



One Voice Brevard



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Budgets...all the Budgets

by Nicole Grabner, Director, One Voice Brevard

As Florida's state budget for fiscal year 2025–26 was finalized, on 30 June, state leaders also face growing uncertainty over potential federal budget cuts, prompting concern among disability advocates.

Governor DeSantis recently signed a \$115 billion state budget (roughly \$3 billion less than last year), exercising line-item vetoes that trimmed roughly \$4 billion, and eliminated over two thousand vacant positions across state government agencies in places such as the Department of Health and the Department of Children and Families.

This budget will go into effect as of 1 July, (as well as quite a few bills recently signed into law), and with the upcoming deadline of July 4th for the Federal Budget, there will be a lot to keep an eye out for in the next few months.

While it is unclear exactly how Federal Budget cuts will affect programs at the state level, what we do know is that any federal cuts to Medicaid—such as those currently being debated—could force Florida to either raise its own contribution, reduce services, limit eligibility, or create longer waitlists for critical programs like the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver (otherwise known as APD).

If you are concerned, we encourage you to please reach out to your Congressional Representative and State Senator. (For more information, please check our Facebook page.)

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Water Safety for Autistic Children

by Stacey Hoagland, President, Autism Society of Florida



Drowning of children with autism is a tragically growing crisis in the state of Florida. The Autism Society of Florida believes that what the data reveals is only the tip of the iceberg.

In 2024, Florida experienced a record-breaking year of childhood drowning. 105 children died from drowning, and more than 700 additional children were involved in water safety incidents that required response from EMS, but survived. Of the 105 who died, more than 60% of the 4-17 year olds had autism. The predominant age of childhood drowning is age 3 and under. The average age of diagnosis of autism across the US, as per the Centers for Disease Control, is age 4.5. Therefore, the ASF believes that the actual number of children with autism who die from drowning is grossly underrepresented, and it is highly likely that the majority of those 3 and younger would have later been diagnosed with autism.

According to Columbia University's Center for Injury Epidemiology and Prevention, children with autism drown at a rate 160 times greater than those who are typically developing. They are drawn to water for a variety of reasons. These could be related to sensory seeking behaviors, attempts to avoid over-stimulating situations, lack of danger awareness and a desire to have a previously experienced good time with the family, but not understanding that without family or flotation devices, water play can become very tragic. Delayed development of generalization of skills often found in children with autism and a strong desire to be self-directed, can easily manifest as wandering. Research tells us that approximately 50% of those with autism wander from safety, and that 91% of wandering-related deaths in autism are due to drowning.

The Autism Society of Florida is passionate in its efforts to make a difference. Holding key positions on more than 10 water safety committees across the state, training parents and physicians on wandering and CPR, and advocating at the legislative level on drowning prevention initiatives, they seek to save the lives of all children, but especially those who are the most vulnerable.

Sadly, so far in 2025, 63 children have died from drowning; of the 4-17 year olds, 47% had autism. Of those who were 0-3, 90% had gotten out of the home undetected (aka; wandering), which is something that parents of kids with autism have to contend with far

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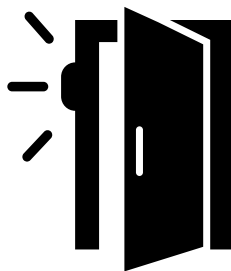


more often than most. Historically, July is the month of the highest drowning rates. The Autism Society of Florida encourages all parents to ensure that layers of protection are in place:

- Adult supervision
- Door alarms on all doors leading to the outside
- Barriers around all bodies of water (fencing around pools, pool alarms, etc)
- Swim lessons
- Knowledge of CPR for emergency situations
- Coast Guard approved life vests

No parent ever thinks that drowning can happen to their child. Drowning is silent (not like the movies) and can happen within 2 minutes (the time it takes to answer the Amazon delivery person at your door). Our state has far too many parents who have experienced a tragedy that will impact them their entire lives. Establish proactive strategies so that your summer is filled with the incredible water experiences that Florida has to offer.

For more info: <https://www.autismfl.org/drowning-prevention>





Camp 2 Can: The Final Weeks



by Heather Morway, Camp Director, Brevard Autism Coalition

As we wrap up the fourth week of Camp 2 Can 2025, I'm excited to share what an incredible summer it's been so far! With just two weeks left, I can confidently say this year's camp has been packed with energy, joy, and growth — and it's all thanks to the amazing campers, staff, and supporters who make it all possible.

