

Snohomish County Developmental Disabilities Newsletter

March 2023 Edition

Snohomish County Developmental Disabilities Transition

RESOURCE FAIR



Middle School, High School, Transition and Beyond

TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023

4:00pm-8:30 pm

Resources for Now and the Future

This is a free, community event that welcomes individuals with developmental disabilities (ages 12 and older), their families, caregivers, teachers, employees, and other interested community members.



The event will host community agencies and a variety of free workshops that will provide information on services, community connection and access to the people and tools available to help everyone pursue their employment and career goals.

Located at
Cascade High School
801 East Casino Road,
Everett, WA 98203

All presentations and resources are in English.

Questions? DDinfo@snoco.org

Transition Resource Fair: to view flier in a different language, click on the following links:

- [Korean](#)
- [Russian](#)
- [Spanish](#)
- [Vietnamese](#)

Workshops:

- Wills, Special Needs Trusts & ABLE Accounts
- Preparing for Transition
- Housing: A Panel Discussion
- School to Work
- Employment Support from DSB & DVR
- Legal Decisions at 18
- DDA Services
- Where do you want to go? Finding a ride in Snohomish County
- Ready, Set, Plan!
- Understanding your Path to Housing
- Guardianship & Alternatives

❖ [Click here](#) for more information on fair

❖ If you have any questions, please [click here](#) to send an email

Helpful Websites

Click on the [links](#) below to view websites

- [BenefitsU](#) - Social Security Benefits Planning for DDA Eligible Adults
- [Community Homes](#) - Housing Workshops
- [Developmental Disabilities Administration \(DDA\)](#) - Eligibility and Application
- [Division of Vocational Rehabilitation \(DVR\)](#) - Find your Transition Counselor
- [Goodwill](#) - Job Training and Education
- [Informing Families](#)
- [Snohomish County Energy](#)
- [Social Security – ‘The Red Book’](#)
- [The Arc of Snohomish](#)
- [Wise](#) - Supported Employment Training Opportunities
- For additional resources, please check out our [‘Resource Books’](#) page or visit our [website](#).

Job Foundation Application

❖ Job Foundation engages, connects, and launches efforts earlier for students in their second to last year of Transition (ages 19 to 20 years old) who are eligible with Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA). This occurs through discovery and the completion of a Job Foundation Report which includes actionable next steps for paid employment.

- Students who participate in Job Foundation will segue into School to Work (S2W) in their final year of Transition, there is no need to fill out a S2W application.
- [Click here](#) to view a timeline for Job Foundation.
- [Click here](#) to learn more about how to choose an Employment Provider.
- [Click here](#) to learn more about Person Centered Planning and choosing a facilitator.
- Job Foundation Application and Consent links: [English](#) or [Spanish](#)



Housing

❖ Partners4Housing

- Offers free webinars to learn about Roommate Matching Pool, online Residential Assessment and Consulting Services
- [Click here](#) to get a free Residential Assessment
- [Click here](#) to learn more

❖ Community Homes

- Offers many workshops
- [Click here](#) to view workshop schedule
- If you have any questions, contact Cathy Murahashi - cathy@community-homes.org/Office: 425-233-6930/

Clubs

❖ Club Independence

- Meets the first Wednesday of the month from 6:30 to 7:30 pm via Zoom
- A monthly group that The Arc of Snohomish County facilitates and is a place for young adult self-advocates to discuss topics for successful independent living.
- Club Independence is currently doing a "Relationship & Dating" series.
- For information contact Brandi Piecora - Brandi@arcsno.org/425-258-2459 x113
- [Click here](#) to learn more about Club Independence

❖ Transition Clubs

- The Arc of Snohomish County facilitates monthly clubs in partnership with local school districts and community organizations.
- Transition Clubs use the [Charting the Life Course Tools and Philosophy](#) in order to teach participants and practice the skills for Self-Determination, Self-Awareness and Self-Advocacy.
- If you are interested in partnering with The Arc for the 2023/2024 school year, please contact: Jessie Moore - Jessie@arcsno.org/425-258-2459 x109
- [Click here](#) to learn more about the Transition Clubs

Transportation

❖ Everett Transit Free Youth Transit Pass

- For those 18 years and under.
- [Click here](#) to get your free Transit Pass

❖ SNOTRAC

- [Click here](#) to view events around transportation

Training Opportunities

❖ Wise Webinar Series (virtual setting)

- All sessions are 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm & free
- [Click here](#) to view Wise's Training Calendar

❖ SAVE THE DATE - Community Summit 2023

- Hosted by DSHS DDA
- June 13-15, 2023
- Wenatchee Convention Center
- [Click here](#) for more information

❖ Arc of Snohomish Events (virtual setting)

- March 13th 7-8:30 PM
 - Augmented and Alternative Communication and Assistive Technology workshop
 - [Click here](#) for more information.
- March 15th 11-12:30 PM
 - Guardianship and Alternatives Workshop
 - [Click here](#) for more information
- [Click here](#) to view Arc's Event Calendar

Technology

❖ Technology Opportunities for DDA Clients

- If you have a loved one who is eligible with Developmental Disabilities Administration, even if they do not have an assigned case manager, they could be eligible for a free phone.
- [Click here](#) for more information and to access the online form to make a request for a free phone.
- If you do not know who the DDA case manager is, you can contact DDA - 425.740.6400