



Valley Forge

Educational Services

**Employment, Housing,
Support Services and
Social Opportunities for
Young Adults**

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Resource Directory

1847 Financial

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1847 Financial works with clients to bridge the gap between community, government and long term supports. We assist with obtaining federal and state benefits including waivers and social security. We develop a comprehensive financial and social strategy to assist individuals to live the life they desire. Areas of expertise include: strategies for funding a special needs trust, government benefits and eligibility, finding the right attorney, planning a “three-person retirement”, multi-generational wealth management, advanced insurance planning and tax planning strategies for special needs situations between community, government and long term supports. We also assist with obtaining federal and state benefits including waivers and Social Security.

Access Services

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Access Services is a large non-profit organization with staff members operating in eleven counties including Berks, Bucks, Carbon, Chester, Delaware, Lehigh, Monroe, Montgomery, Northampton, Pike, and Schuylkill. We are committed to providing innovative services to children and adults living with developmental, behavioral, and mental health challenges in Fort Washington and the surrounding area. We seek to help those we serve to lead rich and fulfilling lives in the community. Services include community inclusion, specialized skill development, systematic skill building and behavior supports.

Amity Care

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As a licensed provider of ASD support services and community homes, Amity Care empowers adults to learn new skills and reach new goals on the path to greater independence. At every step along that path, we treat our clients and their families with compassion and respect. They rely on us as a trusted resource. Services include community inclusion, occupational therapy, behavioral specialists, respite care, RN and LPN nursing services, job assessment and job finding, and supported employment.

The Arc of Chester County

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The Arc of Chester County a lifetime of services for individuals with disabilities and their families. Comprehensive Employment Services places individuals with disabilities in fulfilling jobs. Family Support Services includes a recreation program focused on providing individuals and their peers the opportunity to be out in the community and socializing with their peers, a home and community habilitation program, and behavior support services. The Agency with Choice program allows family members to make the decision of who will serve as their loved ones caregivers. As part of their Children’s Early Learning Services and Programs, The Arc works with children from birth through five to help them develop to their fullest potential.

ASCEND Group, Inc.

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ASCEND’s mission is to improve the lives of individuals and families in the Greater Philadelphia area impacted by Asperger Syndrome and Autism through connections, community and support.

ASERT (Autism Services, Education, Resources and Training)

3020 Market Street, Suite 560
Philadelphia, PA 19104
215.571.3181

paaautism.org

ASERT is a statewide initiative funded by the Bureau of Autism Services, PA Department of Human Services. ASERT seeks to improve the lives of individuals with autism by improving access to quality services and interventions and by providing information to support families.

Bancroft

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bancroft.org

Through residential, day and vocational program options, Bancroft promotes greater levels of independence through daily life and job skills development along with supports to parallel each person's progress and achievements. Day programs, community living options, job training and social and situational skills development help adults with I/DD feel fully included in their communities—both at home and at work. Bancroft Pennsylvania operates seven group homes in suburban Philadelphia and provides a variety of other services including respite and in-home support for people with autism and other intellectual or developmental disabilities.

Bancroft also offers a special education program for medically fragile children. A unique collaboration between two leading organizations – Bancroft and Voorhees Pediatric Facility – The Bancroft School at Voorhees Pediatric Facility is the first New Jersey Department of Education-approved private school within a pediatric specialized-care facility. Founded in 1995, this pioneering program opens a whole new world to children who require continuous, skilled, high-level nursing care.

C.F. Counseling Connections

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We provide individual, family and group therapy, social skills groups, parenting support, and behavior consulting. Our services are community-based and take place in our client's homes, schools and other community settings.

Carousel Connections

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Carousel Connections provides community experiences and training for teenagers and young adults focusing on “next steps” and building independence in the home, on the job, and on the go! At Carousel Connections, opportunities are provided to learn, maintain, and improve skills through participation in vocational training, independent living, mentoring, and recreational activities. Programs include a six-week residential summer experience based on the campus of Haverford College, adventure weekends to the Pocono Mountains, and family and individual consulting to share resources related to the transition process and supporting program goals within the home. This fall, Carousel Connections launched community “crews” and volunteer day experiences to further develop vocational skills, build independence and self-confidence, nurture relationships with organizations and community partners in the area, and foster inclusive living-learning experiences.

Camphill Soltane

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Camphill Soltane is an adult training facility for individuals with IDD and ASD. Programs are supported by an organizational infrastructure that includes full-time volunteers, called coworkers, as well as employed staff who lead classes, support work areas, live in or provide support in houses, perform administrative duties, maintain the physical plant, and more.

