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Advantage 2000 Consultants provides premier Social Security Disability representation services for individuals with disabilities, organizations, and group disability plan administrators. Advantage 2000 Consultants employ experienced and accessible claims professionals who specialize in Social Security Disability. The focus of Advantage 2000 Consultants is on excellent customer service and positive results, backed by decades of Social Security and Disability industry experience.

**AMBUCS, GREATER CHAMPAIGN COUNTY**

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www.thegccambucs.org

AMBUCS is dedicated to creating mobility and independence for people with disabilities by performing community service, providing AmTryke therapeutic tricycles to children, youth, and adults with disabilities, providing scholarships for therapists, and constructing wheelchair ramps for qualified applicants. Additionally, they assist in the development of Ambucs Park in Urbana, an accessible community recreational park.

**ARC OF ILLINOIS, THE**

7550 183rd St  
 Tinley Park IL 60477  
 815-464-1832  
 rocio@thearcofil.org  
 www.thearcofil.org

The Arc of Illinois advocates for funding and legislation to benefit people with disabilities and provides training opportunities for families and professionals. Illinois Life Span provides statewide information and resources focused on advocacy, services, and supports for people with I/DD. The Family to Family Health Information Center provides information focused on health and insurance issues for families of children and youth with special health care needs. The Family Support Network works to unify individuals with disabilities and their families to advocate for funding, services and community resources that strengthen and support the individual and family. The Ligas Family Advocate Program provides family to family advocacy support for Ligas Class Members. The Family Transition Project, Consumer Stipend Program, and Assistive Technology Program are also under The Arc of Illinois.

**AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY CLINIC - UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS**

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 Champaign, IL 61820  
 217-333-2205  
 shsclinic@illinois.edu  
 www.shsclinic.shs.illinois.edu

The Speech & Hearing Clinic, operated by the Speech & Hearing Science Department in the College of Applied Health Sciences at the University of Illinois, offers full-range diagnostic and therapeutic services to children and adults of all ages. Care is provided by graduate student clinicians under the supervision and expertise of licensed and nationally certified speech & hearing professionals.

## **CARLE ACCESSIBILITY NETWORK**

611 West Park Street  
Urbana, IL 61801  
217-383-3311  
dei@carle.com  
www.carle.org

The Carle Accessibility Network creates a space for team members both with diverse abilities and disabilities as well as allies to collaborate in enhancing inclusion and accessibility in Carle's health system for employees, patients and plan members with both visible and unseen disabilities.

## **CARLE COMMUNITY WELLNESS & FAITH COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES**

4116 Fieldstone Road  
Champaign, IL 61822  
217-902-3121  
FaithCommunityHealth@carle.com  
www.carle.org/chi

Carle Community Wellness & Faith Community Health Services connects people and their faith communities to needed healthcare and wellness support, taking a whole-person approach to health. Faith Community Health connects faith communities to provide health screenings such as blood pressure checks, medication reviews, and body mass index checks as well as health promotion and education programs that cover topics like chronic disease, advance care planning, fitness, nutrition and CPR.

**CHAMPAIGN COMMUNITY ADVOCACY AND MENTORING RESOURCES (CCAMR)**

PO Box 92  
Champaign, IL 61824  
217-586-5256  
ccamrboard@gmail.com  
www.ccamr.org

Champaign County Advocacy and Mentor Resources (CCAMR) provides grants to adults (age 18 and older) with intellectual disability who live in Champaign County. The purpose of the mini grants (for \$100 – \$2000) is to enrich an individual's life by providing funds to support the purchase of equipment or supports that will assist the individual in maintaining or obtaining independence in his or her home or community or to support activities that will enhance the individual's quality of life.

**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY CHRISTIAN HEALTH CENTER**

1401 South State Street, Suite B  
Champaign, IL 61821  
217- 402-5683  
ccchc2003care@gmail.com  
www.ccchc2003.org

Champaign County Christian Health Center (CCCHC) offers free medical, dental, and mental health services for those who are uninsured to underinsured.

