

L♥veland Center™

Providing programs and services to children and adults with
intellectual and developmental disabilities since 1962.



Spotlight

Loveland North Port Celebrates Gerard

"Gerard has shown improved helpfulness. He helps his peers with putting away their items, he holds the door, and is our lookout for parents as they arrive daily. Gerard has a great attitude!"

Thanks to the Community Foundation of Sarasota County, Gerard excels at being a great citizen and a good friend. The Loveland Center is grateful to our donors for helping our participants live their lives to the fullest.

You Are Cordially Invited

Loveland Players have rehearsed and are ready for the stage! Troupe members wrote and refined several skits that focus on safety through song, comedy, and dramatic reenactments. **Join us** February 24-26 for day and evening performances.

Just \$10 at the door!

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Loveland Players Presents

JIG IT UP TO SAFETY

A Collection of Short Plays

**LOVELAND
VENICE**

PERFORMING ARTS
THEATRE, BUILDING A

157 S HAVANA RD,
VENICE, FL 34292

TICKET

\$10

AT THE DOOR



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FEBRUARY 24..... 7 PM

FEBRUARY 25..... 2 PM & 7 PM

FEBRUARY 26..... 2 PM

For questions, please contact Becca Eldredge at
Beldredge@lovelandcenter.org

Walk, run, cheer on, but **don't miss** Loveland Center's
3rd Annual 5K Run/1K Walk on **Sunday, March 26**, in
Punta Gorda's gorgeous **Laishley Park**.

Presented by PGT Innovations, the run is on track to be
the biggest, most fun one yet!



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3rd Annual

ABILITY 5k RUN 1K WALK



March 26, 2023

7:30AM Start

LAISHLEY PARK

Punta Gorda, FL 33950



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Loveland's 15th Annual BBQ is set for Tuesday, December 5, 2023

Mark your calendars! Join Loveland Center as it celebrates its 15th Annual Barbecue Fundraiser on Tuesday, December 5 at **Venice Community Center**.

Spotlight on New Board Member

Meet Darin Hunt

Darin Hunt is a business owner who has been a lifelong resident of Venice, Florida. He has a strong marketing and entrepreneurial background, with experience in web and graphic design. He started his own successful specialty tile manufacturing company in 2005, selling it in 2009 and starting Community Media in 2010. His company, Community Media, has grown from 40 communities to now over 170 in the last 12 years.



Darin grew up in Venice and attended Venice High School, where he met his future wife, Lauren. [More...](#)

Recaps



Plantation Foundation Visits Loveland with Hope to Give Participants a Kitchen in Building D

Plantation Community Foundation Grant Committee Member Betty Carpentier visited Loveland Center Venice in January and toured our campus with VP of Programs Becca Eldredge. With the support of The Plantation Community Foundation, Loveland hopes to retrofit a current program room into a kitchenette and dining space in Building D. In order to ensure the safety of all participants, Loveland Center Venice recently [More...](#)



Loveland Center Seeks Volunteers at Venice Area Chamber of Commerce

On Friday, January 20, Loveland staff Caryn McCullough, Ryan Brown, and Camille Cline met with hundreds of potential volunteers, encouraging them to give their time to the important roles Loveland has to offer. Venice Theatre Volunteer Coordinator and Friend of Loveland Madeline McGrail stopped by to say "hi!" Loveland volunteers read lines with our Loveland Players, swap culinary skills, paint, build, and [More...](#)



Loveland Center Hosts Area Nonprofits for Impact100 SRQ Training

Grant writers and representatives of Venice area nonprofits joined Loveland staff for a half-day training by Impact100 SRQ members of the Nonprofit Engagement Team, Susan Lerman and Betsy Friedman. Attendees studied impact metrics, discussed opportunities for collaboration, and imagined a better world for all. Led by staff Irvin Agosto, guests enjoyed seeing Loveland participants and programs in action. Highlights included [More...](#)

Spotlight on The Clinic

Meet Eric Bowden

Occupational Therapist

I perform a therapeutic process called occupational therapy. Occupational therapists work in schools, hospitals and rehab centers, skilled nursing facilities, in people homes, and with organizations like Loveland Center to maximize independence. Whether that means improving strength and balance for safely working at the kitchen counter or basic knife strategies when cutting an apple or slicing a baguette, occupational therapy helps to expand a person's choice options and improve the outcomes of those choices. [More...](#)



Upcoming Events

LEARN.

Wired Different: Brain-Based Approaches to Understanding your loved one with IDD

January 19th, 2023 6PM
Loveland Venice and Virtual

At Home Therapy: Bringing Therapeutic Techniques into your everyday life

February 16th, 2023 6PM
Loveland Bradenton and Virtual

Early Childhood Action: What you need to know before your kids grow up

March 2nd, 2023 6PM
Loveland North Port and Virtual

Friendship: How to support your loved one with IDD in making, and keeping, friends

April 27th, 2023 6PM
Loveland Port Charlotte and Virtual

Is that Legal? Guardianships, Power of Attorney, & the rights of individuals with disabilities

May 18th, 2023 6PM
Loveland Center North Port and Virtual

EDUCATE.



Homeward Bound: Housing for Individuals with Disabilities

June 15th, 2023 6PM
Loveland Venice and Virtual

Planning A Life: Financial Planning for Individuals with Disabilities

July 20th, 2023 6PM
Loveland Port Charlotte and Virtual

ADVOCATE.

I Want A Job: Helping your loved one with IDD in finding, and keeping, a job

August 17th, 2023 6PM
Loveland Bradenton and Virtual

Give 'em Something To Talk About: Communication Techniques for you and your loved one

September 21st, 2023 6PM
Loveland Venice and Virtual

I Need Help: Support for Caregivers

October 19th, 2023 6PM
Loveland North Port and Virtual

Behavior Management at Home and in the Community

November 16th, 2023 6PM
Loveland Bradenton and Virtual

This is Me: Person Centered Planning and Advocacy

December 7th, 2023 6PM
Loveland Port Charlotte and Virtual

Sponsorships for all events are still available. Contact us at philanthropy@lovelandcenter.org to customize for your business today.

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