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## Governor's Task Force on Services to the Disabled

Governor Thomas H. Kean has ordered the creation of the Governor's Task Force on Services to the Disabled to study existing services and their delivery and make recommendation on how New Jersey can improve and expand the services available to the State's disabled residents.

"We have a long-standing commitment in New Jersey to do everything we can to assist those whose disabilities make the business of day-to-day living more difficult," Kean said. "We know that there is a large network of services from both public and private sector. What we must do now is identify all those services so that they can be made more readily available to those who need them."

"More importantly, we will be able to identify gaps in existing services and move to fill those gaps," the Governor said.

The Task Force's goals will include:

- Identifying existing services and the problems experienced by disabled persons in utilizing those services.
- Analyzing the service delivery systems to determine their effectiveness and to identify duplication and unmet needs.
- Recommending short-term remedial action to address resolvable problems.
- Recommending the design and implementation plan for a Statewide model of complementary services, supported by appropriate funding.

Chairing the task Force will be Steven Janick of Long Branch, currently Vice President of the Governor's Committee on the Disabled.

The Staff Coordinator will be Ethan Ellis of Piscataway, who is President-elect of the New Jersey Coalition of Citizens with Disabilities, and who is a consultant at the Center for Human Resources at Rutgers University Institute for Management and Relations.

Grace Applegate, Assistant Commissioner of Labor, will serve the Task Force as Executive Director.

"The primary objective of the Governor's Task Force will be to develop a coordinated approach between government and the private sector for providing the best services possible to our State's disabled citizens," the Governor said. Ms. Applegate, Mr. Janick and Mr. Ellis have demonstrated by their work with the disabled community, that they have the expertise and experience to direct the Task Force and to implement its recommendations for a coordinated model of services.

"It is my belief that the Task Force --- the first of its kind ever formed in the State of New Jersey --- will prove to be of significant value to the disabled community by providing an effective vehicle for improving the delivery of services to those who need them most," Governor Kean said.



In a related matter, the Governor signed legislation appropriating \$750,000 to the Department of Labor for funding of sheltered workshops across the State.

The bill, A-4085, was sponsored by Assembly Speaker Alan J. Karcher, D-Middlesex. The bill will allow the Department to fund each of the 32 Statewide occupational centers at 100 percent of their incurred cost.

"Sheltered workshops are a vitally important part of our network for disabled persons," Kean said. "It permits many handicapped people to do productive and personally rewarding work, to develop a sense of independence, and to increase their independence."

Mr. Allen Waters of DVRS' Facilities Unit has been "loaned" to the Task Force as a staff member for the next six (6) months. During this tour Carroll J. Mrowicki and Jim Agre will be assuming his responsibilities.



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#### Rehabilitant of the Year

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We are pleased to announce that Michael Dressler, who was nominated by his former counselor, Joan Seidler, has been selected Rehabilitant of the Year.

Mr. Dressler has been Mayor of Cresskill since 1983 and is the County Counsel for Bergen County.

Mr. Dressler was injured in a swimming accident at the age of 18 in 1970 where he suffered a dislocation of a cervical vertebrae with a C5 compression fracture resulting in quadriplegia.

With DVRS assistance he completed college and law school. While in college he was elected to town council. He also served as Police Commissioner, Fire Commissioner and Council President.

We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who submitted an entry and to commend DVRS staff for the thousands of other disabled people you rehabilitate every year.



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#### Guardianship Payment Available

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A limited number of pamphlets are available from your facility specialist. The pamphlet discusses how guardianship can be arranged without cost.

If you have an urgent problem with guardianship call the Division of Advocacy for the Developmentally Disabled at 1-800-792-8600.

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#### Artist for the Disabled

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Dr. Joanne Serraino, a former professor of fine arts, has recently been appointed to promote fine arts as a vocational objective for disabled citizens.

She will evaluate and screen our clients who have artistic abilities and direct them into careers in fine arts, crafts, graphic design, photography, etc. She also plans to work with employers to develop jobs doing graphics with computers.

Dr. Serraino holds a doctorate in fine arts from Pratt Institute and is a professional artist in painting and sculpture. She has exhibited and sold her own works and was an art educator for 15 years. During this time, she worked with mainstreaming the handicapped into the classroom and developed special programs in the fine and performing arts for them.

Although her initial efforts will be in the fine arts and crafts, she plans to utilize a background in the performing arts for future job development for our clients.

Dr. Serraino will be eventually working statewide, but may currently be reached at the DVRS Hackensack Office. VOICE: (201) 487-7890 or (201) 487-7895 (TTY/TDD for the hearing impaired)



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#### Arts in DVR

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The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation under the direction of George Chizmadia has been moving ahead in the arts.

Managers, counselors, clients, public and private organizations together with Joanne Serraino, Chief, Fine Arts, are expanding opportunities in the department.