## **CHAMPAIGN COUNTY DOWN SYNDROME NETWORK**

PO Box 1143  
Champaign, IL 61824  
217-766-1044  
buddywalk@champaigndsn.org  
www.champaigndsn.org

Champaign County Down Syndrome Network partners with families and others to create an environment in which individuals with Down syndrome are welcomed with fairness, enthusiasm, and encouragement in their community.

Make a difference and help Champaign County Down Syndrome Network fulfill its mission to empower individuals, educate families, enhance communities and together, celebrate the extraordinary lives of people with Down syndrome.

## **CHAMPAIGN COUNTY GUN SAFETY**

1776 East Washington Street  
Urbana IL, 61802  
415-426-8695  
safestorage@champaigncountyil.gov  
www.champaigncountygunsafety.org/

In collaboration with IDPH, Champaign County is partnering with Be SMART and the IL Attorney General's office for firearms safety. Champaign County Safety is running a series of trainings for Be SMART and Firearms Restraining Order – focusing on the secure storage of firearms and building awareness of the 2019 FRO law. Champaign County Gun Safety resources like gun locks and biometric gun safes available free of charge.

**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY HEALTH CARE CONSUMERS**

44 East Main Street, #208  
Champaign, IL 61820  
217-352-6533  
cchcc@cchcc-il.org  
www.healthcareconsumers.org

CCHCC provides free information, assistance, referral, and advocacy services to community members who are having problems with any aspect of the healthcare system. CCHCC helps consumers find low-cost health care resources for prescriptions, vision, and dental. CCHCC also helps consumers apply for Medicaid, SNAP, and financial assistance at local hospitals, and assists with submitting disability applications and renewals.

**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION -  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES**

1776 East Washington Street  
Urbana, IL, 61802  
217-328-3313  
info@ccrpc.org  
www.ccrpc.org

Champaign County Regional Planning Commission's (CCRPC) Disability Services team offers Case Management services to individuals with I/DD in Champaign County. Our team is available for person-centered planning, dual diagnosis, and transition consultant needs. Individuals must be registered on PUNS to qualify for services. Direct funding is also available to eligible individuals with I/DD. See CCRPC website for more information on eligibility guidelines and services offered.

## **CHAMPAIGN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION- EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAM**

1776 East Washington Street  
Urbana, IL, 61802  
217-328-3313  
rpc-hs-purchasing@ccrpc.org  
www.ccrpc.org

Champaign County Regional Planning Commission Early Childhood Education Program - The Champaign County Regional Planning Commission is the recipient of federal funding to promote kindergarten readiness to income-eligible families in Early Head Start, which serves infants, toddlers, and expectant parents; and Head Start, which serves three-to five-year-old-children. Head Start partners with parents to assist children in developing the knowledge and skills necessary for school success and lifelong well-being.

## **CHAMPAIGN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION-PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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info@ccrpc.org  
www.ccrpc.org/divisions/planning\_and\_development/index.php

CCRPC's Planning and Community Development Division works closely with residents and local agencies to make a positive impact on Champaign County's future. Projects succeed with the help of community members who offer valuable feedback that guides our work.

CCRPC's Planning and Community Development Division is asking for input on how residents use active transportation (i.e. walking, biking), parks, and trails in the community. CCRPC's Planning and Community Development Division welcomes your input, including suggestions or issues you currently have with mobility or accessibility!

