

ARISE*news*



New After-School Respite Program

ARISE kicked off its brand new Inclusive After-School Respite Program in Syracuse at the start of the school year. During development of this program, a main objective was to provide childcare for parents looking for after-school programming, at one location, for eligible children and their siblings. Geoff Peppel, Manager for Inclusive Recreation says, "It was so important for us to make this program an inclusive place for kids to be kids; a place for peers to learn and grow together in a safe space after school. Making it inclusive helps parents most of all, especially when they don't have to worry about picking up their kids from multiple locations when their lives are already jam packed. We believe that siblings and cousins and close friends should stick together and our after school program provides the support to make that a reality."

ARISE specializes in serving youth with disabilities. The Inclusive After-School Program will serve elementary school-age children and will run throughout the entire school year. In a program we call School Break Recreation, we offer day camps during school breaks, vacations and holidays.

What to expect

Newly renovated space
Inclusive program
Innovative activities
Sensory and quiet areas
Homework space
Experienced staff
Fun and Friends

Location: ARISE Main Office, 635 James Street, Syracuse, NY 13203

Start Date: September 2019

When: Weekdays between 2 and 6 PM during the school year (including summer school), including half-days.

Cost:

- For OPWDD eligible participants the cost of programming will be covered by the Medicaid Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver
- For non-OPWDD eligible participants the self-pay rate is \$25/hour

Contact Mary Kate Menges at 315-671-2974 or mmenges@ariseinc.org for more information.



Autumn 2019

A MESSAGE TO OUR FRIENDS



Tania S. Anderson
CEO

ARISE always has been an advocate for change when it comes to increased access and inclusion for people with disabilities in our community and our world. The environment in which ARISE and other human services agencies operate is changing at a rapid pace, and traits like flexibility and resilience are at a premium.

First, some great changes at ARISE. In May 2019 we started work on a substantial project to renovate all three floors of the building ARISE owns at 635 James Street in Syracuse. This nearly \$1 million project was funded by a competitive grant from New York's Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program. Our basement was transformed from a dark space with a dirt floor to beautiful bright rooms for our new after-school respite program, increased Independent Living services, and a large meeting and training room. We are building new office and meeting space on our first and second floors to support our Community Habilitation and Mental Health Clinic services, and our reception area received a major facelift. Our resilient staff kept working throughout construction, delivering quality service to individuals. Be on the lookout for an invitation to a formal ribbon-cutting when work is complete later in the fall.

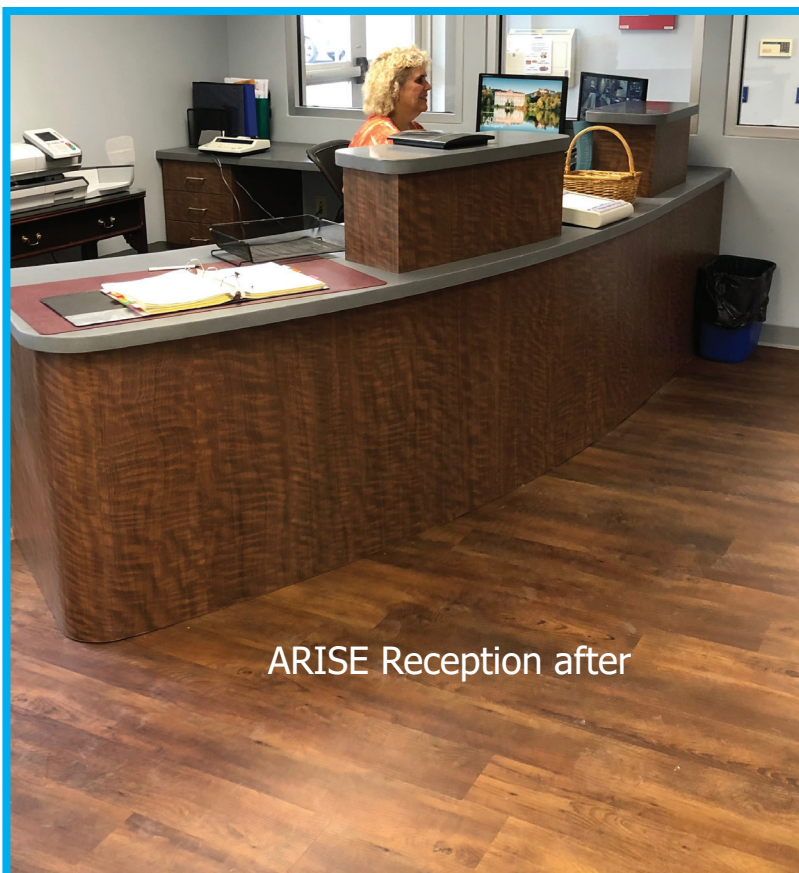
Another exciting change is happening in Oswego. We are moving our City of Oswego offices to Creekside Plaza at 293 State Route 104 East. We'll have 7,800 square feet of newly renovated space for our critical programs and services, including on-site storage of materials for our vital ramp program and additional space for outpatient mental health services. ARISE has been proud to serve Oswego since 1996, and this move cements our commitment to that community.

