



Enriching the lives of people with disabilities

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FACT SHEET

Enriching the lives of people with disabilities. This mission has guided Community Living to be a premier provider of programs and services for people with disabilities in St. Charles County. Family Support Services merged with Community Living in 2010, and now the agency's mission and programs reach over 800 individuals and their families. From children to seniors, Community Living provides people with disabilities the opportunity to learn, live, grow, and play in the community, which makes the community inclusive, diverse and a better place to live.

Scope: Seven programs including Employment, Adult Recreation, Residential, Facility-Based Respite, In-Home Respite, SOAR – Teen Recreation, and Support Services for Adults. Services are provided in St. Charles and Lincoln Counties.

Clients Served: Over 800

Staff: 314

Budget: Approx. \$10 million

Funding sources: Developmental Disabilities Resource Board of St. Charles County (DDRB), the United Way of Greater St. Louis, the Missouri Department of Mental Health, the Missouri Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Missouri Department of Economic Development Neighborhood Assistance Program and Youth Opportunities Program, the Community and Children's Resource Board of St. Charles County (CCRB), Community Opportunities of Lincoln County, Variety the Children's Charity of St. Louis, private pay, grants, donations.

Accreditation: Community Living is accredited by CARF for the following programs: Employment Services, Residential Services, Respite Services, and Support Services for Adults. In addition, Community Living meets all 20 Better Business Bureau Standards for Charity Accountability.

Employment Services assists individuals with disabilities in identifying their skills and interests, matches them with employers, provides job coaching, and retention services for the life of the job.

Adult Recreation Services provides a wide range of recreational and leisure opportunities for people with disabilities, ages 18 and over. There are activities to meet a variety of interests and skill levels.

Residential Services provides personalized support to individuals with developmental disabilities, age 18 and older, to encourage self-sufficiency and self-direction in one's home and community.

Facility-Based Respite offers respite services in home-like facilities to provide breaks for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. *The Respite Care Home* provides 24/7 care to individuals of all ages with a nurse on duty at all times. *The Respite Center*, which is available on specified weekends to individuals ages 6-21, offers one-to-one staffing to address behavioral issues.

In-Home Respite offers families the option of in-home care for their family member with special needs. The family chooses their own caregiver who works as an independent contractor for the family.

Social Opportunities and Recreation (SOAR) includes activities for teens with developmental disabilities, ages 12 to 21, enrolled in middle or high school. Activities include: *Teen Club*, which is designed to provide after-school care for youth; *Break Camps*, which provide full-day programming that coincide with the break schedules of St. Charles County public middle and high schools; and *Summer Camp* provides families with weekday care options from June through August.

Support Services for Adults offers day habilitation to adults with disabilities, age 21 and older. Support is individualized and is based on the interests and needs of the program participant.