

Blackstone Valley Family Support Center

Who We Are

The Blackstone Valley Family Support Center is here to support you and your family. We know that navigating the services and supports available to individuals with developmental/intellectual disabilities and Autism can be challenging. Our goal is to provide the training, support and advocacy to meet both your day-to-day needs and long-term goals.

Opened in February 2021, we are a program of Open Sky Community Services, funded by the Department of Developmental Services (DDS). With offices at Alternatives Whitin Mill in Whitinsville, we support children and adults with developmental/intellectual disabilities and Autism who live with their families in the communities of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Franklin, Grafton, Hopedale, Medway, Mendon, Milford, Millville, Millbury, Northbridge, Sutton, Upton and Uxbridge. The Center is available to support the entire family.



We Are Here For You

We are dedicated to tailoring our services to meet your family's needs. We will help you and your family member in building relationships at home, and in the community, that are respectful of your culture, values and preferences.

We recognize that families play an important role in achieving success, and believe that supporting the whole family leads to better outcomes.



How We Can Help

- By assisting you to navigate available DDS services and supports
- By providing trainings
- With individual and small group consultations
- Connecting and referring your family to community resources
- Offering cultural and recreational activities and providing information about activities offered by others
- By providing mentoring, networking opportunities and support services
- With the administration of flexible funding

Activities We Offer:

- Concerts and art shows (now virtual)
- Family movie nights
- Local theater productions
- Inclusive recreational programming, such as our annual Cornhole Tournament
- And more!

Contact:

Email familysupportcenter@openskycs.org
or call Lisa Hella at 508-714-7959

About Open Sky Community Services:

Open Sky Community Services operates over 100 programs in nearly 100 cities and towns in Central Mass., serving adults, children and families experiencing a wide-range of challenges including intellectual/developmental disabilities, behavioral health challenges, Autism and homelessness. Blending best practices with the power of community, Open Sky empowers individuals and families to see beyond and live beyond perceived limitations.



See beyond. Live beyond.