During the month of October, individuals from Friendship House, exhibited a wide variety of art work in the Johnson Public Library, Hackensack.

Likewise artists from the New Brunswick and the East Orange offices exhibited at the Trenton State Museum Auditorium, while









## South Jersey Happenings

By Jim Agre

Atlantic Opportunity Center: Has moved into its new building in Egg Harbor. The building is of modern industrial construction and can be expanded as needed.

A new evaluator has been hired. She is Ms. Marybeth Headley. Welcome to the Facilities program.

Jersey Cape Diagnostic Training and Opportunity Center: Has hired a new placement counselor, Ms. Sheila O'Neil and a new extended employment counselor, Mr. Gregory J. Anderson. Best wishes to both of these new staff members.

Easter Seals Ocean County Opportunity Center: Welcomes Ms. Cynthia Rauso as its new Director of professional services. Construction has begun on this agency's new building at long last. Occupancy is anticipated by next spring of early summer.

Goodwill Industries of Southern New Jersey: Is establishing a food services training program. Clients will receive instruction in purchasing, preparing and serving light meals, sandwiches, etc. Hopefully, many persons can be placed in employment in these jobs in the southern part of the state.

A new evaluator has been hired. She is Ms. Irene Ovoraczky, who began employment in August. Mr. Robert Ianzalotta has begun new job duties as Director Sales and Transportation. Hurley McCall has been assigned to the position of counseling supervisor. A new placement counselor, Craig Kelly, began employment recently.

A part time counselor, Ms. Ida Brown has recently been hired. Her duties will include supervising the Food Services Program. She will shortly receive training in a food services management course to be provided by the Department of Human Services.

Best of luck to all these people.

I have recently added the Occupational Training Center of Mercer County to my area of service and will be visiting this agency shortly.

We welcome back Mrs. Arlene Solomon, Director of Vocational Services of Association for the Advancement of Mental Health, after an extended leave.



### The Missing Link in Evaluating Sheltered Workshop Programs: The Clients' Input

The above title is from an article that appears in the October 1985 edition of Mental Retardation. The authors are James R. Dudley and Mona Struhser Schatz.

The article points out that clients of sheltered workshop programs are seldom consulted about how these programs are helping them, in part because of the inadequacy of existing methods for eliciting their views. In this ethnographic study, 16 clients of a sheltered workshop were consulted about their work roles and program. The findings reveal their confusions about the workshop's role in helping them, and describes their perspectives on whether to leave the workshops for "outside jobs." Suggestions are provided for enhancing the clients' evaluative role based on the findings and the ethnographic techniques used in the study.

The article makes interesting reading and is well worth your time and energy. It provides some real food for thought.



### CRIE - Computers in Rehabilitation Information Exchange

The purpose of this exchange is the sharing of information on computers in rehabilitation. Members included are rehabilitation professionals and others who use computer technology in their jobs or who are interested in the use of computers in rehabilitation. There is no membership fee. For more information call or write:

CRIE Membership  
One Dunbar Plaza, Suite E  
Dunbar, WV 25064  
Phone: (304) 348-6340

**New Jersey Developmental Disabilities  
Council and Rutgers College Recreation  
Service**

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**PRESENT: "Family Recreation Day  
for the Disabled"**

**DATE:** Saturday, March 15, 1986

**TIME:** 10:00 a.m. till 3:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** Rutgers Gymnasium  
College Avenue  
New Brunswick, NJ

**CALL:** S.C.R.I.P. at 1-800-792-  
8858 after 1:00 p.m. to  
request a registration  
form.

Pre-registration now thru Febru-  
ary 1, 1986 in order to take ad-  
vantage of Free:

- Babysitting
- Exhibition Booth
- Games, Events & Prizes

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**Computer Programming Job Training  
Program at Home**

For further information send your:

- NAME
- ADDRESS
- AND PHONE NUMBER

TO:

Lift, Inc.  
P.O. Box 1072  
Mountainside, NJ 07092

or call:

NJ ----- Phone(s) (201)789-2443  
(201)721-1306

NY ----- Phone (212) 839-8352

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**Attention Non-Profit Agencies Serving  
Handicapped Persons**

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The New Jersey Department of Com-  
munity Affairs, Division of Com-  
munity Resources, Management As-  
sistant Program has created a  
Handicapped Person's Recreational  
Opportunities Act effective Sep-  
tember 3, 1985. For further in-  
formation call: (609) 984-6654.

