What can my student do once he/she graduates high school and how can they best be supported?

Post-secondary providers and resources list for Athens & surrounding areas

Please contact CCSD Transition Specialist, Liza Burnsed, with any questions you may have along your transition journey.

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I.

| Community Residential Services:  I would like for my child to live at home, but I will need extra help.  I would like for my child to live in a group setting.  I would like for my child to live independently with some supports in place. |
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| Provider name | Contact information | Services offered |
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| Hope Haven | [https://hopehaven.net/](https://hopehaven.net/services/home-services/)  Athens  706-548-4361 | -Community Living Support (CLS) Services are tailored to support a happy and healthy life for people who live in their own or family home.  -Community Residential Alternative (CRA) Services are for people who need an intense level of support to achieve those home-like feelings throughout their life while sharing a group home. At Hope Haven, residents receive CRA services when they live in one of the five homes managed and operated by them. |
| ResCare Living Services | [https://rescarecommunityliving.com/](https://rescarecommunityliving.com/our-services/)  Watkinsville  706-549-0349 | Options include the following: supported periodic living; group homes; host homes (residing with a neurotypical adult); medical care facility. |
| Georgia Mentor | [https://www.ga-mentor.com/](https://www.ga-mentor.com/who-we-serve/adults-with-disabilities/group-home-program/)  Watkinsville and Athens  706-425-1814 | Host homes and Group homes |
| Advantage | <https://www.advantagebhs.org/developmental-disabilities.cms>  Athens and Monroe  1 (855) 333-9544 | Group home and community living skills training |
| Hi-Hope | [https://hihopecenter.org/](https://hihopecenter.org/programs)  Gwinnett County  770-963-8694 | Group home |
| Right at Home | [https://www.rightathome.net/athens/](https://www.rightathome.net/athens/services/specialty-care/adults-with-disabilities)  Athens  706-769-7277 | Safety supervision; Companionship; Helping with hobbies and crafts; Reading aloud from books, newspapers and magazines; Transportation; Cognitive stimulation like playing cards and games; Grocery shopping; Light housekeeping |
| Georgia Options | [https://georgiaoptions.org/](https://georgiaoptions.org/what-we-do/)  Athens  706-546-0009 | A direct support professional assists the person in their home with daily living tasks. This is very individualized. For example, the person may need assistance with bathing and dressing. They may need assistance to host a weekly game night for friends, pay bills or arrange Uber. They may need support to attend medical appointments or to take medications. They may need assistance with all aspects of care, or they may only need assistance with a few tasks. Community Living Support (CLS) may be provided from a few hours a week up to six hours per day (eleven hours if staff are shared with a roommate). |
| Multiple Choices | https://multiplechoices.us/  Athens  706-850-4025 | Provides the information on independent living skills training, advocacy, resources,  programs, and general support necessary for individuals to thrive. |

II.

| Community Access Services:  I would like for my child to have something engaging to do during the day.  I need to work and will need assistance with my child while I am at work. |
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| Provider name | Contact information | Services offered |
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| Hope Haven | [https://hopehaven.net/](https://hopehaven.net/services/home-services/)  Athens  706-548-4361 | Group outings of 3-10 people or individual outings with a direct support individual |
| ResCare Living Services | [https://rescarecommunityliving.com/](https://rescarecommunityliving.com/our-services/)  Watkinsville  706-549-0349 | ResCare offers Day Habilitation programs to help individuals achieve goals and provide connections within their communities while giving them opportunities for social interactions. A Day Habilitation program is centered around an individual’s needs and interests and helps them develop and/or improve communication skills. ResCare wants to help individuals with IDD (cognitive disabilities) get out of buildings and get into their communities. They help all their participants develop the necessary skills to pursue their interests and blossom within their community. |
| Georgia Mentor | [https://www.ga-mentor.com/](https://www.ga-mentor.com/who-we-serve/adults-with-disabilities/group-home-program/)  Watkinsville and Athens  706-425-1814 | Residential services (host homes and group home), community access, respite, and therapeutic foster care |
| Advantage | <https://www.advantagebhs.org/developmental-disabilities.cms>  Athens and Monroe  1 (855) 333-9544 | Day program, one-on-one and group outings |
| Hi-Hope | [https://hihopecenter.org/](https://hihopecenter.org/programs)  Gwinnett County  770-963-8694 | Day program, one-on-one and group outings |
| Georgia Options | [https://georgiaoptions.org/](https://georgiaoptions.org/what-we-do/)  Athens  706-546-0009 | Georgia Options believes that communities are enriched when people with disabilities are part of the fabric. They accomplish this by supporting people to join groups and clubs based on their interests, volunteer doing things they love, and taking classes and workshops on subjects that interest them. Their direct support professionals enable the person to do these things on their own or with friends. |

