



Building a Bridge in Community

Creating the good life for your loved one

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Janet Klees has successfully created circles of support for people with developmental disabilities for more than 20 years as the Family Coordinator for the Deohaeko Support Network in Toronto. In that role, she helped families develop and operate a 105-unit housing cooperative where people with DD live in seven of the units. Klees also organizes supports for individuals and families in eastern Toronto and has authored two books about the housing co-op and ongoing support work in Deohaeko.

Klees will share her expertise about creating the best life possible for people with developmental disabilities. Topics include: benefits of network/support circle, planning for your loved ones' place to life, and fears about community life.



Wednesday, Nov. 9

Join us for one of three informal conversations with Janet Klees. We will discuss topics impacting your loved one with a developmental disability, including community membership, belonging, and issues related to loneliness. Events are free, but **registration is required**.

9:30 a.m. - noon

Cherry Grove United Methodist Church
1428 Eight Mile Road, Cincinnati, OH 45255

1:30 - 4 p.m.

West Chester Public Library, Room C
9363 Centre Pointe Drive, West Chester, OH 45069

6:30 - 9 p.m.

Starfire Council
5030 Oaklawn Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45227

Thursday, Nov. 10

Learn from an expert about how you can help build communities for people with developmental disabilities. Tickets are \$12 and include lunch. **Registration required**.

10 a.m - 3:30 p.m.

Kennedy Heights Arts Center
6620 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, OH 45213

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For information on registration and to learn more, email goodlifenetworks@earthlink.net