Finally, ARISE is advocating to save critical funding for our Consumer Directed Personal Assistant Program (CDPAP), which is threatened with rate cuts so severe as to kill this program that keeps people with significant illnesses and disabilities out of institutions and in their homes in the community. The threat to CDPAP is part of a larger trend shifting risk from government to managed care companies to providers like ARISE. ARISE is resilient and flexible in its strategies to adapt to change.

We celebrated our 40 year anniversary in 2019, and we know we've got plenty more to accomplish.



ARISE Reception before



ARISE Reception after



Community-Based Prevocational Services

Community-Based Prevocational Services help prepare people for the world of employment. The person-centered focus ensures we meet each individual's vocational needs and desires. People involved in Community-Based Prevocational Services will discover, explore, and experience a variety of employment-related endeavors through instruction, training, and support. The service offers individual and group opportunities in "classroom-like" settings as well as community locations.

People interested must be eligible through the New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) and may be enrolled in other OPWDD services and/or Adult Career and Continuing Education Services-Vocational Rehabilitation (ACCES-VR). Darlene Klock and Spencer Horton are leading this new opportunity for people in Oswego County. The service will be offered in Onondaga County in the coming months. For more information call 315-342-4088 ext. 212 or email: dklock@ariseinc.org

New Address for Oswego Office

Early in November the Oswego County office of ARISE will have a brand new location! The move was made to better accommodate our many programs and services. In Oswego you will find us east of the river at:

Creekside Plaza
293 State Route 104
Oswego, New York 13126
Voice: 315-342-4088
TTY: 315-342-8696

Phone numbers and emails will remain the same.



Calendar



- ✓ October is Disability Employment Awareness Month
- ✓ Mental Illness Awareness Week - October 6 - 12, 2019
- ✓ Voter Registration Deadline - October 11, 2019
- ✓ ARISE Ribbon Cutting for Renovated 635 James Street Headquarters - To be announced

ARISE

635 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13203

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Syracuse, NY
Permit No. 1629

About Us

We are a non-profit Independent Living Center, we are organized and directed by people with disabilities.

We work to ensure that every person, regardless of disability, has the power to make life choices and achieve his or her dreams!

Our Locations

Main & Onondaga County Office

635 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13203
Voice: (315) 472-3171
TTY: (315) 479-6363

Oswego County Office

Creekside Plaza
293 State Route 104
Oswego, NY 13126
Voice: (315) 342-4088
TTY: (315) 342-8696

Fulton Mental Health Office

113 Schuyler Street, Suite 2
Fulton, NY 13069
Voice: (315) 887-5156

Madison County Office

1091 Northside Shopping Center
Oneida, NY 13421
Voice: (315) 363-4672
TTY: (315) 363-2364

Cayuga/Seneca County Office

21 Lincoln Street
Auburn, NY 13021
Voice: (315) 255-3447
TTY: (315) 282-0762

ARISE at the Farm

1972 New Boston Road
Chittenango, NY 13037
Voice: (315) 687-6727

Look for us at

www.ARISEinc.org



© 2019 ARISE Inc.

Our mission is to work with **people of all abilities** to create a fair and just community in which **everyone** can fully participate.

ARISE

f o u n d a t i o n

WANT TO HELP?

One of the easiest ways to help ARISE is to get this newsletter electronically. You will receive the newsletter by email and we can save money on paper, printing, and postage!

Just email us at development@ariseinc.org and tell us you want "ARISE News" sent to your email.

Could you send us your phone number too?

(just in case there is a problem)

Thank You!

