

Parent Resource List
Greater Richmond Metropolitan Area and Regional Contacts
(August 2008)

<u>Name of Organization</u>	<u>Contact Person</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Business Address</u>	<u>E-mail</u>	<u>Website</u>	<u>Description</u>
2-1-1 Virginia	Barb Putney	Phone: (540) 985-0131 ext 211 Fax: (540) 982-2935	Council of Community Services PO Box 598 Roanoke, VA 24004	barbp@councilofcommunityservices.org	www.211virginia.org www.councilofcommunityservices.org	I&R Center on health and human services includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affordable Housing • Financial Assistance for Rent or Utilities • Basic Needs such as Food and Shelter • Legal Assistance • Mental Health Services • FAMIS (Family Access to Medical Security Plan) • Employment and many other services • Information on subjects like government agencies, recreation, support groups, domestic violence, welfare reform, maternal and child health issues, and many others that may be of interest to the public.
American Cancer Society, VA Division	No specific contact person	Phone: (804) 527-3700 Fax: (804) 527-3797	4240 Park Place Court Glen Allen, VA 23060	No email address at this time	www.cancer.org	Provides medicine, transportation, and funds for adults with cancer. Financial capabilities offered and determined by the society. Reach to recovery.
Arc of Virginia	Jamie Trosclair, Executive Director	Phone: (804)649-8481 Fax: (804)649-3585	2025 E. Main Street Suite 107 Richmond, VA 23223	jtrosclair@arcofva.org	www.arcofva.org	State wide organization advocating with and for people with cognitive and other developmental disabilities and their families.

Arthritis Foundation, VA Chapter	No Specific Contact Person	Phone: (804)359-1700 Toll Free: (800) 456-4687	3805 Cutshaw Avenue Suite 200 Richmond, VA 23230	info.va@arthritis.org	www.arthritis.org/chapters/virginia/	A source of help for 1 in 3 Virginians living with arthritis. Information and education services, community programs, research, support and fundraising available. Part of National organization serving 70 million + 300,000 children with arthritis and related diseases.
ASK - The Association for the Support of Children with Cancer	Anne Cuomo, Executive Director	(804) 828-1531	PO Box 17184 Richmond, VA 23226		www.askweb.org	ASK, a private, nonprofit organization, provides unique social, spiritual and financial support for children with cancer and their families.
Autism Center of VA Registry– Virginia Commonwealth University	Collin Pottie	(804) 827-3801 Ext. 315 Toll Free: (866) 628-2268 Fax: (804) 827-3822	PO Box 980489 Richmond, VA 23298-0489	autismreg@vcu.edu	www.vcuhealth.org/vtcc/vcu_autism_center.html	A registry available for those children with autism to help track the progression, treatment and possible cures for the disease.
Autism Society of America, Central Virginia Chapter	Bradford Hulcher, Information and Referral Specialist	(804) 257-0192	PO Box 29364 Richmond, VA 23242	asacv@aol.com	www.asacv.org	Support group for parents and professionals; newsletters, library, conferences, and social activities.
Bereaved Parents of the USA King William Chapter	Carol Lowry	(804) 769-2491	1008 Mount Elba Road Walkerton, VA 23177 Or The Episcopal Church of the Creator, Mechanicsville, VA 23111	Chipsmom5978@earthlink.net	No website at this time.	Support group for parents, grandparents and siblings of deceased children.
Brain Injury Association of Virginia	Christine Baggini, Director of Family Resources	(804) 355-5748 Toll Free (800) 334-8443; Fax (804) 355-6381	1506 Willow Lawn Dr. Suite 112 Richmond, VA 23230	info@biav.net	www.biav.net	Statewide organization providing information on brain injury, referral to resources, education and advocacy. Network of support groups around the state; Richmond group of adult survivors & family members meets twice a month.