III.

| I would like for my child to work while still earning their SSI disability benefits. |
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| Provider name | Contact information | Services offered |
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| Walton Options | https://www.waltonoptions.org/programs/wipa/  948 Walton Way, Augusta, GA. 706-724-6262 | Work Incentives Planning & Assistance provides free counseling to Social Security disability beneficiaries to help them make informed choices about work and offers a range of services to help recipients understand their options if they choose to pursue work. |
| People’s Choice | http://www.peopleschoicepayee.com/  2302 Parklake Dr. Ste 510  404-296-0340  pcpayeeservices@yahoo.com | Rep Payee Programs- For students who are going to be a little more independent but need assistance over seeing their bills and finances. |

IV.

| I would like for my child to have support while working. |
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| Provider name | Contact information | Services offered |
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| Vocational Rehabilitation | https://gvs.georgia.gov/ | The Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agencies (GVRA) supported employment is designed for individuals with significant disabilities for whom considerable assistance along with extended follow-up is needed to maintain a specific type of career.   1. Traditional Supported Employment (SE) is for anyone who qualifies for Vocational Rehabilition (VR) services and needs intensive job coaching and ongoing support in a traditional job setting. 2. Customized SE refers to competitive integrated employment (CIE)\* for anyone with a significant disability who has undergone an assessment of strengths, needs, and interests. It is negotiated to match the abilities of the individual to the needs of the employer and is made possible with flexible strategies for success. |
| Advancing Employment | <https://www.advancingemployment.com>  Athens  706-542-3457 | Advancing Employment is dedicated to building a community for inclusive employment in Georgia. It is here where individuals with disabilities, their families, service providers, and others interested in employment can learn and connect with one another. |
| Briggs & Associates | <https://www.briggsassociates.org/wordpress/>  Roswell (serves Athens)  770-993-4559 | Briggs & Associates matches the abilities of people with disabilities to real jobs, then provides the support and training needed to ensure success for both the employee and employer. They provide comprehensive employment services for any individual who may require non-traditional support and/or entry into the workplace. |
| Hi-Hope | [https://hihopecenter.org/](https://hihopecenter.org/programs)  Gwinnett County  770-963-8694 | Supported employment, customized employment and self-employment |
| Goodwill of North Georgia | <https://goodwillng.org/gw-locations/east-athens-store-donation-career-center-30605/>  Athens  706-395-1558 | Goodwill’s Workforce Development Program offers progressive training methods to prepare people with disabilities for competitive employment. |
| ARCH transition bridge program | <https://www.thejpnnetwork.com/arch-programs>  Athens (Augusta, Valdosta)  706-247-1912 | A 6-12 week training program focusing on work readiness, career exploration and life skills. |
| Acumen | <https://www.acumenfiscalagent.com/georgia/>  Georgia  (877) 211-3738 | Acumen Fiscal Agent facilitates freedom, choice and opportunity through innovative fiscal agent solutions. This ultimately helps families use waiver funding to hire an individual to help with customized employment. |
| Wiregrass | <http://www.wiregrassresources.org/>  Georgia and Florida  844-947-4727 | Supported employment, customized employment, Individual job placement, workplace readiness training, job coaching |
| Sunshine Studios | <https://www.lightlifelovedesigns.com/sunshinestudio>  Athens  Light.Life.Love.Blog@gmail.com | The Sunshine Studio provides opportunities for adults with special needs to develop and maintain specific life skills through purpose driven activities and targeted programming with internships, studio sessions and service learning projects. |
| Love.Craft | <https://www.lovecraftathens.org/>  Athens  502-468-0554 | Pottery program, music programs, community craft events and community concerts. Led by a former CCSD special education teacher. |
| Java Joy | <https://javajoy.org/>  Athens  706-769-9333 | A program of the non-profit ESP Inc. (Formerly Extra Special People, Inc.), Java Joy was created in 2016 as a way to provide meaningful employment for adults with disabilities while giving the community one-of-a-kind opportunities for engagement. Java Joy exists to create experiences of unmatched joy through moments of engagement with people of all abilities. |
| Bitty & Beau’s | <https://www.bittyandbeauscoffee.com/location/athens/>  Athens (and other locations around the US)  678-361-8184 | A nationwide coffee shop that employes people with disabilities |

