

Agency/Organization:	Special Transportation Services (STS)
Contact Person (if applicable)	Maud Lizano
Mailing Address:	701 NW 1st Court Suite 1700 Miami, FL 33136
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	786-469-5000, Enrollment & Information 305-263-5459, TTY Users
Email Address (if applicable):	mlizano@miamidade.gov
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.miamidade.gov/transit/rider_sts.asp
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation service for individuals with physical, mental, or intellectual disabilities • Temporary disabilities also qualify • Purpose of trip not restricted • Emergency Evacuation Assistance Program for transportation and/or shelter assistance in case of hurricanes or other disasters. • Offers shared-ride, door-to-door travel in accessible vehicles throughout most of Miami-Dade County, in some parts of South Broward County, and in the Monroe County Upper to Middle Keys • 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including most holidays • Use STS for trips to medical appointments, school, work, shopping, business, or recreation (call 24 hours in advance) • Air-conditioned minivans, small buses, lift-equipped vans, and sedans transport passengers with disabilities safely in a clean, smoke-free environment. • Pickups are within 30 minutes of the scheduled time. • Visitors certified in another American with Disabilities Act (ADA) jurisdiction also may be eligible for STS.
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Any individual with a disability that is certified by a doctor (786-469-5589, Fax), application is on file, and was given an STS identification card. A Personal Care Assistant or PCA is allowed to accompany the certified rider. The PCA can ride free with the certified passenger and can also be a child companion of any age.
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	\$3.00 per one-way trip

http://www.miamidade.gov/transit/rider_sts.asp

Agency/Organization:	Dating for Disabled
Contact Person (if applicable)	Only email contact given
Mailing Address:	None given, not local but unique resource
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	201-984-9230
Email Address (if applicable):	WaiverInfo@aol.com
Website Address (if applicable):	http://dating4disabled.com/
Type(s) of services available:	<p>From Webpage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online community • Offers the opportunity for people with disabilities to share, connect and just be heard • Make friends, find romance, and share resources with people from all over the world • Welcomes disabled as well as able-bodied members on condition that they want to meet people with disabilities and are committed to respecting all of our members • Blogs, the online messenger, forums, highly developed search engine and more • Confidential and conducted in good taste and style • No binding contracts, no pressure, no embarrassment • Opportunity to network and find others with similar values, interests, and backgrounds • Disabled singles can find friendship, romance and life-long partners. • Many other informational links
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Must be 18 and up. Disabled or disabled-friendly. Worldwide accessibility.
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Free, but make sure you practice safety. Tips for safety included in web pages.

<http://dating4disabled.com/>

Agency/Organization:	Seymour Gelber Adult Day Care
Contact Person (if applicable)	None given
Mailing Address:	Miami-Dade County Department of Human Services 2525 NW 62nd Street 4th Floor Miami, Florida 33147
Street Address (if different):	11025 SW 84th Street Building #12 Miami, FL 33173
Phone Number(s);	(305) 270-2979 or (305) 514-6000 Fax: (305) 514-6152
Email Address (if applicable):	www.miamidade.gov/dhs/
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.miamidade.gov/dhs/disabled_adult_day_care.asp
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides adult day care for the frail, moderately handicapped or moderately confused older person or disabled adult over 18 years of age. • Care is provided during the day for all or some part of the week for persons who live alone and cannot manage altogether on their own. • breakfast and a hot nutritious lunch • transportation to and from the center • therapies • creation and leisure time activities • group counseling • health maintenance • information and referral services • also available in Spanish and Creole
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Moderately Handicapped over 18
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Registered Nurse will perform evaluation

http://www.miamidade.gov/dhs/disabled_adult_daycare.asp

Agency/Organization:	Community Habilitation Center, Inc.
Contact Person (if applicable)	John Mazzarella
Mailing Address:	same
Street Address (if different):	11450 SW 79 Street; Miami, Florida 33173
Phone Number(s);	Phone # 305.279.7999 Fax # 305.279.6627
Email Address (if applicable):	johnm@chcmiami.org
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.chcmiami.com/
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult Day Training and Job Coaching • Life and Work Skills • Transition and Exploration • Ceramics & Art Studio • Health & Fitness • Sports and Fitness • Special Olympics • Music Therapy • Technology Lab • Supported Employment • Community Based Instruction • AKTION Club, Kiwanis sponsored service projects • Parents are members of the Board of Trustees and run the Family Resource Group which offers assistance and advice to the organization and all family members.
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Ages 18 and up with disabilities and Medwaiver
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Paid by Medwaiver

