A Guide to Philadelphia
Neighborhood Resources for
Infants, Toddlers, Preschoolers,
& their Families
Parents need to have a vision about where they see children participating and what they see them doing in the future. It is important for parents and professionals to have a vision of children participating in educational AND community-based opportunities. This guide focuses on assisting parents and professionals to envision a child in community-based opportunities. It is intended as a starting point to inspire thoughts about including children in community-based opportunities. Professionals can use it as a reference that can be carried with them as they visit children and families and work together with caregivers to identify general community resources that support the development and participation of all infants, toddlers and young children in everyday learning opportunities.

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There are many comprehensive guides and directories that are available in Philadelphia to help professionals find a variety of resources for specific needs. This guide is not intended to replace the wide number of available resources. Nor, is it intended to be a comprehensive listing of all resources in all Philadelphia neighborhoods or a recommendation of particular resources.
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Envisioning children in the community

The act of envisioning helps keep hopes and desires for children positive and rewarding without denying a child’s disability or delayed development. Be careful and don’t assume that a child cannot achieve or have great expectations; envisioning gives you the skills to motivate and challenge your dreams - despite limitations. Envision a dream for children, see them as a part of your local community so that you can begin locating and contacting agencies, programs, and people in the community in order to fulfill the dream.

Search for opportunities to include families in leisure, social, and recreational activities. This practice not only benefits a family but also the community as it becomes more sensitive to the needs and abilities of families raising children with disabilities. Leisure, social and recreational activities are an important and vital part of life. This guide will assist you to look at the community in terms of opportunities beyond the traditional and to develop ways of enjoying family-selected activities using whatever minor adaptations or accommodations are necessary to achieve success.

REMEMBER - It all starts with an idea... and a vision

Examples of Community Resources

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Where to begin . . Making a Neighborhood Map

The map will take you about 30 minutes to complete. Maps generally are best made after you have developed rapport with the family. Don’t make this map at the initial visit, but do it early in your process of working with the child and family so you get a sense of where they spend time. The map provides a framework (or context) for having a conversation with families about the settings (environments) where they spend time and the activities and routines that occur within those settings.

1. Use a large piece of paper and markers to make the map. Start by drawing the family’s house.
2. Ask them to identify places they go each day themselves and with their child.
3. Draw those places on the map. Talk to the family about what they do or what the child does in those locations.
4. Find out other places the family may go during a week (such as church, the store, etc.) Draw these on the map.
5. Ask the family if this map represents the things that they typically do – places they typically go.
6. Then, ask them to identify other places that they might like to go but are unable to get to or are unable to use and draw these.
7. When you are totally done, ask the family if the map represents things they do and things they would like to do and add anything else that is “missing.”
8. Ask the family what goes well or does not go so well in the settings were they spend time.

What You Can Learn From Making the Map:

- How the family “sees” its community or neighborhood
- What activities the family may do outside of the home (e.g., go to stores, church, shopping center, schools, library)
- What resources are available in a community (as used by this particular family)
- How families get around in their neighborhood (e.g., walk, drive, public transportation, friend drives, etc.)
- What activities go on in the places where they go (e.g., shop for a lot of groceries when they go to the supermarket, for small items when they go to the neighborhood
store; spend a lot of time waiting in the doctor’s office; watch television at home).

- What a family’s routines may be (e.g., getting up, mealtimes, outside activities of older children, attending church, etc.):
  Routines are what families do regularly – something that would be done regularly each day (e.g., bedtimes, mealtimes) or each week (take child to child care; go to work or school).

- How much time the family spends at home, in their immediate neighborhood/block, and in other places.

- Places that they do not go and used to go or would like to go but that they don’t do because of reasons involving the child or for other reasons.

- Situations that work really well (the child loves to go to the playground and play with other children) and that don’t go well (the family has to find babysitting for the child so that the rest of the family can go to church.)

What Can You Do With This Information?

- Work with families to see if you can help them be able to do activities or routines more easily

- Work with families to increase children’s participation in activities and routines. For example, you may help a family position a child with physical disabilities in a wagon that they already own so that they can go on walks in their neighborhood. You might help a child care provider figure out how to increase a child’s participation in a child care activity such as circle time, free time, etc.

- Embed strategies that you know as an early intervention person into family routines and activities or the routines and activities of other settings (e.g., library story hour; doctor’s office; riding on the bus) so that a child’s opportunities to reach IFSP goals and to develop and learn generally are increased.

What Do Families Learn from the Map?

- Some families see that they really do a lot during a day or week and that they may not be as isolated as they may feel.

- Some families who are very busy feel like the amount of activities that they are doing are represented so that EI team members will understand that they are doing a lot during a day or week and may not have time for much more.

Tips in Making A Neighborhood Map

- Be creative – the map is a representation, a picture -- not an accurate drawing of distances, etc.

- Don’t worry about the artwork. Draw the best you can or ask the family to draw the locations. The idea is to understand how the family uses their neighborhood resources and to figure out resources they would like to but are unable to use (for whatever reasons).

- Families may not be able to use resources because of many reasons including money, transportation, they don’t view the resources as “available to them” or “available to their child with a disability” or they may see that they need more people to use this resource than they have available – maybe there are not two “grown-ups” to take children to the museum and they think two people would be really needed, etc.

- The resources that families identify may include friends and neighbors houses, health facilities, church or religious facilities, stores, etc. If the family has difficulty identifying resources, you
might try prompting them with some of these (i.e., “where do you take _____ to the doctor?,” “Do you visit relatives in the neighborhood?”)

- Another way of prompting families is to do the map as if it represented a particular day (or represents “weekdays”/“weekends”). “Pretend this is any week day – what do you typically do?” Or you might try a statement like “Let’s make the map for yesterday – what did you do, where did you go?”

### After the map . . .

In addition to completing the Neighborhood Map use the chart below to identify resources that the family “has enough of” or that the family “would like more of.” Use the chart to continue the discussion about the community resources that the family is currently using and to also help identify other places that the family might like to go but are unable to get to or are unable to use.

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**Remember:**

Use the chart to continue the discussion about the community resources that the family is currently using and to also help identify other places that the family might like to go but are unable to get to or are unable to use.
Child Care Resources

Child Care Information Services (CCIS): Helps to educate families about the different types of child care programs available; what to look for in a quality program; what questions to ask when visiting a program, and more.

Requesting assistance from CCIS -

By phone: you can call 1-888-462-KIDS (5437)

Via the Internet: Go to
http://www.philadelphiachildcare.org/parents/finding/finding.html

Enter a family’s zip code, the child’s age, type of day care you are seeking, days and hours that care is needed and a contact. A Parent Resource and Referral staff member will return the contact within 24 hours.

Serving these Zip Codes:

CCIS North
642 North Broad Street, 6th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19130
215-763-0100
19121, 19122, 19123, 19125, 19130,
19132, 19133

CCIS Northeast
8040 Roosevelt Boulevard, Suite 108
Philadelphia, PA 19152
215-333-1560
19111, 19114, 19115, 19116,
19120, 19124, 19134, 19135,
19136, 19137, 19149, 19152,
19154
Choosing Child Care for My Child with Special Needs
(2006) – is a guide to assist families of children with special needs choose an appropriate child care setting for their child. Information about this resource is available from Philadelphia Inclusion Network at 215-503-1608 or cfsrp@jefferson.edu
5 Steps to Selecting a Child Care Provider:

1. Interview the Care Givers
2. Check References
3. Make the Decision for Quality Care
4. Stay Involved
5. Use the checklist on the following page

These steps are only the beginning. Gather as much information as possible to help you
find the best care for your child.

For more complete guidelines on health and safety in childcare, call the National
Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care: 1-800-598-KIDS (5437) or at
http://nrc.uchsc.edu

A Day Care Checklist

Choosing a day care program for your child can be a challenge. When selecting a
program, visit at a time when children should be active, such as in the morning. Take
your child along and don’t hesitate to ask questions. Here is a checklist that can be
used as a guide.
Do choose a program with which you feel most comfortable!