V.

| I would like for my child to be engaged in a community social group so that they have an opportunity to create and maintain friendships with peers. |
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| Provider name | Contact information | Services offered |
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| Love.Craft | <https://www.lovecraftathens.org/>  Athens  502-468-0554 | Pottery program, music programs, community craft events and community concerts. Led by former CCSD special education teacher. |
| Special Olympics UGA social group | <https://uga.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/soatuga>  Athens  mlgolden21@gmail.com | Various monthly Social Group events for adult athletes |
| Bethlehem Buddies | <https://bethlehemchurch.us/bethlehem-buddies>  Bethlehem and Bishop  770-867-3577 | Church programming offered for adults with special needs. Buddies Small Group is offered year-round with weekly group meetings, community outings, and special events. Respite Nights for parents/caregivers, Family Events like cookouts and movie nights, and Buddies Birthday Bashes throughout the year. Night to Shine every February, a prom for individuals with special needs |
| Extra Special People - ESP | <https://www.espyouandme.org/>  Watkinsville  706-769-9333 | Afternoon programs, Summer camps, weekend & special events |
| Special Olympics | https://www.specialolympicsga.org/  Athens  706-613-3800 | Adaptive bowling and bocce ball Special Olympics |
| Special Pops Tennis | <https://www.specialpopstennis.org/>  Athens  404-702-5820 | Adaptive tennis program specifically designed for adults with intellectual abilities |
| Connections for Special Parents | <https://www.connectionsforspecialparents.org/home>  Royston  706-436-6756 | Yearly social events and summer camps |

VI.

| I would like for my child to have assistance with transportation. |
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| Provider name | Contact information | Services offered |
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| Wheels of Hope | <https://wheelsofhopegeorgia.org/>  Athens  706-765-8332 | The Wheels of Hope program is intended for residents in Athens-Clarke and surrounding counties who do not have the ability to drive due to age, illness, or disability. As a ride sharing program, there is a network of volunteers that provide the rides on an as-needed basis. The ride fee is affordable, with a $20 fare cap per round trip. Members of the program will have an established account and never have to worry about exchanging money with the drivers. The drivers are committed to stay with the rider for the duration of the trip, so riders don’t have to worry about being dropped off. |
| ACC Lift Paratransit Service | <https://www.accgov.com/2070/The-Lift-Paratransit-Service>  Athens  706-613-3435 | A similar service as the fixed route system but for individuals with a disability that are not able to ride the typical ACC city bus. |
| Multiple Choices | https://multiplechoices.us/  Athens  706-850-4025 | Offers transportation assistance to and from facilities, and helps coordinate transportation to other destinations. |
| Bike Athens | <https://www.bikeathens.org/engage/brp/>  Athens  706-249-9550 | Bike Donations |

VII.

| I would like access and support for therapy services for my child and for myself. |
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| Georgia Special Needs Association | <https://www.gasna.org/>  Athens  706-750-8088 | Support to families as they navigate through the world of services for children and adults with disabilities. |
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| Connections for Special Parents | <https://www.connectionsforspecialparents.org/home>  Royston  706-436-6756 | Connecting parents with special needs children to learn and support each other, also offers OT speech and ABA therapies. Also, offers respite! |
| Sunny Day Therapeutics | <https://sunnydaystherapeutics.com/>  Athens  706-883-5300 | Recreation therapy, Group therapy, Art therapy, Music therapy, adaptive yoga classes and independent skills classes |
| A.bridge | <https://www.abridgeaginglifecare.com/>  Athens  706-810-3203 | Advocacy services for ages 25 and over - help guides families through case management |

VIII.

| I would like for my child to receive financial assistance. |
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| SSI | <https://www.ssa.gov/>  800-772-1213 | SSI is an income support program and provides monthly payments to people who have disabilities and have limited income and resources.  \*At the age of 18 SSI needs to be re-applied for (this will only claim income/expenses of the individual - not the household) |
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| NOW/COMP waiver (Medicaid Waiver) | <https://georgia.gov/apply-new-option-waiver-program-now-and-comprehensive-support-waiver-program-comp>  706-792-7733 | A Medicaid waiver is money that may be used to pay for services for a person with intellectual, developmental, or physical disabilities. These services can take place in the person’s home or in the community. |

These are providers in the surrounding area that offer a variety of services to our Clarke County residents with special needs. For a full overview of providers offered throughout the state please refer to this website:

<https://providersearch.beaconhealthoptions.com/#/provider/home/277>



**ACADÉMICOS Y APOYO ESTUDIANTIL: EDUCACIÓN ESPECIAL**

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¿Qué puede hacer mi estudiante después de graduarse de la escuela superior, y cómo puede recibir el apoyo más adecuado?