<http://www.chcmiami.com/>

Agency/Organization:	VSA Florida, The State Organization on Arts and Disability, various sites in Dade County
Contact Person (if applicable)	Marian Winters, Executive Director
Mailing Address:	VSA Florida, University of South Florida, 3500 E. Fletcher Ave., Suite 234 ,Tampa, FL 33613
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	813-558-5095
Email Address (if applicable):	mwinters@usf.edu
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.vsafl.org/ Other Links: http://www.vsafl.org/Resources/Resources.html or info@theshimmyclub.org
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many disability and accessibility informational links from their web page • Way of communicating • Means to unites people of all abilities • Vehicle for self realization • Voice that enables self expression • Tool for learning • Channel for achieving excellence • Pathway to careers • Pathway to opportunities • 220 different programs in 43 counties • Accessible to the blind • Link to Shimmy Club in Miami for music and dance (You Move Me Tango, Miami-Dade County, 5794 S.W. 40th Street #131, Miami, Florida 33155): http://www.theshimmyclub.org/tsc/Home.html • Artists, musicians, and dancers instruct
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Children, youth, and adults with disabilities, especially visual impairments, watch video below: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2MdmSciZ99M
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Public charity, non-profit organization supported by public and private organizations

<http://www.vsafl.org/>

Agency/Organization:	Access-Able Travel Source (Mature and Special Needs Travelers) not local but unique resource
Contact Person (if applicable)	Bill and Carol Randall
Mailing Address:	Access-Able Travel Source, LLC P O Box 1796 Wheat Ridge, CO 80034
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	303 232-2979 VOICE 303 239-8486 FAX
Email Address (if applicable):	bill@access-able.com
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.access-able.com/
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travel with a special need • Disability magazines • Access guides for cities, resorts and attractions • Wheelchair or scooter rentals • Accessible transportation and more • Many links to other information for disabled • Network with other disabled to give or get advice on traveling with a disability • Travel anywhere your dreams can take you
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Travelers with disabilities and the mature traveler
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Free information source to disabled travelers

<http://www.access-able.com/>

Agency/Organization:	Mobility-Advisor.com (wheelchair information and mobility resource guide) not local but many informational links for resources
Contact Person (if applicable)	Jules Sowder
Mailing Address:	None given
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	None given
Email Address (if applicable):	Can only fill out contact form on webpage
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.mobility-advisor.com/
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educational guide on wheel chair options, mobility aids, disability resources, and recreational outlets • Enhances the lives of individuals of all ages who need mobility assistance • Valuable guidance and vital information to help you have informed discussions with your health care professional • Further your journey for a more independent and satisfying lifestyle • Wheeled mobility options, lifts and ramps, wheel chair sports, or great vacation ideas
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Individuals with physical disabilities of all ages
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Information source only

<http://www.mobility-advisor.com/>

Agency/Organization:	The Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Contact Person (if applicable)	Sonya Harrington (305) 377-5379 401 NW Second Avenue, Suite S-321 Miami, Florida 33128
Mailing Address:	Miami Unit 23E 7984 SW 8th Street Miami, FL 33144-4268
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	Phone:(305) 442-6885 Fax: (305) 442-6909
Email Address (if applicable):	sonya.harrington@vr.fldoe.org
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.rehabworks.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Main.Main
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal-state program that works with people who have physical or mental disabilities to prepare for, gain or retain employment • Committed to helping people with disabilities find meaningful careers • Priority placed on serving the customers with the most significant disabilities • Provides equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities in meeting the demand for a well trained and skilled workforce
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Eligibility is based upon the presence of a physical or mental impairment and a goal of employment.
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	An eligibility decision will be made within 60 days after you apply for services. The individual's level of participation in the cost of services is based on the individual's plan of services, income, and includes consideration of work-related disability expenses paid by the individual.

<http://www.rehabworks.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Main.Main>

Agency/Organization:	Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology (local links for AT providers)
Contact Person (if applicable)	Tim McCann, Information and Referral Specialist (850) 487-3278 ext. 100
Mailing Address:	325 John Knox Road, Building 400, Suite 402 · Tallahassee, Florida 32303
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	(850) 487-3278 1-888-788-9216 FAX: (850) 487-2805
Email Address (if applicable):	faast@faast.org
Website Address (if applicable):	http://faast.org/
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the quality of life for all Floridians with disabilities through advocacy and awareness activities that increase access to and acquisition of assistive services and technology. • Link to innovative resource close to Miami: http://retp.eng.usf.edu/ Rehabilitation Engineering and Technology Program (RETP) Department of Mechanical Engineering, USF College of Engineering, ENB 118, 4202 E. Fowler Avenue, Tampa, FL 33620-5350, (866) 732-8873 (Toll Free) (813) 974-5346 (Main Office) (813) 974-3369 (Fax) • Hands on assistive technology demonstrations and trainings • Financing for assistive technology purchases • Assistive device lending programs • Community outreach to rural and underserved groups • Accessible, affordable housing • Advocacy and education on consumer choice • 26 Assistive Technology Providers in Miami-Dade searchable from webpage
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Individuals with disabilities and their families
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Informational website, no charge