The Department of Public Welfare (DPW)- the state agency that regulates day care
facilities. DPW has a toll free hotline that provides information about day care
facilities in Philadelphia.
This number is 1-800-346-2929

The checklist on the following page was compiled by:
The Pennsylvania Commission for Women
P.O. Box 1326
Harrisburg, PA 17105
(717) 787-8128
When choosing a day care program look for:

• **Staff**
  - Treats children with respect, flexibility, & patience
  - Is able to meet your child’s developmental & emotional needs
  - Is of a sufficient number to meet the needs of children
  - Takes time to discuss your child with you
  - Practices good personal hygiene
  - Has previous experiences or training in working with children

• **Facility**
  - Safe indoor and outdoor areas & equipment
  - Orderly, clean play areas
  - Airy room with bright colors
  - Sanitary bathrooms & diaper changing areas

• **Health and Safety**
  - Comfortable temperatures summer & winter
  - Rounded table corners and other furniture safety features
  - Non-toxic play materials
  - First aid kit
  - Healthy snacks and/or meals
  - Clean kitchen area
  - Handwashing after toileting & before meals & snacks
  - Separate cribs for infants and separate cots/mats for others
  - Cleaning materials, medicines out of reach of children

• **Program**
  - Proper child-staff ratios
  - Creative play
  - Plenty of play materials
  - Plenty of educational materials
  - Organized program of activities
  - Minimal, supervised TV if any
  - Stories read
• **General**
  - A license or registration certificate from the Pennsylvania Department(s) of Public Welfare and/or Education
  - Rules clearly explained
  - Good behavior encouraged
  - Other parents visiting
  - Children allowed to get dirty naturally through play
  - No children “left out”
  - Lots of laughing, caring, sharing
  - HAPPY CHILDREN

• **Ask these questions:**
  - May I drop in anytime?
  - May I participate in program planning?
  - May I take part in special events and trips?
  - What are the hours?
  - What are the fees?
  - What does this include?
  - Is there a reduction in fee if my child is out sick?
  - What happens if my child gets sick or injured at the center?
  - Are the care givers trained in child development?
  - What are the hiring procedures?
  - How long has most of the staff worked here?
  - May I contact staff references?
  - Is there a parents’ group or program?
  - Are there restrictions on who may pick up my child?

• **Ask yourself:**
  - Is the center:
    - conveniently located?
    - affordable?
    - Do I feel:
      - comfortable with the care givers?
      - good watching my child play at this center?
      - that the center is “right” for my child & myself?

• **Try to:**
  - Set up a “trial day” when your child can join in activities while you observe

• **After your child begins attending:**
  - Drop in unannounced and visit regularly
  - Leave emergency contact information with the caregiver
  - Set up two or three “back-up plans” in case of your child=s or your illness
  - Get involved with your child’s day care experience!
Additional Child Care Resources

Child Care is Everybody’s Business: A Guide for Parents Selecting Child Care from the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare

This booklet is designed to help parents choose a day care facility that meets their needs and their child’s needs. It is one of the many tools available to help parents make informed choices about day care. Topics included in this booklet are types of child care; requirements for child care facilities; and the rights and responsibilities of parents.

To receive more information about this booklet, contact the day care office in the Southeast Region (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia):
1-800-346-2929.

Child Care Accreditation

Keystone STARS is:

- Pennsylvania’s program to promote continuous quality improvement in early learning and school age environments.
  - Quality environments help children to develop in ways that foster success in schools and life.
  - An initiative with the research-based Performance Standards as its foundation.
    - The standards are tiered in levels that range from Start with STARS to STAR 4.
- An important part of Pennsylvania’s growing early learning system.
  - Keystone STARS works with DPW certified programs, family providers, school-aged programs, Head Start, school districts, and
accrediting bodies.

- A valuable tool to increase parental and community awareness of the importance of quality early learning.
- Keystone STARS is an easily recognizable indication that a program is working on continuous quality improvement.

More information is available at
http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/Child/ChildCare/KeyStoneStarChildCare/

Some child care centers are NAEYC-accredited

What does a “NAEYC-Accredited Program” mean?

These programs voluntarily measure up to national standards of quality that are set by NAEYC, the early childhood education professional organization. Accredited programs make a commitment to excellent care for all children. Staff in accredited programs take part in on-going training and are more likely to understand child development, plan age appropriate activities for children, and to positively interact with the children in their care.

A list of NAEYC-Accredited programs in centers or schools is available on the website: http://www.naeyc.org or a list of these programs is also available by calling 1-800-424-2460 ext. 333. Family providers are accredited by National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC) and accredited programs are available on the website: http://nafcc.org or by calling 1-800-359-3817.
# Head Start Centers in Philadelphia

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1111 CECIL B. MOORE AVE
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6900 GREENWAY AVENUE
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WEST REGIONAL OFFICE
Phone: 215 - 471 - 2271
1ST FLOOR
4909 CHESTNUT STREET
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Recreation in Philadelphia

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The resource listings on the following pages represent Philadelphia’s recreation district boundaries as they were redrawn in 2006.
RECREATION DISTRICT #1 - Far Northeast Philadelphia, North of the Roosevelt Boulevard

District Manager: Stuart Greenberg
Office: Pelbano (Formally Rhawnhurst) Playground
215-685-0593
FAX: 215-685-0590
8101 Bustleton Ave. (Bustleton & Solly)

Recreation Centers
- Fox Chase, Rockwell & Ridgeway 728-9580, 215-685-0551 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- Houseman, Summerdale & Godfrey, 215-535-9655, (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- Lawncrest, Rising Sun & Comly, 215-685-0597 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- Pelbano (Rhawnhurst), Bustleton & Solly, 215-685-0598 (Tennis Courts)

Playgrounds
- Boyle, (Somerton) Kelvin & Napier 969-9861, 215-685-0367 (Tennis Courts)
- Chalfont, Chalfont & Deerpath 215-685-9398 (Tennis Courts)
- Fitzpatrick, Academy & Torrey, 215-685-9395
- Gifford, Tomlinson & Gifford, 215-685-0377 (Tennis Courts)
- Hayes, (Conwell) Roosevelt & Conwell, 215-685-0376 (Tennis Courts)
- Holme, Holme & Willits, 215-685-8793
- Jacobs, Linden & Jackson (Boys Club) 333-4240 215-685-8748 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- Junod, Dunks Ferry & Mechanicsville, 215-685-9396 (Pool)
- Lackman, Chesworth & Bartlett, 215-685-0370 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- Myers, Max, Oakland & Magee, 215-685-1242 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- Palmer, (Comly) Thornton & Comly, 215-685-0371
- Picariello, Red Lion & Calera, 215-685-9393 (Tennis Courts)
- Ramp, Rowland & Solly, 215-685-8746 (Tennis Courts)
- Torresdale, Leon & Eden, 215-685-9392 (Tennis Courts)

Parks and Squares
- Barnes & Loney Park, 7966 Oxford Avenue
- Burholme Honor Square, Cottman, Oxford & Rising Sun
- Northeast Lions Park, 7966 Oxford Avenue
- Pennypack Park, Frankford & Pennypack
- War Memorial, Jeanes & Rhawn

RECREATION DISTRICT #1 (continued)
Community Programs & Activities

Swimming Pools

- **Fox Chase**, Rockwell & Ridgeway, 215-685-0575
- **Houseman**, Summerdale & Godfrey, 215-685-1240
- **Jacobs**, Linden & Jackson, 215-685-8748
- **Jardel**, Cottman & Pennway, 215-685-0596
- **Junod**, 12770 Dunks Ferry Road, 215-685-9396
- **Lackman**, Chesworth & Bartlett, 215-685-0370
- **Lawncrest**, Rising Sun & Comly, 215-685-0597
- **Myers, Max**, Oakland & Magee, 215-685-1242

Ice Rink


RECREATION DISTRICT #2: Far Northeast Philadelphia, South of the Roosevelt Blvd.

District Manager: **Terri Kerwawich**
Office: Bridesburg Recreation Center
4625 Richmond Street (Richmond & Ash)
215-685-1245
FAX: 215-685-1283

Recreation Centers

- **Bridesburg**, 4625 Richmond (Richmond & Ash), 215-685-1247 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- **Disston**, 4423 Longshore Ave (Disston & Glenloch), 215-685-8750
- **Heitzman**, 2136 Castor Ave. 535-9716, 215-685-1244 (Pool)
- **Simpson**, 1010 Arrott (Arrott & Large), 215-685-1223 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- **Vogt**, 4131 Unruh (Cottage & Unruh), 215-685-8753 (Pool, Tennis Courts)

Playgrounds

- **American Legion**, 6201 Torresdale (Torresdale & Devereaux). 215-685-8733 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- **Carmella**, (Whitehall), 2100 Wakeling, (Tulip & Wakeling), 215-685-1235, CARMELLAREC@AOL.COM (Tennis Courts)
- Deni, 1381 Ruan (Adams & Church), 215-685-1229 (Tennis Courts)
- **Dorsey**, 6501 Hergerman (Magee & Edmund), - 215-685-8734
- **Ferko**, 1101 E. Cayuga (J & Cayuga), 215-685-1224
- **Gambrel**, (Whitehall Commons), 1900 Wakeling (Ditman & Wakeling), 215-685-1243
- **Glavin**, (Almond & Westmoreland), 2600 E. Westmoreland, 215-685-9898
- **Holmesburg**, Ditman & Rhawn, 215-685-8714
- **Lincoln Pool**, (Indoor) 3201 Ryan Ave. Rowland & Shelmire, 215-685-8751
Community Programs & Activities

