



Special Kids Foundation
Network and Exchange Meeting - March 11, 2011

Attendance List

Organization	Contacts	Services
Ada S. McKinley Community Services 725 S. Wells St. Chicago, IL 60607	Martha Edwards medwards@adasmckinley.org Roxanne Brown rbrown@adasmckinley.org	Services rendered daily include: tutoring, mentoring and college placement for disadvantaged youth, foster care, residential, youth and family counseling, employment training and placement, special and alternative schooling, daycare, and after-school and senior-care.
Anixter Center 2001 N. Clybourn Chicago, IL 60614	Diane Kush dkush@anixter.org Laura Thompson lthompson @anixter.org Nathaniel Ekman nekman@anixter.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Housing and residential support;• Employment and vocational programs;• Health, prevention, outreach and HIV/AIDS services;• Literacy, education, training, counseling and support services;• Audiology, interpreter, advocacy and social services for the deaf; and• Therapeutic play for children with special needs
Aspire 9901 Derby Lane Westchester, IL 60154	Kathy Ruffulo kruffulo@aspireofillinois.org Angela Wiley awiley@aspireofillinois.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Developmental therapy• Speech therapy• Occupational therapy• Physical therapy• Feeding therapy• Social skills groups• Assistive technology• Augmentative and alternative communication• Parent support and education groups• Family social opportunities• SibSHops

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Best Buddies Illinois 350 N. Orleans St., Suite 1193 Chicago, IL 60654	Shannon Hautman shannonhautman@bestbuddies.org Emilie Lewis emilielewis@bestbuddies.org	Best Buddies introduces socialization opportunities and job coaching, providing the necessary tools for people with intellectual disabilities to become more independent and, consequently, more included in the community.
Center For Independence Through Conductive Education 100 W. Plainfield Countryside, IL 60525	Patti Herbst pcherbst_1@msn.com	The Center for Independence provides intensive group motor training programs, based on the principles of Conductive Education, for children with cerebral palsy and spina bifida.
Chicago Children's Museum 700 E. Grand Ave., Suite 127 Chicago, IL 60611	Brett Taylor brettt@chicagochildrensmuseum.org	Play For All events, the second Saturday of every month, invite children and families with disabilities to come and experience CCM's inclusive, multisensory exhibits and programs.
Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind 1850 W. Roosevelt Rd. Chicago, IL 60608	Mary Zabelski mary.zabelski@chicagolighthouse.org	Provides a wide range of programs to make a comprehensive, wrap-around menu of services that address an individual's changing needs across a lifetime: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Rehabilitation and Research Services • Educational Services • Youth Transition Services Summer Lighthouse Internship Program • Youth Employment Program • Chicago Lighthouse Development Center • Birth to Three Early Intervention Program • Employment Services • Independent Living Services
City of Evanston Recreation Div. 2100 Ridge Evanston, IL 60201	Myra Gorman mgorman@cityofevanston.org	Evanston Special Recreation is a community based recreation program. We provide recreational programming for adults and children with special needs. Programs emphasize individual development in a wide range of leisure areas including sports, culture, social, after-school and special events. We provide programming after-school, evening and weekends and during the summer.

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Community Support Services 9021 Ogden Ave. Brookfield, IL 60513	Andrea Finnegan afinnegan@communitysupportservices.org Eve Guttman eguttman@communitysupportservices.org	Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respite Services • Family Support • Adult Services • Supported Employment • Supported Parenting
Envision Unlimited 8 S. Michigan Ave. Chicago, IL 60603	Ted Whitmer twhitmer@envisionchicago.org Monika Kimrey mockingbook@yahoo.com Addie Hudson, MSW ahudson@envisionchicago.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foster Care and Becoming a Foster Parent • Respite • Home Based Services Facilitation • Youth and Family Support Center • Job Placement and Community Employment Services • Community Living Program • Senior Services • Business Enterprises
Esperanza Community Services 520 N. Marshfield Chicago, IL 60622	Theresa Baker tbaker@esperanzacommunity.org Jeffrey Fenwick jfenwick@esperanzacommunity.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Esperanza School, a therapeutic day school • The Coleridge Adult Day Program • Community Integrated Living Arrangement (CILA) • Client and Family Support Program
Giant Steps 2500 Cabot Dr. Lisle, IL 60532	Dan Dahlke ddahlke@mygiantsteps.org	Our goal is to improve a child's ability to interact, communicate, and develop academic and daily living skills through a one-on-one integrated approach encompassing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autism Education • Training • Therapy • Recreation • Life Skills

