

# Summer Recreation Resource Fair

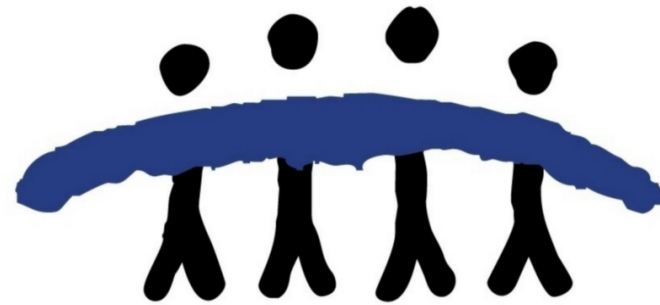
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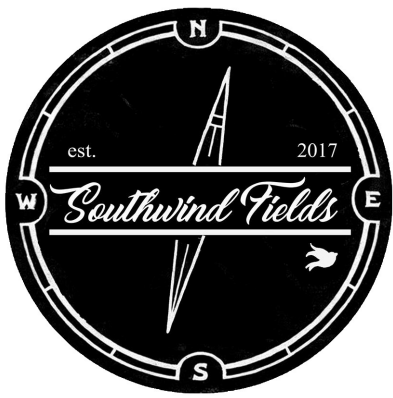
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**The Arc**  
*of San Antonio*

Serving People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities



# Southwind Fields

## Leslie Bellieu, CEO

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- A provider of community support to maximize independent living.
- The agency assists with housing accommodations for their “locals” within a partnered apartment community complex.
- Locals have the option of living independently or with a roommate.
- The program has a staff member who lives in the complex that conducts check-in’s a few times a week as well as an advisor to provide case management.
- Locals have a weekly budget meeting to assure financial wellness.
- Currently most group events are taking place via ZOOM, except for some.
- Monthly events that take place are family nights, a guest speaker series, life skills, worship and wellness.
- Southwind Fields is encouraging their locals to “Live A Life They Love”.



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# Texas Workforce Commission

Texas Workforce Solutions Vocational Rehabilitation Services

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- Summer Earn and Learn (SEAL) Program provides pathways to employment for students with disabilities ages 14 – 22.
- Program members receive paid work experience to further their future career goals.
- The agency partners with their local workforce boards, community partners, local school districts and employers.
- Wages and workmen's compensation is covered in the program.
- All participating employers receive an orientation prior to student placement.
- TWC provides year-round vocational rehabilitation services virtually in
  - Career exploration counseling
  - Work-based learning experiences
  - Job readiness training
  - Counseling on post- secondary training
  - Instruction in self-advocacy



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# Down Syndrome Association of South Texas

## Oraila Lara, Education Director

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- A support service for individuals with Down Syndrome and their families.
- All events and activities are welcome to any family members and all disabilities.
- Founded in 1994 by a group of parents seeking support for their children.
- Now the agency serves more than 1,200 individuals.
- DSASTX offers various support groups for moms, dads, and siblings (currently conducted virtually).
- For the individuals, activities are hosted by age group (currently conducted virtually)
  - 0-5 Music and Movement (Monthly) FB
  - 6 – 12 Kids Connection (Monthly)
  - 13 + Teen and Adult Club (Weekly)
  - Rackets Up (Weekly)
- The agency hosts Buddy Walk yearly which is its largest fundraiser.



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# Morgan's Wonderland

## Nikki Young, Edutainment Director

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- Morgan's Wonderland will be reopening March 5, 2021.
- In addition to the theme park, Morgan's Wonderland Sports opened in October 2020 which is hosting Super Sports Saturdays.
- Morgan's Wonderland Camp will be opening soon to provide a year-round, ultra-accessible camping experience.
- The Morgan's Wonderland Inclusion Foundation now encompasses all the Morgan's Wonderland family.