- **Lower Mayfair**, 3001 Robbins (Robbins & Hawthorne), 215-685-1227
- **Mayfair**, Princeton & Battersby, 215-685-8732
- **McIlvain**, 5200 Penn (Penn & Pratt), 215-685-1228
- **Monkiewicz**, 3201 Richmond (Richmond & Allegheny), 215-685-9894 (Pool)
- **Moss**, 5700 Torresdale (Torresdale & Cheltenham), 215-685-1241
- **Mullin**, 4301 Princeton (Princeton & Walker), 215-685-8757
- **Piccoli Playground**, 4300 Castor (Castor & Cayuga), 215-685-1249 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- **Russo Park**, 7301 Torresdale Ave. (Cottman & Torresdale), 215-685-8747 (Tennis Courts)
- **Wissinoming**, 5801 Frankford (Frankford & Comly), 215-685-1498 (Tennis Courts)

**Parks and Squares**
- **Campbell Square**, Belgrade & Allegheny
- **Disston Park**, Keystone, Disston to Princeton
- **Fish Hatchery** - See Pleasanthill Park
- **Harrowgate Park**, Kensington & Tioga
- **Juniata Park**, J & Cayuga
- **Merit Square**, Glendale & Carey, Dungan
- **Northwood Park**, Castor & Arrott
- **Overington Park**, Orthodox & Pilling
- **Pleasanthill Park**, Linden & Delaware - Fish Hatchery
- **Pulaski Park**, Allegheny Ave & the Delaware River
- **Wissinoming Park**, Frankford & Comly
- **Womrath Park**, Frankford, Kensington & Adams

**Swimming Pools**
- **American Legion Playground**, Torresdale & Devereaux, 215-685-8733
- **Bridesburg**, Richmond & Ash, 215-685-1247
- **Heitzman**, Castor & Amber, 215-685-1244
- **Monkiewicz**, Richmond & Allegheny, 215-685-
- **Piccoli Playground**, Castor & Cayuga. 215-685-1249
- **Samuel**, Gaul & Tioga, 215-685-1245
- **Simpson R.C.**, Arrott & Large, 215-685-1223
- **Vogt**, Cottage & Unruh (215) 685-8752
RECREATION DISTRICT #3: Hunting Park, Olney and parts of Germantown and North Philadelphia

District Manager: Ed Jaskowiak
Office: Olney Playground, 6101 North "A" Street, Philadelphia, PA 19120
Phone: 215-685-2850
FAX: 215-685-2878

Recreation Centers
- **Belfield**, 21st & Chew 215-685-2220, (Pool)
- **Morris Estate**, 16th & Chelten, 215-685-2891, (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- **Young, Lonnie** Chelten & Ardleigh, 215-685-2236, (Pool)

Playgrounds
- **Barrett**, 8th & Duncannon, 215-685-9146 (Tennis Courts)
- **Cherashore**, 10th & Chew, 215-685-2897 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- **Fisher Park Art Center**, 610 West Spencer Avenue, 215-685-2871, 2874
- **Kenderton (Jerome Brown)**, 20th & Tioga, 215-685-9764
- **Panati**, 22nd & Clearfield, 215-685-9760
- **Stenton Park**, 17th & Courtland, 215-685-9147
- **Wister**, Baynton & Shedaker, 215-685-2235
- **Ziehler**, B & Olney, 215-685-9145 (Pool)

Parks and Squares
- Birney Post, 6th & Susquehanna
- Fairhill Square, 4th & Lehigh
- Hetzell, 1301 E. Columbia Ave.
- Konrad Square, Tulip & Susquehanna
- **McPherson Square**, Indiana, Clearfield & Kensington
- Nicetown Park, 18th & Germantown
- **Norris Square**, Hancock & Diamond
- Powes Park, Almond & Ann
- Ross Park, 1000 W. Glenwood
- Schevchenko Park, 5301 North Broad Street
- Tip Top, Front & Allen
- Vandegrift, 8th & York
- 3rd & Norris, 3rd & Norris

Swimming Pools
- **Belfield**, 21st & Chew 215-685-2220,1
- **Cherashore**, 10th & Chew, 215-685-2897
- **Hunting Park**, 1101 West Hunting Park Avenue, 215-685-9153
- **Morris Estate**, 16th & Chelten, 215-685-2891,2
- **Young, Lonnie** Chelten & Ardleigh, 215-685-2236
- **Ziehler**, B & Olney, 215-685-9145
- **12th & Cambria**, 12th & Cambria, 215-685-9780, Cambria12Rec@aol.com
RECREATION DISTRICT #4: Northwest Philadelphia including Manayunk, Roxborough, Chestnut Hill, Mt. Airy and Germantown.

District Manager: Steve Vesotsky
Office: Water Tower Rec. Center
215-685-9295
FAX: 215-685-9292
209 E. Hartwell Lane, (Hartwell and Ardleigh) 19118

Recreation Centers
- Emanuel, Dorothy, 8500 Provident Street, 215-685-9253
- Finley, Upsal & Mansfield, 215-424-9775, 215-685-2890 (Tennis Courts)
- Gustine Lake, (Closed for Renovations), 4863 Ridge Ave., 215-685-2568
- McDevitt, 3501 Scotts Ln (Krail & Indian Queen), 215-685-2197 (Tennis Courts)
- Simons, Walnut Lane & Woolston 215-685-3550 (Tennis Courts)
- Water Tower, Hartwell & Ardleigh 215-685-9296 (Tennis Courts)

Playgrounds
- Mallery, Morton & Johnson, 215-685-2234
- Mt. Airy, Germantown & Sedgwick, 215-685-9297
- Morton, Baynton & Haines, 215-685-2231
- Pleasant, Boyer & Pleasant, 215-685-2230 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- Rhodes Pool, 29th & Clearfield, (Indoor Pool)
- Shuler (Whittier), 27th & Clearfield, 215-685-9750, (Indoor Pool)
- 29th & Chalmers, 215-2273622

Parks and Squares
- Boone Park, Churchview & Tower
- Buckley Park, Germantown & Hartwell
- Chelten War Memorial, Wister & Wyncote
- Clarkson-Chevchenko Park, Broad & Somerville
- Cliveden Park, Chew, Cliveden & Johnson
- Fairview Park, Manayunk at Conarroe
- Gilbert Stuart Park, 5132 Germantown Avenue
RECREATION DISTRICT #4 (continued)

- **Gorgas Park**, Ridge & Hermitage (215) 685-2596
- Hamilton Park, Butler & Rising Sun
- Heritage Park, Sydenham & Clearfield
- **Howell Park**, Greene St. 5215
- Kelly Park, Pechin & Parker
- Lovett Park, Germantown & Sedgwick SEC
- Manayunk Park (Pretzel Park), Silverwood & Rector
- **Market Square**, Germantown Ave & School House Lane
- **Nicetown Park**, 18th & Germantown Ave. & Cayuga
- Pretzel Park, Silverwood and Rector Streets
- SEPTA Park, 6737 Germantown Ave.
- **Vernon Park**, Germantown N. of Chelten
- Wissahickon War Memorial, Sumac & Rochelle
- Wolf Park, 7018 McCallum Street

Swimming Pools
- **Pleasant**, Boyer & Pleasant, 215-685-2230
- Rhodes Pool, 29th & Clearfield, (Indoor Pool)
- **Shuler** (Whittier), 27th & Clearfield, 215-685-9750, (Indoor Pool)

Ice Rink
- **Simons**, Walnut Lane & Woolston, 215-685-3550
RECREATION DISTRICT #5: North Philadelphia above Market Street, East of the Schuylkill River, South of Hunting Park Ave and West of 9th Street.