Each morning, our campers start their day with a one-mile walk to stretch their legs, engage their muscles, and regulate their sensory systems. It's become a favorite part of our routine, setting the tone for a structured and fun-filled day. From there, the excitement only continues.

Weekly field trips have taken us to Shore Lanes Bowling Center, where campers practice coordination, turn-taking, and teamwork in a supportive environment. We've also enjoyed the sunshine and fresh air during our playground adventures at Gleason Park in Satellite Beach, a perfect setting for movement, imagination, and social play.

We are especially grateful to Premiere Theaters Oaks 10 for providing a sensory-sensitive movie experience for our campers, allowing them to enjoy the magic of film in a calm and accommodating environment.

Water Days are always a hit! Campers cool off and enjoy sensory-friendly water play with splash pad, inflatable pools, water squirters, bubbles, and reusable water balloons. And no summer camp would be complete without a visit from Kona Ice – a beloved treat we all look forward to.





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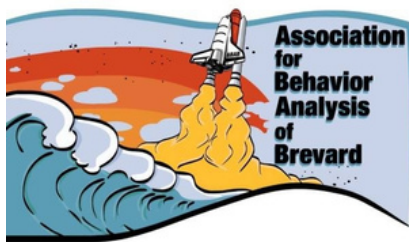
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Our fully trained and dedicated staff are the heart of Camp 2 Can. Their commitment, creativity, and compassion are the backbone of our program. I truly could not run this camp without their support, and I am beyond grateful for each of them.

A heartfelt thank you also goes out to our generous sponsors: Indian River Networks – Your Technology Team and Association of Behavior Analysis Brevard. We're also thankful for a few anonymous donors whose contributions helped us offer scholarships and reduced rates to families who otherwise may not have been able to attend. Your partnership ensures that Camp 2 Can remains accessible and inclusive for all.

We appreciate everyone who has participated in the fundraisers that support Camp 2 Can. Every donation, share, and show of support matters. And finally, thank you to the parents, guardians, and caregivers who trust us with their children. Your partnership, communication, and encouragement have helped us make this summer a success.

Here's to a strong finish as we head into our final two weeks. We can't wait to see what more memories we'll create together at Camp 2 Can 2025!

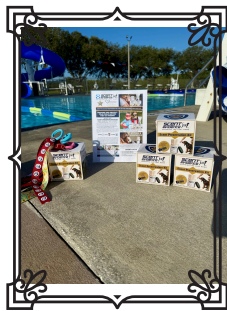


Speak Through Art and Swimming on the Spectrum



By Melissa Parker, President/Founder Precision Screening Inc.

The Parker Foundation has been having a great time this summer with our free programs for families! We are taking a break from sports with the heat and have been focusing on our Speak Through Arts and Swimming on the Spectrum programs. For Speak Through Arts, we have held 2 sessions of art clinics with various projects at each clinic. We are working on another mosaic American Flag which was commissioned by a couple here in Brevard at our Sunset on the River Gala this past April; this one will include some painted seashells for a unique flair! Other projects included designing greeting cards to send a positive/uplifting message to a friend and a “Derek Gores” inspired recycle project where we used donated car magazines to make a “self-portrait” collage out of car parts; the finished products were super creative – like transformers or awesome robots. Our Buddy Ambassador Sharanya helped plan our last STEAM focused project where artists designed cards and built LED light circuits to light them up! To finish up the indoor fun, we held 2 dance social/karaoke nights – one for ages 4-14 and the other for teens to young adults. It was a memorable time for all, and we would also like to thank Kiwi Racquet and Fitness Center hosting in the Champions Ballroom. We also kicked off our “Got Sneakers” initiative where we are collecting old/retired sneakers to be reused/recycled and to keep them out of landfills where they fail to biodegrade or are incinerated and release harmful chemicals into our air. Our goal is to collect 200 sneakers with your help! Sneakers will be collected at all of our free events this year, at our Be a Buddy 5K race to be held at Field of Dreams in West Melbourne on 10/18/25 or can be dropped off in the Pro Shop at the Kiwi Club in Indian Harbor Beach.