Care Connection for Children	Please contact them for a referral	Phone: (804) 827-1795 Toll Free: (866) 737-5965 Fax: (804) 827-1798	PO Box 980021 Richmond, VA 23298-0021	careconnect@mcvh-vcu.edu	www.careconnections.vcu.edu	Services are provided to families and their child who has special health care needs including: care coordinators, education consultation, insurance benefits and assistance with advocacy.
Cerebral Palsy of Virginia	Kathy Pendergast Executive Director	Phone: (757) 497-7474 Fax: (757) 497-0868	5825 Arrowhead Drive Suite 201 Virginia Beach, VA 23462	kap@cerebralpalsyofvirginia.com	www.cerebralpalsyofvirginia.org	Serves all persons with CP and other developmental disabilities. Information, referral, advocacy, technology resource center, and respite weekends.
Ch.A.D.D. Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder	Gordon	(804) 423-6332 or (804) 379-6706	Bon Air Presbyterian 9201 W. Huguenot Road Richmond, Va 23235-2307	central-virginia@chadd.net	www.chadd.org	Support group meetings for parents and adults. Meetings held every third Tuesday at 7:30pm.
Commonwealth Autism Service	John Toscano	(804) 355-0300 Toll Free: (800) 649-8481 Fax: (804) 355-0932	2201 W. Broad Street Suite 107 Richmond, VA 23220	information@autismva.org	www.autismva.org	Consultation & follow-up; training; networking for parents, consumers & professionals; collaboration with other organizations, agencies, etc.
Commonwealth Parenting Center	Elizabeth Pearce (Executive Director)	Phone: (804) 545-1272 Fax: (804) 545-1273 Parent Tip Line: (804) 545-1928	4121 Cox Road Suite 110 Glen Allen, VA 23060	info@commonwealthparentingcenter.org	www.commonwealthparentingcenter.org	Our mission is to help families help themselves through support, education and skill development. Our focus is on all families. Some services we provide are individual consultations, classes and educational testing and assessment. We also have classes on infant massage which is very helpful. We have conducted the Sibshops for siblings of children with special needs. A Hispanic educator is on staff.
Compassionate Friends	No Direct Contact	(804) 254-0588	PO Box 37368 Richmond, VA 23234 or St. Mathias Episcopal Church 11300 Huguenot Road Richmond, VA	TCFRichmond@aol.com		Grief support for people who have lost a child at any age. Monthly meetings, library, and newsletters.

Connor's Heroes	Steven D. Goodwin, Esq. President of the Board of Directors	Phone: (804) 221-8991	Connor's Heroes Foundation P.O. Box 2536 Midlothian, VA 23113	http://www.connorsheroes.org/contact	http://www.connorsheroes.org	Building a community of heroes to ease the burden of childhood cancer today and to help find a cure for tomorrow by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Providing assistance to pediatric cancer patients and families 2. Promoting public awareness 3. Funding pediatric-focused cancer and bone marrow research
ADHD: A Parent's Toolkit	Whitney Kern	Phone: (804) 717-6547	60801 Lucy Corr Court. Chesterfield, VA 23832; Mailing address: PO Box 92 Chesterfield, VA 23832	kernw@chesterfield.gov	www.co.chesterfield.va.us/HumanServices/YouthServices/classes.asp	Parenting class for parents of children with ADHD. It is held 2-3 times a year with priority given to Chesterfield county residents; children aged 5-11.
CSA - Richmond Celiac Sprue Support Group #87	Bill and Debbie Locke	(804) 794-7476	1347 Sweet Willow Drive Midlothian, VA 23114	csa.region4director@csaceliacs.org	http://www.csaceliacs.org	Support group for all persons with Celiac Sprue and family members; support, recipes, vendor contacts, education; meets 3rd Mondays at Johnson Willis Hospital, Johnson Willis Drive
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation	Linda Vines (Executive Director)	(804) 527-1500 Toll Free: (888) 233-4682	2727 Enterprise Pkwy Suite 104 Richmond, VA 23294	virginia@cff.org	www.cff.org	A resource of information about cystic fibrosis whose mission is to assure the development of the means to cure and control cystic fibrosis, and to improve the quality of life for those with the disease.
Diabetes Institutes Foundation		(757) 446-8420 (866) DIF-CURE Fax: (757) 446-8429	P.O. Box 1980 Norfolk, VA 23501	dif-info@evms.edu	www.ddcf.evms.edu	Located at Eastern Virginia Medical School in Norfolk, VA, the Diabetes Institute is one of the leading researchers in the cure and treatment of Diabetes.
Down Syndrome Association of Greater Richmond	George Williams	(804) 796-5141	PO Box 145 Richmond, VA 23218	info@dsgr.com	www.dsgr.com	Family support group; meetings and social activities, packets for parents with newborns; referrals, networking, resources.

