SARASOTA COUNTY SCHOOLS – TRANSITION RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

Agency for Persons with Disabilities



Address: 2295 Victoria Ave. # 221A,

Ft. Myers, FL 33901

Phone Number: (239) 338-1372 Website: apd.myflorida.com/ Contact: APD.info@apdcares.org

APD supports persons with developmental disabilities in living, learning, and working in their communities. Individuals must have a primary diagnosis of: autism, cerebral palsy, spina bifida, intellectual disabilities, Prader-Willi Syndrome, Phelan McDermid Syndrome or Downs syndrome, and functional limitations in major life activities.

Services



Address: 600 8th

Avenue W., Suite 302, Palmetto, FL 34221

Phone Number: (941) 721-2914 Website: dbs.myflorida.com/

Contact: dbs.myflorida.com/Information/contact-

palmetto.html

DOE - Division of Blind Services assists blind individuals as well as those with useable but diminished vision. Their programs include: blind babies, children and family (school age), VR transition program for high school students, Vocational Rehabilitation program for those entering the workforce, and independent living program for seniors.

Florida Association of Centers for Independent Living (CIL)



Vocational

Rehabilitation

Address: 325 John Knox Road,

Building C, Suite 132, Tallahassee, FL 32303

Phone Number: (850) 575-6004 Website: www.floridacils.org

CILs are consumer-driven, non-profit organizations whose mission is to support community living and independence for people with disabilities based on the belief that all people can live with dignity, make their own choices and participate fully in society. CILs provide tools, resources and supports for integrating people with disabilities fully into their communities to promote equal opportunities, selfdetermination and respect.

Florida Center for Students with Unique

Florida Center for Students with **UNIQUE ABILITIES**

Abilities

Address: University of Central Florida - Teaching Academy, 4000 Central Florida Blvd., P.O. Box 161250

Orlando, FL 32816

Phone Number: (407) 823-5225

Website: www.fcsua.org Contact: fcsua@ucf.edu

The Florida Center for Students with Unique Abilities mission is to provide support to students, families, and institutions of higher education so that students with intellectual disabilities have opportunities for on-campus college experiences that

lead to employment opportunities.

Vocational Rehabilitation (DOE -

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation)

Address: 3660 N. Washington Blvd., Sarasota, FL 34234

Phone Number: (941) 359-5670 Website: www.RehabWorks.org

Contact: www.rehabworks.org/contact.shtml

Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) provides services to eligible individuals with physical and/or mental impairments that will enable an individual to achieve an employment goal and/or enhance their independence. Clients must have a documented disability, require VR services to become employed, and will benefit in terms of an employment outcome with VR services.

Suncoast **Center for**



Independent Living, Inc.

Address: 3281 17th Street, Sarasota, FL 34235

Phone Number: (941) 351-9545

Website: www.scil4u.org Contact: ilspecialist@scil4u.org

Suncoast Center for Independent Living serves anyone with a disability. Their program offers youth transition, advocacy, independent living skills, peer mentoring, information and referral, medical equipment loan program, computer loan program, and a home modification program. To help with these challenges, SCIL offers several basic and advance courses in Health and Wellness, Life Math and Budgeting, Household Skills and Computer Skills Class. SCIL also offers a specialized program for youth aged 16-22.

Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD)

Address: 13301 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., MHC 2113A, Tampa, FL

33612

Phone Number: (800) 333-4530 Website: www.card-usf.fmhi.usf.edu

Contact: card-usf@usf.edu

Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) at the University of South Florida is a community based project that provides information and consultation to individuals diagnosed with autism spectrum disorders and related disabilities. CARD-USF offers instruction and coaching to families and professionals through a training and assistance

Centerstone

Address: 391 6th Avenue W., Bradenton, FL 34205

Phone Number: (941)

782-4236

Website: www.centerstoneflorida.org **Contact:** centerstone.org/connect-with-us/

Centerstone offers community based behavioral health care including mental health and addiction services for children and adults. Centerstone offers short term hospitalization, treatment, psychological testing, and behavioral health

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services.

Academy at Glengary

Address: 910 Glengary St., Sarasota, FL 34312 Phone Number: (941)

894-8039 Website:

www.academysrq.org

Contact: www.academysrq.org/contact

The Academy at Glengary offers vocational training for adults with a mental health diagnosis. Training opportunities are offered in culinary arts, hospitality, phone reception, business, maintenance, janitorial, customer service, accounting/banking, videography, and graphic design.