Speak Through Art and Swimming on the Spectrum

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Our Swimming on the Spectrum program is in full swing as well! We received a record number of inquiries this year - almost 100 families reached out which is a record amount and documents the need for adaptive swim instruction here in Brevard County for our children. Currently, our program can accommodate 12 children per summer. We have been working on a detailed and growing resource form with active links for families to research - this includes water safety, wandering/elopement resources and info, and active ADAPTIVE SWIM programs here in Brevard County that they can connect with. *Please email us if you would like a copy sent to you. Swimming on the Spectrum is a unique program specifically for children ages 3 to 9 with ASD or special needs that are at high risk for drowning; they have a history of wandering/eloping from a safe environment, are drawn to water, may have communication delays, and sensory issues that may make it difficult to teach them how to swim. They cannot float or swim. It is a survival type program designed to teach children how to float on their back, turning over to kick/paddle and turn back over to float and breath in case they accidentally fall into a pool or other body of water. This is different than traditional swim lessons which focus on swimming techniques or building swim skills. We thank our swim instructor Jeremy Hansen for working with our families for 3 years now, and to Special Olympics Brevard for sharing the pool with us during their practices

Thank you to all of our volunteer Buddies and Buddy Ambassadors (Sophia and Zach Fetouh, Sharanya Natarajan, Lavanya Natarajan, Cricket Sitzman) for your leadership. Thank you to all of our sponsors and supporters for helping us to continue to bring free resources to Brevard County families in our 10th year of service, and to our Program Directors Jennifer Horton and Kelli Wilkin. For more information or to be added to our email list for newsletter and updates, please email info@theparkerfoundation.com Thank you!.



The 27th Annual Family Café

by Nicole Grabner



The 27th Annual Family Café took place from June 13 to 15, 2025, at the Hyatt Regency Orlando. This conference had over roughly 15,000 families registered, including individuals with disabilities, their families, and professionals from across Florida. As the nation's largest statewide cross-disability conference, the event offered a wealth of resources, training sessions, and networking opportunities. Participants engaged in more than 243 breakout sessions covering topics such as education, employment, healthcare, and advocacy. The packed Exhibit Hall featured roughly 218 vendors, providing attendees with direct access to service providers, assistive technologies, community organizations, and authors

Beyond the educational sessions, the Family Café emphasized community and fun. The weekend included interactive activities like a wildlife show from Gatorland, a rock climbing wall, a photo booth with themed props, and a fashion show. Evenings featured live entertainment, culminating in a vibrant dance party that united attendees in celebration. The event also hosted the Annual Summit on Disabilities, which was led by former Senate President Bill Galvano, providing a platform for policy discussions and advocacy. For many, the Family Café serves as a transformative experience, fostering connections and providing valuable information to navigate the challenges and opportunities within the disability community.



The 2025 Helping Hands Disability Resource Conference

by Jaqueline Yearby, Director ABGWorks, Inc.



We held the very first Helping Hands Festival/ Conference in April of 2023 at the Space Coast Harley Davidson in Palm Bay. The purpose was to raise awareness about autism and other related disabilities, and the unique struggles and lack of resources within Brevard county, in the hopes of creating collaborative solutions.

We wanted our families and the community to walk away informed and hopeful for the future. It also gave our disability community a safe place to gather and reconnect shortly after COVID, something that we all needed. It was great seeing people that we had not seen for quite some time and to share our unique struggles.

I truly enjoyed our 2024 festival best of all because our ABGworks Adult Enrichment Program participants got the opportunity to perform a few songs for the crowd. My favorite was "Lean on Me When You're Not Strong". I loved watching them come out of their shells and thrive in a space that embraces them!

For this year's 2025 Helping Hands Disability Resource Conference we decided to create a stronger collaborative structure by merging with the One Voice Coalition of Florida and trying to get all of our disability organizations working together to create



2025 Helping Hands Disability Resource Conference

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grassroots solutions. We also decided to bring the event indoors and created a format that provides opportunities for conversation and for individuals/caregivers to easily identify services that are available to them within their targeted group (0-5, K-12, Adults, Seniors, Veterans, Public School, Private School, Home School).

We also plan to have a mini town hall session with legislative and community updates. We will be sharing other resources that we brought back from the

Family Cafe and other outside areas. For this years's event we want to leave everyone filled so we will close with two special sessions, one geared towards inter-faith resources and the other geared towards mental/behavioral/ other community resources. This is a free event, and we hope to see everyone there!!