District Manager: Joseph Carchidi  
Office: Athletic Recreation Center  
26th & Master  
Phone: 215-685-2470  
FAX: 215-685-2471

Recreation Centers
- **Athletic**, 26th & Master, 215-685-2709, (Pool)
- **Gathers, Jr. Hank** (Moylan), 25th & Diamond, 215-685-2710, (Pool)
- **Moore, Cecil B.**, 22nd & Huntingdon, 215-685-9755 (Pool, Tennis Courts)

Playgrounds
- **Amos**, 16th & Berks, 215-685-2708, (Pool)
- **Clemente**, 18th & Wallace, 215-685-2760
- **Dendy**, Marie (Schwartz),* 10th & Jefferson (215) 685-2763, (Pool)
- **Duckrey**, 15th & Susquehanna, (Tennis Courts)
- **Foster, Marcus** (Indoor Pool), Germantown & Hunting Park, 215-456-3009, 215-685-9154
- **Francisville**, Francis & Shirley, 215-685-2762, (Pool)
- **Lee Cultural Center**, 4400 Haverford Ave, 215-685-7655 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- **McAlpin**, 36th & Aspen, 215-685-7654
- **Mill Creek**, 47th & Brown, 215-685-0260, (Pool)
- **Penrose**, 12th & Susquehanna, 215-685-2711 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- **Winchester**, 2332 N. 15th St., 215-685-9770
- **39th & Olive** (Pool), 215-685-7437, 215-685-7686

Parks and Squares
- **Coxe Park**, Beechwood & Cherry
- **Daly**, 12th & Sedgley & Clearfield
- **Fotteral Square**, 1100 Block of York-Cumberland,
- **Ross Park**, 1000 West Glenwood
- **22nd & Ontario**

Swimming Pools
- **Amos**, 16th & Berks, 215-685-2708
- **Athletic**, 26th & Master, 215-685-2709
- **Dendy**, Marie (Schwartz),* 10th & Jefferson (215) 685-2763  
- **Foster, Marcus** (Indoor Pool), Germantown & Hunting Park, 215-456-3009, 215-685-9154
- **Francisville**, Francis & Shirley, 215-685-2762
- **Gathers, Jr. Hank** (Moylan), 25th & Diamond, 215-685-2710
- **King, Martin L.**, 22nd & Cecil B. Moore, 215-765-9521, 215-685-2733,4
- **Lee Cultural Center**, 4400 Haverford Ave, 215-685-7655
- **Mill Creek**, 47th & Brown, 215-685-0260, (Pool)
- **Moore, Cecil B.**, 22nd & Huntingdon, 215-685-9755
- **Penrose**, 12th & Susquehanna, 215-685-2711
RECREATION DISTRICT #6: Lower Northeast including Northern Liberties, Fishtown and parts of North Philadelphia

District Manager: Kathi Muller  
Northern Liberties  
321 Farimount Avenue, 19123  
215-686-1784  
FAX: 215-686-1787

Recreation Centers
- Cohocksink, Cedar & Cambria, 215-685-9884, (Pool)  
- Cruz, 6th & Master, 215-685-2759, (Pool)  
- Fishtown, E.
 Montgomery & Girard, 215-685-9885, (Pool)  
- McVeigh, D & Ontario, 215-685-9896, (Pool)  
- Northern Liberties, 321 Fairmount, 215-686-1785, (Pool)  
- Scanlon, J & Tioga, 215-685-9893 (Pool, Ice Rink)  
- Shissler, Daniel (Kensington), Blair & Montgomery, 215-685-9888

Playgrounds
- Black, Coyle & McBride, 2150 East Huntingdon, 215-685-9879 (Unstaffed)  
- Cione, Aramingo & Lehigh, 215-685-9880, (Pool)  
- East Poplar, 800 North 8th Street, 215-686-1786, (Pool)  
- Hancock, Hancock & Master, 215-685-9886, (Pool), Thompson & Columbia  
- Nelson, 3rd & Cumberland, 215-685-9890  
- Rambler, G & Atlantic, 215-685-9999  
- Schmidt, Howard & Ontario, 215-685-9895, (Pool)  
- Tip Top, Front & Allen Streets, (Unstaffed)  
- Towey, Howard & Berks, 215-685-9892, (Pool)  
- Waterloo, Waterloo & Cumberland, 215-685-9891, (Pool)  
- 8th & Diamond 8th & Diamond, 215-685-2761

Parks and Squares
- Community Park, 800 North Lawrence Street, 19123  
- Fairhill Square, 4th & Lehigh, 19122  
- Hart Park, 1315 North 4th Street, 19122  
- Konrad Square, 2200 E. Dauphin Street, 19125  
- McPherson Square, 601 E. Indiana Ave.19134  
- Norris Square, 2100 N. Howard Street, 19122  
- Powers Park, 2987 Almond Street, 19134
RECREATION DISTRICT #6: (continued)

Swimming Pools

- **Cione**, Aramingo & Lehigh, 215-685-9880
- **Fishtown**, E. Montgomery & Girard, 215-685-9885
- **Hancock**, Hancock & Master, 215-685-9886
- **Cohocksink**, Cedar & Cambria, 215-685-9884
- **Cruz**, 6th & Master, 215-685-2759
- **East Poplar**, 9th & Parrish, 215-686-1786
- **McVeigh**, D & Ontario, 215-685-9896
- **Northern Liberties**, 321 Fairmount, 215-686-1785
- **Schmidt**, Howard & Ontario, 215-685-9895
- **Towey**, Howard & Berks, 215-685-9892
- **Scanlon**, J & Tioga, 215-685-9893
- **Waterloo**, Waterloo & Cumberland, 215-685-9891

Ice Rink

- **Scanlon**, J & Tioga, 215-685-9893

RECREATION DISTRICT #7: South Philadelphia

District Manager: Lisa Anne Kenny
Office: Guerin Playground, 16th and Jackson Streets, 19145
215-685-1893
FAX: 215-685-1877

Recreation Centers

- **Anderson, Marian**, 17th & Fitzwater, 215-685-6594, (Pool)
- **Murphy**, 4th & Shunk, 215-685-1874, (Pool)
- **Palumbo**, 10th & Fitzwater, 215-686-1783
- **Rizzo**, 1101 S. Front Street, 215-685-1593, (Ice Rink)
- **Vare**, 26th & Morris, 215-685-1876, (Pool)

Playgrounds

- **Barry**, 18th & Bigler, 215-685-1886 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- **Burke**, 2nd & Jackson, (Unstaffed)
- **Capitolot**, 9th & Federal, 215-685-1883
- **Chew**, 19th & Washington, 215-685-6596, (Pool)
- **Columbus/DiProspero**, 12th & Wharton, 215-685-1890
- **Dickinson Square**, (Privately Staffed) 4th & Tasker, 215-685-1885
- **DiSilvestro**, 15th & Morris, 215-685-1598
- **Ford (P.A.L.)**, 609 Snyder Ave., 215-685-1857, (Pool)
- **Finnegan, Donald P.**, 30th & Oakford, 215-685-1896
RECREATION DISTRICT #7 (continued)

- **Hawthorne Cultural Center**, 12th & Carpenter, 215-685-1848, (Pool)
- Herron, American & Reed, (Unstaffed), 215-685-1884, (Pool)
- **Markward (O´Connor Pool)**, Taney & Pine, 215-685-6649 (Tennis Courts), (Pool)
- **Sacks**, 4th & Washington, (Unstaffed), 215-685-1889, (Pool)
- **Seger**, 10th & Lombard, 215-686-1780 (Tennis Courts)
- **Shot Tower**, Front & Carpenter, 215-685-1592
- **Smith**, 24th & Jackson, 215-685-1898
- **Starr Garden**, 600 Lombard Street, 215-686-1782
- Stinger Square, 32nd & Dickinson, 215-685-1882, (Pool)
- Wharton Square, 23rd & Wharton, 215-685-1888 (Tennis Courts)
- Weccacoe, (Unstaffed), 405-25 Queen Street, 215-685-1887

Parks and Squares

- **Bardascino Park**, 10th & Carpenter
- **Cianfrani Park**, 8th & Fitzwater
- **Delancey Park (Three Bears Park)**, Between 2nd & 3rd on Delancey
- **Dickinson Square**, 4th & Tasker
- **Fitler Square**, 23rd & Pine
- Girard Park, 2100 Block of Porter and Shunk
- **Gold Star Park**, 6th & Wharton
- **Grable Post**, 3rd & Moyamensing
- **Howard and Reed**
- **Jefferson Square**, 4th & Washington
- **Kahn Park**, 11th & Pine
- **Mario Lanza Park**, 2nd & Catherine
- **Mifflin Square**, Wolf and Ritner - 500 Block
- Mollbore Terrace, Mollbore Street between 7th and 8th
- **Palumbo Park**, 723 Catherine Street
- Slook Montague Post, 15th & Oregon
- **Stinger Square**, 32nd & Dickinson, 215-685-1882
- Warringer Post, 24th & Snyder
- **Weinberg Park**, 6th & Jackson
- **Welcome Park**, 2nd & Sansom

