

Information & Referral



The Arc of Frederick County helps people with developmental disabilities live enviable lives. Enviable lives are the lives we all lead, filled with purpose and meaning, and with friends and family. This is accomplished by providing services, advocacy, and creating supportive communities.

Following this mission, The Arc continues to respond to the needs of children with developmental disabilities and their families by providing Information and Referral services that are available to people with disabilities, their families, and community members.

Contributions from members, civic groups, and grants allow The Arc to offer additional needed supports to people in Frederick County.

Information and Referral Services could include:

- ⇒ Support navigating and applying to the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) and to the Autism Waiver Registry.
- ⇒ Referrals to community resources, such as housing, financial, medical or mental health programs.
- ⇒ Information on educational programs offered for individuals with disabilities
- ⇒ Information on support groups for parents and siblings
- ⇒ Information on Working Together, a Self-Advocacy group
- ⇒ Information on recreational activities.
- ⇒ Problem solving.
- ⇒ Information about respite services.
- ⇒ School observations.
- ⇒ Support navigating Special Education Services.
- ⇒ IEP (Individual Education Plan) Advocacy
- ⇒ Facilitating communication between parents, teachers and school administrators
- ⇒ Community presentations on IEP processes.
- ⇒ Collaborating with school personnel to develop programs and trainings for parents and staff.