Lista de proveedores y recursos en Athens y los alrededores para después de la escuela superior

Contáctese con la Especialista de Transición de CCSD, Liza Burnsed, con preguntas del proceso de transición.

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I.

| Servicios Residenciales Comunitarios:  Me gustaría que mi niño/a viviera en casa, pero necesitaré ayuda adicional.  Me gustaría que mi niño/a viviera en un entorno grupal.  Me gustaría que mi niño/a viviera de forma independiente con algunos apoyos. |
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| Nombre de proveedor | Información de contacto | Servicios ofrecidos: |
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| Hope Haven | [https://hopehaven.net/](https://hopehaven.net/services/home-services/)  Athens  706-548-4361 | -Los Servicios de Apoyo a la Vida Comunitaria (“Community Living Support,” o CLS por sus siglas en inglés) están diseñados para apoyar una vida feliz y saludable para personas que viven en su propio hogar o en el de su familia.  -Los Servicios de Alternativa Residencial Comunitaria (“Community Residential Alternative,” o CRA por sus siglas en inglés) son para las personas que necesitan un nivel intenso de apoyo para lograr una sensación de “estar en casa” a lo largo de su vida mientras que comparten un hogar grupal. En Hope Haven, los residentes reciben servicios de “CRA” cuando viven en uno de los cinco hogares administrados y operados por ellos. |
| ResCare Living Services | [https://rescarecommunityliving.com/](https://rescarecommunityliving.com/our-services/)  Watkinsville  706-549-0349 | Opciones incluyen: vivir con apoyo periódico, vivir en hogares en grupo, vivir con anfitrión (vivir con un adulto neurotípico), vivir en un centro de atención médica. |
| Georgia Mentor | [https://www.ga-mentor.com/](https://www.ga-mentor.com/who-we-serve/adults-with-disabilities/group-home-program/)  Watkinsville y Athens  706-425-1814 | Hogares con anfitrión y hogares en grupo |
| Advantage | <https://www.advantagebhs.org/developmental-disabilities.cms>  Athens y Monroe  1 (855) 333-9544 | Hogar en grupo con capacitación en habilidades de la vida comunitaria |
| Hi-Hope | [https://hihopecenter.org/](https://hihopecenter.org/programs)  Condado Gwinnett  770-963-8694 | Hogar en grupo |
| Right at Home | [https://www.rightathome.net/athens/](https://www.rightathome.net/athens/services/specialty-care/adults-with-disabilities)  Athens  706-769-7277 | Supervisión de seguridad; Compañía; Apoyo con pasatiempos y manualidades; Lectura en voz alta de libros, periódicos y revistas; Transporte; Estimulación cognitiva (juegos de mesa y de baraja); Compras de alimentos; Limpieza sencilla |
| Georgia Options | [https://georgiaoptions.org/](https://georgiaoptions.org/what-we-do/)  Athens  706-546-0009 | Un(a) profesional de apoyo directo ayuda a la persona en su hogar con las actividades de la vida diaria. Este servicio está muy individualizado. Por ejemplo, la persona puede necesitar ayuda para bañarse y vestirse. Puede necesitar apoyo para hospedar una noche de juegos semanal para sus amigos, pagar las facturas o reservar un Uber. Puede necesitar apoyo para asistir a sus citas médicas o tomar medicamentos. Puede necesitar ayuda con todos los aspectos de su cuidado, o puede necesitar ayuda solo con ciertas tareas. Apoyo de vivienda en la comunidad (“Community Living Support” o CLS por sus siglas en inglés) se puede proporcionar desde unas pocas horas a la semana hasta seis horas por día (once horas si se comparte el personal con un compañero de casa). |
| Multiple Choices | https://multiplechoices.us/  Athens  706-850-4025 | Proporciona información sobre capacitación en habilidades para la vida independiente, defensa, recursos, programas y el apoyo general necesaria para que los individuos prosperen. |

II.