Center for Social

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Center for Social provides the most cutting-edge treatments specific to ADHD, Asperger's, higher-verbal autism spectrum diagnoses and Mild Intellectual Disabilities. Our services focus on improving Social Thinking® Skills, Executive Function and Self-Regulation Skills. Additionally, we work with parents of young adults to empower them to support their child's transition towards independence.

Cerebral Palsy Association

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Cerebral Palsy Association provides social work/service coordination services to assist with the independence of adults (18 and over) to access waiver services available under the Office of Long Term Living (OBRA, Commcare, Independence, Attendant Care). The Cerebral Palsy Association is also a resource center for persons with disabilities and a Funding Assistance Center for PATF and can help with low-interest loans for assistive technology.

Child Guidance Resource Centers

2000 Old West Chester Pike
Havertown, PA 19083
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A private, non-profit community organization that for over 60 years has been dedicated to providing quality behavioral healthcare and educational services in the community. Our programs have proven to be successful at assessing, treating, and empowering children, adolescents, adults, and families with behavioral health struggles and developmental disabilities.

CHOP-Center for Autism Research

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The Center for Autism Research is a collaboration between the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and The University of Pennsylvania that focuses on conducting research to understand the underlying causes of autism spectrum disorder (ASD), supporting individuals with ASD and their families with evidenced-based resources and education and training the next generation of master clinicians and scientists in best practices.

Continuum Behavioral Health

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Continuum Behavioral Health is an in-home, school and community ABA company. Provides a seamless continuum of care starting with diagnosis and extending through assessment and treatment.

Community Integrated Services

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Community Integrated Services is the largest Philadelphia-area job search and job support agency assisting people with disabilities in locating employment and succeeding in a job. Community Integrated Services provides community inclusion, specialized skill development, systematic skill building and behavior supports.

Devereux Adult Services

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Since 1912, Devereux has provided supports and services to children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Devereux Adults Services provides residential, vocational, job coaching, and community habilitation services and supports throughout Chester, Montgomery and Delaware Counties.

Families CCAN [Families Creating Communities for Adults with Special Needs]

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Families CCAN is a nonprofit founded and led by parents and family members of adults with disabilities. We assist families in developing innovative models of housing, employment and volunteer activities for their adult family members. We meet monthly for educational programs and networking opportunities for parents, family members, professionals and agencies.

Inglis

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Supported employment and career services, adult day program, accessible, affordable, integrated and independent housing communities, adaptive technology, community computing, resident service coordination and care management.

In-Sync and Social

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In-Sync and Social is an Occupational Therapy based social skills program. Children and adults with behavioral health diagnoses often exhibit sensory systems that are imbalanced or not “in-synch”. We provide both individual and group therapy to address sensory and socialization deficits. A combined sensory and behavioral approach is used to achieve functional outcomes. It is our goal to utilize evidence-based practice in the treatment of our clients.

JCHAI-Judith Creed Homes for Adult Independence Federation Hall

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JCHAI fosters a unique setting where individuals are encouraged and assisted to develop their independence and daily living skills, while their lives are enriched with an array of opportunities to be active within the greater community. Since our inception, JCHAI is proud to have expanded to operate three community homes as well as an apartment program. Beyond that, our home and community-based services now include JCHAI AT HOME, a unique service designed to offer 1:1 in-home supports to persons living with family members or in their very own residence. Family members can relax and rejoice in the knowledge that their child or sibling has a safe, comfortable home that provides structure within the least restrictive environment possible. Opportunities for cultural, religious, and social enrichment abound within and beyond the walls of the JCHAI community!

Kaleidoscope Family Solutions, Inc.

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Kaleidoscope Family Solutions, Inc. is a provider of home and community-based services in Pennsylvania through the Adult Autism, Consolidated, and P/FDS waivers. Our services include home and community habilitation, community support, behavior support, respite, companion and job supports.

KenCrest Connect

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KenCrest CONNECT meets the needs of families to ensure individuals are meeting their highest potential. Whether preparing for college and the workforce or developing academic and social skills, our services support individuals toward leading a happy and inclusive lifestyle.

Let's Go Play, Inc.

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Let's Go Play, Inc. provides social skills classes for teens and adults with social issues. With our Heroes Program, like video games, our players become super characters with special skills. Players work together in a group to defeat monsters. It's exciting and leads to awareness of others' skills and abilities.