Swimming Pools

- **Anderson, Marian**, 17th & Fitzwater, 215-685-6594
- **Barry**, 18th & Bigler, 215-685-1886
- **Chew**, 19th & Washington, 215-685-6596
- **Hawthorne Cultural Center**, 12th & Carpenter, 215-685-1848
- Herron, American & Reed, (Unstaffed - See Rizzo Rink), 215-685-1884
- O´Conner, 26th & South, Operated by Markward Playground, 215-685-6649
- **Murphy**, 4th & Shunk, 215-685-1874,5
- **Sacks**, 4th & Washington, (Unstaffed), 215-685-1889
- **Stinger Square**, 32nd & Dickinson, 215-685-1882
- **Vare**, 26th & Morris, 215-685-1876

Ice Rinks

- **Rizzo**, 1101 S. Front Street, 215-685-1593
RECREATION DISTRICT #8: West Philadelphia

District Manager: Stan Koropka
Carousel House
1701 Belmont Avenue (at North Concourse Drive), 19131
Phone: 215-685-0159
Fax: 215-686-1787

Recreation Centers
- Carousel House (Handicapped), Belmont Ave. & N. Concourse Dr. 215-685-0160-3, (Pool)
- Christy, Albert W., 56th & Christian, 215-685-1997,8 (Tennis Courts), (Pool)
- Cobbs Creek Recreation Center, Cobbs Creek Pkwy at Spruce. 215-685-1983, (Pool)
- Kingsessing, 50th & Chester, 215-685-2695 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- Myers, Francis, 58th & Kingsessing, 215-685-2698 (Pool, Tennis Courts)

Playgrounds
- Baker, Conestoga & Lansdowne, 215-685-0261, (Pool)
- Cibotti, 7700 Elmwood Ave, 215-685-4194
- Clayborn & Lewis, 215-685-7689
- Conestoga, 53rd & Media, 215-685-0146 (Tennis Courts)
- Eastwick Regional, 7401 Lindbergh Blvd., 215-685-4193
- Finnegan, James, 69th & Grovers, 215-685-4191 (Pool, Tennis Courts)
- Laura Sims Rink, 200 South 63rd St, 215-685-1995
- McCreeshe, 66th & Regent, 215-685-2696
- Papa Playground, 6839 Lansdowne Ave, 215-685-0141
- Parkside-Evans, 53rd & Parkside, 215-473-2517
- Pepper, 84th & Lyons, 215-685-4195 (Tennis Courts)
- Rose Playground, 7500 Lansdowne
- Stokely, 3000 Edgemont St., 215-685-9882 (unstaffed)
- Tustin, 60th & Columbia, 215-685-0258, (Pool)
- University City, 37th & Filbert, 215-685-9099, (Pool)
- West Mill Creek, 51st & Reno, 215-685-0186 (Tennis Courts)
- 11th and Columbia
- 63rd & Lindbergh (Unstaffed)
- 83rd & Tinicum (Unstaffed)
District 8 (continued)

Swimming Pools
- **Baker**, Conestoga & Lansdowne, 215-685-0261,
- **Carousel House (Handicapped)**, Belmont Ave. & N. Concourse Dr. 215-685-0160-3
- Cobbs Creek Recreation Center, Cobbs Creek Pkwy at Spruce. 215-685-1983
- **Finnegan, James**, 69th & Grovers, 215-685-4191
- Kelly Pool, 53rd and Parkside, 215-473-2517
- **Kingsessing**, 50th & Chester, 215-685-2695
- **Myers, Francis**, 58th & Kingsessing, 215-685-2698
- **Tustin**, 60th & Columbia, 215-685-0258
- University City Pool, 37th and Filbert Streets, 215-685-9099

Parks
- **Barkan Park**, 50th & Spruce
- **Buist Park**, Buist, NS & 68th - Hobson
- **Carroll Park**, 5800 Block West Girard Avenue
- **Cedar Park**, 50th & Baltimore
- **Clark Park**, 43rd & Baltimore
- Clearview Park, 7600 Buist Avenue
- **Connell Park**, 65th & Elmwood
- Conshohocken-Windemere Playground, 3910 Conshohocken Road
- Eastwick Park, 74th & Lindbergh
- **Elmwood Park**, Buist, Dicks
- Lindbergh Park, 63rd & Lindbergh
- **Malcolm X Park**, Pine 7 Larchwood
- Muhammad Park, 47th & Lancaster
- Nichols Park, Race & Conestoga
- Passyunk Park, 7000-7100 Block of Passyunk Avenue
- Sherwood Park, 57th & Baltimore & Washington
- 47th & Grays Ferry
- 60th-62nd & Lindbergh
- 75th & Chelwynde
- 82nd & Lyons
- 83rd & Ticnicum
OFFICES OF THE FAIRMOUNT PARK COMMISSION

General Information
215-683-0200

Recreation Division -
Lloyd Hall Recreation Center
215-685-3936

Special Events - Special Events Manager, Joseph Callan 215-685-0060

District No. 1 - East & West Fairmount Park
(Applicable zip codes: 191xx: 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 37, 40, 51)
District Manager, Fred Hubbard 215-685-0114

District No. 2 - Center City/South/West Philadelphia
(Applicable zip codes: 191xx: 02, 03, 04, 06, 07, 12, 39, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 53)
District Manager, Sam Curry 215-685-1660

District No. 3 - Northwest (Wissahickon)
(Applicable zip codes: 191xx: 18, 19, 20, 26, 27, 28, 38, 41, 44, 50)
District Manager, Patricia Crossan 215-685-2575

District No. 4 - Northeast
(Applicable zip codes: 191xx: 11, 14, 15, 16, 35, 36, 49, 52, 54)
District Manager, Crawford Clark 215-685-8797

District No. 6 - Horticulture Center
District Manager, Lori Hayes 215-685-0096
Police Athletic League of Philadelphia

2524 E. Clearfield Street
Philadelphia, PA 19134
215.291.9000
http://www.phillypal.com

This organization provides citywide services to children including athletics, homework clubs, computer outreach programs, self-esteem workshops and countless friendships and relationships. The heart of the program is the special relationship between the youth and the dedicated police officers that supervise the centers and activities. At PAL young people can participate in all these activities, without ever paying a penny. All instruction and equipment are provided without cost. PAL is free, safe and fun.

PAL Centers may periodically close during the summer due to special programs, trips and events. Call the PAL center for information about programs.

23rd PAL 1845 N. 23rd Street, 19121 (23rd St. & Montgomery Avenue)
St. Elizabeth’s RC Church 215.684-0332

Bluford PAL 5702 Media Street, 19131-3823 (58th & Media Streets) 215.477-4740

Cozen PAL 732 N. 17th Street, 19130 (17th & Brown Street) 215.232-2101

Fairhill PAL 2601 N. 11th Street, 19133 (11th & Huntington Streets) Salvation Army Center 215.229-0314

Ford PAL 631 Snyder Avenue, 19148 (7th Street & Snyder Avenue) Department of Recreation 215.336-8750

Gibbons PAL 6901 Rising Sun Avenue, 19111 (Rising Sun & Longshore Street) Trinity Church 215.745-6465

Haddington PAL 5501 Market Street, 19139 (55th & Market Street) Salvation Army Center 215.474-3635
Community Programs & Activities

Hunting Park PAL 900 W. Hunting Park Avenue, 19140 (9th & Hunting Park) Hunting Park Recreation Center 215.457-1701

Logan PAL 1100 W. Rockland Street, 19141 (N. 11th & Rockland Streets) Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church 215.457-5878


Mill Creek PAL 617 N. 43rd Street, 19104 (43rd & Wallace Streets) St. Ignatius RC Church 215.382-5622

Nicetown PAL 1907 W. Tioga Street, 19140 (19th & Tioga Street) Our Lady of Hope II RCC 215.225-7121

North Penn PAL 2423 N. 27th St., 19132 (27th & Hagert Streets) North Penn Baptist Church 215.223-2246

Olney PAL 5223 N. Carlisle Street, 19141 (Carlisle & Duncannon Street) Our Lady of Hope RC Church 215.457-2811

Paley PAL 5330 Germantown Ave., 19144 (Penn Street & Germantown Avenue) PAL Center 215.844-8417

Point Breeze PAL 1599 Wharton St., 19146 (16th & Wharton Streets) 215.336-1451

Police Memorial PAL 4253 Frankford Avenue, 19124 (Frankford Avenue & Ruan Street) Police Memorial 215.289-8998

Rivera PAL 3201 N. 5th Street, 19140 (5th Street & Allegheny Avenue) Department of Recreation 215.423-8551

Rizzo PAL 2524 E. Clearfield Street, 19134 (Belgrade & Clearfield Sts.) PAL Center 215.426-6583

S.E.A.S. PAL 500 E. Allegheny Avenue, 19134 (D Street & Allegheny Avenue) Elkin School 215.291-9680

St. Benedict PAL 6300 Garnet Street, 19126 (20th St. & Chelten Avenue) St. Benedict's RC Church 215.924-2361