Epilepsy Foundation of Virginia, Central Virginia Chapter		Phone: (434) 924-8669 Fax: (434)982-6951	500 Ray C. Hunter Dr. 1 st Floor P.O. Box 800659 UVA Health Center Charlottesville, VA 22908	Srbm3m@virginia.edu	www.efva.org	Support groups for persons living with epilepsy; community outreach, training for seizure/first aid; educational issues. Provides financial assistance for medication and living expenses. Epilepsy awareness day. Support group meetings 2nd Monday of the month.
Family Intervention Program: Chesterfield Community Services Board		(804) 748-1227	Chesterfield Community Service Board 6801 Lucy Corr Blvd. P.O. Box 92 Chesterfield, VA 23832	mingloskik@co.chesterfield.va.us	www.chesterfield.gov and use link for Family Intervention Program	Family Intervention Services are available for Chesterfield County residents with a child that has a developmental disability. Behavioral, sibling, socialization, and disability awareness supports are available.
Family Voices of Virginia	Stacy Justiss	(276) 475-6525	No Address at this time	va_familyvoices@yahoo.com stacyjustiss@msn.com	http://www.familyvoices.org/states.php?state=VA	Family Voices is a national, grassroots clearinghouse for information and education concerning the health care of children with special health needs.
G.I.F.T.S.: Giving Individuals a Future Through Skills	Lisa Mansini	(804) 651-9938	1756 Early Settler's Rd. Richmond, VA 23235	specialneedgifts@yahoo.com	www.geocities.com/specialneedgifts	Support network for adults with children who have special needs or learning difficulties.
Infant and Toddler Connection of Glen Allen-Henrico	Elizabeth Fletcher	(804) 727-8531	10299 Woodman Road Glen Allen, VA 23060-2798	fle10@co.henrico.va.us	No website address at this time	Early intervention services for young children through age 2 with developmental disabilities for residents of Charles City, Henrico County, and New Kent.
Infant and Toddler Connection of Richmond	Mary Swingle	(804) 827-0199	700 E. Franklin St. 11 th Floor Richmond, VA 23219	mpswingle@vcu.edu	www.vcu.edu/richmond/infantcouncil/	Early intervention services for young children with developmental disabilities for residents of the City of Richmond.
Infant and Toddler Connection of Chesterfield	Carol Granger	(804) 768-7205	60801 Lucy Corr Court PO Box 92 Chesterfield, VA 23832	grangerc@co.chesterfield.va.us	www.co.chesterfield.va.us/ittc/default.asp	Early intervention services for young children ages birth to 3 with developmental disabilities who are residents of Chesterfield County.