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M. Leahy & Associates is a full-service disability life planning company. We can help you secure SSI/SSDI benefits, waivers, and Medicare/Medicaid. We advise our clients and their families with transition planning and help you obtain resources to build a Disability Life Plan to achieve the most productive and independent life possible.

MassMutual of Eastern Pennsylvania

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The Special Care Program's holistic approach begins with a foundation of the key areas of traditional financial strategies including financial position, protection, investments, tax reduction strategies, retirement planning and estate planning. The MassMutual Financial Group Eastern Pennsylvania, SpecialCare Planners specialize in addressing the additional planning dynamics that special needs' families face. Many of our team's planners are also parents of a child with special needs just like you. It provides a unique insight into the importance of a comprehensive approach.

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New Avenue Foundation

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Our mission is to create more meaningful lives for people with disabilities through creative social, employment and housing programs. Our weekly Friday night coffeehouse called Our Community Cup has been running successfully for over a year and a half. Our cooking classes, hiking programs and yoga classes have been well attended. We have been working on employment opportunities and are looking to start a business in which to employ people with disabilities. We are also looking to create a clubhouse in Delaware County which will be a combination of activities and a business. What are your ideas? We will work with you to create them.

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

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The mission of OVR is to assist Pennsylvanians with disabilities to secure and maintain competitive employment. Some services can help you overcome or lessen your disability; others can directly prepare you for a career. Available services include diagnostic services, vocational evaluations, counseling and guidance, restoration services, training services, and placement services.

PA Client Assistance Program (CAP)

1515 Market St., Suite 1300, Philadelphia, PA 19102
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Equalemployment.org

CAP is an advocacy program for people with disabilities administered by the Center for Disability Law & Policy. CAP helps people who are seeking services from the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, Blindness and Visual Services, Centers for Independent Living and other programs funded under federal law. CAP help is provided to you at no charge, regardless of income. The Pennsylvania Client Assistance Program is dedicated to ensuring that the rehabilitation system in Pennsylvania is open and responsive to your needs. You can count on the Client Assistance Program (CAP) to provide you with information and advice about rehabilitation programs; to advise you of your rights and responsibilities; to help you resolve any problems that may arise while you are seeking services from rehabilitation programs; and to help you pursue administrative and legal remedies to protect rights.

Philadelphia Independence Network (PIN) of JEVS Human Services

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The Philadelphia Independence Network (PIN) program empowers young adults with disabilities to live independent lives in their own apartments. Members are supported from a whole life perspective: living, working, and socializing. Supports are customized for each individual and modified as appropriate.

PLAN of PA

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PLAN offers several services for individuals living with a mental health disability including fee-for-service care management; special needs trust administration, and representative payee services.

Spectra Support Services, LLC

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Spectra Support Services provides holistic, strengths-based supports and interventions which improve the lives of individuals with disabilities and their families by filling service gaps across the lifespan. Services include transition planning, on-site skill building and therapy groups, life coaching, community integration, behavior support, community social opportunities and an array of services that support career readiness and employment.

Upper Main Line YMCA Special Needs Adaptive Programing (SNAP)

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The Upper Main Line YMCA offers two recreational/ social programs for adults with special needs – bowling league and “Open Doors”.

The Vanguard Transition Center (VTC)

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The Vanguard Transition Center offers opportunities for college support and other post-secondary training, community-based vocational training and career education along with social and daily living skills development to young adults, 18–21 years of age.

Vocational Immersion Program (VIP)

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The Vocational Immersion Program (VIP) equips young adults with developmental disabilities, including autism spectrum disorder and related social challenges, with key social and employment readiness skills through a four-week intensive program that includes classroom-based instruction, online learning, workplace internships with job coaches and a week-long supported living experience.



Valley Forge Educational Services prepares children and young adults with special needs to realize their potential as contributing members of the community.

The Vanguard School is an Approved Private School for students, 4–18 years of age, with exceptionalities including autism, speech-language disorders, emotional disturbance and/or other health impairment (OHI). The School provides comprehensive special education and related clinical services with a unique focus on the individual student and his or her readiness for life. The Vanguard School's Pre-K/K, K/1, Elementary School, Middle School and High School programs offer an integrated academic, social and daily living skills approach within a supportive environment.

The Vanguard Transition Center offers post-secondary education, career preparation and social and daily living skills development to young adults, 18–21 years of age. Students receive continuing education, counseling, self-advocacy training, career exploration and community-based vocational experience.

Summer Matters offers educational, recreational and vocational programming for young people, 5–24 years of age, with learning challenges and special needs. Summer Matters programs are of varying formats and lengths and build on participants' interests to help them succeed, learn and grow.

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