

# ARPA PRESENTATIONS

April 13<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday Morning

9:00-9:15	Call to Order / Pledges / Welcome
9:15-9:35	<b>Presentation #1 – Handouts - We Are ReInspire – Charise Olson, Executive Director</b>
9:35-9:45	Q & A
9:45-10:05	<b>Presentation #2 – Slide - Promises Community Ministry – Debbie Beeman, Director</b>
10:05-10:15	Q & A
10:15-10:35	<b>Presentation #3 – Chisholm Trail Outdoor Museum – David Murdoch, CEO/Chairman &amp; Carrie Reynolds, On-Site Director</b>
10:35-10:45	Q & A
10:45-11:05	<b>Presentation #4 – Slide/Handouts – Center of ASD – Valerie Sims, Grant Coordinator &amp; Lisa Boultinghouse, CEO/Founder</b>
11:05-11:15	Q & A
11:15-11:35	<b>Presentation #5 – Slide – Johnson County Sheriff's Posse – Phil Williams, Treasurer</b>
11:35-11:45	Q & A
11:45-12:00	Wrap up for lunch / Recess till 1:30

Wednesday Afternoon

12:00-1:30	Lunch
1:30-1:45	Welcome Back
1:45-2:05	<b>Presentation #6 – Slide – Pathway – Ray Bussell, General Manager</b>
2:05-2:15	Q & A
2:15-2:35	<b>Presentation #7 – Slide/Handouts – Texas Health Cleburne – Ajith Pai, President &amp; Marsha Ingle, Senior Director, Community Health Improvement</b>
2:35-2:45	Q & A
2:45-3:05	<b>Presentation #8 – Slide – City of Rio Vista – Kent Riker, Engineer with Provenance Engineering, Chad Wilson, Owner of ITC Services &amp; Jeff Faraizl, Mayor of Rio Vista</b>
3:05-3:15	Q & A
3:15-3:35	<b>Presentation #9 – Slide – United Cooperative Services – Landy Bennett, CAO</b>
3:35-3:45	Q & A
3:45-4:05	<b>Presentation #10 – Handout – Crazy8 Ministries – Lisa Schwarz, Founder, CEO</b>
4:05-4:15	Q & A
4:15-4:20	Wrap Up

# American Rescue Plan Project Submission Form

APR 13 2022

## Project Name -

Center For ASD: Multi-Purpose Special Needs Community Facility

**Tabled**

## Primary Point of Contact -

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PO BOX 516 Crowley, TX 76036  
Mobile: 817-205-1445 Office: 682-499-6655  
Lisa@centerforasd.org

## Project Description -

Center for ASD (CASD) currently offers a variety of therapeutic programs for participants and their families including support groups, educational classes, art, music, fitness, and social time. CASD is experiencing a rapid influx of new families seeking respite, human connection, and activities for their special needs loved ones and themselves as a result of being homebound during COVID closure. CASD currently leases 14,000 square feet of a larger building. Due to increased capacity needs, the center would like to purchase the building.

Securing a permanent home will create a solid foundation for the population CASD serves. The individuals CASD serve don't go away because they get older... their needs change. Participants currently range from age 2 to 60 and have various diagnoses. Obtaining a permanent building will ensure the longevity of CASD, allowing it to be of assistance to families through each phase of life for years to come.

Increased capacity would be a game changer. CASD currently serves approximately 155 participants monthly, and a waitlist is forming. Increasing the space would allow CASD to triple the number of those served and further the center's reach into the community. More space would allow CASD to invite the community into the facility which can provide purpose and potential new streams of revenue.

Potential funds received would also be used to help supplement CASD's scholarship fund which has depleted quickly due to the negative impact Covid has had on families.

This project is a tremendous opportunity for Johnson County.

## **Project Location -**

This project will take place in Burleson, Texas. CASD's intention is to purchase the currently leased building located at 640 NW Tarrant Ave, Burleson, Texas, 76028. (See attached map.)

CASD currently leases various areas of the building at a cost of \$2,000 per month. (See schematics.)

## **Project Budget -**

\$212,600: Projected financial-need based scholarships for 2022 and 2023

\$1,500,000: Initial purchase of a building and all associated pre-purchase fund needs along with any needed renovations for ADA compliance

Current CASD operating expense fundraising will continue via large annual fundraisers (golf tournament, gala, community fun run), grants, individual donations, participant fees, and CASD'S Waymaker Society (a sustainable giving program made up of pledged monthly and annual donors).

## **Project Timeframe -**

This project will begin immediately.

**Phase 1 will be the distribution of scholarship funds.** This phase will be complete in the fall of 2023.

**Phase 2 will be the purchase of a building to expand services and increase capacity.** This phase will be complete by 2024. CASD has been in discussions with the owners of the current building for the past year along with reaching out to city leaders concerning CASD's intentions. Everyone is prepared to move forward if funding comes through.

CASD currently lists 155 special needs participants on its roster that attend various programs on various days of the week. CASD believes with increased physical capacity this number could be conservatively tripled to approximately 500 participants. CASD currently does not pursue an active marketing campaign as word of mouth is generating participant intakes faster than the current space can sustain.



CASD offers family support groups, respite time, sibling programs, and free family activities such as dances, picnics, and holiday parties. With an average of four family members per participant, this outreach is projected to grow to 2,000 family members.

CASD has recently begun offering free educational classes to First Responders to help them familiarize themselves with the symptoms and intricacies of autism and how they may best mitigate crisis situations along with meeting participants first hand. Crews are currently invited in with a max of 6 responders due to the physical size of the room dedicated to this program. Eventually all crews in Johnson County will be extended an invitation including firefighters, police officers, and paramedics. The increased physical capacity would have a positive impact on the efficiency and outreach of the CASD First Responder's Program.

Ownership of the building would open up multiple new opportunities for community integration that can only be measured qualitatively. The building has a full-size gym, 200 seat auditorium (with stage, balcony seating, and sound system), large kitchen with dining area, recreation room with billiards, multiple large meeting spaces, and potential space for an outside playground that could accommodate all ages and sizes.

CASD is currently exploring how these spaces could integrate the community along with generating new revenue streams. Some possibilities include:

- Hosting community events, resource fairs, art shows, and workshops
- Hosting drama groups, concerts, and other onstage entertainment in the auditorium
- Hosting civic organization meetings (where participants could greet and serve lunch)
- Offering a mom's day out for children with autism ages 3-5 that have trouble finding care
- Hosting indoor movie nights for special needs families
- Hosting programs that specifically integrate veterans and senior citizens
- Potentially renting out space for birthday parties or other events requiring a venue
- Setting up respite rooms where participants with severe separation anxiety can practice being away from their parents
- Hosting a larger special needs summer camp (80 children attended in the year prior to COVID)
- Creating new programs that encourage community members to come into the center fostering compassion and awareness of autism and other special needs
  - Examples include: volunteering, taking an art class where special needs participants are also present, partnering with civic groups and other non-profits that may have some projects that the older participants could volunteer themselves to help with. This creates a great sense of purpose and joy among the older participants when they are able to help others.

