

DISABILITY SERVICES RESOURCE CENTER (DSRC) Summer Special Needs Enrichment Programs (SSNEPs)

## Pre-Admission Form for DSRC Greener Pastures 2024

A Program Sponsored by Disability Services Resource Center (DSRC)

DSRC Greener Pastures 2024, is a Summer Special Needs Enrichment Program (SSNEP) for teenage/ young adult females ages 13 to 25 years having special needs from Bay County. This is a day program that will be in session for six weeks, June 17<sup>th</sup> through July 25<sup>th</sup>, <u>Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and for</u> <u>2024 - Thursdays!</u> from 10 AM to 2 PM each day; no session THURSDAY, July 4<sup>th</sup>. DSRC Greener Pastures 2024 will be held at Bangor North Preschool building, 504 Revilo Road (off North State Park Drive), Bay City, MI 48706. This will be the 23rd year of the DSRC Greener Pastures summer program! This year's theme is: "MOVIN' Around The World!!!"

DSRC Greener Pastures 2024 highlights the transition from school into the world of volunteering/ work. Areas of emphasis include staying on task, work safety, following directions, completing tasks to set standards, plus appropriate social skills in a variety of different situations. The participants are also involved in recreation/physical fitness activities and community service projects. As a part of the program, hands-on/discussions are on-going relative to money such as the concept of needs/ wants, purchasing of items/services, and budgeting. Additionally, the participants are involved in daily

recreation/physical fitness activities. During the program when using technology, ongoing discussions/instruction will take place in how to safely use technology in their daily lives. Each participant will need to bring a sack lunch daily including a beverage; refrigeration is available.

These teenage/young adult females having special needs and, in most cases, learning differently than other students in traditional school settings, may be in some type of special education program. The participants will work alongside female Job Trainers - ratio of 6 teenage/ young adult females per 1 female Job Trainer. The female Job Trainers' duties are to model the activities to be done, supervise the participants, give direction/guidance, as well as help them grow into being responsible, caring citizens. Admission is limited to 15 participants.

This program incorporates the use of Bay Metro Transportation, Bay County Library System, Bay City State Park, River Walk, and other local destinations to help foster a variety of experiences for these teenage/young adult females having special needs. Transportation to and from DSRC Greener Pastures 2024 is the family/guardian's responsibility for their participant; Bay Metro Transportation may be available on a limited basis, at the family's own expense. Bay Metro's contact number is 989-894-2900.

Admission is based on each individual's needs and the ability of DSRC Greener Pastures 2024 staff to meet those needs. <u>Each</u> <u>teenage/young adult female</u> **MUST** be able to respond positively to directions given to her by someone other than a family member. Turning in this Pre-Admission Form by May 22<sup>nd</sup> <u>does not</u> ensure the applicant's admission in DSRC Greener Pastures 2024. Each applicant's family will be notified if accepted into DSRC Greener Pastures 2024 by June 3, 2024. Families will then need to fill out several forms before attending the program: Registration, the Medical Release/Health Examination, a Media Release, and agree to the program's Code of Conduct/Rules BEFORE attending the program. Admission is limited to 15 participants. Pre-Admission Forms received after May 22<sup>nd</sup>, and/or if the program is filled, will be placed on a waiting list. NOTE: This program is not equipped to include participants with severe mental, emotional, physical, or multiple impairments.

Due to receiving a generous grant, an additional day was able to be added for 2024 and the program fee reduced by \$100. The program fee for DSRC Greener Pastures 2024 is \$425. 'SSI Money' and/or 'Respite Money' may be able to be used toward the fee through Bay Arenac Behavioral Health (BABH); contact your case manager for additional information. Partial scholarships/funding may be available through participation in DSRC's 'YES I CAN Drive' (happening March 22-24), local civic organizations, etc. Payment plans are also available; contact Gail Frahm, Executive Director at DSRC, 989-895-5444 for further information. Full payment must be made prior to Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, unless a payment plan has been authorized/approved by Gail.

If you know of a teenage/young adult female having special needs, ages 13 to 25 years, who will benefit from a 6-week summer enrichment day program, please share this form with them. If there are questions/concerns, contact Diane Rapson Gabil, Director – DSRC Greener Pastures 2024, 989-392-1080, <u>drapsongabil@chartermi.net</u> or Gail Frahm at DSRC, 989-895-5444, <u>dsrcbc@gmail.com</u>.

## Please fill out this Pre-Admission Form and mail, email, or deliver it by May 22, 2024, to: DSRC Greener Pastures 2024, 1820 N. Trumbull Dr., Bay City, MI 48708; dsrcbc@gmail.com

How will your participant be arriving at SSNEPs each day? I Personal Transportation Bay Metro/Dial-A-Ride If financial assistance is needed for transportation via Bay Metro/Dial-A-Ride, contact Gail and check this box.