Play Street was formed in 2022 by a group of moms who saw the benefit in sharing their lived experiences with each other. Play Street is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide an inclusive space for parents and families with children with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities to connect and form resilient relationships.

Since its founding, Play Street has provided 3 free, deaf-led, American Sign Language (ASL) courses to community members including teachers and caregivers, and has obtained over $18,000 in grant funding to improve access to another child-centered space in Eureka.

In 2025, Play Street received a startup funding award and contract with the Redwood Coast Regional Center to build and implement a peer-led parent advocacy program. This program intends to connect parents of children with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities with a one-on-one peer parent advocate to provide encouragement and support in navigating their unique and individual parenting journeys. This program will be up and running in Spring 2027.

In July of this year, Play Street opened their long-planned dream of an inclusive Multi-Sensory Play and Education Center in Eureka, near Sequoia Park. This space provides a sensory-sensitive experience for families with children who may experience sensory issues. The space boasts a vibroacoustic color-changing ball pit, a color-changing bubble tube, an interactive projector with over 120 games, and indoor climbing gym, a parent cafe for parents to rest and unwind, a specially curated maker's space, and a large fenced backyard with sand and water play. Play Street has big plans for the future, including turning the backyard into an inclusive multi-sensory garden and play area.

Play Street is a space for all families to come, play, explore, learn and grow together, including families with nondisabled children. Play Street believes that inclusion is the solution and that nondisabled children benefit greatly by experiencing multi-sensory environments and witnessing the unique and individual experiences of their peers who have disabilities. Play Street offers drop-in play rates, including discount for active EBT card holders, monthly memberships, classes, corporate and nonprofit memberships, and is available for birthday parties and private event rentals. Play Street also runs a free play group through First 5 Humboldt on Mondays from 10am to 12pm.

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