| Servicios de acceso comunitario:  Me gustaría que mi niño/a tuviera algo interesante que hacer durante el día.  Tengo que trabajar y necesitaré ayuda con mi niño/a mientras estoy en el trabajo. |
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| Nombre de proveedor | Información de contacto | Servicios ofrecidos: |
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| Hope Haven | [https://hopehaven.net/](https://hopehaven.net/services/home-services/)  Athens  706-548-4361 | Salidas en grupos de 3 a 10 personas o salidas individuales con un personal de apoyo directo |
| ResCare Living Services | [https://rescarecommunityliving.com/](https://rescarecommunityliving.com/our-services/)  Watkinsville  706-549-0349 | ResCare ofrece programas de habilitación diurno para ayudar a las personas a alcanzar metas y hacer conexiones en su comunidad al tiempo que les brinda oportunidades para interacción social. Un programa de habilitación diurno se centra en las necesidades e intereses de un individuo y lo ayuda a desarrollar y/o mejorar sus habilidades de comunicación. ResCare quiere ayudar a las personas con discapacidades cognitivas (IDD por sus siglas en inglés) a salir de los edificios e ingresar a sus comunidades. Ayudan a todos sus participantes a desarrollar las habilidades necesarias para perseguir sus intereses y florecer dentro de su comunidad. |
| Georgia Mentor | [https://www.ga-mentor.com/](https://www.ga-mentor.com/who-we-serve/adults-with-disabilities/group-home-program/)  Watkinsville y Athens  706-425-1814 | Servicios residenciales (hogares anfitriones y hogares en grupo), acceso comunitario, servicio de relevo, y acogida terapéutica temporal. |
| Advantage | <https://www.advantagebhs.org/developmental-disabilities.cms>  Athens y Monroe  1 (855) 333-9544 | Programa diurno, salidas individuales y en grupo |
| Hi-Hope | [https://hihopecenter.org/](https://hihopecenter.org/programs)  Gwinnett County  770-963-8694 | Programa diurno, salidas individuales y en grupo |
| Georgia Options | [https://georgiaoptions.org/](https://georgiaoptions.org/what-we-do/)  Athens  706-546-0009 | Georgia Options cree que las comunidades se enriquecen cuando las personas con discapacidades forman parte del tejido. Lo logran apoyando a las personas para que se unan a grupos y clubes en función de sus intereses, se ofrecen como voluntarios para hacer cosas que aman y toman clases y talleres sobre temas que les interesan. Sus profesionales de apoyo directo le permiten a la persona hacer estas cosas por su cuenta o con amigos. |
| Suitable for the People Health Services | Athens  706-850-6109 | Day program, one-on-one and group outings |

III.

| Me gustaría que mi niño/a trabaje mientras sigue ganando sus beneficios por discapacidad de SSI. |
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| Nombre de proveedor | Información de contacto | Servicios ofrecidos: |
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| Walton Options | <https://www.waltonoptions.org/programs/wipa/>  948 Walton Way, Augusta, GA. 706-724-6262 | El programa “Work Incentives Planning and Assistance” (Planificación y apoyo de incentivos del trabajo) brinda asesoramiento gratuito a los beneficiarios por discapacidad del Seguro Social para ayudarlos a tomar decisiones informadas sobre el trabajo y les ofrece una variedad de servicios para que comprendan sus opciones si eligen buscar trabajo. |
| People’s Choice | http://www.peopleschoicepayee.com/  2302 Parklake Dr. Ste 510  404-296-0340  pcpayeeservices@yahoo.com | Programas “Rep Payee Programs”- Para estudiantes que van a ser un poco más independientes pero necesitan apoyo para controlar sus cuentas y finanzas. |

IV.