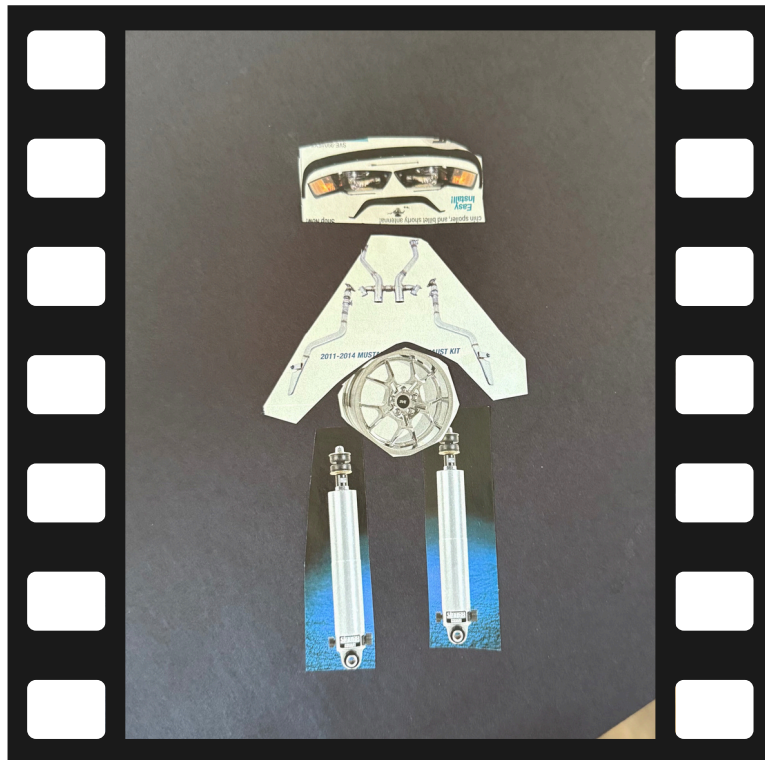


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Monthly Art Submission



This month's art submission was provided from the Parker Foundation's summertime Speak through Art Clinic. It is a self-portrait made from old car magazines.

The artists' name is Gus Sitzman

Bill Buzz

By: Nicole Grabner, Director, One Voice
Brevard

The 2025 Florida Legislative Session has come to an end. The budget was signed by the Governor today, 30 June, and beginning 1 July, we have our new state budget. Another thing that begins on 1 July, are the bills from this past session, that were signed into law.

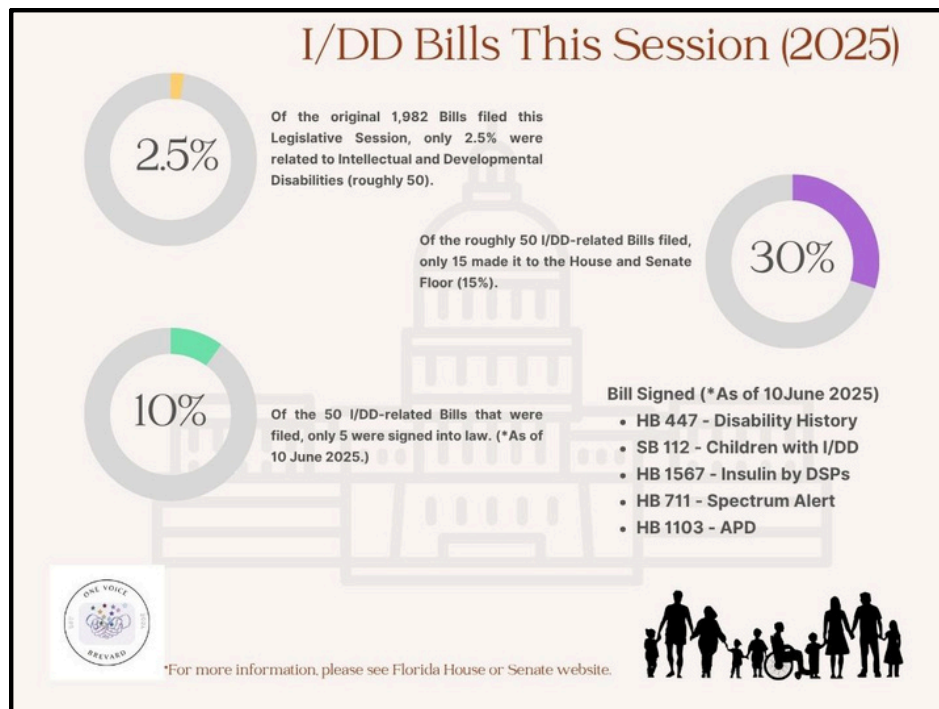
Of note, there were five bills that specifically related to our I/DD-community (HB 447, SB 112, HB 1567, HB 711, and HB 1103), that will take effect. As you can see from the numbers below, the long process from when a bill is filed to when it becomes a law, is a lengthy and in-depth process.

