

Vista Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired831.458.9766 www.vistacenter.org

Vista Center empowers individuals who are blind or visually impaired to embrace life to the fullest by serving individuals of all ages, living in Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties.

**Government and Online Resources****Social Security Administration**800.772.1213 www.socialsecurity.gov

Children with disabilities may be eligible for SSI payments. Child must meet Social Security definition of disability. Family income and resources must fall within eligibility limits.

**State of California—Department of Developmental Service**916.654.1690 www.dds.ca.gov/**State of California—Employment Development Department**916.654.7799 www.edd.ca.gov/jobs_and_training/Services_for_People_with_Disabilities.htm**Support for Special Needs**404.828.0787 www.supportforspecialneeds.com**Support for Special Needs**

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Autism and Special Needs Resource Directory 2018

Helping individuals and families dealing with autism and other special needs find suitable services and support for their loved one.

Access Options Inc.888.828.5438 www.accessoptions.com

Access Options, Inc. is dedicated to increasing the mobility of persons with disabilities by improving access in several areas including Accessible Vans and Home Access (Hoyer Lifts, stair-lifts, porch-lifts, ramps).

**The Bay School**831.462.9620 www.thebayschool.org

The Bay School provides students with autism and /or developmental disabilities ages 5 to 21, comprehensive, extended year educational and clinical services.

**Coryell Autism Center**831.713.5186 www.coryellautismcenter.org

Coryell Autism Center is a state-certified non-public, nonprofit school located in Santa Cruz. At CAC, they use Applied Behavior Analysis and positive behavior support to teach students with autism ages 14-22.

Coalition for Compassionate Care of California/Children's Hospice & Palliative Care Coalition916.489.2222 www.coalitionccc.org

Works closely with healthcare providers and other social service programs to ensure that children and their families have access to in-home care.

Community Life Services831.600.7778 www.communitylifeservices.org

Provide the necessary assistance to seek, interview, and maintain competitive employment. The activities provided are based on a comprehensive vocational profile highlighting the individual's strengths, abilities, and interests.

Dancercenter831.475.5032 www.dancercenterinfo.com

Rising Stars, Special Hip Hop and Special Yoga/Conditioning: These classes are geared for students with physical limitations and/or disabilities.

**Easterseals Central California**831.684.2166 www.CelebratingAbilities.org

Provides autism services, educational services, sibling support, veterans services and summer camp for individuals and families with autism.

**Imagine Supported Living Services**831.464.8355 www.imaginesls.org

Imagine Supported Living Services providing services to adults with disabilities and empower them through service and advocacy.

**Jacob's Heart Children's Cancer Support Services**831.724.9100 www.jacobsheart.org

Provides counseling, support groups, in-home and hospital visits and financial assistance for families of children with cancer.

**Military OneSource—Exceptional Family Member Program**800.342.9647 www.militaryonesource.mil/special-needs

Offers the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) for military families who have a family member with special needs. Assists with special education, financial planning, child care and more.

**Monterey Bay Horsemanship & Therapeutic Center**831.761.1142 www.gombhtc.org

MBHTC provides respite on a horse ranch with all the fun and activities a ranch provides, where children and adults with special needs learn to ride.

**Pediatric Therapy Center**831.684.1804 www.ptc-sc.com

Pediatric Therapy Center uses a team approach that combines the knowledge of Occupational, Speech-Language and Physical Therapists to meet each child's needs.

**Parents Helping Parents Assistive Technology Service**408.727.5775 www.php.com

Major family resource center in San Jose providing extensive information, training and resources for families in the South Bay and a bilingual resource specialist is now serving Monterey and San Benito Counties.

**Ride a Wave**www.rideawave.org/contact_ride_a_wave.php

Ride a Wave's mission is to give children with special needs the chance to feel the thrill of riding a wave and experience a safe, fun-filled day at the beach, whether they are physically or developmentally or economically.

**San Andreas Regional Center**831.900.3737 www.sarc.org

Serves infants, 0-3 at high risk of developing a developmental disability, through the Early Start program. Over age 3, SARC will conduct an assessment for eligibility under one of the five qualifying conditions Education Act regulations.

**SELPA (Special Education Local Plan Area)**831.755.0300 www.montereycoe.org/programs-services/special-education/index

Special Education Local Plan Areas (SELPA) provide countywide regional coordination and leadership to assure that appropriate public education programs are available for all students with disabilities.

**Shared Adventures**831.459.7210 www.sharedadventures.org

Founded on the belief that recreation, fun, challenge and access to the outdoors are an essential part of a healthy and fulfilling life, SA is dedicated to improving the quality of life of people living with disabilities.

**Special Parents Information Network (SPIN)**831.722.2800 www.spin-sc.org

SPIN is a non-profit parent-to-parent support and information network serving parents, guardians and families in Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties who have a child with special needs of any age.