# Morgan's Wonderland

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Visit their websites

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<https://morganswonderlandsports.com/>

<http://morganswonderlandcamp.com/>

<https://www.morganswonderland.com/mwif/>





# Special Olympics Texas, San Antonio

## Jalen Lewis, Program Director

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- In Texas there are 19 Special Olympics area offices.
- Locally they offer 19 different sports varying by season.
- All area athletes can compete in their select sport around the state if they choose, no qualification is necessary.
- Currently they are not hosting in person competitions, however they have adapted to a virtual program called SO Connected.
- SO Connected provides four disciplines:
  - Active
  - SO Nutrition
  - Extracurricular Activities
  - E-Sports
- Special Olympics Texas is the worlds largest health provider for individuals with intellectual disabilities.



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# Charis Hills

## Colleen Southard, Founder

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- Charis Hills is an overnight camp which hosts 7 one-week sessions over the summer.
- At full capacity there are 50 campers with a 3:1 staff ratio weekly.
- They welcome campers ages 7 to 18.
- Charis Hills offers campers 25 different activities to choose to participate in accommodating 6 into their daily schedule.
- They will be hosting an open house on Saturday, April 17 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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## **Eva's Heroes**

**Christiane Garcia, Co-Founder / Executive Director**

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- Eva's Heroes serves individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities from the age of 14 and older.
- As many other organizations, they have been conducting their programming virtually, creating Virtual Interactive Programming (VIP).
- The five days of programming consists of:
  - Theater
  - Arts & Crafts
  - Hip-Hop and Ballet
  - Animal Encounters
  - Virtual Tours
  - Meet and Greets with Community Leaders



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# Down Home Ranch

## Barry Hamilton, COO

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- Down Home Ranch has been empowering the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities for more than 30 years.
- They are located in Elgin, TX about 45 minutes east of Austin.
- Ranch Camp is focused on supporting adults 18 years and older.
- This summer they plan to host 20 campers once a week for 6 weeks.
- They have a 1 staff to 5 camper ratio.
- Rates for a new camper to attend is \$810 a week, scholarships are also offered for those needing financial assistance, respite funds can also be used.



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# **CAMP (Children's Association for Maximum Potential)**

## **Christina Gill, Outreach Coordinator**

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- CAMP provides summer camp programming to special needs individuals ages 5 to 50 years old.
- With more than 40 years of experience, CAMP has developed adaptive programming including horse back riding, canoeing, and archery.
- This summer, CAMP will host 7 sessions which include 2 adult, 2 Autism, and 3 combined sessions.
- Adult sessions are open to campers ages 22 to 50.
- The Autism specific sessions are separated, one all male session and one co-ed these are open to campers ages 5 to 35.
- The registration process will begin with a pre-screening to identify any medical or behavioral needs.
- Spots are filled on a first come first serve basis and financial assistance is available.



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*Inclusion is Sweet.*

# **Inclusion is Sweet**

## **Natalia Jasso, Executive Director**

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- Inclusion is Sweet provides vocational training to individuals with disabilities in the San Antonio area.
- Currently they are hosting a virtual day program on Tuesday's and Thursday's
- Programing consists of vocational and life skill building, virtual field trips and tours, and a book club.
- To register for the program, visit [www.shelbyssweets.org/vitual](http://www.shelbyssweets.org/vitual) or email [virtual@shelbyssweets.org](mailto:virtual@shelbyssweets.org)



## **Kinetic Kids**

### **Andrew Garcia, Program Administrator**

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- Kinetic Kids has been providing sports and recreational activities to children with special needs since 2001.
- All programs are led by a physical or occupational therapists.
- Kids ages 18 months – 18 years old are welcome to participate.
- The activities in the Kinetic Kids recreation division are:
  - Basketball
  - Swimming
  - Gymnastics
  - Soccer
  - Tennis
  - Golf & more!
- Kinetic Kids also has an Extreme and Premier program which are the competitive divisions.
- There is a \$75 program cost, all programs have scholarships available.



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# Elite Edge Training

## Michael Hanson, Founder

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- Elite Edge Training teaches Martial Art and Self-Defense to individual with all abilities.
- They have created an Adaptive Martial Arts program to be inclusive to all.
- These practices include life skill building and self-defense techniques.
- The training center collaborates with the individuals support team such as doctors or therapists to accomplish their goals.

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**Thank you for joining us!**

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