It is our intent, at the upcoming Helping Hands Conference on 2 August (at the Melbourne Auditorium - see flyer at the end of the newsletter) to discuss these bills with policymakers and to see where we can improve moving forward. There were a lot of great bills that didn't make it through



the process this session, and conversations are already ongoing about what the focus should be in the 2026 Legislative Session. Delegation Meetings will begin sometime in late August and Committee Meetings will begin in Tallahassee in the early fall. Over the summer break (which won't be long this year), is the best time to schedule a meeting with your local legislators, as they will be home and have more time for conversations.

I hope to see you all at the Helping Hands Conference!



HOUSE BILL 1103 (2025)

21K

There are still over 21,000 people on the waitlist for services from APD.

01. Expansion of Pilot Program

Expand Pilot Program (2024) as a component of the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care Model using the contract from 1 February 2025 (MMC).

- Enrollment in the pilot program is OPTIONAL. (Opt-in)
- Be on the waitlist in Region D or I as of 1 October 2025
- Be on the waitlist in all Regions by 1 July 2026
- A needs assessment by APD is NOT REQUIRED for enrollment
- Establishes creation of call center to advise families about program

02. APD Transparency

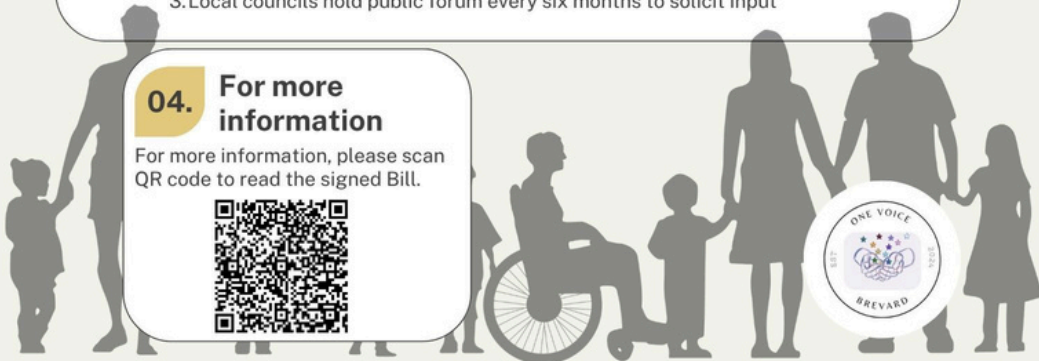
1. Quarterly Reconciliation Reports on APD website
2. Must list by county and category number of those enrolled and those on the waitlist (updated every 5 days)
3. Allow for crisis enrollment with online application
4. Post annual reports from local and statewide Family Care Councils on agency website.

03. Family Care Council (FCC) Changes

1. Establishment of Statewide Family Care Council. This council shall:
 - a. review annual reports submitted by local councils
 - b. advise the agency on statewide policies
 - c. identify systemic barriers and recommend solutions
 - d. submit an annual report by 1 December to the Governor, Senate President, and House Speaker, and the agency
2. Staggered terms (2 or 4 years) local and statewide council
3. Local councils hold public forum every six months to solicit input

04. For more information

For more information, please scan QR code to read the signed Bill.





Medicaid is a joint federal and state program that provides health insurance and access to long-term care to more than 3,901,821 Floridians, including:

Around **29% of Floridians with disabilities** under the age of 65

Around **40% of Floridian children**

More than **238,000 adults** receiving long-term supports and services

What Medicaid Means for Floridians

- **Dignity and Community:** Medicaid home and community-based services (HCBS) enable 177,207 disabled Floridians to live, work, and participate in their communities.
- **Federal Investment:** The federal government spent \$22.3 billion on Medicaid in Florida in 2023—providing around 65% of the total cost of the program in the state.
- **Jobs:** Medicaid creates thousands of valuable local jobs in the health care sector and increases employment for people with disabilities.
- **Stronger Rural Hospitals:** Medicaid funding enables rural hospitals and other critical health care infrastructure to stay open and provide care to rural residents.
- 51.9% of children in small town and rural areas are covered by Medicaid.
- 14.5% of non-elderly adults living in small towns and rural areas are covered by Medicaid.

