



ACHaD

Achieving Community Hopes and Dreams
Providing services to individuals with Special Needs

The ACHaD Department (*Achieving Community Hopes and Dreams*) of the Betty & Milton Katz Jewish Community Center in Cherry Hill serves individuals with special needs, from children through the elderly with a wide variety of physical, developmental, neurological, and learning challenges. **We are committed to providing social, cultural, recreational and educational opportunities through on-going programs classes and special events.** When appropriate, adaptations and accommodations are made to existing programs.

Our goal is to enhance the social, emotional and physical development of participants through supportive programs that **facilitate a sense of empowerment and independence** within the JCC and the larger community. JCC programming affords individuals with opportunities to enhance self-esteem and improve social skills while developing meaningful relationships.



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We Believe

In Inclusive Environments



- Inclusion Support for JCC Programs and Classes
- Open Hearts/Open Doors Summer Day Camp Inclusion Program
- Consultation and Support for Early Childhood Classrooms
- Staff Training and Education
- Collaboration with the Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey and its agencies to promote the philosophy of inclusion

We Provide

Recreation & Socialization



- After School Tween and Teen Peer Groups promoting social skills through recreation
- Adult 21+ Social Activities Group
- Youth Music, Art and Movement Classes
- Aquatic and Fitness Activities including Swim Team and Basketball League
- Holiday Celebrations and Dances
- Cultural Events
- Community Experiences

We Reach Out

To the Community



- Disability and Sensitivity Awareness Training
- Educational Conferences
- Workshops
- Resource Information for the Southern New Jersey special needs community
- Recreational Programs Resource Fair
- Interagency Collaboration



We Enhance JCC Senior Adult Programs

by providing support and adaptive equipment to adults with visual, auditory & physical challenges

- Individual Listening Units for use in the JCC Social Hall
- Portable Amplified Hearing Devices
- Portable Automatic Lifting Seat
- Motorized Scooter
- Wheelchair
- TTY Phone
- Hydraulic Lift access for indoor and outdoor pools
- Elevators
- Accessible Restrooms

How can I make a difference?

Help us fulfill our vision of increasing services to individuals with special needs in our community

- Make a financial contribution
- Send an ACHaD Fund Tribute Card
- Offer to volunteer

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