**CHAMPAIGN-URBANA MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SUPPORT GROUP**

325 West Monroe Street, Suite 1510  
Chicago, IL 60661  
1800-344-4867  
savoymsgroup@yahoo.com  
www.nationalmssociety.org

The Champaign Urbana Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Support Group helps individuals living with MS and/or their family members, friends and care partners gain support from others living with MS. More specifically, the group shares experiences and gets feedback, learns from expert speakers, and learns about potential opportunities to participate in research. The group meets every second Saturday of each month (except December) 10am-12pm at the First Baptist Church at 1602 South Prospect Avenue Savoy, IL, 61874

**CHAMPAIGN-URBANA SPECIAL RECREATION**

2212 Sangamon Drive  
Champaign, IL 61821  
217-819-3980  
cusr@champaignparks.org  
www.cuspecialrecreation.com

Champaign-Urbana Special Recreation (CUSR) was formed through a cooperative agreement with the Champaign and Urbana Park Districts to provide recreation programs and leisure services for residents with disabilities. CUSR provides quality recreation programs for people with disabilities by hiring and training qualified staff, providing staff ratios which ensure program safety and success, and adapting programs and equipment to meet the needs of the participants.

**CHILD AND FAMILY CONNECTION #16**

201 West Springfield Avenue, Suites 508 & 509  
Champaign, IL 61820  
800-877-1152  
kwoolridge@cicfc.org  
www.cicfc.org

Child & Family Connections #16 (CFC) is the State of Illinois Early Intervention Program in Champaign, Ford, Iroquois, Livingston, McLean and Vermilion Counties. Early Intervention (EI) services are for families who have children ages birth to 3 with disabilities and/or risk of developmental delay, or who have a qualifying medical condition. Services may include therapies such as speech-language, occupational, developmental, and more, dependent upon what your child needs – and are provided in your home. Growing and learning does not happen the same for every child. If you have questions about your child's development, please call for a FREE developmental screening.

**COLLABORATIONS IN HEALTH, AGING, RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY (CHART)**

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<https://chart.ahs.illinois.edu>

**CHART: Harnessing Technology to Support Successful Aging**

Collaborations in Health, Aging, Research, & Technology, or CHART, is an interdisciplinary research program comprised of University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign faculty, community members, and healthcare providers devoted to supporting research efforts that promote aging successfully through the use of technology.

## **COLLABORATIONS IN THE ADVANCEMENT OF RESEARCH ON DISABILITY (CARD)**

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<https://card.ahs.illinois.edu/>

Mission of Collaborations in the Advancement of Research on Disability (CARD) : To enhance the health and quality of life of people with disabilities through research that addresses critical gaps in disability-related knowledge and outreach that engages individuals with disabilities.

Collaborative working group  
Research toolkit  
Speaker series  
Student research training and mentoring  
Outreach and engagement

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER OF NORTHERN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY**

520 East Wabash Avenue, Suite 1  
Wabash Park, Rantoul, IL 61866  
217-893-1530  
director@cscncc.org  
[www.cscrantoul.org](http://www.cscrantoul.org)

The Community Service Center is a social service hub for northern Champaign County offering two food pantries, utility and prescription help, fax/copy service for a nominal fee, notary service, recreation vouchers for income eligible youth, clothing referrals, holiday food and toy distribution, food delivery service, and an after hours food pantry. Space is also provided space for area agencies to see clients onsite and information and referral.

**COMMUNITY CHOICES**

44 East Main Street, Suite 210  
Champaign, IL 61820  
217-621-1090  
info@communitychoicesinc.org  
www.communitychoicesinc.org

Community Choices is a human services cooperative and provider where adults with developmental disabilities and their families support each other. Community Choices provides services open to both members and non-members including Inclusive Community Support for community-based living, Customized Employment, and Social, Leadership, and Advocacy Connections. Members have additional access to Social Opportunities and Transportation supports.

**CUNNINGHAM CHILDREN'S HOME**

1301 North Cunningham Avenue  
Urbana, IL 61802  
217-367-3728  
cch@cunninghamhome.org  
www.cunninghamhome.org/

Cunningham Children's Home is an exemplary child welfare and educational services agency providing caring support and therapeutic intervention to more than 807 youth, adults and families each year through comprehensive programs including residential treatment, special education, counseling, vocational, and community-based services.