United Way 2-1-1- of Manasota, Inc.

Address: 1800 2nd St., Suite

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CADEMY

AT GLENGARY

Sarasota, FL 34236 Phone Number: (941) 366-2686

Website: www.unitedwaysuncoast.org https://211.gshumanservices.org/

211 provides unmatched, critical services- Free and confidential assistance. No matter the situation, 211 Specialists listen, identify underlying problems, tackle root causes, and connect people to community resources and services. You can access 2-1-1 by phone, email, chat or text (just text your zip code to 898-211). Reaching out will get you connected to a multilingual 2-1-1 specialist in your area who can put you in touch with local organizations providing critical services to improve and save lives.

Jewish Family & Children's Services of Suncoast

Address: 2688 Fruitville Rd.

Sarasota, FL 34237 Phone Number: (941) 366-2224

Website: www.jfcs-cares.org/families/

JFCS offers supportive case management

connection to public benefits and mainstream, community resources, SOAR Certified case managers, relationship and adult education classes, and addiction prevention and mentoring program for children impacted by a family

members substance use.

Family Network on **Disabilities Statewide**

Address: 26750 U.S. Highway 19 N., Suite 410, Clearwater, FL 33761

Phone Number: (800) 825-5736 Website: www.fndusa.org Contact: fnd@fndusa.org



Sarasota, Manatee and DeSoto Counties

Get Connected, Get Help.™

The Family Network on Disabilities Statewide is the state of Florida's Parent Training and Information Center. The mission of FND is to strive for the complete integration and equality of persons with disabilities in a society without barriers and to serve families of children with disabilities, ages birth through

26, who have a full range of disabilities.



First Step of Sarasota Inc.

Address: 1451 10th Street,

Sarasota, FL 34236

Phone Number: (941) 552-1950

Website: www.fsos.org

Contact: www.fsos.org/contact-us

First Step of Sarasota offers innovative and comprehensive mental health and substance abuse programs for adults and children including inpatient, outpatient, and telehealth services. First Step offers treatment programs for both children and adults to help them transform their lives and

conquer their challenges.

Bayside Center for Behavioral Health Address: 1650 South Osprey

Ave., Sarasota, FL 34239

Phone Number: (941) 917-7760

Sarasota Memorial Hospital's Bayside Center for Behavioral Health offers timely, accessible mental health assessments, as well as referrals to the most appropriate level of care, so you or your loved one can get back to living a full life. They offer free, confidential mental health assessments and free assessments for families in need, given by licensed child and adolescent therapists who are on call 24 hours a day. They also offer comprehensive, inpatient programs for short-term, intensive psychiatric treatment for adults, adolescents and children.

Project 10:

Transition Education

Network, USF, St. Petersburg

Address: 140 7th Avenue S., SVB112, St. Petersburg,

project

FL 33701

Phone Number: (727) 873-4370 Website: www.project10.info Contact: usfsp-project10@usf.edu

Project 10: Transition Education Network is Florida's statewide discretionary project supporting the secondary transition of youth with disabilities. Project 10 assists school districts in providing appropriate planning and timely transition services and programs to assist youth with disabilities in their transition to adulthood. Project 10 also serves as a collaborative resource for other state agencies, discretionary projects, non-profit organizations and families in the provision of transition services for students.

CareerSource Suncoast

Address: 1112 Manatee Ave. E.,

Bradenton, FL 34208

Phone Number: (941) 358-4200

Website: www.careersourcesuncoast.com

Contact: <u>www.careersourcesuncoast.com/c</u>ontact

CareerSource Suncoast is the leading provider of workforce services in the Manatee and Sarasota counties. CareerSource Suncoast employs Career Coaches who not only help career seekers find job leads, but prepare them for a lasting career. They help enhance clients' essential skills, resumes, interview skills, offer personalized job referrals, and free employability skills workshops.

The Haven

Address: 4405 DeSoto Rd.,

Sarasota, FL 34235

Phone Number: (941) 355-8808

Website: www.thehavensrq.org

Contact: Info@TheHavenSRQ.org

The Haven is empowering the lives of children, teens, and adults with disabilities, one person at a time. Specialized services and programs include: employment, transition, community living, Haven Industries, vocational, and social training.