Ownership of the building would allow CASD to fill a gap in Johnson County that is currently wide open. These special needs families have very few resources or places to turn, especially considering the negative community-wide impacts of COVID. Most of these families are on

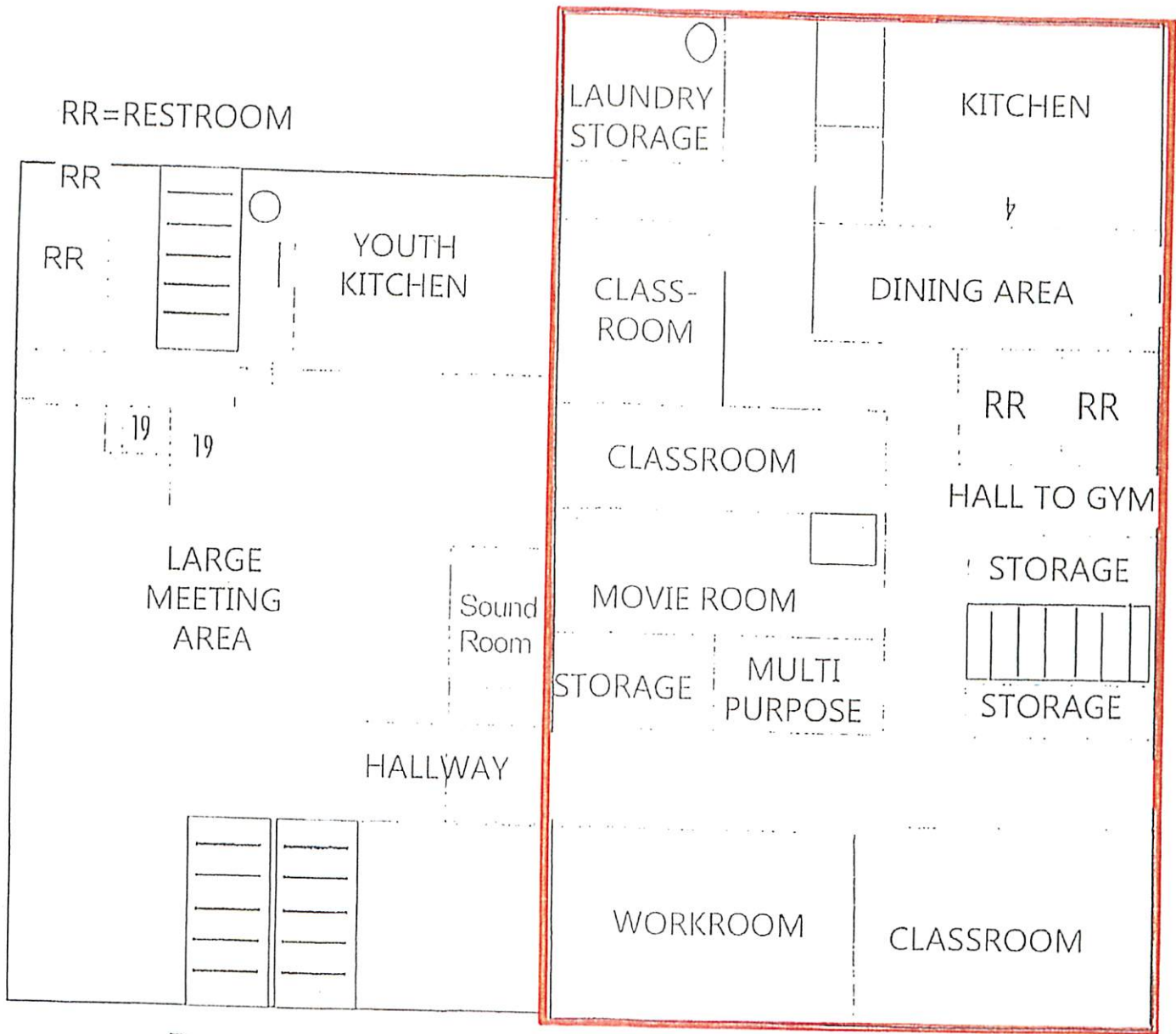


decades-long Texas Medicaid Waiver waiting lists with no resolution in near sight for accessing services.

CASD was founded in 2009 by a special needs mother trying to assist families in accessing autism-related therapies. It has since grown into a multi-faceted physical space, crafted through the years with participant and family input. The center is unique in that it is constantly growing programs and adjusting to the needs of the community and the participants it serves. Purchasing the facility is a necessary next step for CASD. This grant is a much needed and timely opportunity for both the Johnson County community as a whole and its many special needs families.

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TO CENTER FOR ASD  
(CASD)