| Me gustaría que mi niño/a tenga apoyo mientras el/ella trabaja. |
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| Nombre de proveedor | Información de contacto | Servicios ofrecidos: |
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| Vocational Rehabilitation (Rehabilitación vocacional) | https://gvs.georgia.gov/ | El empleo con apoyo por las agencias de rehabilitación vocacional de Georgia “Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agencies” (GVRA por sus siglas en inglés) está diseñado para individuos con discapacidades significativas para quienes se necesita una asistencia considerable junto con un seguimiento prolongado para mantener un tipo específico de carrera.   1. El empleo con apoyo (SE por sus siglas en inglés) tradicional es para cualquier persona que califique para los servicios de rehabilitación vocacional (VR por sus siglas en inglés) y necesite entrenamiento laboral intensivo y apoyo continuo en un entorno laboral tradicional. 2. El “SE Personalizado” se refiere al empleo integrado competitivo (CIE por sus siglas en inglés)\* para cualquier persona que tenga una discapacidad significativa que se haya sometido a una evaluación de fortalezas, necesidades e intereses. Se negocia para hacer coincidir las habilidades del individuo con las necesidades del empleador y se hace posible con estrategias flexibles para el éxito. |
| Advancing Employment | <https://www.advancingemployment.com>  Athens  706-542-3457 | La organización “Advancing Employment” se dedica a construir una comunidad para el empleo inclusivo en Georgia. Es aquí donde las personas con discapacidades, sus familias, los proveedores de servicios y otras personas interesadas en el empleo pueden aprender y conectarse entre sí. |
| Briggs & Associates | <https://www.briggsassociates.org/wordpress/>  Roswell (también sirve a Athens)  770-993-4559 | La Empresa “Briggs & Associates” combina las habilidades de las personas con discapacidades con trabajos reales, luego brinda el apoyo y la capacitación necesarios para garantizar el éxito tanto para el empleado como para el empleador. Brindan servicios integrales de empleo para cualquier persona que pueda requerir apoyo no tradicional y/o ingreso al lugar de trabajo. |
| Hi-Hope | [https://hihopecenter.org/](https://hihopecenter.org/programs)  Gwinnett County  770-963-8694 | Empleo con apoyo (SE), empleo con apoyo personalizado y autoempleo |
| Goodwill de Georgia norte | <https://goodwillng.org/gw-locations/east-athens-store-donation-career-center-30605/>  Athens  706-395-1558 | El programa de Desarrollo de la fuerza laboral de Goodwill “Workforce Development Program” ofrece métodos progresivos de capacitación para preparar a las personas con discapacidades para el empleo competitivo. |
| ARCH transition bridge program (Programa preparativa de transición ARCH) | <https://www.thejpnnetwork.com/arch-programs>  Athens (Augusta, Valdosta)  706-247-1912 | Un programa de capacitación para 6 a 12 semanas enfocado en preparación para el trabajo, exploración de carreras y habilidades de la vida independiente/plena. |
| Acumen | <https://www.acumenfiscalagent.com/georgia/>  Georgia  (877) 211-3738 | El Agente Fiscal “Acumen Fiscal Agent” facilita la libertad, la elección y la oportunidad a través de soluciones innovadoras de agentes fiscales.  En última instancia, esto ayuda a las familias a utilizar los “waiver funds” (fondos de la exención) para contratar a una persona que ayude con el empleo personalizado. |
| Wiregrass | <http://www.wiregrassresources.org/>  Georgia y Florida  844-947-4727 | Empleo con apoyo (SE), empleo con apoyo personalizado, apoyo con colocación en trabajo, capacitación en preparación para la fuerza laboral, entrenamiento laboral |
| Sunshine Studios (Taller de Luz Solar) | <https://www.lightlifelovedesigns.com/sunshinestudio>  Athens  Light.Life.Love.Blog@gmail.com | El taller “Sunshine Studio” proporciona oportunidades para adultos con necesidades especiales a desarrollar y mantener habilidades específicas de la vida plena a través de actividades motivados a propósito y programación personalizado con pasantías estudiantiles, sesiones en taller y proyectos de aprendizaje a través del servicio. |
| Love.Craft | <https://www.lovecraftathens.org/>  Athens  502-468-0554 | Programa de cerámica, programas de música, eventos comunitarios de artesanía y conciertos comunitarios. Dirigido por un ex maestro de educación especial de CCSD. |
| Java Joy | <https://javajoy.org/>  Athens  706-769-9333 | Un programa de la organización sin fines de lucro ESP Inc. (anteriormente Extra Special People, Inc.), Java Joy se creó en 2016 como una forma de proporcionar empleo significativo para adultos con discapacidades al tiempo que brinda a la comunidad oportunidades únicas para compromiso. Java Joy existe para crear experiencias de alegría inigualables a través de momentos de participación entre personas de todas las capacidades. |
| Bitty & Beau’s | <https://www.bittyandbeauscoffee.com/location/athens/>  Athens (y otros locales en todo el EE.UU.)  678-361-8184 | Un café en toda la nación que emplea a personas con discapacidades. |

V.