**Publication Seeks to Increase  
Readership**

Thanks to a grant from Bingham  
Enterprises Foundation of Louis-  
ville, Kentucky, The Disability Rag  
is conducting a massive direct mail  
marketing campaign and is inte-  
rested in hearing from people who  
would like to share mailing lists  
which include names of disabled  
consumers. If you would like to  
assist them, contact:

The Disability Rag  
Box 145  
Louisville, Kentucky 40201

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**Food for Thought:**

"To laugh often and love much; to  
win and hold the respect of in-  
telligent persons and the affection  
of children; to earn the approba-  
tion of honest critics and to en-  
dure without flinching the betrayal  
of false friends; to appreciate  
beauty always, whether in earth's  
creations or human handiwork; to  
have sought for and found the best  
in others, and to have given it  
oneself; to leave the world better  
than one found it, whether by a  
child, a garden patch, a cheery  
letter, or a redeemed social con-  
dition; to have played with en-  
thusiasm, laughed with exuberance,  
and sung with exaltation; to go  
down to dust and dreams, knowing  
the world is a bit better, and that  
even a single life breathes easier  
because we have lived well, this is  
to have succeeded."

- Anonymous



## Basic Program Services

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## Traditional

Facility Name	DURS	Start	Start	Start	Other	Avg D	Avg-g	Avg-g	wait	Drop	Drop	Drop	Comp	Shel:
	Refer	Eval	WAT	Skill	Spor	Attnc	Eval	WAT	List	Eval	WAT	Skill	Place	Wage
Abilities NW	8	6	3	0	12	7	8.0	0.0	0	2	0	0	0 \$0.00	0 \$0.00
Abilities So.	52	39	25	0	25	98	10.0	18.0	0	11	13	0	8 \$3.54	6 \$1.00
Assoc Craft	43	25	9	2	7	30	4.5	9.0	0	4	2	0	7 \$5.87	4 \$1.33
A C O C	29	10	16	0	3	14	8.7	16.0	0	3	3	0	0 \$0.00	9 \$0.69
August Hoehne	7	9	9	0	33	38	9.3	12.7	9	1	1	0	1 \$4.50	9 \$0.81
Boland Rehab	30	29	6	6	53	31	10.0	18.0	0	7	0	0	6 \$4.09	6 \$0.80
Candien OTC	15	12	5	0	6	32	10.0	18.0	0	0	0	0	1 \$3.50	4 \$0.89
Cumberland	33	37	18	0	13	57	10.0	18.0	0	6	7	0	7 \$5.62	4 \$1.21
Edison SW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0 \$0.00	0 \$0.00
Friendship H	49	55	20	2	173	132	10.0	18.0	0	8	1	0	15 \$3.40	14 \$1.51
Goodwill NJ	75	59	32	6	18	90	7.5	15.0	0	10	3	1	26 \$3.35	0 \$0.00
Goodwill So.	27	16	11	0	1	26	10.0	18.0	0	0	2	0	2 \$3.50	4 \$1.66
Highlands	10	9	9	0	8	44	9.0	18.0	0	1	3	0	0 \$0.00	3 \$0.77
H O T C	27	18	18	7	100	87	4.5	8.6	0	10	3	0	6 \$4.35	1 \$1.18
Jersey Cape	6	7	4	0	1	3	7.0	13.0	0	0	1	0	1 \$3.35	3 \$1.49
Jewish Voc S	30	21	13	0	0	20	10.0	25.0	0	4	3	0	4 \$3.66	6 \$1.54
Joseph Fineman	see august h. hoehne above													
Monmouth CVR	21	25	12	0	53	47	5.0	6.0	0	10	2	0	5 \$3.35	2 \$1.20
OC Essex	40	22	10	0	88	95	9.0	18.0	0	3	2	0	1 \$3.35	10 \$1.56
OC Hudson	22	16	9	0	19	35	6.4	21.6	3	2	1	0	5 \$3.35	5 \$0.91
OC Union	32	23	13	0	62	114	8.0	25.0	0	11	3	0	2 \$3.50	17 \$1.21
OTC Handi. CK	18	16	6	0	23	29	7.0	16.0	0	2	3	0	1 \$5.41	9 \$2.83
OTC Burlington	29	35	17	0	1	51	10.0	30.0	0	17	11	0	2 \$3.35	9 \$1.05
OTC Mercer	6	11	7	4	4	24	8.0	18.0	0	0	1	0	2 \$3.50	2 \$1.46
Ocean Co. OC	11	12	10	0	0	18	10.0	10.0	0	3	0	0	4 \$3.35	2 \$1.01
Raritan Valley	36	21	15	0	59	83	10.0	27.0	0	6	3	0	8 \$4.05	15 \$1.23
St. John. of God	9	9	7	3	2	22	10.7	18.0	8	1	0	0	0 \$0.00	1 \$1.07
Salem Co. OC	10	15	2	0	0	22	10.0	18.0	0	2	3	0	2 \$3.35	4 \$0.95
Thrift Shop Un	7	4	3	6	2	7	6.0	12.0	2	1	0	0	1 \$3.35	1 \$1.06
OTC SOMERSET	3	0	3	0	10	33	0.0	7.0	0	0	0	0	0 \$0.00	2 \$1.54
West Essex	59	27	10	0	5	51	5.0	18.0	0	3	8	0	3 \$4.75	15 \$1.45
West Hudson	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.0	18.0	0	0	0	0	0 \$0.00	0 \$0.00
Wrk Opp Ctr	26	23	11	0	34	18	10.0	18.0	0	2	2	0	1 \$3.50	1 \$1.47