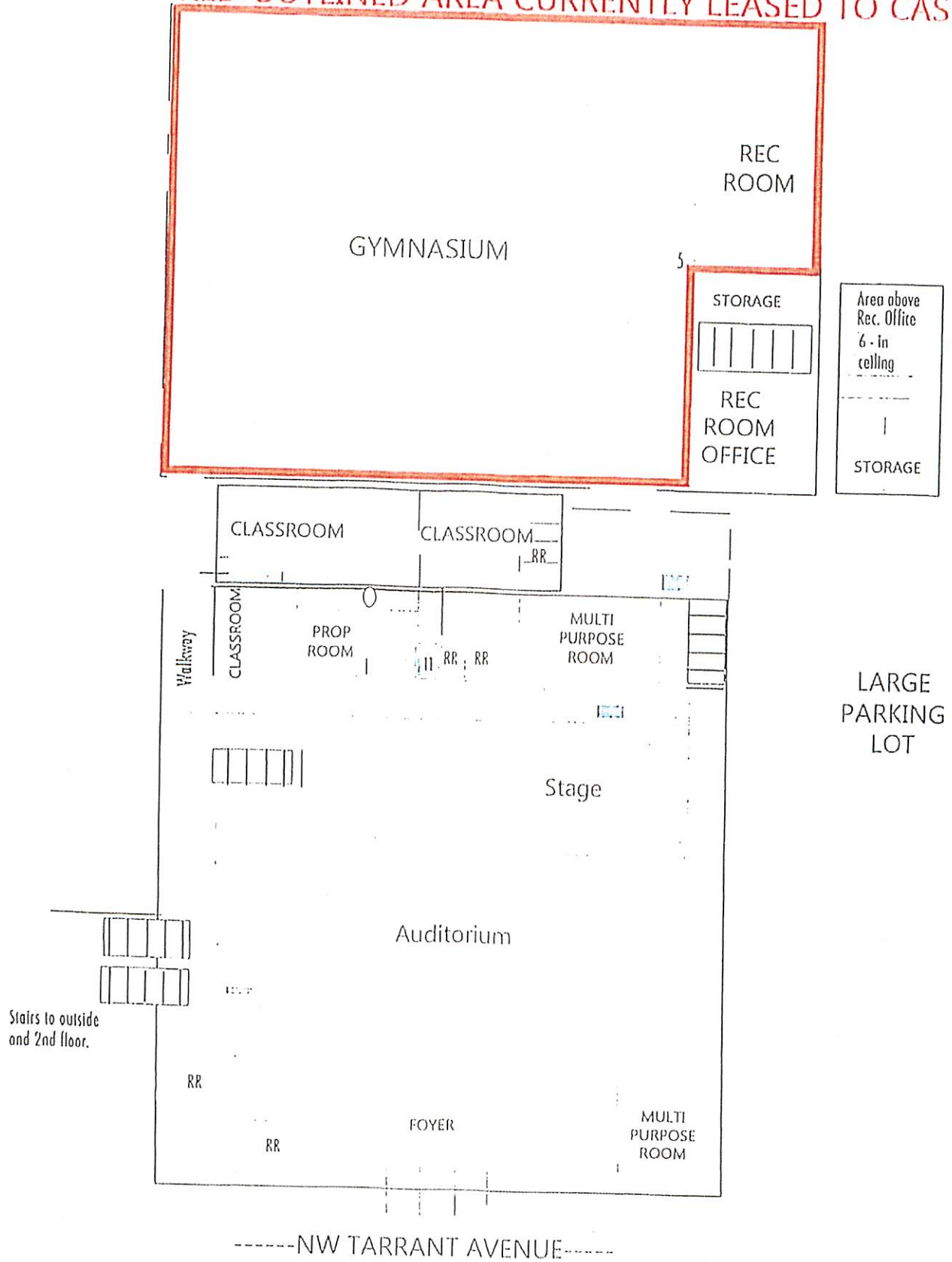


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FLOOR 1-B

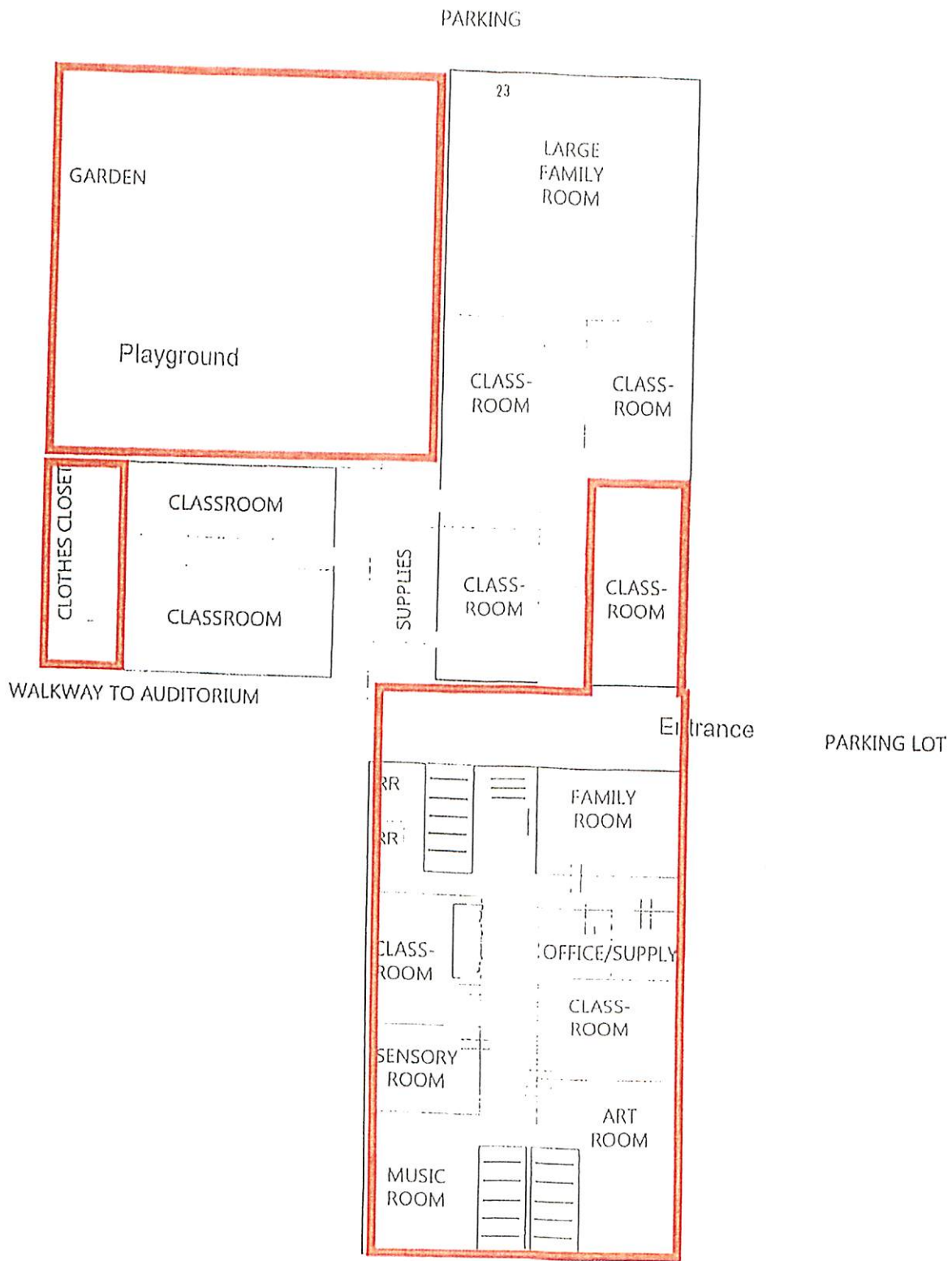
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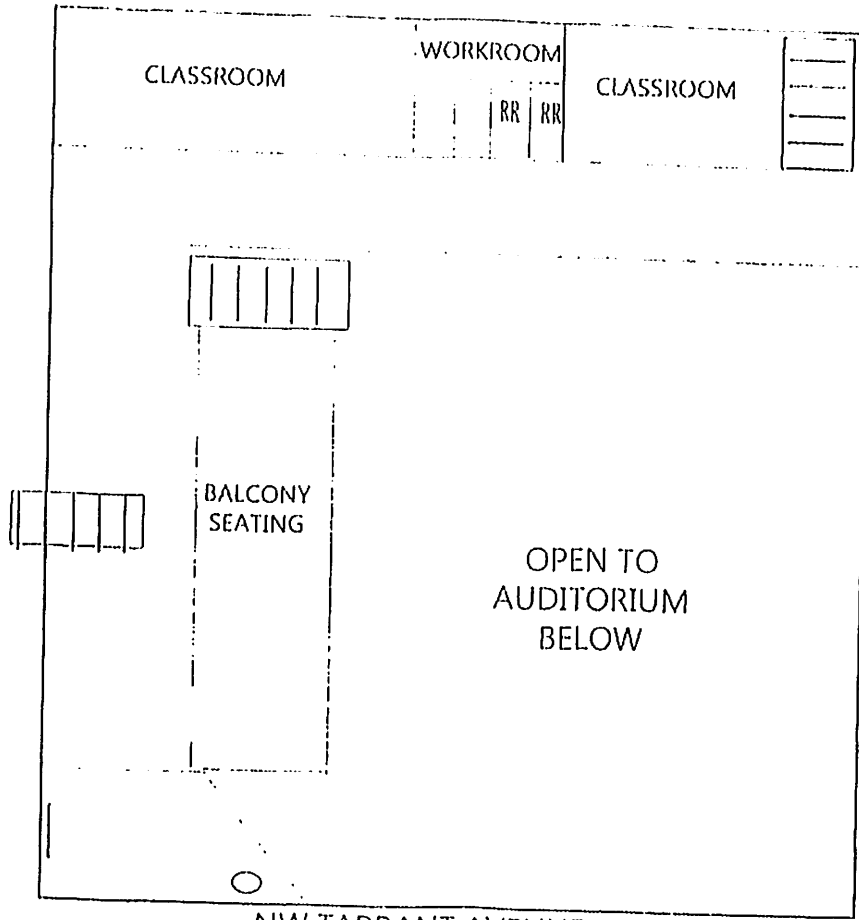