| Me gustaría que mi niño/a participe en un grupo social comunitario para que tengan una oportunidad de crear y sostener amistades con compañeros. |
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| Nombre de proveedor | Información de contacto | Servicios ofrecidos: |
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| Love.Craft | <https://www.lovecraftathens.org/>  Athens  502-468-0554 | Programa de cerámica, programas de música, eventos comunitarios de artesanía y conciertos comunitarios. Dirigido por un ex maestro de educación especial de CCSD. |
| Grupo social de UGA de Olimpiadas especiales | <https://uga.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/soatuga>  Athens  mlgolden21@gmail.com | Varios eventos mensuales de grupos sociales para atletas adultos |
| Bethlehem Buddies | <https://bethlehemchurch.us/bethlehem-buddies>  Bethlehem y Bishop  770-867-3577 | Se ofrece programación de la iglesia para adultos con necesidades especiales. El grupo pequeño “Buddies” se ofrece durante todo el año con reuniones grupales semanales, salidas comunitarias y eventos especiales. Noches de relevo para familias y cuidadores, eventos familiares como parrilladas y noches de cine, y fiestas de cumpleaños de amigos durante todo el año. Se realiza el baile formal “Night to Shine” cada febrero, un “prom” para individuos con necesidades especiales. |
| Extra Special People - ESP | <https://www.espyouandme.org/>  Watkinsville  706-769-9333 | Programas por la tarde, campamentos de verano, eventos especiales y por los fines de semana |
| Special Olympics (Olimpiadas Especiales) | https://www.specialolympicsga.org/  Athens  706-613-3800 | Olimpiadas Especiales de boliche adaptativo y bochas |
| Special Pops Tennis | <https://www.specialpopstennis.org/>  Athens  404-702-5820 | Programa de tenis adaptativo diseñado por adultos con discapacidades intelectuales |
| Connections for Special Parents (Conexiones para padres especiales) | <https://www.connectionsforspecialparents.org/home>  Royston  706-436-6756 | Campamentos de verano y eventos sociales anuales |
| AGAPE - Participación para personas de todas habilidades) | <https://athensfirstumc.org/agape/>  Athens  706-543-1442 | “AGAPE” es un acrónimo por “All God's Abilities Purposefully Engaged” (Participación para personas de todas habilidades). La misión de esta organización es crear un entorno cristiano seguro, acogedor e inclusivo para niños y alumnos de todas habilidades. |

VI.

| Me gustaría que mi niño/a tenga ayuda con transporte. |
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| Wheels of Hope (Ruedas de esperanza) | <https://wheelsofhopegeorgia.org/>  Athens  706-765-8332 | El programa Wheels of Hope está destinado a los residentes de Athens-Clarke y los condados circundantes que no pueden conducir debido a su edad, enfermedad o discapacidad. Como programa de viajes compartidos, hay una red de voluntarios que brindan los viajes según sea necesario.  La tarifa del viaje es económica, con un límite de tarifa de $20 por viaje de ida y vuelta. Los miembros del programa tendrán una cuenta establecida y nunca tendrán que preocuparse por cambiar dinero con los conductores.  Los conductores se comprometen a permanecer con el pasajero durante la duración del viaje, por lo que los pasajeros no tienen que preocuparse de que los dejen. |
| ACC Lift Paratransit Service (Servicios de tránsito ACC para personas con discapacidades) | <https://www.accgov.com/2070/The-Lift-Paratransit-Service>  Athens  706-613-3435 | Un servicio similar al sistema de ruta fija pero para personas con discapacidad que no pueden viajar en el típico autobús urbano ACC. |
| Multiple Choices | https://multiplechoices.us/  Athens  706-850-4025 | Ofrece asistencia de transporte hacia y desde las instalaciones y ayuda a coordinar el transporte a otros destinos. |
| Bike Athens (Bicicletas Athens) | <https://www.bikeathens.org/engage/brp/>  Athens  706-249-9550 | Donaciones de bicicletas |

VII.

| Me gustaría acceso y ayuda para servicios de terapia para mi niño/a y/o mi mismo. |
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| Georgia Special Needs Association (Asocación de Georgia para necesidades especiales) | <https://www.gasna.org/>  Athens  706-750-8088 | Apoyo a las familias mientras navegan en el mundo de servicios para niños y adultos con discapacidades. |
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| Connections for Special Parents (Conexiones para padres especiales) | <https://www.connectionsforspecialparents.org/home>  Royston  706-436-6756 | Conectando a los padres, madres y tutores con niños con necesidades especiales para aprender y apoyarse mutuamente, también ofrece terapia ocupacional, del habla y ABA. Además ¡ofrece cuidado de relevo! |
| Sunny Day Therapeutics | <https://sunnydaystherapeutics.com/>  Athens  706-883-5300 | Terapia recreativa, terapia en grupo, arteterapia de arte, musicoterapia, clases de yoga adaptativos y clases de habilidades de la vida independiente |
| A.bridge | <https://www.abridgeaginglifecare.com/>  Athens  706-810-3203 | Servicios de gestión de caso y defensa para personas de 25 años o más de edad |