**CRANE FEEDING AND SPEECH**

201 West Springfield Avenue, Suite 702  
Champaign, IL 61820  
217-215-3016  
cfs@cranefeedingandspeech.com  
www.cranefeedingandspeech.com

Crane Feeding and Speech provides speech, language, feeding, and fluency therapy to children ages 0-18. The team at Crane Feeding and Speech has experience in treating a variety of areas, including articulation disorders, apraxia, language delay, stuttering, AAC, autism spectrum disorder, picky eaters, and dysphagia. Crane Feed and Speech requires a doctor's referral be faxed to 217-215-3016 to begin the treatment process. Crane Feeding and Speech will then contact you to schedule an initial evaluation.

**DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES CENTER (DSC)**

1304 West Bradley Avenue  
Champaign, IL 61821  
217-356-9176  
info@dsc-illinois.org  
www.dsc-illinois.org

DSC provides services and supports for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Adult services are community-focused, emphasizing independence to enhance the quality of life as defined by the individual. Support is offered in independent living skills, employment, residential options, and recreational opportunities. Family Development provides infants and toddlers with developmental screenings, in-home therapies and services, and therapeutic playgroups.

**DIVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES (DHS)**

1307 North Mattis Avenue  
Champaign, IL 61821  
217 649-8363  
norma.chaidez@illinois.gov  
www.dhs.state.il.us

DHS's Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) is the state's lead agency serving individuals with disabilities. DRS works with people with disabilities and their families to assist them in making informed choices to achieve full community participation through employment, education, and independent living opportunities.

**EAGLES VIEW SUPPORTIVE LIVING AND MEMORY CARE**

200 West International Avenue  
Rantoul, IL 61866  
217-892-2800 -- sales@ev-slf.com  
www.ev-slf.com

**Personalized Care:**

Eagles View Supportive Living and Memory Care provides a variety of enriching activities designed to engage residents socially, mentally, and physically.

**Nutritional Meals:**

Eagles View Supportive Living and Memory Care dining services offer three nutritious meals daily.

**Housekeeping & Laundry:**

Eagles View Supportive Living and Memory Care provides regular housekeeping and laundry services.

**Transportation:**

Eagles View Supportive Living and Memory Care provides scheduled transportation to local medical appointments and community events, ensuring residents remain connected with the outside community.

**Financial Services:**

Eagles View Supportive Living and Memory Care accepts private pay and Medicaid.

**EDEN SUPPORTIVE LIVING**

222 North State Street  
Champaign, IL 61820  
217-903-5900  
ndrew@edenslf.com  
www.edenslf.com

Eden Supportive Living is a lifestyle designed for people with physical disabilities ages 22-64 who expect a better quality of living. At Eden, a person can live amongst their peers in exciting neighborhoods, while taking comfort in knowing there are licensed health professionals available to assist with daily living activities or health emergencies. A monthly fee covers everything: rent, utilities, three daily meals, housekeeping, laundry, assistance with transportation, personal care, and even medical reminders. Qualified residents eligible for financial assistance under Medicaid may be able to receive financial assistance for their care at Eden.

**ENVISION UNLIMITED**

8 South Michigan Avenue, Suite 1700  
Chicago, IL 60603  
312-506-4834  
info@envisionunlimited.org  
www.envisionunlimited.org

Envision Unlimited offers programs for people with intellectual, developmental, and mental health disabilities, including residential support, day programs, employment services, living transitions, behavioral health, and community engagement. Envision Unlimited empowers individuals to live, work, and thrive in inclusive communities across Illinois.

**EPILEPSY ADVOCACY NETWORK**

628 Columbus Street, Ste 405

Ottawa, IL 61350

815-846-0881

[www.epilepsyadvocacynetwork.org](http://www.epilepsyadvocacynetwork.org)

[kari@epilepsyadvocacynetwork.org](mailto:kari@epilepsyadvocacynetwork.org)

Epilepsy Advocacy Network optimizes the lives of individuals with epilepsy by promoting community education and awareness, self-advocacy and empowerment, and access to proper care. Services offered by Epilepsy Advocacy Network include case management, free seizure first aid trainings, and support groups.