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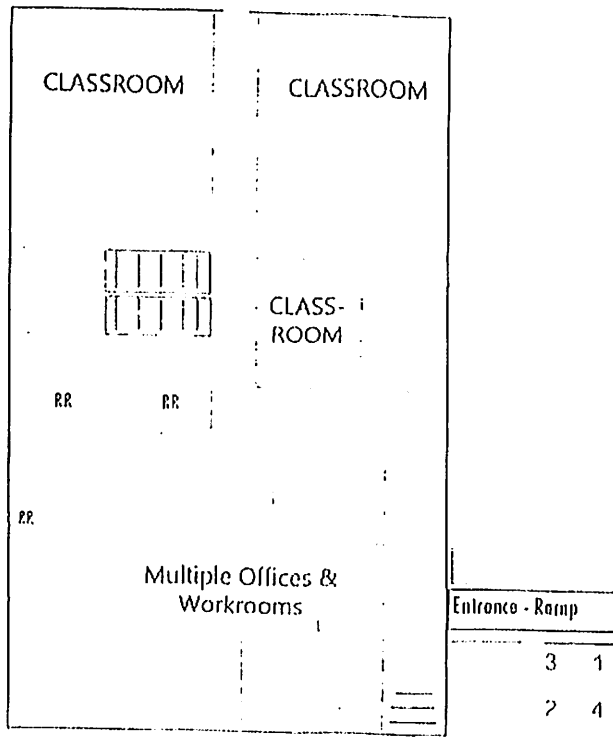
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3RD FLOOR  
ABOVE  
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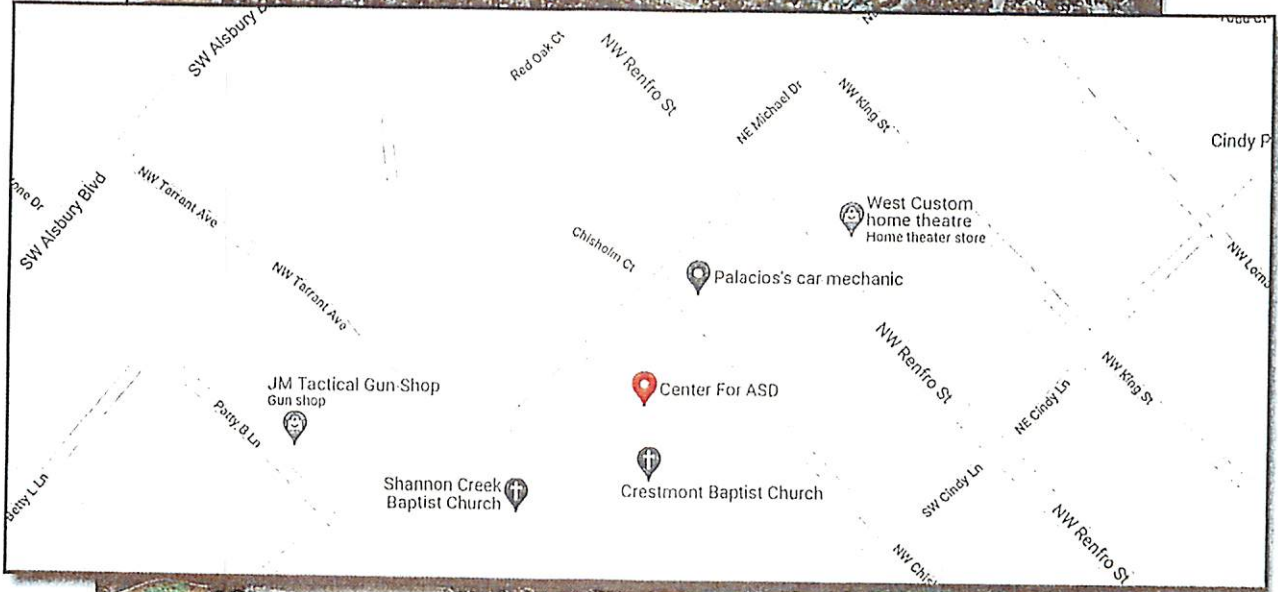
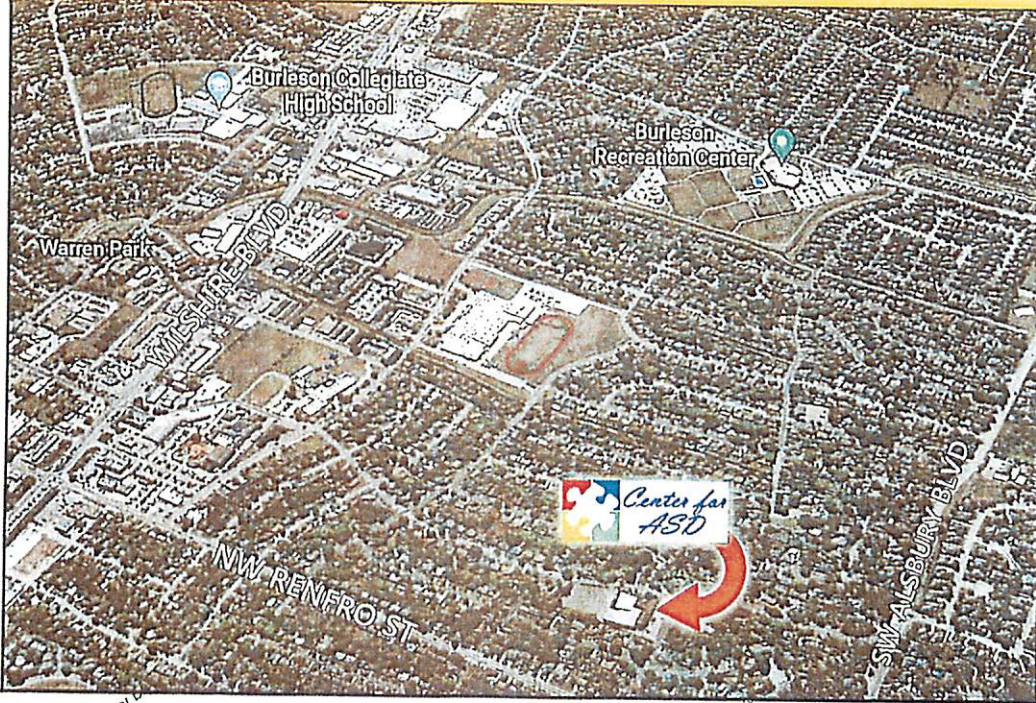