Impact to Florida's State Economy

- Cuts to federal Medicaid funding would shift costs onto Floridians, squeezing already-tight state, local, and family budgets.
- The state would be forced to make up for the loss in federal funds.
- Without adequate funding for HCBS, thousands of Floridians with disabilities would lose their independence and be forced into nursing homes or state-run institutions to survive.



66% of Florida votes oppose cuts to Medicaid funding

For more information, contact Kim Musheno at musheno@thearc.org.

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Open Letter to Congressman Haridopolos

1 July 2025

Congressman Mike Haridopolos
2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Building C
Melbourne, FL 32940

Dear Congressman Haridopolos,

My name is Nicole Grabner, and I am a constituent in Brevard County. I am writing in response to your email dated 26 June titled, "Cutting Through the Noise on the One Big Beautiful Bill." First, I want to say as a constituent that I appreciate you taking the time to draft and send this email out. This bill has made many headlines and continues to be a concern, not just for myself, but many people across the country.

My husband and I are disabled veterans who chose to retire in the Space Coast during COVID because we were excited about the job opportunities for veterans here as well as the potential for support since Patrick SFB is also located here. After both our children were diagnosed on the spectrum, however, we've come to discover that Brevard County, indeed Florida as a whole, struggles to support people with disabilities. In fact, a recent report released by the Kids Count Data Book, shows that Florida ranks 35th in our nation for child well-being.¹ In addition, Florida ranks 50th in fiscal effort for total IDD spending² and 43rd in the nation for overall quality of care of people with disabilities³.

With this being said, I hope you can understand my concern as a mother, when I read the provisions of the "One Big Beautiful Bill." As our state and County already struggle with providing support for myself and my two children, it doesn't logic to me to further handicap a system that is already struggling. It is my understanding that it is not just budget cuts that are a target in this bill, but cuts to vital and necessary programs that provide supports and protections for our disabled population.

I would like to address a few quotes from your email that are the most concerning. First, you mentioned that this bill does not cut aid to, "...children, mothers, seniors, and people with disabilities." In fact, you further state that the claims that this bill does this are "false" and that this legislation, "...strengthens Medicaid for our most vulnerable populations. Mothers, people with disabilities, children and elderly Americans will NOT face benefit cuts." I must admit confusion to your claim as most agencies in our country and educated nonpartisan disability advocates have shown that this simply is not the case. As a mother, who is disabled, and who has

¹ Kids Count Data Book 2025 Report; <https://www.aecf.org/resources/2025-kids-count-data-book>

² FDDC Report; <https://fddc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/State-of-the-State-Report.pdf>

³ AARP 2023 Report; <https://health.wusf.usf.edu/health-news-florida/2023-10-04/family-caregivers-struggle-to-fill-the-gap-in-affordable-long-term-support-and-services>

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children whom are also disabled, I have to say that it is my hope that you have simply been misinformed. For your reference, I would like to include a few links for deeper articles that further explain this:

1. Caring Across Generations 10 Things to Know About Medicaid:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SZqwtLG2aQswlg6rF5AQatP8CSMVbfa3O3O7CC95s3s/edit?tab=t.0#heading=h.ejp3iregewlw>
2. Congressional Cuts By District (Center for American Progress)
https://www.americanprogress.org/article/the-republican-house-budget-resolutions-potential-880-billion-in-medicare-cuts-by-congressional-district/?utm_medium=email&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-uLT3sD3aDT2r7ZuigUbd2d6dPC74DPo5SHwIULJRy8S3i_n82IpDtLPX8cfSr20D85g8O6VU_DH
3. Bill impacts on Veterans (Center on Budget and Policy Priorities)
<https://www.cbpp.org/research/federal-budget/2025-budget-impacts-house-bill-would-cut-assistance-and-raise-costs-for-0>
4. Congressional Budget Office Review of “One Big Beautiful Bill”;
<https://www.americanprogress.org/article/the-cbo-confirms-the-devastating-harms-of-house-republicans-one-big-beautiful-bill-act/>
5. Arc of United States Medicaid Fact Sheet for Florida; <https://thearc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/SnapMedicaid-Florida.pdf>

Congressman Haridopolos I am pleading with you to please say “No” to this Bill. As a mother, all I want for my children is to be safe, happy and healthy; and this bill would endanger not just the future lives of my children, but many children across our country. As a disabled veteran, and one who has worked with struggling military families in the past, I ask that you say “No” to SNAP cuts (many junior enlisted active duty families rely on access to SNAP to help support their families). As a constituent, I am asking that you please say “No” to this Bill.

