



WHO IS DSC?

DSC is a nonprofit organization with a long-standing reputation for providing comprehensive services and supports for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD), currently serving approximately 1,200 individuals and families in Champaign and Ford counties. Our staff are compassionate and responsive to your ever-changing needs, drawing from strengths and choices, to help design the supports a child, adult, or family seeks to live their very best life.

- **Family Development**
- **Case Management/Service Facilitation**
- **Individual and Family Support**
- **Residential**
- **Community Day Services**
- **Employment**
- **LEAP**



HOW CAN I HELP DSC CONTINUE ITS WORK?

We welcome anyone who has a passion for partnering with people with disabilities. We also welcome your volunteer assistance and contributions.

Financial gifts to DSC are far more than tax-deductible donations; they are investments in the future of individuals and families in your community.

Our staff is available to provide tours or speaking engagements to individuals or groups.

If you are interested in learning more about helping others, please visit www.dsc-illinois.org to review available job openings.



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Family Development

Family Development provides families with a holistic team approach connecting them to services to best support their infants and toddlers. Early Intervention offers service coordination and in-home developmental, occupational, speech, and physical therapy. Home visiting services are available through the Parent Wonders program including inclusive, therapeutic playgroups for children, parents, and caregivers. Free developmental screenings are available for any child birth through age five residing in Champaign County.



Case Management/Service Facilitation

Adults may request support to maintain or enhance their independence in the community, at work, and home. A Case Coordinator will assist in planning agency support and access to community services, offering intensive and ongoing guidance through all phases of a person's adult life and responding to their needs by providing seamless service delivery. Guided by the person's individualized plan, Case Coordinators help put support in place in life areas such as independent living, community resources and access, medical, health/wellness, financial, behavioral, counseling, housing, and long-term care.



Community Day Services (CDS)

CDS offers a variety of enriching activities for people to develop and strengthen connections with their peers and others throughout the community. Opportunities may include: recreational, social, educational, volunteer, advocacy, technology, and other areas of interest to enhance personal fulfillment. This program emphasizes broadening personal experiences and empowering people to have a meaningful day.



Individual and Family Support (IFS)

IFS includes advocacy training and opportunities for individuals as well as respite for families. The advocacy program solicits input from adults interested in expanding their knowledge, skills, and interests in areas such as human rights, sexuality, and advocacy. Advocates explore their interests and increase their roles with enhanced engagement, empowerment, and community involvement. The respite program provides families with a personal support worker to provide a temporary break for the caregivers. Respite may also provide funding for adaptive equipment, specialized camps, transportation, or home/technology equipment to ease mobility and community connectivity.



Residential

DSC offers independent, semi-supported, and 24-hour supported living options for adults with IDD. The Community Living program optimizes independent living in a person's own home while promoting choice, community access, social, health, safety, and financial well-being. C-U Independence is a 24-unit building offering semi-supported apartment living. And, multiple residential locations offer 24-hour supported Community Integrated Living Arrangements (CILAs), commonly known as group homes throughout Champaign County. All residential may support medication management, administration, medical advocacy, behavioral support, transportation, and other interests/needs presented by each person.



Employment

The Employment program offers services to support individual community employment and supported community employment opportunities. The focus of this program includes securing and maintaining a job in which the person receives the support needed for success. Opportunities are customized for each person's unique interests, talents, and abilities. Supported Employment provides opportunities for people with significant support needs to work within a local business as a member of a small group supported by a job coach. Once community employment is secured, ongoing job coaching is provided until the person is independent or natural supports are identified. Services are provided to meet the needs of the employee and the employer, with flexible and available support as long as needed to enjoy success and independence.



LEAP

(Leaders in Employing All People)

Funded by the Champaign County Developmental Disability Board, LEAP is a collaborative effort between DSC and Community Choices to increase awareness specific to employment for people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities. This program offers the business community of Champaign County a free group or individual training on becoming a disability-inclusive business. The program provides employers with education and resources regarding the benefit of hiring people with disabilities and the support to incorporate more inclusive practices.

DSC MISSION

DSC supports people in living a rich and meaningful life.

DSC VISION

Striving to assure that every person lives a full life in the community.