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# Center for ASD

640 NW Tarrant Avenue Burleson, TX 76028





**Paula G. Reid**

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**From:** Valerie Sims <valerie.centerforasd@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 3, 2022 2:41 PM  
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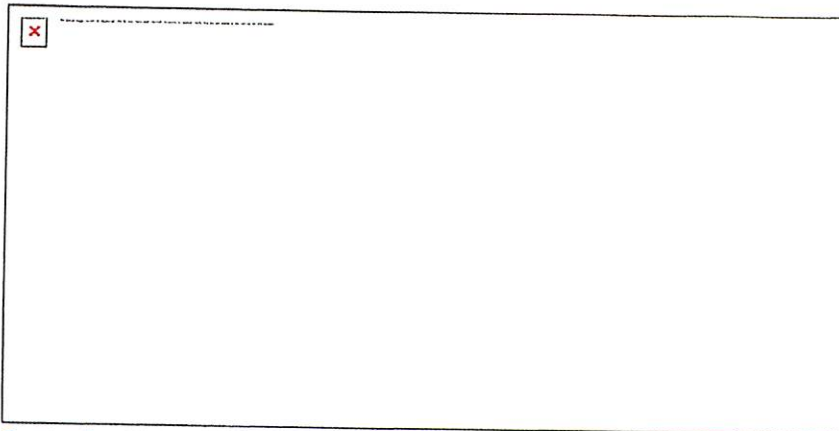
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Please find Center for ASD's (CASD's) submission form attached along with map and schematics. The center is a 501(c)(3) non-profit serving the needs of individuals of all ages with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other special needs along with supporting their families. CASD is honored to present this grant proposal for your review.

This is a much needed, timely, and tremendous opportunity for CASD, Johnson County, and all of its special needs families. Please contact me or CASD's CEO with any questions or to schedule a tour of the facility. (CEO/Founder: Lisa Boultinghouse 817-205-1445)

Thank you,  
Valerie Sims  
Grant Coordinator  
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[CenterforASD.org](http://CenterforASD.org)

 ARPP Submission Form

 CASD on map.pdf



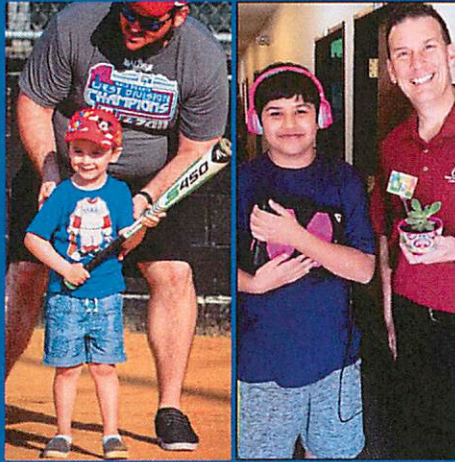


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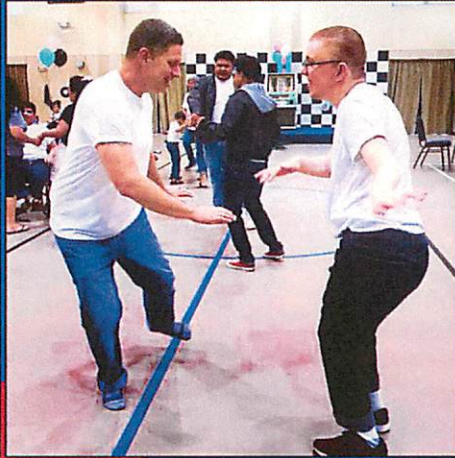
Helping Special Needs Families



SCAN  
FOR INFO



- Educational Enrichment
- Social Skills Practice
- Vocational Training
- Support Groups
- Fitness Classes
- Recreation
- Field Trips
- Family Social Events
- Respite Nights
- Art Therapy
- Music Therapy
- Motor Lab
- LifeSkills Classes
- Community Volunteers
- First Responder Classes
- Robotics



**MORE INFORMATION**

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**CEO/FOUNDER**

Lisa Boultinghouse  
817-205-1445

**VOLUNTEERS**

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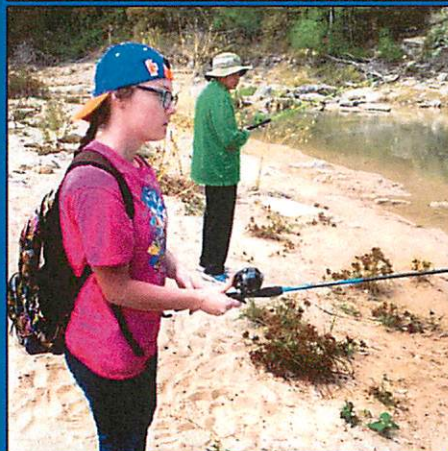
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**Helping Special Needs Families**

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## DONORS/SUPPORTERS

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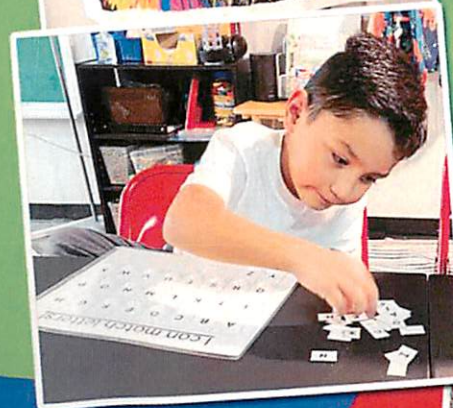
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## OUR MISSION

To improve the quality of life of individuals affected by Autism and other special needs as well as supporting their families and the community as a whole.

