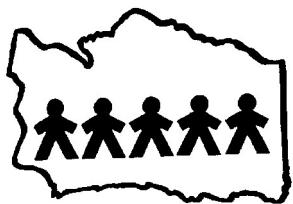


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**Tri-Counties
Regional Center**

Achievement House

1765 South Broadway, Santa Maria, CA 93458; voice: (805) 938-6201 / fax: (805) 938-6204
www.achievementhouse.org

NCI Affiliates and Achievement House are 501c non-profit agencies serving the vocational and community living needs of persons with developmental disabilities in San Luis Obispo, northern Santa Barbara, and Monterey counties. We provide an array of vocational services and programs to assist individuals in developing appropriate workplace skills and behaviors so as to enhance individual productivity, independence, and community integration.

Hours of Operation: Varies

Contact: Jessica Jolliffe, Program Coordinator

Email: jjolliffe@achievementhouse.org

Ages served: adults over 18 yrs.

- Day Services
- Employment
- Residential

Alpha Resource Center of Santa Barbara

1234 Fairway Dr., Suite A, Santa Maria, CA 93455; voice: (805) 347-2775 / fax: (805) 967-3647
www.alphasb.org

We work with families of kids with special needs, providing them with parent to parent support, guidance, training materials, education, resources and referral.

Trabajamos con Familias que tienen un hijo o familiar con alguna necesidad especial, proveeyendo apoyo de papa a papa, guiandolos, material de entrenamiento, educacion, recursos y refefir algun otro programa o servicio que le pueda ayudar.

Hours of Operation: 8:00 am to 5:00

Monday—Friday

Contact: Patricia Moore, Manager

- Adult Day Program
- Children Family & Advocacy Services
- Katie's Fund Social Rec
- Parent Support
- Systems Navigation
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Department of Rehabilitation

2615 S. Miller St., Ste. 101, Santa Maria, CA 93455; voice: (805) 928-1891 / fax: (805) 346-2179
1234 Fairway Dr., Santa Maria, CA 93455; (805) 347-2775
www.dor.ca.gov

The California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) works in partnership with consumers and other stakeholders to provide services and advocacy resulting in employment, independent living, and equality for individuals with disabilities.

Hours: 8:00am - 5:00pm, Monday-Friday

Contact/Person in charge: Shirley Raun, Manager

Email: Shirley.raun@dor.ca.gov

Eligibility: Must have physical or mental impairment that substantially impedes ability to secure employment

Intake procedure: Attend orientation and initial interview

- Employment
- Transition Services

Devereux CA

6980 Falberg Way, Goleta, CA 93117; (805) 968-2525, (805) 968-5725 (fax)
www.devereuxca.org

Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health California provides a continuum of care for adults with diagnoses such as: Autism Spectrum Disorder, intellectual and developmental disabilities, emotional and/or behavioral differences, and other cognitive differences. We offer residential and day treatment programs, community-based group homes, supported living services, respite care, and an adult day program. These programs provide a treatment milieu designed to increase independent living skills, community integration and ensure the highest possible quality of life.

Hours: 24/7

Ages served: 18 through lifespan

Contact: Rebecca Popke

email: rpopke@devereux.org

Intake procedure: Please refer to admissions on website.

- Behavioral Support
- Continuing Education
- Day Services
- Employment
- Life Skills
- Mental Health
- Residential

Hidden Wings

517 Atterdag Road, Solvang, CA 93463; (805) 705-3918
www.hiddenwings.org

Hidden Wings is a full time program for adults with special needs based on a rigorous curriculum to develop life skills, individual job skills, and community involvement. Our highly structured program reflects 10 years of experience and studies of best practices around the country. With an intimate 3-to-1 ratio of staff to participant, our program is designed to accelerate each participant's emotional, social, physical and career development.

Hours: 9:00am—3:00pm, Monday—Friday
Ages served: 18+
Contact: Jim Billington, Director
Email: jim@hiddenwings.org
Eligibility: TCRC Client

- Community based integration program focused on employment and life skills.

Holdsambeck & Associates, Inc.

1112 S. Broadway, Santa Maria, CA 93454; voice: 805-979-9941/fax: 805-222-3041
www.holdsambeck.com

We use intensive ABA techniques to develop repertoires of behavior that facilitate success and independence in home, school, and community settings while eliminating or minimizing problem behaviors.

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Ages served: All

Contact/Person in charge:

Leasha Barry, Clinical Director

Independent Living Resource Center

222 Carmen Lane, Suite 106, Santa Maria, CA 93458; (805) 925-0015 / fax: (805) 354-5948
www.ilrc-trico.org

Independent Living Resource Center is a private non-profit organization focused on providing information, referral, support and advocacy to assist individuals of all disabilities to live as independently as they choose in their communities of choice. All services are determined by the individual receiving them and we are a peer run organization, with 51% of our board of directors and approximate 80% of our staff identifying as having disabilities.