VIII.

| Me gustaría que mi niño/a reciba apoyo económico. |
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| SSI | <https://www.ssa.gov/>  800-772-1213 | El “SSI” es un programa de apoyo económico del gobierno federal que proporciona pagos mensuales a personas con discapacidades que tienen ingresos y recursos limitados.  \*Al llegar a 18 años de edad, se debe solicitar de nuevo para que se considere sólo los ingresos y gastos de la persona y no toda la familia |
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| NOW/COMP waiver (Medicaid Waiver) | <https://georgia.gov/apply-new-option-waiver-program-now-and-comprehensive-support-waiver-program-comp>  706-792-7733 | Se puede usar un “Medicaid waiver” (exención) para pagar por servicios para una persona con discapacidades intelectuales, físicas o del desarrollo. Estos servicios pueden tomar lugar en el hogar de la persona o en la comunidad. |

IX.

| I would like for my child to attend a post secondary education or training program. |
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| UGA Regents Center for Learning Disorders | <https://www.rcld.uga.edu/about-us> | The UGA RCLD administers consistent policy and clearly-defined disability eligibility criteria at USG institutions, allowing otherwise qualified students with Learning Disorders to access appropriate academic accommodations and services as well as offering evaluations and documentation review. |
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| Disability Service Providers for colleges in Georgia | <https://www.usg.edu/institutions/directories/disability_service_providers/> | A comprehensive list of contact information for Disability Service Offices at Colleges and Universities across the state. |
| Think College | <https://thinkcollege.net/college-search> | A national organization dedicated to developing, expanding, and improving inclusive higher education options for people with an intellectual disability. |
| Athens Tech WIOA vocational training program | <https://www.athenstech.edu/current-students/student-resources/wioa/>  706-355-5145 | The WIOA (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act) Program provides financial assistance and supportive services for Georgians who are unemployed as a result of plant closures, mass layoffs, and other effects. WIOA assists with tuition, books, and supplies needed for academic programs of study. |
| WorkSource Northeast Georgia | <https://negrc.org/workforce-development/>  706-369-5703 | Offers tuition assistance for 1,2 and 4 year programs as well as training programs for medical assistants, CNA nursing assistants, welding, ManufactuReady, CDL and more |
| ACTION, Inc.’s Accelerated Opportunities NOW Program (16-24) | <https://actionathens.org/>  706-546-8293 | Opportunities Now program is dedicated to partnering with participants to identify their educational and professional goals, and then work step- by-step to map out a plan of action that will lead to a successful outcome. Services involved: Intensive Case Management, One-on-One Mentoring, Academic and Career Coaching, Career Assessments, Identifying and assisting with obtaining qualified support, Life Skills Training and Financial Workshops |
| Paxen/Eckerds connect | <https://eckerd.org/jobs-training/affiliated-partnership/paxen/>  706-850-7220 | Paxen specializes in developing and delivering outcome-based programs that build academic, employment and life skills. Offering: workforce development and life skills training, Juvenile delinquency interventions, GED® Services |
| Cave Spring Center | <https://gvs.georgia.gov/transition-school-work/cave-spring-center>  844-367-4872 | Cave Spring Center serves Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) clients, 18 years old and older, who are referred by their VR counselors to participate in education and training programs in a residential, wholistic, college-like environment. |
| Roosevelt Warm Springs | <https://gvs.georgia.gov/transition-school-work/roosevelt-warm-springs>  706-655-5000 | Roosevelt Warm Springs offers 6 pathways for Vocational Rehabilitation students interested in careers in one of these high-demand fields. Academic pathways at RWS are 16-week residential programs that give eligible students the perfect balance of direct instruction coupled with hands-on experience in Hospitality, Auto Detailing, Logistics/Warehousing, Low Voltage Wiring, CVS/Retail, or Nursing. |
| Project SEARCH | <https://projectsearch.us/>  Athens (Piedmont Hospital)  770-963-8694 | The Project SEARCH Transition-to-Work Program is a unique, one-year employment preparation program that takes place entirely at the workplace. Total workplace immersion facilitates a seamless combination of classroom instruction, career exploration, and hands-on training through worksite rotations. The 9 month program culminates in individualized job development. |

Estos proveedores son del área local y ofrecen una variedad de servicios a los residentes del Condado Clarke que tienen necesidades especiales. Para ver los proveedores en todo el estado de Georgia, refiérase al:

<https://providersearch.beaconhealthoptions.com/#/provider/home/277>