State TOTALS	770	611	333	36	815	1357			22	130	81	1	121	\$3.87	166	\$1.26
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One Year Ago	756	627	328	29	696	1271			10	183	100	5	156	\$4.21	131	\$1.20
Two Years Ago	713	589	296	42	634	1218			30	185	85	12	124	\$4.16	150	\$1.16
Three Years	810	608	287	35	544	na			88	169	77	11	106	\$3.98	na	na
Four Year	746	532	294	44	402	na			85	151	69	16	129	\$3.93	na	na
Five Years	718	551	266	79	270	na			61	162	79	9	112	\$3.80	na	na

# Sheltered Employment

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Sheltered	No. Cl	A D A Wait	Hour	Clnt	Wage	Time in E.E.	in Years			
	E.E.	E.E.	List	Wage	Plcd	After one	one-3	Thr-5	Over 5	
Abilities MW	40	35	0	\$0.80	0	\$0.00	0	0	0	0
Abilities So	110	112	0	\$0.94	5	\$3.40	2	3	0	0
Assoc Craft	52	39	0	\$1.47	4	\$3.71	1	2	0	1
A C O C	123	109	0	\$0.69	0	\$0.00	0	0	0	0
August Hoehne	88	66	0	\$0.68	4	\$3.88	0	3	1	0
Boland Rehab	85	59	0	\$0.80	3	\$3.60	0	2	1	0
Camden DTC	60	57	0	\$1.19	3	\$3.40	0	3	0	0
Cumberland	65	52	0	\$0.92	2	\$4.48	1	1	0	0
Edison SW	0	0	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	0	0	0	0
Friendship H	67	55	0	\$1.51	9	\$1.51	3	4	2	0
Goodwill NJ	39	32	0	\$1.79	0	\$0.00	0	0	0	0
Goodwill So.	58	52	0	\$2.15	4	\$3.50	2	2	0	0
Highlands	45	39	0	\$1.15	1	\$4.00	1	0	0	0
H O T C	41	40	0	\$1.68	0	\$0.00	0	0	0	0
Jersey Cape	63	48	0	\$1.08	2	\$3.35	0	1	1	0
Jewish Voc S	75	46	0	\$1.75	5	\$4.14	5	0	0	0
Joseph Fineman	see august h. hoehne above									
Monmouth CVR	60	54	0	\$0.94	1	\$3.35	0	1	0	0
OC Essex	254	202	0	\$1.09	3	\$3.52	0	0	2	1
OC Hudson	40	51	0	\$1.27	2	\$3.35	2	0	0	0
OC Union	205	175	0	\$1.15	6	\$3.50	2	4	0	0
OTC Handl. CK	134	68	0	\$1.14	2	\$4.10	2	0	0	0
OTC Burlington	93	75	0	\$1.16	4	\$0.95	2	1	1	0
OTC Mercer	94	87	0	\$0.90	3	\$3.75	0	0	3	0
Ocean Co. OC	94	66	0	\$1.03	4	\$3.55	2	1	1	0
Raritan Valley	154	117	0	\$1.00	1	\$3.75	0	0	0	0
St. John of God	50	57	8	\$0.71	0	\$0.00	0	0	0	0
Sales Co. OC	70	51	0	\$1.22	6	\$3.35	1	2	1	1
Thrift Shop Un	33	25	0	\$1.78	5	\$3.82	1	2	0	3
OTC SOMERSET	37	18	0	\$1.22	3	\$3.87	0	1	2	0
West Essex	101	91	0	\$1.79	1	\$4.50	1	0	0	0
West Hucson	29	16	0	\$0.74	0	\$0.00	0	0	0	0
Wrk Opp Ctr	98	98	0	\$0.97	11	\$3.72	1	3	3	4
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2557</b>	<b>2092</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>\$1.14</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>\$3.36</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>
One Year Ago	2406	2086	10	\$1.11	101	\$3.78	58	28	12	7
Two Years Ago	2514	2093	6	\$0.84	53	\$3.35	16	22	10	2
Three Years	2561	2946	12	\$1.02	38	\$3.75				
Four Years	2055	2875	31	\$0.97	46	\$3.18	17	11	6	12
Five Years	1889	2626	33	\$0.98	48	\$3.24				