family members who attend Middletown Center. The group supports fundraisers throughout the year to help pay or support special events that take place at the center or out in our community. They also provide valuable input to our program and are able to network with the other parents through this venue.

Contact: Middletown Center
513-425-8728

Middletown Enrichment Center Parent Group

Members include parents or other family members who attend Middletown Enrichment Center. The group supports fundraisers throughout the year to help pay or support special events that take place at the center or out in our community. They also provide valuable input to our program and are able to network with the other parents in this venue.

The meetings are held once a quarter and you can receive the dates for the meetings by calling the center.

Contact: Middletown Enrichment Center
513-425-8622

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Opportunities & Activities Available for Participants of Our Programs

Best Buddies of Miami University

This program is available to adults out of high school and who have an intellectual disability. It is an organization that promotes one to one friendships. For more information go to www.bestbuddies.org .

Contact: Connie Mehlman
513-867-5923
cjmehlman@butlerdd.org

Friendship Club

A number of organizations are interested in helping people with disabilities get out in the community. Friendship Club is one organization that helps individuals 18 years of age and older enjoy socialization integrated in the community. The club is a fun way to meet new people and experience life to the fullest. Activities include: dancing, sight seeing, overnights and other functions in the community.

Contact: Phyllis Gibbemeyer
513-777-3656
Pgibbe@fuse.net

Job Club

Job Club provides individuals with opportunities to increase their social independence by providing age appropriate activities within the community. You must be enrolled in BCBDD's Adult Programs and be able to pay your own way.

Contact: Becky Schroeder
Job Club Facilitator
513-867-5920 ext. 217
Email: reschroeder@butlerdd.org
www.butlercountyarcc.org/jobclub/

Leisure Recreation

Leisure/Recreation activities make up an important part of everyone's life. People with developmental disabilities enjoy these activities too. An outing with a Recreation/Leisure Coach would consist of an activity of the participant's choice, along with transportation.

Leisure Coaches are available to adults with developmental disabilities who meet the criteria.

Contact: Mark Miller
513-867-5960 ext. 106
mmiller@butlerdd.org

Therapeutic Recreation

This is a non-profit, all volunteer organization which helps establish, provide, and facilitate recreational opportunities and leisure time for people with developmental disabilities of all ages. Some activities include: dances, softball, swimming, skiing, golf, and more.

Contact: Connie Mehlman
513-867-5923
cjmehlman@butlerdd.org
www.therapeuticrec.bravehost.com/index.html

Special Olympics

The Special Olympics program provides athletic training and competition for persons with disabilities in an organized setting. Butler County offers services in the following areas: basketball, bowling, field & track, swimming, and golf. Participants must be 8 years of age or older and have a developmental disability. Medical registration is required and there is no cost to athletes.

Contact: Susan Mayberry
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SMayberry@cincigoodwill.org