<http://faast.org/>

Agency/Organization:	Parks and Recreation, Disability Services Programs
Contact Person (if applicable)	Gisel Prado 305-665-5319, AD Barnes Leisure Access Center Programs, 3401 SW 72 Avenue, Miami, Florida
Mailing Address:	275 NW 2nd Street Miami, FL 33128
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	305-755-7800
Email Address (if applicable):	parks@miamidade.gov
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.miamidade.gov/parks/fun-leisure-access.asp
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist children and adults with disabilities in getting involved in typical programs not geared specifically for persons with disabilities • Continually working to make our park system accessible to everyone • Metrozoo is wheelchair accessible, as are its monorail and trams • Pool access, beach access, playgrounds, golf course access, inclusion, and volunteer opportunities available • Aquatics, wheelchair, blind sports, and Paralympics programs • Programs for seniors 55+ also available
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Children 6-21 and Adults 21+
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	\$20 for 10 classes in the aquatic exercise program, other aquatic programs and sports are mostly free, Fun on Fridays Program for 21+ is \$25/week, many programs funded by Medicaid Waiver.

<http://www.miamidade.gov/parks/fun-leisure-access.asp>

Agency/Organization:	Goodwill Industries of South Florida
Contact Person (if applicable)	Bridget Pallango Senior Vice President, Human Services
Mailing Address:	2121 N.W. 21 St. Miami, FL 33142
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	305-325-9114 305-326-4182, to call for tours
Email Address (if applicable):	Webpage includes option to email special departments (some are listed below)
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.goodwillsouthflorida.org/
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trains, employs, and places people with disabilities and special needs in community jobs in order to transition to independence • Produces custom-made flags • Apparel Manufacturing • Document Destruction • Pre-Print Inserting • Janitorial Services • Assembly & Fulfillment Services • Thrift Stores & Donations • Hire Our Program Graduates
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Ages 18 and up with disabilities
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Non-profit organizations supported by businesses

<http://www.goodwillsouthflorida.org/>

Agency/Organization:	Autism Society Miami-Dade Chapter
Contact Person (if applicable)	Yolanda Gonzalez, Parent Liaison
Mailing Address:	P.O. Box 771706, Miami Florida 33177
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	305-969-3900 or 305-926-3835
Email Address (if applicable):	tbecerra19@aol.com
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.autismsocietymiami.org/
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empowers parents to advocate for and become more involved in their child's needs. • Educates the general public about autism. • Serves as a support group for parents/caregivers and professionals. • Provides information to parents and professionals regarding the diagnosis, education and general welfare of the person with autism • Provides social opportunities for those with autism and their families through picnics, parties and other community activities. • Autism Society of Miami-Dade, in collaboration with UM-NSU CARD & Best Buddies of Miami, now have over 21 club (accompanied by a family member, companion or your Best Buddy)
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	People affected by autism and related disorders of communication and behavior, including caring parents, caregivers, professionals, and students. Autistic Disorder, Asperger's Disorder, Childhood Disintegrative Disorder (CDD), Rett's Disorder, PDD-Not Otherwise Specified (PDD-NOS)
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	

<http://www.autismsocietymiami.org/>

Agency/Organization:	Hope Center, Inc.
Contact Person (if applicable)	Leigh Kapps, Ph.D., Executive Director leigh.kapps@ucpsouthflorida.org (305) 325-1080
Mailing Address:	666 Southwest 4th Street Miami, Florida 33130
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	Tel: 305-545-7572 Fax: 305-325-0382
Email Address (if applicable):	ucpinfo@ucpsouthflorida.org
Website Address (if applicable):	http://www.hopecenterhc.org/index.html
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sheltered Workshop • Supported Employment • Education • Social Services • Clinic • Residential Services • Links to information from webpage
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Individuals with developmental disabilities, focus is on adults over age 18
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Non-profit, non-denominational agency supported by UCP of Miami

<http://www.hopecenterhc.org/index.html>

Links to Other Agencies and Information

Local:

Cadenza Music Therapy, Inc. (developmental, emotional, cognitive, physical, behavioral needs)
1-954-925-3191
<http://www.cadenzacenter.com/>

Catholic Charities
305-757-6241

Center for Independent Living Options, Inc.
Palm Beach County
6800 Forest Hill Boulevard
West Palm Beach, FL 33413
Phone: (561) 966-4288
FAX: (561) 641-6619
www.cilo.org

Central Agency for Jewish Education
305-576-4030

The Children's Trust
<http://www.thechildrenstrust.org/> (website)
info@thechildrenstrust.org (email)

State:

Agency for Persons with Disabilities
1-866-273-2273
Monday-Friday 8AM-5PM

Respect of Florida (provides employment for disabled)
<https://secure.imarcsgroup.com/respect/Default.asp>

National:

National Conference for Community and Justice
305-670-6438

Parents with Disabilities Online
<http://www.disabledparents.net/>

Program Resources, Inc.: Monthly Guide to Disability Resources on the Internet
1-631-585-0290
<http://www.disabilityresources.org/>