

CHILDREN: LOS ANGELES COUNTY



▪ Advocacy/Support

Center for Special Needs Resource Guide: Please refer to the Center for Special Needs Resource Guide (link below) for a list of advocacy resources in L.A. County. These include advocates, special needs attorneys, and information/referrals.

<http://center4specialneeds.org/resources/advocate-attorney-legal/>

- Regional Centers: Regional Centers are a state funding source for children with developmental disabilities
- ❖ Eastern L.A. Regional Center:
 - www.elarc.org
 - 1000 S Fremont Ave
 - Alhambra, CA 91802
 - 626-299-4700
- ❖ North L.A. Regional Center
 - www.nlarc.org
 - 15400 Sherman Way Ste 170
 - Van Nuys, CA 91406
 - 818-778-1900
- ❖ Westside Regional Center
 - www.westsiderc.org
 - 5901 Green Valley Circle Ste 320
 - Culver City, CA 90230
 - 310-258-4000
- ❖ South Central L.A. Regional Center:
 - <http://www.sclarc.org/>
 - 650 West Adams Blvd Ste 400
 - Los Angeles, CA 90007
 - 213-744-7000
- T.A.S.K (Team of Advocates for Special Kids):

100 W. Cerritos Ave.
Anaheim, CA 92805
(866) 828-8275 (toll-free in California)
(714) 533-8275
www.taskca.org
E-mail: task@taskca.org

- Special Needs Network-Advocacy in Action

<http://www.specialneedsnetwork.org/>

4401 Crenshaw Blvd Ste 215

Los Angeles, CA 90043

323-291-7100

- **Child Care/Respite**

Regional Center Respite: If your child has a developmental disability and you are eligible for Regional Center, you may be able to receive respite care through your local Regional Center.

- California Respite Care

- ❖ http://www.calrespitcare.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=48&Itemid=62

- ❖ 909-910-1522

- L.A. County Head Start: State Preschool

- ❖ <http://www.prekkid.org/>

- ❖ 562-940-1770

- Children's Home Society of California: Offers child care referral and subsidy to eligible families

- ❖ <http://www.chs-ca.org/for-parents/>

- ❖ 213-240-5900

- **Recreation**

Down Syndrome Recreation Guide: Please check out the recreation resource guide from the Down Syndrome Association of L.A. as it lists recreational activities for those with a variety of disabilities in the L.A. area.

<http://www.dsala.org/support/resources/resoucepage/recreation.html>

- List of Universally Accessible Playgrounds in L.A. County

- ❖ <http://www.laparks.org/dos/playground/accessibleplay.htm>

- Elysian Park Therapeutic Recreation Center

- ❖ 929 Academy Rd

- Los Angeles, CA 90012

- ❖ 323-266-1402

- Special Olympics Southern California
 - ❖ <http://www.sosc.org/>
 - ❖ 562-502-1100

- **Information/Referral**
 - City Of L.A. Disability Resource Guide
 - ❖ <http://www.lacity.org/CitywideServices/searchresults/index.htm?laFilterType=&laPageNumber=1&laSearchTerm=disabilities&laResultCount=10&laMatching=any&laCategory=&laProvider=&Submit=Submit>

 - Autism Society of Los Angeles
 - ❖ <http://autismla.org/About-Us.htm>

 - DOD Special Needs Parent Toolkit
 - ❖ http://www.militaryonesource.mil/efmp/parent-tool-kit?content_id=268726

 - Children's Medical Services L.A. County
 - ❖ <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/cms/ccs.htm>

 - L.A. County Department of Mental Health Programs Guide
 - ❖ http://dmh.lacounty.gov/wps/portal/dmh/our_services/children

 - SpecialNeeds.Com: A collaborative resource directory
 - ❖ <http://www.specialneedsresources.com/>

- **Child Development/Early Intervention**
 - First 5 Los Angeles: Health, Safety and Early Intervention Programs Age 0-5
 - ❖ <http://www.first5la.org/>
 - ❖ 213-482-5902

 - Head Start- Preschool/Early Intervention
 - ❖ <http://www.prekkid.org/>
 - ❖ 562-940-1770

 - Children's Hospital Los Angeles Early Intervention Programs
 - ❖ http://file.lacounty.gov/dmh/cms1_159593.pdf

 - UCLA Intervention Program
 - ❖ <http://www.uclainterventionprogram.org/>
 - ❖ 310-825-4821