To be a place where all individuals can be safe, unjudged, appreciated, and have a great day.







1,000,000 likes #CenterforASD #SteppingUp

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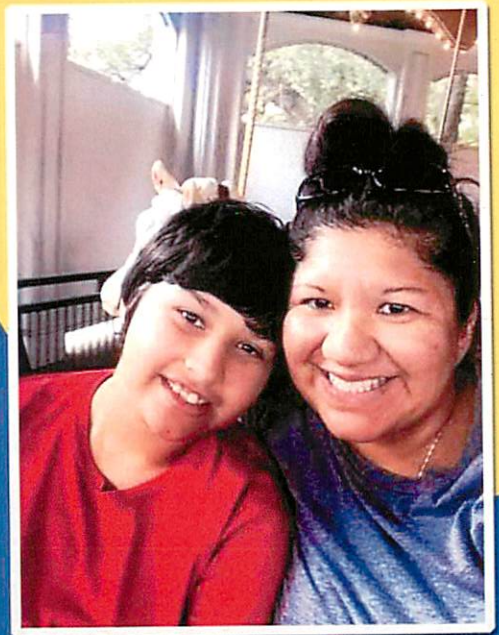


The Center is a non-profit organization founded in 2009 by Lisa Boultinghouse after her son Gabe began showing signs of Autism.

"It didn't take long for my family to figure out if you make too much money you don't qualify for assistance, but if you don't make enough you can't afford things insurance doesn't pay for.

I couldn't stand by and watch families have to make tough choices."

- Lisa



What started out as helping families financially with therapies has grown into a multifaceted center with a variety of programs such as respite, recreation, academics, socialization, and caretaker support groups. The center is family driven. It's not just a place... it's a way of life.



# REACH

AGE 18+

LIFE SKILLS

VOCATIONAL SKILLS

SOCIAL SKILLS

RECREATION

A different approach to traditional dayhab  
for adults with special needs

The day is full of structured activities that allow for  
learning and socializing.



Low ratios and caring staff provide for a safe, comfortable  
environment that allows individuals to be themselves.

The Waymaker Society is comprised of individuals  
who have toured the center and decided to walk  
beside us on this journey of building a brighter future.

Center  
for **ASD**  
WAYMAKER

For more information on becoming a Waymaker  
or to schedule a tour of the center, please  
email Lisa Boultinghouse at [lisa@centerforasd.org](mailto:lisa@centerforasd.org).



# VOLUNTEERS



Please reach out  
if you'd like to  
volunteer!



## BUILDING OUR FUTURE ONE PIECE AT A TIME

Honor friends or family  
members by supporting  
the Center for ASD  
puzzle wall Capital Campaign.

Large 5" piece \$150  
Small 2" piece \$25

For more info about our building fund contact  
[info@centerforasd.org](mailto:info@centerforasd.org)

# X-CEL

AGE 7+

READING

MATH

COMMUNITY SERVICE

LANGUAGE

SOCIAL SKILLS

Redefined educational program for school age  
participants with special needs.

This program is structured to offer opportunities which  
encourage growth both academically and in life.



We also partner with various professionals to add  
music therapy, art, yoga, and other programs.



# THRIVE

## MULTIPLE AGE GROUPS

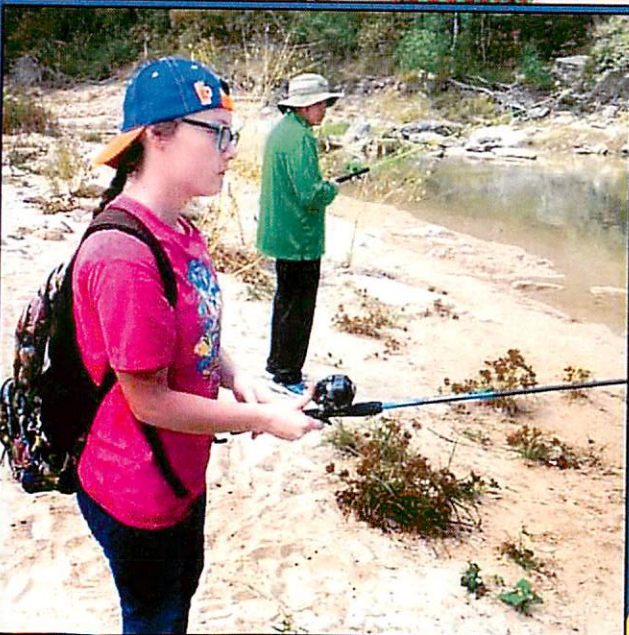
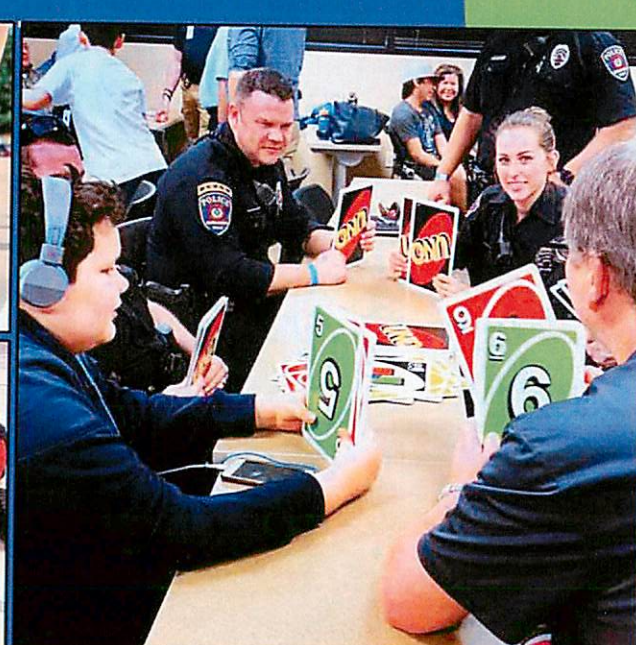
Participants can join fun activities in a structured evening program with the support they need to succeed.