Infant and Toddler Connection of Goochland-Powhatan	Susan Werner	(804) 598-2200 24 Hour Emergency (804) 598-2697 Fax: (804) 598-3114	Goochland-Powhatan CSB 3910 Old Buckingham Rd., Powhatan, VA 23139	swerner@co.goochland.va.us	www.gpcsb.org	Early intervention services for young children with developmental disabilities who are residents of Goochland and Powhatan.
Infant and Toddler Connection of Hanover	Karen Walker Director of Special Ed	(804) 365-4593	201 Archie Cannon Dr. John M. Gandy Elem. Ashland, VA 23005	kwalker@hanover.k12.va.us	No website address at this time	Early intervention services for young children with developmental disabilities who are residents of Hanover County.
International Dyslexia Association: Virginia Branch	Debra Farrar	Phone: (804) 272-0277	PO Box 17605 Richmond, VA 23226	info@vbida.org	www.interdys.org/branchdetail.aspx?bid=61	Resources for parents and professionals; annual statewide conventions. Support groups for adults with dyslexia (but no parent support group).
Learning Disabilities Association of Richmond	No Direct Contact Person	(804) 754-0231 Parenting class number	Jewish Community Center of Richmond 5403 Monument Ave. Richmond, VA 23226	info@ldavirginia.org	www.ldavirginia.org	Parent support group with state and national affiliations.
Medical Home Plus	Dr, Colleen Kraft Medical Director Emily Jiancristofor, Business Manager	Toll Free: (877)264-8366 Phone: (804)330-5030	8719 Forest Hill Ave. Bon Air, VA 23235	ejiancristofor@medhomeplus.org	http://medicalhomeplus.org/	Facilitates access to supports and services for all children particularly those with special healthcare needs, including behavioral and mental health. MHP provides continuing education for primary care physicians, parents, and other community providers. MHP is home for the Family to Family Resource Center and an online learning center.
Muscular Dystrophy Association	Jennifer Pradnt	(804) 285-2961	8001 Franklin Farms Dr. Suite 139 Richmond, VA 23288	richmond@mdausa.org	www.mdausa.org	New patient packets; support group for adult; no parent support group at this time.
National Kidney Foundation of VA, Inc.	Lynn Williams	(804) 288-8342 Toll Free: (888) KIDNEY-8	1742 E. Parham Rd. Richmond, VA 23226	Cars4kidneys@kidneyva.org	www.kidneyva.org	Volunteer, non-profit health agency whose mission is to prevent kidney and urinary tract diseases, to improve the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by these diseases, and to increase the availability of all organs for transplantation.

National Spinal Cord Injury Association, Old Dominion Chapter	No direct contact person	(804) 726-4990 National: (800) 962-9629	PO Box 8326 Richmond, VA 23226	info@odcnsca.org	www.odcnsca.org	Information and referral services for SCI survivors and their families; peer and family support groups; prevention programs in schools. Quarterly meetings scheduled now meet monthly.
Noah's Children	Fran Givens	(804) 213-0360	413 Stuart Circle Suite 413 Richmond, VA 23220		www.noahschildrenrichmond.org	Provides healthcare and support services to the children and families of Central Virginia who face chronic life-limiting illness. Serves a critical need as Central Virginia's only pediatric hospice and palliative care program. Through an innovative interdisciplinary approach, Noah's Children ensures comprehensive, compassionate care at the most difficult time a family could face.
Parent Resource Center: Hanover	Kelly Jones	(804) 365-4596	201 Archie Cannon Dr. Ashland, VA 23005	hanoverprc@hcps.us	http://hcps2.hanover.k12.va.us/instruction/parent_resource/index.htm	Provide support, resources and information for parents of special education students of Hanover County.
Parent Resource Center: Henrico	Dawn Hoppe	(804) 343-6523	2401 Hartman St. Building F Richmond, VA 23223	presource@henrico.k12.va.us	www.co.henrico.va.us/parent_resource.html	Provide support, resources and information for parents of special education students of Henrico County.
Parent/Teacher Support Center: Richmond	Sharanda Smith Parent Coord.	(804) 780-4052	Richmond Technical Center, North 2015 Seddon Way, Room 205 Richmond, VA 23230	ssmith@richmond.k12.vcva.us	www.richmond.k12.va.us	Provide support, resources and information for parents of exceptional education students of Richmond.
Parent/Teacher Resource Center: Chesterfield County Public Schools	Charlene Lee	(804) 743-3703	Thomas Fulghum Center 4003 Cogbill Rd. Richmond, VA 23234	charlene_lee@ccpsnet.net	http://chesterfield.k12.va.us/html/parents_pages/ptrc/parent_teacher_center.htm	Provides support, resources and information for parents of special education students of Chesterfield County.
Parent-to-Parent Of Virginia	Dana Yarbrough, Exec Director	(804)795-1481 (804) 795-1486 Fax	PO Box 38341 Richmond, VA 23231	ptpofva@aol.com	www.ptpofva.com	The state Parent to Parent office provides training and technical assistance to families and providers on best practice in supporting families with children with disabilities. Feature programs include parent matching for IEP support and training on coordinating health care supports.