**EQUIP FOR EQUALITY**

20 North Michigan Ave, Suite 300

Chicago, IL 60602

1800-532-2632

[contactus@equipforequality.org](mailto:contactus@equipforequality.org)

[www.equipforequality.org](http://www.equipforequality.org)

Equip for Equality is the federally mandated, governor-appointed Protection & Advocacy organization for Illinois. It provides legal help for people with disabilities of all ages in Illinois, including self-advocacy assistance. Equip for Equality's work aims to challenge discrimination, promote inclusion in the community, ensure quality care and safety, and ensure quality special education services through legal advocacy and independent monitoring.

**FAMILY SERVICE OF CHAMPAIGN COUNTY**

405 South State Street  
Champaign, IL 61820  
217-352-0099  
info@familyservicecc.org  
www.famservcc.org

Family Service offers counseling and support groups for individuals and families of all ages. Call 217-352-0099 to learn more.

The Senior Resource Center offers services for adults aged 60+ including Friendly Caller, HomeCare, Meals on Wheels, Senior Transportation, and Aging Services Navigation. The Senior Resource Center is also home to the Stevick Senior Center! Call the Senior Resource Center at 217-352-5100 for more information.

**GATEWAY AT RIVER CITY**

518 West Romeo B Garrett Avenue  
Peoria, IL 61605  
309-673-3115  
marketing@gatewayrivercity-dslf.com  
www.gatewayatrivercity.com

Gateway at River City is a supportive living community for young adults from ages 22 to 64 years old. Gateway at River City encourages resident independence, while preserving dignity and providing personalized services.

## **GREATER COMMUNITY AIDS PROJECT OF EAST CENTRAL ILLINOIS**

PO Box 713  
Champaign IL 61824  
217-351-2437  
info@gcapnow.com  
www.gcapnow.com

The mission of Greater Community AIDS Project of East Central Illinois is to empower members of our community who are HIV+, and to eliminate the transmission of HIV through education and advocacy.

Greater Community AIDS Project of East Central Illinois provides essential services to people living with HIV/AIDS in East Central Illinois which include; emergency shelter, transitional housing, financial assistance, nutritional assistance, and other supportive services.

## **GROW IN ILLINOIS**

PO Box 3667  
Champaign, IL 61826  
217-722-7674  
secretary@growinamerica.org  
www.growinamerica.org

GROW is a uniquely structured community mental health movement. Started in Australia 1957, Grow's program of personal growth, group method and caring sharing community have all been developed from former mental health patients (12 step program) rebuilding their lives after a breakdown. GROW is anonymous, non-denominational and open to all. Groups are run by other members. Lasting 2 hours, 3-15 members and strictly voluntary. No fees or dues.

**HOPE CENTERED WELLNESS GROUP, LLC**

1800 Woodfield Drive, Suite A

Savoy, IL 61874

217-751-2231

office@hope-centered.com -- www.hope-centered.com

Hope Centered Wellness Group is a mental health and holistic wellness practice. The practice offers professional counseling, massage therapy, and nutritional health services for adults, teenagers, and children.

Key services offered:

**Counseling:** Services include relational and evidence-based therapies for issues such as anxiety, depression, trauma, ADHD, and relationship struggles. The practice uses a variety of therapeutic techniques, including EMDR, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), and trauma-informed approaches.

**Massage therapy:** Professional massage services are available for pain relief, stress reduction, and sports recovery.

**Nutritional health:** The practice offers nutritional assessments to determine the right nutrients for regulating mood, reducing stress, and improving sleep.

**Group services:** Hope Centered Wellness Group hosts counseling groups, such as a weekly workshop for men to process life's challenges.

**IL ABLE OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS STATE TREASURER**

1 East Old State Capitol Plaza

Springfield, IL 62702

217-725-4318

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IL ABLE "Achieving a Better Life Experience" Accounts give people with disabilities and their families greater financial independence while preserving benefits. A high-quality, low-cost IL ABLE savings and investment Account can be opened by an Eligible Individual, or Authorized Individual, at any time, no matter what state they live in.