I would be very happy to discuss this further with you, as I have been unable to schedule a time to meet yet and your telephone Town Hall did not allow me to ask questions.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing back from you.

Respectfully,
Nicole Grabner

Resources and Contact Information

- Brevard Autism Coalition; <https://brevardautismcoalition.com/>
- Angels Bridging Gaps; <https://angelsbridginggaps.org/>
- The Parker Foundation; <https://www.theparkerfoundation.com/>
- S.O.A.K.; <https://www.soakautism.com/>
- Down Syndrome Association of Brevard; <https://www.dsabrevard.org/>
- UCF CARD; <https://ucf-card.org/>
- Florida Developmental Disabilities Council; <https://www.fddc.org/>
- Project 10; <https://project10.info/>
- Vocational Rehabilitation; <https://www.rehabworks.org/contact/area3.html>
- FLAPSE; <https://apse.org/chapter/florida/>
- The Arc of Space Coast; <https://www.arcofsc.org/>
- Promise in Brevard; <https://promiseinbrevard.com/>
- Brevard Resource Center for Disability Solutions; <https://rcdsfl.org/>
- The Family Cafe; <https://familycafe.net>
- Family Liason Project; <https://familyliasonproject.com>
- Early Steps Space Coast; <https://spacecoastes.org>
- Family Care Council Area 7; <https://fccflorida.org/area-7-fcc.html>
- Bright Feats magazine



For more information or questions, please see our Facebook page.



July Events

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- Arc of Florida Advocacy Meeting featuring Senate President Ben Albritton, 2 July at 12:00 PM, on Zoom. Please visit the Arc of Florida website to register.
- Friday, 4th of July, Independence Day
- Camp 2 Can, Monday, July 7th through Wednesday, July 16th. See event flyer for more information or contact Brevard Autism Coalition at BrevardAutismCoalition@gmail.com.
- DSAB (Down Syndrome Association of Brevard) Movie Night, 9 July at 6:30 PM at the Premiere Oaks Theater (flyer below). Please visit the DSAB website to register!
- Family Care Council (Area 7 - Brevard) Monthly Meeting, 16 July, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Microsoft Teams Meeting (<https://meet.goto.com/FCCFlorida/area-7-family-care-council-meeting>)
- Community Playdate, sponsored by SOAK, Wednesday, July 23rd, The Children's Center, 565 S. Washington, Titusville. RSVP to Mary Cancel 321-292-1370,
- ABGWorks Summer Hangout. Events are scheduled on 10, 17, 24 and 31 July. See event flyer for more information.
- Mindfulness Matters for Caretakers Parent Training Series sponsored by UCF CARD. Sessions are on Mondays, 7, 14 and 21 July. Register through Eventbrite. See flyer for more information.
- Drive Thru Free Food Distribution, Thursday, July 10th, from 9 am to 12 pm, Fred Poppe Regional Park, Ted Whitlock Community Center, 370 Championship Circle, NW, Palm Bay, FL 32907. See flyer for more info.



Event Flyers



The 2025 One Voice Helping Hands Disability Resource Conference

Saturday, August 2, 2025 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Melbourne Auditorium 625 E Hibiscus Blvd, Melbourne, FL 32901

Presented by: Angels Bridging Gaps Inc. & One Voice Coalition of Florida

Join us for a day of connection, education, and empowerment for Floridians of all ages and abilities. This inclusive conference is designed to bridge gaps, foster community, and provide critical resources through:



**FREE
Admission & Parking**



- Informational Workshops & Training Sessions
- Open Panel Discussions
- Breakout Sessions on Legislation, Mental Health, Ministry Support & More
- Networking with Disability Advocates, Nonprofits & Service Providers
- A Special Respite Area for Children

Keynote Speaker: JJ Holmes

Renowned Disability Advocate and Inspirational Voice for Inclusion
Explore a wide range of exhibitors and vendors including:

