

COMMUNITY EVENTS & THINGS TO DO

Lake Hope <https://www.lakehope.com/?> : Offers a large variety of activities in addition to hiking, boating and swimming.

Lake Alma <https://www.facebook.com/Lake-Alma-State-Park-145581465471340/> :Offers hiking, walking, boating and swimming and fishing.

Herbert Wescoat Memorial Library
<https://www.vintoncountypublic.lib.oh.us/> : The library has ongoing fitness classes, craft lessons, musical programs. Check their monthly calendar for current events.

Wild Turkey Festival <https://vcwtf.org/index.html> : The annual Wild Turkey Festival is held on the first full weekend of May. Enjoy amusement rides, car shows, musical entertainment and much more.

Vinton County Jr Fair
<https://www.facebook.com/VintonCountyJrFair/> : In addition to the Jr Fair in July, the fairgrounds offers a variety of activities throughout the year including cornhole tournaments, craft fairs and derby races.

EMPLOYMENT

Employer Assistance and Resource Network on Disability Inclusion (EARN): Supports employers and their efforts to recruit, hire, and retain individuals with disabilities.

Employment First: People with developmental disabilities explore their career options and seek jobs that fit their skills and interests.

Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation (BVR) assists age 14 and up with physical, mental, and emotional disabilities by providing vocational guidance and counseling. To assist in finding and retaining employment based on strengths, capabilities, and interests.

What is Employment First?

Video

Employment First Easy Read

Navigating Agency Support

Employment: Terms & Definitions

BENEFIT RESOURCES

Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council – Estate Planning:

Overview of estate planning options that exist as of May 2020 for people with disabilities and their families in Ohio.

Disability Benefits 101: gives you tools and information on health coverage, benefits, and employment.

Medicaid Buy In: Allows individuals with disabilities to earn money from a job (income) and keep their Medicaid health care coverage.

Stable Accounts: A STABLE Account is an investment account available to eligible individuals with disabilities. STABLE Accounts are made possible by the federal Achieving a Better Life Experience (“ABLE”) Act. STABLE Accounts allow individuals with disabilities to save and invest money without losing eligibility for certain public benefits programs, like Medicaid, SSI, or SSDI.

Social Security Red Book: The Red Book serves as a general reference source about the employment-related provisions of the Social Security Disability Insurance and the Supplemental Security Income Programs

HOUSING

Vinton County Metropolitan Housing Authority 310 W. High Street, McArthur, OH 45651 Phone: 740-596-5963

Vinton County Housing Development Corp. <https://vchdc.com>
:Provides quality, accessible and affordable housing options that facilitates independent living for individuals with disabilities.

Vinton Jackson Community Action <https://www.jvcai.org/>:
Assist low-income individuals, families, the physically challenged and the elderly in achieving self-sufficiency. The agency programs are designed to provide a range of services and activities that will have a measurable and potentially major impact on the causes of poverty in our area.

Vinton Good Works/Timothy House <https://good-works.net/>:
Provides assistance with homelessness, respite and community meals.

RESPITE SERVICES

Ohio Medicaid Respite Care Benefit

Benefit to assist families in caring for Medicaid eligible children and adults under the age of 21, who have been determined eligible for SSI or SSDI.

Ohio Child Care Finder

This includes a connection to Child Care Resource & referral Association (OCCRRA). This includes resources as well as Child Care Finder that can be searched using your zip code.

Care.com

You may search for childcare and there is a “special needs” category]

State Support Team

This includes information regarding summer camps for students with and without a disability. This also includes helpful resources about things to consider when choosing a camp.

Red Tree House

Red Tree House is Ohio’s online resource that assists connecting families with children prenatal to 25 to available resources. This also includes a place where you can search Respite resources by your county.

RESOURCES FOR FUTURE PLANNING

University of Arizona’s “Future Care Planning: A Roadmap for Family Caregivers” manual

A resource to begin the conversations around family planning and includes a place to record the information.

The Arc- Center for Future Planning

Build Your Plan® is a tool that enables families to create accounts and begin to build their future plans.

Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council “Record Keeping and Personal Care Guide.”

A comprehensive collection of forms including: medical information, personal contact information, emergency information, insurance information, care giver’s information, and organizational tools that assist families to record this information.

Disability Rights Ohio

Ohio’s rules for Adult Guardianship. Information about Guardianship and other alternatives to Guardianship.

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TRANSPORTATION RESOURCES

Southeastern Ohio Center for Independent Living

SOCIL can provide training on how to utilize transit.

Contact Scott Campbell at 740-689-1494 ext. 15

Ahoy Transportation <https://transportation.jvcai.org/athoy-transport-llc.html> Provides non-emergency transportation services in Vinton, Hocking and Ross counties.

Go Bus 1-888-954-6287

Provides services between Athens and Columbus with stops in Athens, Nelsonville, Logan, Lancaster and Columbus (including the Columbus Airport)