We believe that our families should not just survive, but they should have the opportunity to THRIVE!

The older group enjoys movies, games, food, and getting to hang out with friends and volunteers.



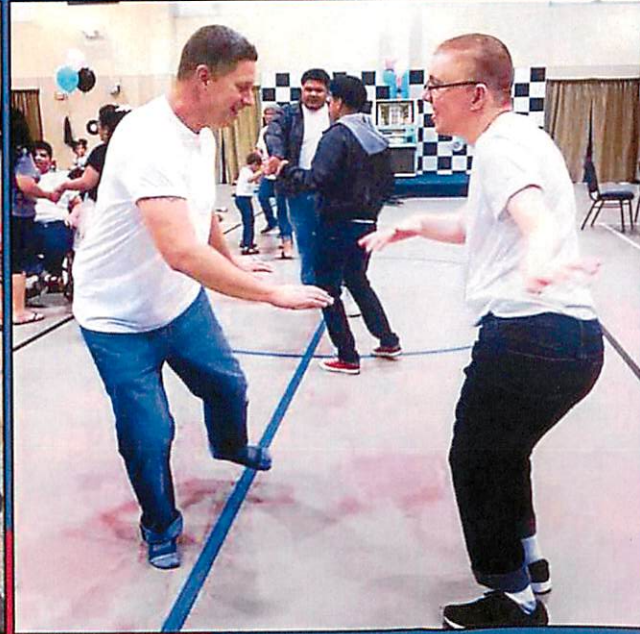
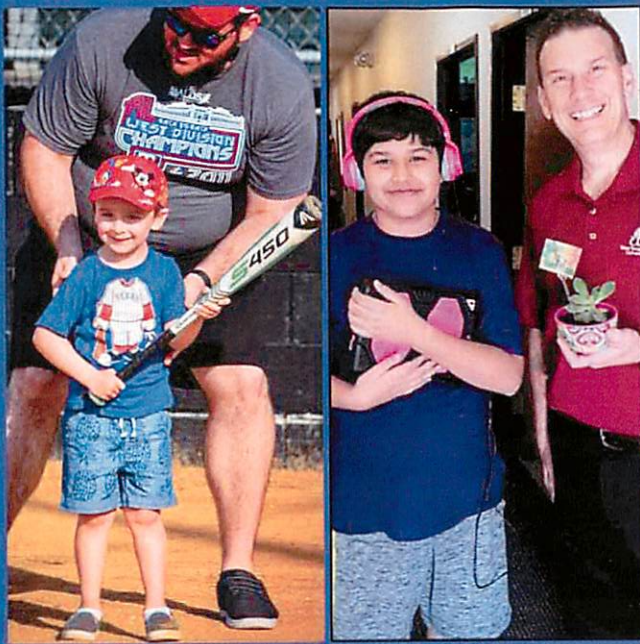
The younger group engages in crafts, science, art, and social activities with peers and community guests.





# ACTIVITIES

Organized Field Trips  
Family Picnics  
Family Fun Events  
Fundraisers  
First Responder Training  
Volunteer Partnerships



# PARENT GROUPS

Parents, grandparents, and caretakers are welcome.

Our parent groups are a place of non-judgement, providing a safe space to connect, laugh, have fun, and build relationships.

## PARENT THRIVE

This group meets monthly during a THRIVE night. Activities include games, snacks, talking, learning, sharing, and all around support.

## FIRST STEPS

This group is for those with children age 6 and younger with Autism or other special needs to find respite and connect with other families. Free childcare available with RSVP... space is limited.

Please give us a call if you have any questions about our parent groups.



# CAMP

AGE 7+

ARTS CRAFTS MUSIC GAMES  
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

We firmly believe our participants learn by doing, so we provide all the activities we can!

This summer day program is filled with exciting weekly themes accompanied by a fun and supportive staff.



Most Day Hab and Respite Care accepted with this program.

# FIT@THE BRICK

ALL AGES

AEROBICS  
YOGA  
TEAM SPORTS

WALKING  
DANCE

Social time with a focus on physical activity

This once per week program is the place to be for fitness, fun, and increasing self confidence.



The Burleson Recreation Center (The BRick) is located at 550 NW Summercrest Boulevard in Burleson.



**NEAREST  
SIMILAR ORGANIZATION  
FEE  
COMPARISONS**



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## THRIVE EVENING SOCIAL PROGRAMS

AGE: 2+ (Divided according to age group)

COST: \$15 Per Evening

**HOURS: 5:30pm-8:30pm**

Offered two nights per month per age group:

(Under 7, pre-teen, teen, adult)

29  ACRES

CLUB 29  
EVENING SOCIAL PROGRAM

AGE: 16+

COST: \$85 Per Evening

**HOURS: 5:00pm-9:00pm**

Offered one night per month.





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## SUMMER CAMP BURLESON

June 6th-August 10th

AGE: 2+ (Divided according to age group)

COST: \$150 for a 3 day week (\$50 per day)

HOURS: 9:00am-1:00pm (\$12.50 per hour)

STATUS: Registration open

29  ACRES

## SUMMER PROGRAM DENTON

June 13th- July 29th

AGE: 16+

COST: \$1750 for a 5 day week (\$350 per day)

HOURS: 9:00am-5:00pm (\$43.75 per hour)

STATUS: All spots are full. Waitlist has been created.





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## DAY PROGRAM BURLESON

AGE: 7+ (Divided according to age group)

COST: \$45 per day (\$9.00 per hr) Staff Ratio 1:3-5

HOURS: 9:00am-2:00pm

After Hours Program: 2:00pm-6:00pm Cost: Extra \$25.00

Intake/Application Fee: FREE



## DAY PROGRAM DENTON

AGE: 16+

COST: Varies according to staff ratio

1:1 \$35/hr (\$280 per day)

1:2 \$26/hr (\$208 per day)

1:3-4 \$19/hr (\$152 per day)