Southwest PAL 5900 Elmwood Avenue, 19143 (59th St. & Elmwood Avenue) St. Mary's RC Church 215.727-8181
Community Programs & Activities

Tacony PAL 4401 Aldine Street, 19136 (Jackson & Aldine Streets) St. Bernards RC Church 215.335-4656

Tucker PAL 4614 Woodland Avenue, 19143 (46th & Woodland Avenue) Wilson School 215.382-6341

West Oak Lane PAL 7105 Limekiln Pike, 19138 (Walnut Lane & Limekiln Pike) St. Athanasius RC Church 215.924-6193

Wissinoming PAL 4419 Comly Street, 19135 (Comly & Jackson Streets) United Methodist Church 215.744-6914

Wynnefield PAL 2251 N. 54th Street, 19131 (54th & Wynnefield) Pinn Memorial Baptist Church 215.878-6439

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YMCA of Philadelphia

YMCA\s are at the heart of community life in neighborhoods and towns across the nation. They work to meet the health and social service needs of 16 million men, women and children. Ys help people develop values and behavior that are consistent with Christian principles. Ys are for people of all faiths, races, abilities, ages and incomes. YMCAs strength is in the people they bring together. In the average Y, a volunteer board sets policy for its executive, who manages the operation with full-time and part-time staff and volunteer leaders. Ys meet local community needs through organized activities called programs. In its own way, every Y nurtures the healthy development of children and teens; strengthens families; and makes its community a healthier, safer, better place to live.
19103 YMCA of Philadelphia and Vicinity  
2000 Market Street  
215-963-3700

YMCA Education and Technology Center  
(classes, one-on-one tutoring, and computer based literacy instruction)  
The Sheridan Building  
125 South 9th Street, Suite 502  
Philadelphia, PA 19107  
(215)400-2100

Local Branches of YMCA

19121 Columbia North Branch YMCA  
1400 N Broad St  
215-235-6440

19139 West Philadelphia YMCA  
5120 Chestnut St  
215-476-2700

19146 Christian Street Branch YMCA  
1724 Christian Street  
215-735-5800

19154 Northeast Family Branch YMCA  
11088 Knights Rd  
215-632-0100
Parent Organizations and Family Supports

Organizations Especially for Parents

First Call For Help
United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania
7 Ben Franklin Parkway
Philadelphia PA 19103
Main: 215-568-3750
http://home.uwsepa.org/about_us/initiatives_partnering.html#5

Parent Education Network (PEN)
Louise Thieme, Director
Parent Education Network
2107 Industrial Highway
York, PA 17402
(717) 600-0100; (800) 522-5827 (V/TTY)
(In PA);
(800) 441-5028 (Spanish)
E-mail: pen@parentednet.org
Web: www.parentednet.org
Philadelphia Regional Office:
215-248-4321

Parent Education Network (PEN) is a statewide coalition of parents. PEN believes that knowledgeable, skillful parents impact effectively on early intervention and special education services for their child with a disability. PEN’s services are available to parents and professionals.

Parent and Education Advocacy Leadership (PEAL) Center
Elisabeth Healey, Director
1119 Penn Avenue, Suite 400
Pittsburgh, PA 15222-4205
(412) 281-4404; (866) 950-1040
(412) 281-4409 (TTY)
Email: info@pealcenter.org
Web: www.pealcenter.org

(Serving American Street Empowerment Zone and providing intense training sessions to parents of children with disabilities in Philadelphia)

Hispanos Unidos para Ninos Excepcionales (Philadelphia HUNE, Inc.)
Luz Hernandez, Program Directo
202 W. Cecil B. Moore Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19122
(215) 425-6203
E-mail: huneinc@aol.com
Web: http://huneinc.org

Partners in Policymaking
Diane N. Bryen, Ph.D., Executive Director
Institute on Disabilities/University Center for Excellence --- Temple University
University Services Building, Room 610
1601 N. Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19122
(215) 204-9395
E-mail: diane.bryen@temple.edu

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
Christine Munchak, President
Pennsylvania Congress of Parents and Teachers, Inc.
4804 Derry Street
Harrisburg, PA 17111
(717) 564-8985
E-mail: info@papta.org
Web: www.papta.org
Parent Organizations and Family Supports

**Philadelphia Interagency Coordinating Council (PICC)**

*Up-to-date contact numbers: [http://www.philadelphiaicc.org](http://www.philadelphiaicc.org)*

The PICC brings together family members, early intervention providers and community representatives to identify needs and priorities of young children and families and make recommendations for development and implementation of early intervention activities.

**Families First**

215-204-1772

mmikus@temple.edu

Families First is a Philadelphia-based free one-day family empowerment training on the basics of early intervention. Trainings are held several times a year at various community sites.

**Competence and Confidence: Partners in Policymaking for Families of Children in Early Intervention (C2P2EI)**

215-204-1772

mmikus@temple.edu

C2P2EI is a statewide, six session leadership training for families of children in Early Intervention. Participants commit to attend all six sessions. C2P2EI is held once a year.

**Parents Exchange**

215-247-4229

Parents_Exchange@comcast.net

The Parents Exchange is an information and referral center for parents and professionals. Topics such as medical treatment, children's programs, funding, insurance, support groups and legal rights are covered. Materials and referrals are free.
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<td>Family Friends/Temple University</td>
<td>215-204-6970 Temple University/USB206 1601 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19122</td>
<td>This program provides in-home support and companionship to children with special needs and their families. Volunteers, who are careful screened and trained, are 55+ and are matched with children 12 and younger. Volunteers visit a child and family once a week for about two hours. Parents may use this time to take a nap, run errands or talk to the volunteers themselves.</td>
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<td>Parent Action Network</td>
<td>215-PARENTS (215-727-3687)</td>
<td>The Philadelphia Department of Human Services' prevention program which is available free of charge to any resident of Philadelphia. It provides support and education for parents wanting to improve their parenting skills.</td>
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<td>Raising Other's Children</td>
<td>18th Street Development Corporation 18th S. 18th Street Philadelphia, PA 19145 215-271-0052</td>
<td>This program runs support groups for grandparents and other family members, neighbors and friends who are raising other's children because of parental drug abuse problems. ROC also offers resource workshops, personal enrichment classes, family intervention and housing assistance for family members.</td>
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CONNECT Direction Service
800-692-7288
717-657-5988
http://www.bccst.org/childrens_program.htm

CONNECT is a clearinghouse of information for parents and professionals with concerns regarding a child’s development. A list of materials can be obtained by calling the 800 number. Children birth through 2 years of age can be referred to their early intervention agency by an electronic mail system.

Parent to Parent
6340 Flank Street
Suite 600
Harrisburg, PA 17112
800-986-4550
717-540-4722
E-mail: info@parenttoparent.org
Web: www.parenttoparent.org

Parent to Parent (P2P) of PA is a network created by families of children and adults with special needs. P2P connects families in similar situations with one another. ‘Matched’ families can share experiences and offer practical information and/or support.

Special Kids Network
800-986-4550
TTY: 1-877-232-7640
http://www.dsf.health.state.pa.us/health/cwp/browse.asp?a=179&bc=0&c=35825

The PA Department of Health Special Kids Network (SKN) is a statewide system to assist families of children with special needs. SKN combines information and referral with community systems development. A toll-free number connects callers with trained counselors in their area who can provide information and referrals obtained from a comprehensive database.
The Family Project
1315 Walnut Street,
Suite 1004
Philadelphia, PA 19107-4710
215-546-2990

This organization provides free services to families with young children. Services include helping to make choices, talking about concerns, improving relationships, taking care of children, and planning for the future. Locating school/career programs, public assistance and food resources, day care referrals, and housing information are also services provided by The Family Project.

Women's Christian Alliance Community Services
1722-42 Cecil B. Moore Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19121-3405
215-236-9911

Offers education and consultation in schools and other programs related to HIV prevention, parents as teachers, truancy.

National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY)
www.nichcy.org
800-695-0285 (voice or TTY)
Email: nchcy@aed.orgPA

NICHCY offers a free resource sheet of organizations in every state.

Children's Services, Inc.
1315 Walnut St, 2nd floor
Philadelphia, PA 19107
215-546-3503
http://www.childrensserviceinc.org

A child welfare agency whose goal is to maximize the strength of a family by delivering services and resources that promote self-discipline, initiative and independence.
**Community and Family Support Groups**

The Parent Action Network (PAN) offers a variety of groups to enhance parenting skills and provide support. Groups are led by trained facilitators and held in churches, community centers, schools and hospitals in the city. For more information contact 215-PARENTS.