Hours: 9:00a.m. - 5:00p.m. Monday—Friday

Contact: Crystal Harman, Community Living Advocate

Email: charman@ilrc-trico.org

Intake procedure: Call office, most info can be taken over the phone.

Face-to-face appointments made at that time as well.

- Access to Services

- Advocacy

- Life Skills

- Transition Services

Life Steps Foundation, Inc. Central Coast Adult Services (CCAS)

1431 Pomeroy Rd., Arroyo Grande, CA 93420, (805) 549-0150 / fax: (805) 474-8431
www.lifestepfoundation.org

Life Steps Foundation, Inc. began providing children's services in 1982 as a partnership among three mental health professionals who identified the need for in-home education and preventative interventions. Life Steps Foundation is currently dedicated to assisting individuals with advocating for themselves, attaining the level of community inclusion they desire and maximizing their potential within a safe, supportive environment.

Hours: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Ages served: 18+

Contact: Cynthia Collins, Program Manager

Eligibility: Individuals of Tri-Counties Regional Center

Intake process: Referral from TCRC, Cycle of support meeting. LSF assessment/intake paperwork.

Scheduling and staffing.

- Access to Services

- Advocacy

- Behavioral Support

- Life Skills

- Transitional Services

- Other: Independent/Supported Living Services

Novelles Developmental Services

305 W. Church St., Santa Maria, CA 93458; (805) 349-7516 / fax: (805) 928-1171
www.cpes.com

Church Street is a behavior management day program that offers a person centered approach, innovative, life enhancing, encouraging, meaningful and are positive in support planning for behavior management.

Hours: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Ages: Adults 18 and older

Contact: Raquel Salazar, Administrator

Email: rsalazar1@cpes.com

Eligibility: Regional Center referral/Private Pay

Intake process: Assessment/Preplacement app.

- Behavioral Support
- Day Services
- Life Skills

PathPoint

2450 Professional Parkway, #220, Santa Maria, CA 93455; voice: (805) 934-3537 / fax: (805) 934-6616
www.pathpoint.org

PathPoint supports people in living the life they choose. We partner with people with disabilities, people with mental health diagnoses, and young adults to pursue their hopes and dreams through strengthening workplace abilities, building life skills, and developing meaningful relationships.

Contact: Tanya Dennett, Program Coordinator

Email: tanya.dennett@pathpoint.org

- Access of Sevices
- Advocacy
- Behavioral Support
- Day Services
- Employment
- Life Skills
- Mental Health
- Recreation
- Residential
- Transition Services

Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy, a unit of Disability Rights California

520 E. Montecito Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93103 (Attn: OCRA)

OCRA is non-profit law office and unit of Disability Rights California. OCRA works with regional center eligible participants in legal issues relating to their developmental disabilities.

Hours: 9:00a.m.—5:00pm

Contact: For OCRA for TCRC catchment area:

Kendra McWright, Clients' Rights

Advocate/Attorney

Email: gina.gheno@disabilityrightsca.org

- Advocacy

Peoples Care

150 Mary Ave, #2, Nipomo, CA 93444; voice: (805) 869-1365 / fax: (805) 888-2864

www.peoplescare.com

We are an adult day program with behavioral supports. We offer both one to one supports and group support. We offer transportation to and from program.

Hours: 8:30am — 2:30pm

Ages: 22—65

Contact: Vanessa Wetmore, Program Manager

Email: vwetmore@peoplescare.org

Intake: Contact TCRC then set up tour with Peoples Care.

- Access of Services
- Advocacy
- Behavioral Support
- Day Services
- Life Skills
- Mental Health
- Recreation
- Transition Services

Santa Barbara County Education Office (SBCEO) Special Education Programs

402 Farnel Rd., Santa Barbara, CA 93458; voice: (805) 922-0334/fax: (805) 922-6543
www.sbceo.org/~specialeducation/

SBCEO applies student-centered, multi-measures to assess students' needs to promote instructional practices that contribute to student success and learning and provides student-focused, high quality programs and services utilizing innovative evidence-based interventions.

Hours: 8:00am to 5:00pm
Ages: Preschool to 22 years
Contact: Cheri Spencer, Vocational and
Transition Manager

Santa Barbara County SELPA

401 N. Fairview Ave., Goleta, CA 93117; (805) 683-1424/(805) 967-1960 (fax)
www.sbcselpa.org

The SBCSELPA is a Joint Powers Agency mandated to govern and facilitate special education programs administered by the County Education Office and school districts within Santa Barbara County.

Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday-Friday
Ages served: 0 to 22 years
Contact: Jennifer Connolly, SBCSELPA Coordinator

Santa Maria Joint Union High School District

2560 Skyway Drive, Santa Maria, CA 93455 voice #: (805) 925-4573 fax #: (805) 925-4035

The Santa Maria Joint Union High School District Transition Partnership Program (TPP) in collaboration with California Department of Rehabilitation provide pre-employment transition services to students with disabilities ages 16-22 from Santa Maria High School, Righetti High School, Pioneer Valley High School and Delta High School. Pre-employment Transition Services promote movement from school to work and help prepare students for employment in a classroom, community, and/or work setting. These focus on the following core services: Job exploration, work based learning experiences, counseling on post-secondary opportunities, work readiness training and instruction on self-advocacy.

Hours: 9:00am to 5:30pm, Monday-Friday

Ages: High School student with disabilities ages 16-22

Contact: Steve Molina, Program Director

Email: semolina@smjuhsd.org

Intake Procedure: SMJUHS staff refers students to Department of Rehabilitation Vocation Counselor for eligibility certification and service plan.

☐ Employment

☐ Transition Services

Santa Maria Joint Union High School District Transition Vocational Program

901 S. Broadway, Santa Maria, CA 93454; voice: (805) 925-2567 ext.3731

The SMJUHS Transition/Vocational Program is a Special Education program designed to prepare students with Mild/Moderate disabilities for employment suitable for their abilities and interest.

El Programa de transición/profesional SMJUHS es un programa de educación especial destinado a preparar a los estudiantes con discapacidad leve/moderada para el empleo a tiempo completo adecuada a sus capacidades e intereses.

Ages served: High School Seniors 17-22 Years

Contact/Person in charge: Glenn Goldin, Special Education Specialist

Email ggoldin@smjuhsd.org

Fees: None

- Access to Services

- Continuing Education

- Employment

- Life Skills

- Recreation

- Transition

Special Needs Network

PO Box 6443, Santa Maria, CA 93458; voice #: (805) 937-8756, fax #: (805) 937-8756

We are a parent-to-parent support group of parents with special needs persons. We host a social club, hiking club and drama and music group for our special needs folks, a parent support group as well as several special events for the whole family. Christmas party, family picnic.

Hours of Operation: Volunteer Parent Group-hours as needed

Ages served: All

Contact/Person in charge: Diana Gard, President

Email diana.gard@verizon.net

Fees: No Fees

Intake procedure: Membership form

- Advocacy
- Recreation
- Other: Support, advice, programs for special needs persons.

Special Olympics

Northern Santa Barbara County

615 S. McClelland St., Santa Maria, CA 93454; voice: (805) 928-3781, ext. 2353/fax: (805) 925-4508
www.sosc.org/nsb

Having fun, developing skill and building self-esteem is the life of a special Olympic athlete. We offer year-round training and competitions in 11 sports for people of all ages and skill levels.

Hours of Operation: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Ages served: 8 years—no limit

Contact/Person in charge: Nicolas Chavez, Operations Coordinator

Email nchavez@sosc.org

Fees: No Fees

Intake procedure: Special Olympics application, athlete health information, code of conduct form.

The Santa Maria Explorers

518 East Main Street, Santa Maria, CA 93454; voice #: (805) 925-0016, fax #: (805) 925-0036

The Santa Maria Explorers is a Community Based Program offering individualized, non-traditional daytime activities for adults living with developmental disabilities. At The Santa Maria Explorers participants are able to choose the specific activities that most interest them from a selection of dynamic classes that have been developed to enrich community participation, independent living skills, and enriched life experiences not always available to people in the Santa Maria Valley. Opportunities include classes such as Cooking and Pastry, Wood Shop, Drumming, Gardening, Martial Arts, Raising Backyard Chickens and more. For more information you can visit us at: www.SantaMariaExplorers.com.

Hours of Operation: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Ages served: Adults—Post High School

Contact/Person in charge: Vinita Waddell, Program Director

Email Vinita@santamariaexplorers.com

Fees: No Fees—Intake procedure: T.C.R.C. Referral

- Other: Non-traditional Day Program

Taft College: Transition to Independent Living Program (TIL)

29 Cougar Court, Taft, CA 93268; (661) 763-7769, fax: (661) 763-7787

The TIL program serves people with intellectual disabilities that qualify for regional center services. Students receive training to learn how to manage a budget, cook, keep house, work, relate to other people, etc.

It's a two year program located on a community college campus.

Hours: 8:00am—5:00pm, Monday—Friday

Ages: 18—45

Contact: Vicki Waugh

Email: vwaugh@taftcollege.edu

Eligibility: Regional center eligible

Intake: Application and Interview required.

