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Mission Statement

The Arc of Frederick County provides advocacy, access to resources, and assistance in increasing individual and family connections for people with developmental disabilities. The organization seeks creative solutions to help people with developmental disabilities attain their goals.



Support Coordinators Make A Difference

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Because of what the parents had learned at The Arc's presentation they knew that the attorney was not preparing the correct documents for them. Without getting into too many details the attorney was writing up a Trust that included a payback clause for Medicaid funds. The parents knew that this wasn't the correct trust for their son. After talking with me and going over our information again they realized that they needed to consult an attorney from the list The Arc had prepared. The son's grandfather is changing his Will to leave an inheritance to his grandson's Special Needs Trust rather than directly to his grandson. This will prevent any loss of benefits and any need to spend down his inheritance before he can be eligible for medical insurance and financial support from government programs.



Thinking about and planning for individuals' futures can make such a difference in the future happiness and security of the people we serve.

-JEAN DOYLE

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Thank You To Our Endowment Committee

The Arc would like to thank our Endowment Planning Committee for their outstanding support to The Arc and the Frederick community.

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Articles Published Featuring The Arc's Futures and Estate Planning Services

Publications include:

- *Frederick's Child Magazine*
- *Baltimore's Child Magazine: Focus on Autism*
- *Child Guide On-line Magazine*
- *Tots2Tweens: Children with Special Needs*
- *Bingo Bulletin*
- *Frederick County Health Care Coalition Chronicle*



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ENDOWMENT EDITION

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How Your Contributions Support The Arc of Frederick County

Where will my child live in the future when I am no longer able to provide for his/her care? What types of experiences and activities would be helpful now towards preparing for his/her future? What resources are available to help our family?

These are all common concerns of families, and the inspiration behind the development of The Arc's Endowment Fund. The fund is designated to provide a means for helping families plan for the future of their sons/daughters with developmental disabilities.

The money that is contributed to the Endowment is invested for The Arc by The Community Foundation of

Frederick County. The investment proceeds will provide future funding for The Arc, while the actual funds in the Endowment account will remain untouched. This will allow The Arc to ensure that a greater number of families who need our assistance receive that help in a timely manner. While The Arc's Support Coordinators are able to help many families that call us, often times families and individuals who request our help are placed on Waiting Lists and the most likely people to receive immediate help are those in a crisis.

Funds from the Endowment will assist young parents to remain resilient. It will help elderly parents actual-

ize a plan of services for their adult sons and daughters while they are still in good health and can participate in developing a plan. This program will prevent disruptive, costly, and ill-fated problems that are inevitable without proper planning. We hope you believe it is an investment worthy of your generosity.

Tax deductible gifts to The Arc of Frederick County Endowment Fund can be given in many ways: Cash, Real Estate Holdings, Personal Property, Charitable Reminder Trust, trust Fund Income, Securities of Stock, Life Insurance Policy, Legacies/Bequests, and Gifts from an Estate or Trust.

PREMIER ISSUE WELCOME!



We are proud to debut the premiere issue of Endowment Edition. This semi-annual publication will be a way for The Arc to keep our partners informed of the many accomplishments being made by The Arc through our Futures and Estate Planning Services.

Since joining The Arc as the Development Coordinator this past spring, it has been inspiring to be part of an agency that truly lives out its mission. As I looked specifically at our Futures and Estate Planning Services, there have been so many local and national accomplishments that I just had to inform and thank you for being a part of a unique and much needed support.

I hope you enjoy the Endowment Edition!

For more information on The Arc's Endowment please contact me at 301- 663-0909 extension 40 or at sclay@arcfc.org.

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Our Thanks To The Community Foundation of Frederick

Thank you to The Community Foundation of Frederick for partnering with The Arc. The Community Foundation is an organization that speaks to those who live in Frederick County, who love community and want it to be the best it can be and who strive to leave a lasting legacy for its continued prosperity. Every day, The Community Foundation works with donors to establish and manage funds for long-term growth, holding most in perpetuity. Their impact is for good, forever, for Frederick County.

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The Arc of Frederick County's Futures and Estate Planning Featured on National Public Radio

In October 2008, The Arc's Mary Anne Williams was a guest on *The Afternoon Magazine*, a radio show broadcast from Illinois on National Public Radio station, WILL. Mary Anne was one of several guests discussing the topic of proactively planning for one's future.



Supports Available in Spanish

Upon request, The Arc of Frederick County's Futures and Estate Planning materials can be provided in Spanish. Through The Arc's Hispanic Outreach Program personal visits can be set up with an Arc Support Coordinator who speaks Spanish. For more information, contact David Moreno at 301-663-0909 ext 39 or DMoreno@arcfc.org.

De ser necesario, los materiales sobre la Planeación del Futuro Financiero y de Vivienda de El Arc del Condado de Frederick pueden ser provistos en Español. Visitas personales también pueden ser hechas por medio del Programa Hispano de El Arc con un coordinador de apoyo que habla Español. Para más información favor de contactar a David Moreno llamando al (301) 663-0909 extensión 39 o por correo electrónico al DMoreno@arcfc.org.

"Dear Abby" Article

The Arc is proud to have had the opportunity to reach a national audience when our Futures & Estate Planning Services were featured in the nationally syndicated "Dear Abby" column.

Help is available for disabled family member

"Dear Abby:" I am a senior support coordinator (futures and estate planning) with The Arc of Frederick County, MD. The

concerns "No Thanks" has about being completely responsible for her sister's care are frequently expressed by siblings of children with disabilities. Fortunately, there are many possibilities for her family that would allow the best of both worlds. The Arc (www.arcfc.org) offers information and support in almost every state. We serve individuals with disabilities and their families and

can assist with plan development.

Thank you for printing the letter from this young lady, Abby. She echoes the concerns of siblings around the world, and there is an answer.

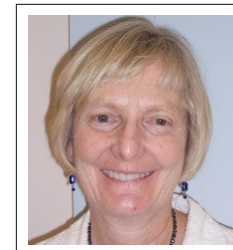
-KARLA ROBESON

Senior Support Coordinator

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The Arc of Frederick County Support Coordinators Make A Difference



The greatest moments for me when working with families on Futures & Estate Planning is when I know I am making a difference in an individual's life. Getting families and individuals to really think and plan for the future can be very satisfying. One example that comes to mind is a family with one son who lives on a farm in Frederick County. The son loves living on the farm, caring for the animals; he is very used to spending a lot of time outdoors. Helping this family set up a Special Needs Trust for their son has been very rewarding. The family farm is going to be left in the Special

Needs Trust. Mom and Dad have been talking to nephews and cousins to work out arrangements to have willing relatives come and live on the farm in exchange for caring for their son. This individual's future is so much brighter now. And, his parents can rest assured their son will live a life of his choosing when they are no longer providing his care. He will be able to continue to live where he is most happy. He will have the support he needs to ensure his well-being and safety. He will have the financial resources to remain on his family's farm. Planning ahead can make so much difference in an individual's future happiness.

Another family I have worked with

for some time has gone through many changes and has had to make some tough decisions when making their future plans. This father and daughter returned to Maryland a few years back because they have relatives in Frederick County.

I worked with this young man and his family to help them complete a Letter of Intent and to look at his plans for the future. His parents had attended a presentation by The Arc on Futures and Estate Planning. A few months after the presentation the mother had contacted an attorney through a benefit program of her employer for legal services to have a Will and Special Needs Trust completed.

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