Parents of Allergic Children	Paula Bush	(804) 739-1495	St. Mark's United Methodist Church PO Box 1808 Midlothian, VA 23113	webmaster@parentsofallergicchildren.org	www.parentsofallergicchildren.org	Support group for parents of children with learning or behavioral problems due to allergies. Meets on the 1 st Friday of every month at 10:30 am.
Partnership for People with Disabilities	Fred Orelove	(804) 828-3908 Fax: (804) 828-0042	700 E. Franklin Street 10 th Floor PO Box 843020 Richmond, VA 23284-3020	forelove@mail1.vcu.edu	www.vcu.edu/partnership	This University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities works to increase choices for individuals, change systems, improve services and affect public policy.
PEATC: Parent Educational Advocacy Training Center	Pierre Ames	Toll Free: (866) 819-7328 Local/TDD: (804) 819-1999 Fax: (804) 819-1990 Main Office – (703) 923-0010	2405 Jefferson Ave Richmond, VA 23223 Main: 6320 Augusta Dr., Suite 1200; Springfield, VA 22150	partners@peatc.org	www.peatc.org	Training for parents and professionals working with children with disabilities on how to negotiate special education rights and processes for obtaining services and supports for their children.
Richmond Area Cleft Lip & Palate Association	Patty Moffitt	(804) 794-1564	13611 Hailsham Circle Midlothian, VA 23113	No email address at this time	No website address at this time	Partnership between parents and health professionals. Provides support for new parents, and for people with the condition and their families, from infancy through adulthood.
Greater Richmond SCAN's Family Support Program	Melissa McGinn	(804) 257-7226 To Report Abuse: (800) 552-7096	1506 Staples Mill Rd. Suite 203 Richmond, VA 23230	mmcginn@grscan.com	www.grscan.com	Parenting groups and simultaneous children's groups throughout Richmond. Gives the support and tools parents and care-givers need to build healthier relationships with their children; assessment, referrals, case management, and counseling services.
SENSE, Parent Advocacy Network	Lauren M. Rokenbrod, Director	No Number at this time	No Address Listed	lmrokenbrod@comcast.net	SENSErichmond@yahoo.com	SENSE Parent Advocacy Network is a Richmond-based group designed to assist parents or caregivers of children diagnosed with Sensory Processing Disorder (SPD). Members and guest presenters help each other make SENSE out of Sensory Processing Disorder through Education, Networking, Support, and Encouragement.