## **ILLINOIS EPILEPSY SUPPORTS AND RESOURCES**

91 Cedar  
Park Forest, IL 60466  
708-297-0464  
leanneadvocacy@gmail.com  
[www.streatorunlimited.org/epilepsy](http://www.streatorunlimited.org/epilepsy)

The Illinois Epilepsy Supports and Resources Project provides education, support accessing services, referral assistance and ongoing support groups for people with Epilepsy and their families. With funding from the Illinois Department of Human Services, Streator Unlimited and Blue Tower Solutions, work together to spread the word about the many types of seizures, seizure first aid and the supports, services and benefits available for people with Epilepsy in Illinois.

## **ILLINOIS EXTENSION**

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Illinois Extension provides practical translations of cutting-edge research to help people, businesses, and communities find answers to some of the most pressing issues in the modern world.

**ILLINOIS GUARDIANSHIP AND ADVOCACY (HUMAN RIGHTS AUTHORITY)**

2125 South First Street  
Champaign, IL 61820  
217-278-5577  
gene.seaman@illinois.gov  
www.gac.illinois.gov

The Illinois Guardianship and Advocacy Commission is a state agency that advocates for the rights of individuals with disabilities. This is done through the Human Rights Authority, which investigates rights violations committed against individuals with disabilities by service providers, the Office of State Guardian, the last resort guardians for adults in Illinois, Legal Advocacy Services, which represents individuals in mental health court and the Special Education Collaborative, which assists families with special education services.

**ILLINOIS RADIO READER**

300 North Goodwin Avenue  
Urbana IL 61801  
217-333-6503  
spegal@illinois.edu  
www.IPM/Illinoisradioreader

The free Illinois Radio Reader service offers audio news and information from newspapers, magazines and more—and is for those who are blind or visually impaired including individuals who have a medical condition or disability that makes it difficult to hold and/or read traditional books and magazines. The service is also offered via web streaming and Amazon Echo in addition to the traditional reader receivers.

**ILLINOIS RESPITE COALITION**

555 Skokie Boulevard, Suite 500  
Northbrook, IL 60062  
866-455-7377 ext. 101  
ilrespitcoalition@gmail.com  
www.illinoisrespitcoalition.org

The Illinois Respite Coalition is a statewide organization that provides respite programs, resources, and referrals to support family caregivers who are caring for loved ones of any disability and throughout the lifespan. The coalition spreads awareness on the importance of caregivers receiving a break and making statewide referrals so families can be connected with resources that fit their needs.

**ILLINOIS STATE COMPTROLLER**

555 West Monroe Street, Suite 1400S-A  
Chicago Il 60661  
312-814-0034  
julie.ayres@illinoiscomptroller.gov  
www.Illinoiscomptroller.gov

The Constituent Affairs Department promotes the services and programs of the Illinois Office of Comptroller to constituents by developing collaborative relationships and sharing information through various forms of communication. Constituent Affairs staff aim to promote the duties and services of the office to constituents while paving the way for fiscal accountability, financial empowerment, and transparency.

**IMMIGRANT SERVICES OF CHAMPAIGN-URBANA**

201 West Kenyon Road, Suite 4A  
Champaign, IL 61820  
217-800-5725  
ISCU2DAY@gmail.com  
www.isc-u.org

The mission of Immigrant Services of Champaign Urbana (ISCU) is to empower immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers to become informed, self-assured, and contributing members of our community. The organization achieves this by employing a comprehensive case management system that embraces a holistic approach to assist our client families. The services offered encompass depression screenings, mental health referrals, addressing food insecurity, accessing medical care, securing housing, legal needs, transportation, as well as employment and education support.