- Employment
- Transitional Services
- Other: Independent Living Skills Training

T-HMA Transition-Mental Health Association

784 High St., San Luis Obispo, CA 93401; voice: (805) 540-6500/fax: (805) 540-6501

The mission of TMHA's Supported Employment Program is to provide personalized, quality services that enhance opportunities for persons with mental illness to achieve their employment goals in Northern Santa Barbara County. "Supported Employment" is a service that helps individuals with psychiatric disabilities find and maintain employment in our community while providing the supports necessary to ensure their success.

Hours: 8:00a.m.—5:00p.m. Monday-Friday

Ages served: Adults

Contact: David Wheeler, Vocational Specialist

Email: dwheeler@t-mha.org

Eligibility: Clients with a severe and persistent mental health issue

- Employment
- Life Skills
- Mental Health

Transition Vocational Program (TVP)

901 South Broadway, Santa Maria, CA 93454; (805) 925-2567, Ext. 3241

TVP is a special education program designed to prepare students with mild/moderate disabilities for employment suitable for their abilities and interests.

El programa de transición/profesional SMJUHSD es un programa de educación especial destinado a preparar a los estudiantes con discapacidad leve/moderada para el empleo a tiempo completo

Hours: 8:30am - 2:30pm

Ages: High school seniors, ages 17—22 yrs.

Contact: Glenn Goldin, Special Education Specialist

Email: ggoldin@smjuhsd.org

Eligibility: Active IEP

- Access to Services
- Continuing Education
- Employment
- Life Skills
- Recreation
- Transition Services

Tri-Counties Regional Center (TCRC)

1234 Fairway Dr., Ste. A, Santa Maria, CA 93455; voice: (805) 922-4640/fax: (805) 922-4350
www.tri-counties.org

Our Mission: TCRC provides person and family centered services and supports for individuals with developmental disabilities to maximize opportunities and choices for living, working, learning, and recreating in the community.

Our Vision: Persons with developmental disabilities live fully and safely as active and independent members of their community.

Please see website for more information.

Hours of operation: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Ages served: birth through lifespan
Contacts: John Ryan, Manager
Email: aschacht@tri-counties.org
Eligibility & Intake procedure: see website

- Access to Services
- Advocacy
- Behavioral Support
- Day Services
- Employment
- Life Skills
- Recreation
- Residential

UCP WORK, Inc.

3070 Skyway Dr., Ste. 104, Santa Maria, CA 93455; (805) 739-0451
www.ucpworkinc.org

A not for profit agency, UCP WORK, Inc. is dedicated to assisting people with significant disabilities grow toward productive and satisfying lives within the community of their choice and is committed to being leaders in providing innovative programs to maximize employability, independence, and quality

Hours: 8:00am - 4:30pm, Monday—Friday
Ages served: 18 +
Contact: Judy Linares, Director Program Services
Email: jlinares@ucpworkinc.org
Intake process: Contact Case Manager

- Access to Services
- Advocacy
- Behavioral Support
- Day Services
- Employment
- Life Skills
- Residential
- Transition Services

VTC Enterprises

2445 A St., Santa Maria, CA 93454; (805) 928-5000

VTC Enterprises was founded in 1961 by a group of Santa Maria Valley parents seeking life skills services for their adult children with significant developmental disabilities. We offer a wide range of services to people with disabilities who desire training or assistance in areas related to employment and daily living. Services are individualized as each person helps design their own plan and goals, and great effort is put into understanding preferences of those who are non-verbal or have difficulty communicating.

Hours: 9:00am - 4:00pm, Monday - Friday

Ages served: 17—70

Contact: Virginia A Sanchez, Operations Manager

Email: Virginia.sanchez@vtc-sm.org

Eligibility: Referral from Department of Rehabilitation

Intake: Meet with our Service Coordinator.

Wayfinders at Fresno State

5005 N. Maple Ave., Fresno, CA 93710; voice: (559) 278-0390/fax: (559) 278-0199
www.fresnostate.edu/kremen/wayfinders

Offers an inclusive postsecondary education and residential program for students with intellectual disabilities. Students learn the skills to live independently in their own apartments, take classes at Fresno State, gain vocational experience by working 8 hours a week, and socially interact on campus and in the community as part of the activities program.

Hours of operation: 7:00 am—10:00 pm

Ages served: 18—28 yrs. old

Person in charge: Shail Lopez-Ortiz, Director

Email: rywilson@csufresno.edu

Eligibility: Diagnosed intellectual disability

Intake procedure: Program tour, application, student interview and significant other interview

- Access to Services
- Advocacy
- Continuing Education
- Employment
- Life Skills
- Recreation
- Residential