HOURS: 9:00am-5:00pm

Intake/Application Fee: \$300

## Johnson County

3,921

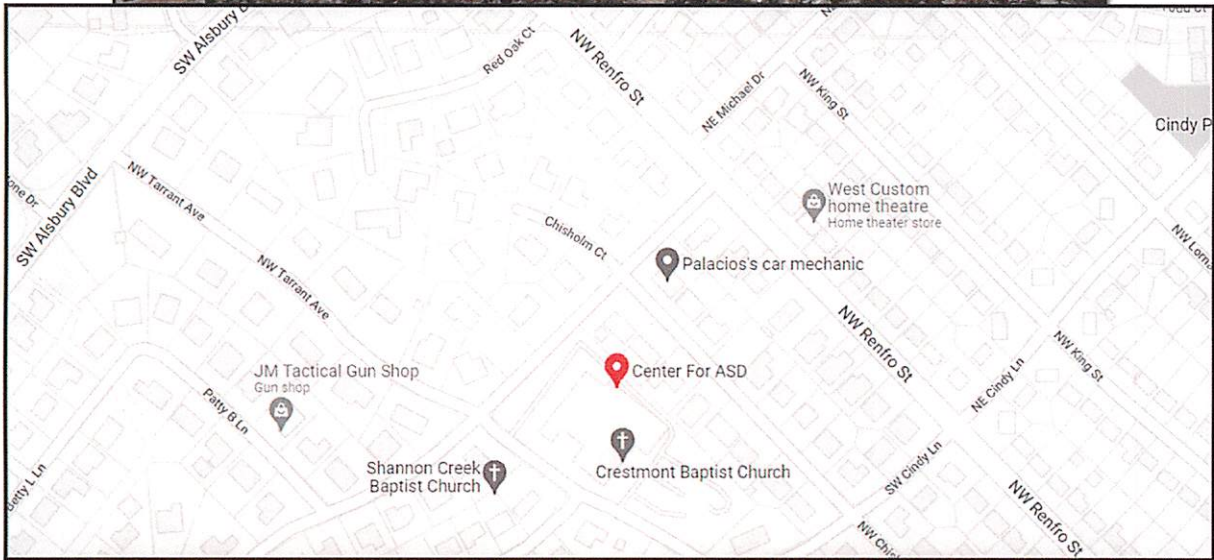
DISTRICT	Students with Disabilities
Alvarado	303
Burleson	1,365
Cleburne	797
Godley	311
Grandview	134
Joshua	574
Keene	124
Rio Vista	84
Venus	229

\* These numbers do not include those that have aged out of school, are homeschooled, or are too young to have enrolled.



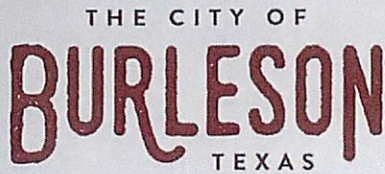
# Center for ASD

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**COMMUNITY  
LETTERS OF  
REFERENCE**





## FIRE DEPARTMENT

828 S.W. Alsbury  
Burleson, TX 76028  
817-426-9170  
[www.burlesontx.com](http://www.burlesontx.com)

To whom it may concern:

My name is Lieutenant Rob Moore with Burleson Fire Department, administrative office. I am writing this letter on the behalf of the Center for ASD in our community. The Center for ASD has been very proactive in regards to helping first responders become more familiar and comfortable with those in our community who have special needs.

Specifically Lisa Boultinghouse has been consistently reaching out to us and working with us for several months engaging in an ongoing training program. This program was created by Lisa to not only help first responders understand better how to communicate and work with those with special needs, but also to give their students and members a chance to spend time with those of us at the fire department.

We have spent several sessions with these wonderful students and members and most recently were able to participate with them in the Light Up The Night for autism awareness.

It is my personal belief that Lisa and the center for ASD has been a valuable member of this community to the benefit of all citizens and first responders.

Thank you,  
Lieutenant Rob Moore  
Burleson Fire Department  
828 SW Alsbury Blvd, Burleson, Tx 76028  
817-426-9177  
Rmoore@burlesontx.com

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rob Moore".

4/11/22





**PECAN VALLEY CENTERS**  
**FOR BEHAVIORAL & DEVELOPMENTAL HEALTHCARE**

April 7, 2022

To Whom It May Concern,

*I am writing you this letter on behalf of Center for ASD to show my support for a monetary grant through your organization. I believe this foundation is deserving of this grant because it provides opportunities and support to improve the quality of life of individuals affected by Autism and other special needs.*

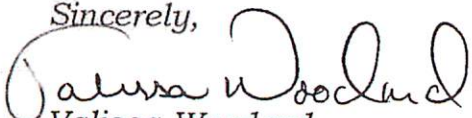
*One of the reasons I support Center for ASD is they provide families hope for a meaningful future for their families or loved ones. Music therapy and social skills groups are just some of the services offered. They also hold family field trips for community access, and they provide resources for parents to help them provide the best educational, social and economic opportunities for their children.*

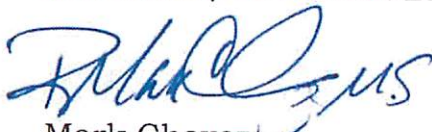
*Another reason I believe Center for ASD is deserving of this grant is that the money will go directly back into the communities it serves. The staff and volunteers at Center for ASD host several successful fundraisers every year that help them maintain a budget for services.*

*If you choose to award your grant to Center for ASD, I believe Center for ASD can exceed your expectations and continue to flourish with your assistance.*

*For these reasons, I hope you consider Center for ASD as a top contender for this grant.*

Sincerely,

  
Valissa Woodard  
IDD Intake/CFC Team Lead

  
Mark Chavez  
Chief Of IDD Services



**Dan McClendon  
Burleson Mayor Pro Tem  
141 W Renfro St  
Burleson, TX 76028**

March 23, 2022

Honorable Judge Roger Harmon and the  
Johnson County Commissioners' Court  
2 N Main St  
Cleburne, TX 76033

Honorable Judge and Commissioners:

It has been my distinct pleasure to welcome into our City of Burleson the Center for ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) which was founded by and is headed by Lisa Boultinghouse. Lisa has undertaken a mission for our community and its surrounding area to provide a type of care for some of the most under-served individuals in our society today, those adults and children who are on the Autism Spectrum.

As the parent of an autistic son, I cannot describe adequately my gratitude to Lisa and her organization for the services they provide. Autistic people are a kind of challenge to caregivers and families that few people can find the courage and determination to provide for. The work of caring for an autistic person can be as unique as one day to another, and can be rewarding at times, but at others, devastating to those entrusted with their care.

The Center for ASD is, in the present day, a benefit beyond measure to those who entrust their handicapped loved ones to their care. These people, despite their individual challenges, are valued and affirmed under the care of the Center for ASD, and the caregivers and parents who rely on the Center are confident, as they should be, that their loved ones have life, educational, and recreational experiences that will serve to the great benefit of advancing their lives to the ultimate potential that they can achieve.

Further, Lisa has shared with me a vision that she has for a community for life for these members of our community where they can experience life in the fullest measure that their individual abilities will allow. It is my personal hope that this vision can be brought to fruition, and I have pledged myself, my financial support, and my position in the community to help facilitate in any way I can the bringing about of this fine and laudable mission.

Please accept this as my letter of support for Lisa and the Center in their application for relief funds. I cannot myself name a more deserving recipient.

Sincerely,



Dan McClendon  
Burleson Mayor Pro Tem