SibShops @Bon Secours	Please call for more information.	(804) 545-1CPC (804) 545-1272)	Commonwealth Parenting Center 4121 Cox Road Suite 110 Richmond, VA 23060	info@commonwealthparentingcenter.org	www.commonwealthparentingcenter.org	For siblings of children with special health care needs. Meet one morning/afternoon for a workshop of socializing and fun. Most meetings held in Bon Secours Family Health Institute Education Center (Innsbrook Ironworks Building).
SNAP: Special Needs Advocate for Parents	Marla Kraus, Exec Director	1-888-310-9889	3029 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 200 Santa Monica, CA 90403	info@snapinfo.org	www.snapinfo.org	Medical Insurance problem-solving, special needs estate planning, individualized assistance in locating+ resources from nationwide database, quarterly educational newsletter, and informative articles, archived newsletter articles and resource links.
SNAP: Supporting the Needs of Autistic Parents'	No Specific Contact Person	No phone number	No address listed	SNAP-Chesterfield@yahoogroups.com	http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/SNAP-Chesterfield/	Information and support for parents of children newly diagnosed with Autism.
Special Olympics of Virginia	Rick Jeffrey President	(804) 346-5544 Toll Free: (800) 932-GOLD	3212 Skipwith Rd. Suite 100 Richmond, VA 23294	rjeffrey@specialolympicsva.org	www.specialolympicsva.org	State program of sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with Intellectual disabilities.
Spina Bifida Association	Kathy O'Hara	(804) 828-3862	1510 Darrell Dr. Midlothian, VA 23113	kaohara@vcu.edu	No website address at this time	New parent packets; networking and annual newsletters.
Virginia SIDS Alliance	Pat Franco	(804) 627-5291	8260 Atlee Rd. Richmond, VA	info@vasids.org	www.vasids.org	Parent and grandparent support groups, newsletter, and outreach. Meet 4 th Tuesday every month from 6-7:30pm.
Tourette Syndrome: Association of Greater Washington	Sue Jacobs Exec Director	(877) 295-2148 Office (301) 681-4133	33 University Blvd East Silver Spring, MD 20901-2485 (Chapter Address)	tsagw@aol.com	www.tsagw.org	Offers resource ideas and networking. A local chapter of the Tourette Syndrome Association of Washington.
Lives Worth Saving Hotline		1-800-637-2316			www.nisonger.osu.edu/ws.htm	A transplant hotline for persons with disabilities and their families. The hotline provides people with disabilities with authoritative information on organ transplantation and how to maximize one's chance of being listed and transplanted.

Virginia Board for People with Disabilities	Karen Lindley	(804) 786-0016 (800) 846-4464	202 N. 9 th Street 9 th Floor Richmond, VA 23219	Karen.Lindley@vbpd.virginia.gov	www.vaboard.org	The Board encourages public comment on its planning activities and at Board meetings, and encourages individuals to contact the Board with needs information or concerns about disability-related issues. Sponsored programs include advocacy and leadership training for youth with disabilities (YLF) and parents and adults with disabilities (Partners in Policymaking)
Virginia Fragile X Resource Center	Kristin Carver			iansmom02@verizon.net	www.fragilex.org/html/virginia.htm	
Virginia Leadership Excellence in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (Va-LEND)	Janet Willis	(804) 828-0073 Fax: (804) 828-0098	1000 E. Marshall Street Room 320 PO Box 980405 Richmond, VA 23298-0405	jwillis@mail2.vcu.edu	www.vcu.edu/partnership/Va-LEND/	Interdisciplinary training and leadership development program for health professionals and related disciplines to develop advanced clinical skills and leadership abilities in the field of childhood neurodevelopmental disabilities.
Virginia Safe Kids	Corri Miller-Hobbs	(804) 628-2077	4001 N. 12 th Street Richmond, VA 23298	cmillerhobbs@mcvh-vcu.edu	www.safekids.org	Part of National Safe Kids-the first national org dedicated solely to the prevention of unintentional injuries in children 14 and under.
Virginia Sickle Cell Awareness Program	Shira Cantor	(804) 828-7035	Department of Pediatrics PO Box 980158 Richmond, VA 23298	scantor@mcvh-vcu.edu	www.views.vcu.edu/pediatrics/support/pediatric_links.html	Medical and related treatment and follow-up for patients; matching sickle cell families for support.
A Voice for GAP Kids	Linda Moore Parent Contact	(804) 749-3895	P.O. Box 174 Rockville, VA 23146	tim@voiceforgapkids.com	www.voiceforgapkids.com/welcome.asp	Provides information, education and advocacy to special education students known as GAP Kids or Gray-Area Kids. Provides educational workshops and presentations on disaster preparedness to people with disabilities, senior citizens, and caregivers throughout the Metro Richmond Area.