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<p>Have Dreams 930 Busse Highway Park Ridge, IL 60068</p>	<p>Christine Bellosa cbellosa@havedreams.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After-School Enrichment Programs • Specialized Individual Therapy • Sibling Groups • Consultative Services for Home/School • Parent and Professional Trainings/Workshops • Parent Groups • Case Management for Families
<p>Keshet 617 Landwehr Northbrook, IL 60062</p>	<p>Heather Tratt heather@keshet.org</p>	<p>Current Keshet programs and activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ariella Joy Frankel Keshet Day School (K-8th Grade) • Dr. Irving A. Hokin Keshet High School (9th-12th Grade) • Ma-Amin (9th-12th Grade) • Keshet Coe-Worker Transition Program (Ages 18-21) • The Sidney and Lisa Glenner GADOL Program – Giving Adults Daily Opportunities for Living (age 22 and above) • Young Adult Recreation Program • Keshet Sunday School • Keshet Recreational, Summer Programs & Camps
<p>LaRabida's Children's Hospital East 65th St. and Lake Michigan Chicago, IL 60649</p>	<p>Nancy Richer nricher@larabida.org</p> <p>Pam Northrop LCSW pnorthrop@larabida.org</p> <p>Leslie Reynolds lreynolds@larabida.org</p>	<p>La Rabida Children’s Hospital is dedicated to excellence in caring for children with chronic illness, disabilities, or who have been abused, allowing them to achieve their fullest potential through expertise and innovation within the health care and academic communities.</p>
<p>Music Institute of Chicago 300 Green Bay Road Winnetka, IL 60093</p>	<p>Leslee Goldman lgoldman@musicinst.org</p>	<p>Institute for Therapy Through The Arts - integrated arts approaches to help children, adults and families to improve functioning related to psychological, developmental, physical or cognitive factors.</p>

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PACTT Learning Center 7101 N. Greenview Ave. Chicago, IL 60626	Terry Herbstritt therbstritt@pactt.org Tim Edwards tedwards@pactt.org	At PACTT in addition to our therapeutic school services for children with Autism, we also have two group homes for children with Autism an adult CILA residence. Other day services include a community base adult Vocational program and consultative services for individuals and agencies.
Parents Alliance Employment Project 2525 Cabot Drive, Suite 302 Lisle, IL 60532	Kristen Crampton kcrampton@parents-alliance.org Roger Cave rcave@parents-alliance.org	Parents Alliance Employment Project is an organization devoted to improving the quality of life for people with disabilities through individualized employment services.
Seguin Services 3100 S. Central Cicero, IL 60804	Kathleen Wissmiller kwissmiller@seguin.org Jim Haptonstahl jhaptons@seguin.org	Services Offered <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developmental/Life Skills Training • Community Employment Alternatives • Work opportunities through the SEGUINWORKS initiative. • Community Integrated Living Arrangements • Community Supported Living Arrangements. • Respite Services • Building Bridges to the Future - <i>Transitions from School to Adulthood</i> project • Children's Foster Care
Shore Community Services 4232 Dempster Street Skokie, IL 60076	Mary Louise Matz mkm.shore@sbcglobal.net	SHORE Community Services provides a comprehensive array of services including: small group homes, CILAs (Community Integrated Living Arrangements), Supported Living Arrangements, a Training Center, a Senior and Adult Services Program, Early Intervention, Service Facilitation and In-Home Respite Care. Programs are located in Evanston, Morton Grove and Skokie.

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<p>The Autism Clinic and TAP Training Center/UIC 1747 W. Roosevelt Rd. (M/C 747) Chicago, IL 60608</p>	<p>Lana Roth, LCSW lroth@psych.uic.edu</p>	<p>Programs include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diagnostic Evaluations • Social Skills Groups • Transition/Self-Advocacy Groups for college students • School Consultation
<p>Developmental Disabilities Family Clinics/UIC 1640 Roosevelt Rd. (M/C 727) Chicago, IL 60608</p>	<p>Linda Sandman, MSW, LCSW lsandman@uic.edu</p>	<p>Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Adult Diagnostic and Intervention Program • The Hispanic Diagnostic and Family Support Program • The Child and Adolescent Diagnostic and Family Support Program • The Autism Clinic and TAP Training Center • Referrals and Resource Coordination