Family Care Council Florida

Address: P.O. Box 300100, Ferk Pak, FL

32730

Family Care Council Florida

CareerSource

SUNCOAST

Phone Number: (800) 470-8101 Website: www.fccflorida.org

The mission of the Family Care Councils of Florida (FCCF) is to educate and empower individuals with developmental disabilities and their families, partnering with the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, to bring quality services to

individuals with dignity and choice.



First Step

Lighthouse of Manasota

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Address: 7318 N. Tamiami Trl., Sarasota, FL 34243

Phone Number: (941) 359-1404

Website: www.lighthouseofmanasota.org
Contact: info@LighthouseEducationCenter.org
The Lighthouse of Manasota is a non-profit for individuals with low vision or blindness. Their no cost services are for

with low vision or blindness. Their no cost services are for all ages in Sarasota, Manatee, Desoto, Highlands and Charlotte Counties. They also offer vision rehabilitation training and support for visually-impaired persons

throughout their life span.

Loveland Center

Address: 157 S. Havana Rd.,

Venice, FL 34292

Phone Number: (941) 493-0016 Website: <u>www.lovelandcenter.org</u>

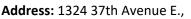
Contact: <u>info@lovelandcenter.org</u> Loveland Center offers individuals with intellectual and

developmental disabilities a variety of classes and activities through the Adult Day Training program. The goal of the Adult Day Training program is to provide an educational

environment that will teach students important life skills designed to improve decision-making, self-sufficiency, self-

advocacy, and interaction within the community.

Palm Shores Behavioral Health Center



Bradenton, FL 34208

Phone Number: (941) 586-9175 Website: <u>www.palmshoresbhc.com</u>

Contact: https://palmshoresbhc.com/contact-us
Palm Shores Behavioral Health Center provides a clinical program and services for children and adolescents. Their services include intensive, residential inpatient treatment for children and adolescents ages 5-17 years old experiencing behavioral, emotional, education, family and

social challenges.

UMatter Inclusive Postsecondary Education Program at USF St.

Petersburg Campus

Address: 4202 E. Fowler Ave. EDU 105, Tampa, FL 33620

Phone Number: (727) 873-4654

Website: www.usf.edu/education/umatter/index.aspx
Contact: www.usf.edu/education/umatter/index.aspx

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UMatter is an innovative inclusive postsecondary education (IPSE) program created to provide young people with intellectual disabilities the opportunity to experience higher education and campus life. The UMatter program is hosted at USF's St. Petersburg campus to provide young people with intellectual disabilities the learning, social skills, and career training needed to set them up to be competitively employed and live independently.

Easterseals of Southwest Florida

Address: 350 Braden
Ave., Sarasota FL, 3242

Phone Number: (941) 355-7637 x425 Website: www.easterseals-swfl.org Contact: dherndon@easterseals-swfl.org

Easterseals Employment Services is committed to helping people with disabilities find meaningful careers. In conjunction with Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Easterseals provides career exploration, job coaching, and supported employment services to high school students attending Easterseals Academy, adults attending Life Skills Development, and community members with physical and/or intellectual disabilities.

State College of Florida-Disability



Resource Center

Address: 5840 26th Street W., Bradenton, FL 34207

Phone Number: (941) 752-5295

Website:

scf.edu/StudentServices/DisabilityResourceCenter

Contact: drc@scf.edu

The Disability Resource Center (DRC) is committed to ensuring equal access to college programs, services, and activities for qualified students with disabilities. The DRC assists students with disabilities through the provision of reasonable accommodations, information, resources services and skill development.



CASL (Community Assisted and Supported Living)

Living)

Address: 157 S. Havana Rd.,

Venice, FL 34292

Phone Number: (941) 807-5402

Website: www.caslinc.org

Contact: <u>www.caslinc.org/contact-us</u>

CASL (Community Assisted and Supported Living) provides various levels of care to suit the diverse needs of residents.

The levels of care include an assisted living facility, independent housing, family style homes, and live-in

support.



Social Security Administration

Address: 2001 Siesta Dr., Suite 301,

Sarasota, FL 34239

Phone Number: (877) 490-9532

Website: www.ssa.gov

Contact:

www.ssa.gov/agency/contact

The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program pays benefits to eligible disabled adults and children who have limited income and resources.