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<th>Community Groups for Parents with Children Under 12</th>
<th>Support Groups for Teens and Parents of Teens</th>
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| Frankford Parents Group  
St. Mark’s Church  
4442 Frankford Avenue 19124  
Tuesday, 9:30-11:30 a.m. | Parents/Teen Group  
Department of Human Services  
1515 Arch Street 19102  
Monday, 6:00-8:00 p.m. |
| South Philadelphia Parents Group  
Salvation Army Building  
3225 Reed Street 19146  
Tuesday, 6:00-8:00 p.m. | Teen Parent Group  
Department of Human Services  
1515 Arch Street 19102  
Tuesday, 4:00-6:00 p.m. |
| West Philadelphia Parents Group  
Mt-Carmel Baptist Church  
5732 Race Street 19131  
Thursday, 6:30-8:30 p.m. | Support Groups for Parents with Children in Placement |
| North Philadelphia Parents Group  
Women’s Christian Alliance  
1722 Cecil B. Moore Avenue 19121  
Monday, 6:30-8:30 p.m. | Morning Placement Groups  
Department of Human Services  
1515 Arch Street 19102  
Monday, Wednesday or Thursday, 9:30-11:30 a.m.  
Friday, 9:30-11:30 a.m.  
Saturday, 9:30-11:30 a.m. |
| Germantown Parents Group  
St. Luke’s Church  
5421 Germantown Avenue 19144  
Thursday, 6:00-8:00 p.m. | Evening Placement Groups  
Department of Human Services  
1515 Arch Street 19102  
Mon.-Thurs, 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
6:00-8:00 p.m. |
| Northeast Parents Group  
St. David’s Lutheran Church  
9199 Academy Road 19114  
Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 p.m. | Other Groups |
| Southwest Philadelphia Parents Group  
Wharton-Wesley UM Church  
54th & Catherine 19143  
Thursday, 6:00-8:00 p.m. | Women’s Self-Esteem Group  
Department of Human Services  
1515 Arch Street 19102  
Wednesday, 6:00-8:00 p.m. |
| Achieving Reunification Center  
714 Market Street, Suite 500 19106  
Thursday, 5:00-7:00 p.m. | Fathers Group  
Department of Human Services  
1515 Arch Street 19102  
Thursday, 6:00-8:00 p.m. |
| | Children and Parents Reunification Group  
Department of Human Services  
1515 Arch Street 19102  
Monday, 6:00-8:00 p.m. |
The MOMobile Program

This is a community-based outreach and family support program for pregnant women, new parents, infants and their families. Community health workers called MOMobile Advocates, educate families about the importance of prenatal care, modeling parenting skills, and showing by example that self-help is possible. Through telephone follow-up and home visiting, advocates help families negotiate health care and social service systems, linking them to prenatal care, pediatric and women’s health care, no cost or low cost health insurance for children, behavioral health services, nutrition programs and other community resources. Advocates also facilitate voter registration, cultural mediation and disseminate welfare to work information.

Website for more information: http://www.mommobile.org

Northeast MOMobile
(zip codes: 19111, 19114, 19115, 19116, 19120, 19124, 19135, 19136, 19137, 19149, 19152, and 19154)
Health Center #10
2230 Cottman Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19149
(215) 725-8030 or email:
northeastphiladelphia@MOMobile.org

South Philadelphia
MOMobile/YMCA/Early Head Start
(zip codes: 19145, 19146, 19147 and 19148)
2000 Mifflin Street
Philadelphia, PA 19146
(215) 551-6330 or email:
Southphiladelphia@MOMobile.org

West Philadelphia MOMobile
(zip codes: 19104, 19139, 19142, 19143, 19151, 19153)
Health Center #4 4400 Haverford Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19104
(215) 386-8901 or email:
westphiladelphia@MOMobile.org

The North Central MOMobile
(zip codes: 19120, 19121, 19122, 19123, 19124, 19125, 19132, 19133, 19134, 19140, 19141, and 19144)
100 East Lehigh Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19125
215 707-1010 or email:
northphiladelphia@MOMobile.org
Philadelphia Planned Parenthood Headquarters

1144 Locust Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107
215-351-5500
http://www.ppsp.org/

Planned Parenthood provides a variety of services including:

- birth control
- prenatal care
- screenings for sexually transmitted infections
- cervical cancer and testicular cancer
- Emergency Contraception
- mid-life services
- colonoscopy services
- first trimester surgical and medical abortions
- vasectomies

Planned Parenthood Medical Centers:

**Locust Center**
1144 Locust Street
(215) 351-5560

**Elizabeth Blackwell Center**
1211 Chestnut Street, 4th Floor
(215) 496-9696

**Surgical Center**
1144 Locust Street
(215) 351-5550

**Castor Center**
8210 Castor Avenue
(215) 745-5966
Family Centers

A Family Center is a safe and engaging place for parents and children to meet neighbors and make new friends. It offers a variety of educational and family-oriented activities, support services, community projects, and links to community resources. Here is a listing of the Family Centers in Philadelphia:

19104

H.O.P.E Family Center
Martha Washington School
44th & Aspen Streets
215-823-8297

Huey Family Center
Huey Elementary School
52nd & Pine Streets
215-471-6257/6309

Mantua Family Center
Morton McMichael Elementary School
36th & Fairmount Avenue
215-662-9520 / 9255

19114

Lincoln Family Center
Holme Elementary School
9125 Academy Road
215-335-5087

19121

Boone Family Center
Boone School
26th & Jefferson Streets
215-978-3743/3744

19122

Harrison Family Center
W.H. Harrison School
11th & Thompson Streets, B1
215-684-8974

19124

Frankford Family Center
4700 Leiper Street
215-685-1476

Strawberry Mansion Family Center
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Resource Guides

Helping Hands: A Parenting Resource Directory
A parenting resource directory for all Philadelphia parents offering an array of information about programs, services and parenting educational opportunities in their own neighborhood. New editions are issued as new programs that are helping Philadelphia parents do the best possible job for their children, are identified.

Booklet can be downloaded at:
http://dhs.phila.gov/intranet/pgintrahome_pub.nsf/Content/Prevention+ParentGuide

City of Philadelphia, Department of Human Services
Division of Community-Based Prevention Services
Parenting Collaborative
215-PARENTS

Summer Camp and Other Activities for Kids
City of Philadelphia, Department of Human Services
215-683-4DHS

Where Can I Find Help?
Delaware Valley Resource Directory for Families with Special Needs
Children's Seashore House of The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
215-590-7444
Useful Guides and Internet Resources

Internet Resources for Parents

www.phila.gov  Provides comprehensive information for Philadelphia residents on community activities, governmental support offices, up to date local news briefs, and publications.

www.nichcy.org  Intended for care givers of children with disabilities. Provides information and resources on disabilities and related issues for children and youth from birth to age 22.

www.kidsource.com  Addresses health and education issues on raising and educating children. Has good links to other useful sites and articles on subjects such as nutrition, growth and development, safety, product recall notices, etc.

www.zerotothree.org  Resource on the first three years of life. Good links, topics on safety, development, disability, culture, drug and alcohol, healthcare and parenting. A specific parents section provides information on child care developmental milestones, a resource listing and much more.

www.npin.org  National Parent Information Network provides access to research-based information about the process of parenting and about family involvement in education. Links of interest include Parent News, Virtual Library Q & A service, and PARENTING-L, an electronic discussion list.
Useful Guides and Internet Resources

Internet Resources for Parents

www.grandparentsedge.com  
Dedicated to helping grandparents raise their grandchildren by keeping them connected and up-to-date on current issues in education, health, nutrition, developmental stages, educational readiness, current news, politics and legislation on children and older Americans. Also featured is an interactive way for parent and child to select books.

www.parentsedge.com  
Designed for parents and their children to improve parent-child relationships, interactions and parenting skills, issues in family dynamics are addressed for single fathers, fathering, changes in family composition, working parents, children with special needs and family life. Links provide articles, ideas and information about issues confronted in raising children today.

www.grandsplace.com  
Designed for grandparents and special others raising children. Locate grandparents support groups in your area, disability resources for children, health insurance, mental health, financial assistance, adoption, guardianship programs, etc.

www.parenting.com/parenting/  
Electronic magazine from the publishers of Healthy Pregnancy, Baby Talk, Parenting and Family Life.
Useful Guides and Internet Resources

www.parentingresources.ncjrs.org

Parenting Resources for the 21st Century links parents and other adults with information on issues covering a wide range of parenting issues. Topics include child and youth development, childcare and education, family concerns, family dynamics, health and safety, and out-of-school activities. Good links with varied informational resources.

www.csn-phila.org

This site from the Community Services Network of Philadelphia provides access to important health and human services information about local agencies, programs, services, benefits and resources for children, adults and families in an easy-to-use format.

www.family.com

From the Disney Corporation, this site contains helpful suggestions and tips on raising children, parent-child relationships and activities, parental stress releasers, and much more.