- Durable Medical Equipment (DME)
- Specialized Services & Assistive Technologies
- Nonprofit Resource Partners
- Junior Entrepreneurs
- Local Sponsors & More



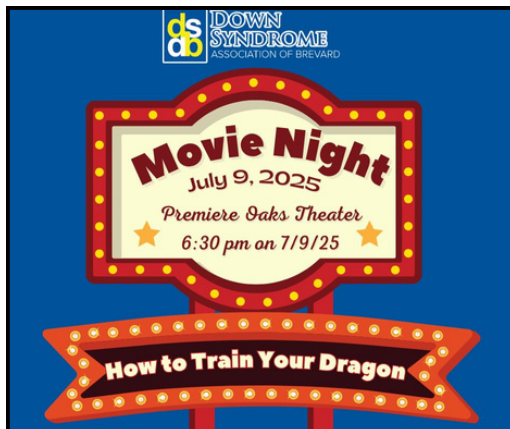
Let's come together to build bridges of support and advocacy for our disability community.



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Camp iREAD
(INTENSIVE READING ENRICHMENT FOR ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT)

About Us

The Camp iREAD program at the UCF Communication Disorders Clinic has devised an intensive, 2-week, summer curriculum that targets **emergent literacy skills** in young, autistic children who are in **preschool through second grade**.

This curriculum utilizes an evidence-based, multisensory approach that will encourage children with autism to develop the print concepts, alphabet knowledge, phonological awareness, language comprehension, and communication skills that will ultimately work to facilitate the instruction of conventional literacy experiences.

Participants must:

- Be able to ambulate and toilet independently
- Attend to an activity for 19 minute intervals
- Work within a small group with other children
- Have an official diagnosis of ASD

Check out our website to apply:

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Summer 2025 Info

- July 14–July 25
- 4 days a week, 3 hours a day with 1 extra day (July 26) for post-program assessments
- Monday–Thursday 9:00AM–12:00pm

ucfcommclinic@ucf.edu

Event Flyers

ABGWORKS SUMMER HANGOUT 2025

**SUMMER HANGOUT
SCHEDULED EVENTS!**
ALL FAMILY
MEMBERS ARE
INVITED TO ATTEND

**\$25 PER SESSION
EXCEPT FOR BOWLING
CONTACT UNCLE PHIL
321-324-1643**



- June 5th Mini Golf @ Andretti's (lunch)
- June 12th Bowling for BOWZ Bux (\$12/\$20)
- June 19th Surf Museum & RonJon's (lunch)
- June 26th Bowling for BOWZ Bux (\$12/\$20)
- July 3rd No hangout! Enjoy the 4th of July
- July 10th Amazing Glaze Pottery (lunch)
- July 17th Bowling for BOWZ Bux (\$12/\$20)
- July 24th Maritime Pirate Museum (lunch)
- July 31st Bowling for BOWZ Bux (\$12/\$20)
- All times are from 11-2 except for bowling
- Bowling noon, lunch option at the alley + \$8



CAMP 2 CAN 2025



\$300 PER WEEK

Day camp for individuals with Autism and related conditions


Register for one or more weeks

**Before/After care not available




ACTIVITIES	EVENT DATES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building friendships • Learning and using social skills • Exploring nature • Sports and games • Learning various functional skills • Fieldtrips • Leisure activities • Arts and crafts 	<p style="text-align: center;">JUNE 2 - 27, 2025 (NO CAMP - JUNE 30 - JULY 4) JULY 7 - 18, 2025</p> <p style="text-align: center;">8:30 AM - 2:00 PM**</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  Child & Family Consultants, Inc. 1800 PENN ST., SUITE 12 MELBOURNE, FL 32901 </div>

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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**EXPLORE • DREAM • PLAN
July 15, 17, 22 & 24**

Ages 14 - 21

9:00am-2:30pm

Bring Your Lunch - Water, Chips, Fruit provided

Program Highlights

- Work Readiness Training (10 hours)
- Work Based Learning Experience (10 hours)


Students must be in school with an Individual Education Plan (IEP) or 504

If interested, please contact your VR Counselor or local VR office for a referral: 321-984-4869

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Contact for more info : driepl6871@gmail.com

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**DRIVE THRU
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Where: Fred Poppe Regional Park

Ted Whitlock Community Center
370 Championship Circle NW
Palm Bay, FL 32907
Near Softball fields

When: July 10th, 2025
9am-12pm



Questions? Please Contact
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