**INNOVATORS IN ACTION**

506 South Mathews Avenue  
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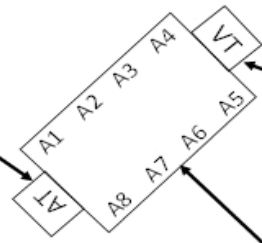
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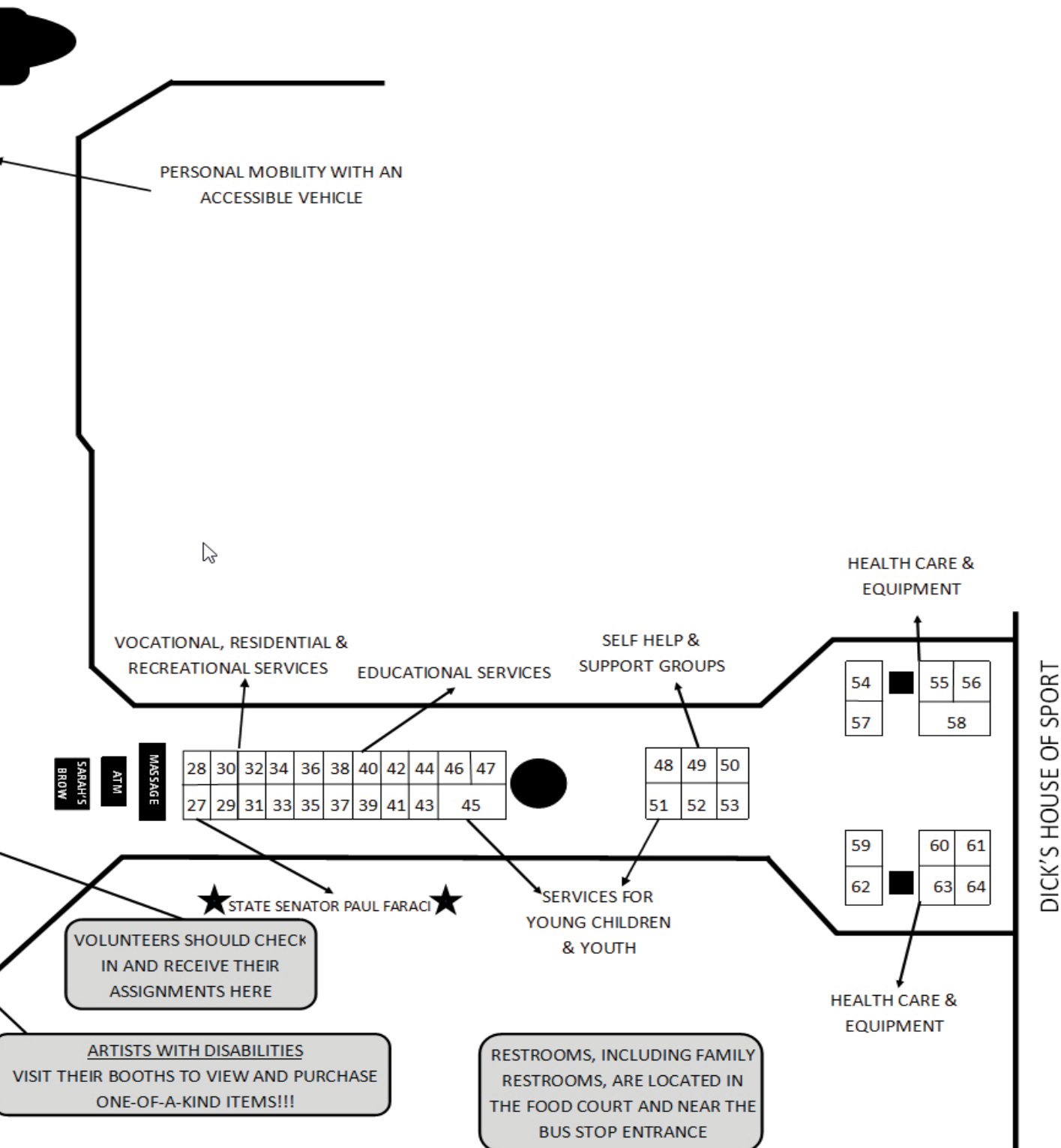
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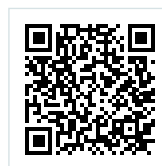
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