Philadelphia Youth Network
714 Market St, Ste 304
Philadelphia, PA 19106
267-502-3800
Email: info@pyninc.org
http://www.pyninc.org/index.html

Resources to support the city’s youth. Information to help make connections among individuals, organizations and systems in order to increase the capacity and provide world-class preparation for youth to thrive in a regional and global economy.
Pennsylvania Training & Technical Assistance Network (PATTAN)
200 Anderson Rd.
King of Prussia, PA 19406
1-800-441-3215
http://www.pattan.k12.pa.us/

The mission of the Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network, PaTAN, is to support the efforts of the Bureau of Special Education and its initiatives and to build the capacity of local educational agencies to provide appropriate services to students who receive special education services.

The Children’s Advocacy Project (CAP)
http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/

The CAP website offers a user-friendly, comprehensive listing of many social service agencies that exist in Philadelphia to improve the lives of families. CAP will assist families, health care professionals and social service providers by furnishing tools necessary to connect families in need to the appropriate social service agencies that serve them. Handouts designed for parents and other parenting resources are available from the site.

Philadelphia Mental Retardation Services Resource Directory
http://mycitymyplace.com/directory.htm

This web-based directory connects families with needed resources that support choice, self-determination and inclusion. Information about civic initiatives, opportunities for networking, employment possibilities, faith communities, cultural events, recreational opportunities and a community calendar are available, along with resources for assistive technology, housing, health, transportation and more.
What is Assistive Technology you might ask?

Assistive Technology can be defined as anything introduced into the environment that aids a child in accomplishing any given task. For example, Velcro, Dycem, Plastic Links, Felt Board, Cheap Talk, Touch Screen, Roller Ball Mouse, and Oversized crayons are all considered Assistive Technology. Other items such as Boppies, Ring seats for the tub, swing seat, vibration pads are also considered Assistive Technology. Assistive Technology is grouped into 2 categories: “low tech” and “high tech”. Low tech includes things like the Dycem, Velcro, felt board, etc. whereas high tech includes switches communication devices, computer software, etc.

How can assistive technology support very young children?

Aric’s story:

At the age of nine months Aric’s family had a clear vision of Aric’s future - that he would be included in community activities with his friends and family. Early on assistive technology was presented in the form of activated toys, early basic computer programs, and racking balls for computer activation.

One of our first goals for Aric was to give him mobility so that he could play with his sister and other children. In 1985, when Aric was three, we purchased a battery operated six wheel toy car and had it adapted for him. To everyone’s surprise, he was able to drive this little car with accuracy turning left, right and forward on command. This ability opened us to the eventual purchase of an electric wheelchair after only a few months of driving the little car. Aric’s early introduction to technology enabled him to enter school in a full inclusion situation.

Now, at age 19, Aric’s life revolves around assistive technology. He advocates for himself and has very strong opinions about what works for him and what does not. Without technology, Aric would not have been able to realize so many of the goals we’ve all had for him, including graduating from high school.

Thank you to Aric and his mother, Tina, for sharing their story.
Pennsylvania’s Assistive Technology Lending Library
(877)722-8536 (voice)
(866) 268-0579 (TTY)
Email: atlend@temple.edu
http://www.temple.edu/instituteondisabilities/programs/assistive/atlend/

Pennsylvania’s Assistive Technology Lending Library is a free service that loans assistive technology devices to people with disabilities. It’s available to Pennsylvanians of all ages and disabilities.

Lekotek of Southeastern Pa.
3905 Ford Road
Philadelphia, PA 19131
267-975-2692
http://www.lekoteksepa.org/
Email: cecib@lekoteksepa.org

Lekotek is a play resource and support center for children with special needs and their families. The goal of the Lekotek program is make play accessible to all children. The program helps facilitate play by providing a setting and modeling of toys, assistive technology and computers.

Pennsylvania’s Initiative on Assistive Technology (PIAT)
Institute on Disabilities 1601 N. Broad St.
University Services Bldg, Ste 610
Philadelphia, PA 19122
(800) 204-PIAT (7428)
Voice (215) 204-5967
(866) 268-0579 (TTY)
http://www.temple.edu/instituteondisabilities/programs/assistive/piat/
Email: ATinfo@temple.edu

PIAT is the Commonwealth’s statewide, cross-age and cross-disability program under the Technology-related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities Act, as Amended (P.L. 103-218). As specified in the "Tech Act", PIAT’s priority activities include the development, implementation, and monitoring of laws, policies, practices, and organizational structures to improve access to assistive technology for all Pennsylvanians with disabilities and older Pennsylvanians.
Wheelchair Accessible Facilities in Philadelphia

For a current listing of wheelchair accessible recreation centers, pools, health centers, parking garages, shelters, and other information about accessibility features of the Philadelphia Art Museum, go to http://www.phila.gov/mcpd/facilities.html

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- Indicates partial accessibility. For specific information on access to a particular library, please contact the branch directly at the number listed above, or the Accessibility Compliance Office at 215-686-9006.

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CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION REQUEST FORM

The City of Philadelphia does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, or operation of its programs, services, or activities, or in its hiring and employment practices.

This form may be used by a job applicant with a disability, an employee with a disability, or a private citizen with a disability seeking access to a City program or facility.

Name _____________________________
Address ___________________________
Telephone (or TDD) __________________
Date ______________________________

I am a (please check one):
___ Job Applicant    ___ City Employee    ___ Private Citizen

The program or facility to which I am requesting access is located at:
____________________________________________________________

I am requesting the following accommodation(s):
___ Wheelchair Access    ___ Sign Language Interpretation**
___ Written Material in Alternate Format (Large Print, Computer Disc)
___ Written Material in Braille**    ___ Reader**    ___ Other

(**Requires 72 Hours Advance Notice Except in Emergencies)

Please provide any other details or information necessary to process this request:
____________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________

Please return this form to:
Department ADA Coordinator: _________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________
Telephone: ________________________________________________________
TDD (If available):
____________________________________________________________

Additional Questions May Be Directed to the Accessibility Compliance Office at:
1401 JFK Blvd. - Municipal Services Building, Room 1430
Philadelphia, PA 19102-1677
215–686-9006

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CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT – GRIEVANCE FORM

This grievance form may be used by any individual who wishes to file a complaint alleging discrimination on the basis of disability in employment practices and policies, or in the provision of services, programs or activities by the City of Philadelphia. Alternate means of filing a complaint, such as personal interviews or a tape recording are available for people with disabilities upon request.

Any individual with a disability who does not have a complaint, but simply wishes to make a request for accommodation, should instead fill out a “DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION REQUEST FORM” and submit it to the appropriate Departmental ADA Coordinator or the Accessibility Compliance Office.

Name ______________________________
Address ______________________________
Telephone (or TDD) ___________________
Date _______________________________

I am a (please check one):
    ___ Job Applicant     ___ City Employee      ___ Private Citizen

The alleged act of discrimination involves which City department or agency?
    ______________________________

Describe the alleged act of discrimination (additional paper may be attached):
    _________________________________________________________
    _________________________________________________________
    _________________________________________________________
    _________________________________________________________

Did you submit a “DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION REQUEST FORM” prior to filing this grievance? ___ Yes   ___ No (If yes, please attach a copy).
Do you require the City’s response to this grievance be provided in an alternate format? ___ Yes ___ No. (If yes, please check preferred format):
___ Large Print     ___ Audio-Cassette     ___ Computer Disc     ___ Braille

This grievance should be submitted by the complainant or his/her designee no later than 60 calendar days after the alleged violation to:

Debora Russo Haines
Deputy Managing Director
Accessibility Compliance Office
1401 JFK Blvd., Room 1430
Philadelphia, PA 19102-1677
Tel: 215-686-3483 or 215-686-9006

Within 30 calendar days after filing this grievance, either the Accessibility Compliance Office or the Departmental ADA Coordinator will respond in writing or, where requested, in alternate format. The response will explain the department’s position and offer options for substantive resolution of the grievance.

If the response from the City does not satisfactorily resolve the issue, the complainant or his/her designee may file an appeal of the decision within 15 calendar days after receiving the response. **The letter of appeal should be sent directly to the Accessibility Compliance Office at the address above.**

Within 30 calendar days after receipt of the complainant’s letter of appeal, the designated City representative will meet with the complainant to discuss the grievance and possible resolutions. Within 30 calendar days after the meeting, the City will respond in writing or, where requested, alternate format with a final resolution of the grievance.

All written grievances received by the City and their responses will be kept on file for at least three years.