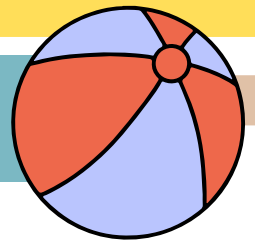
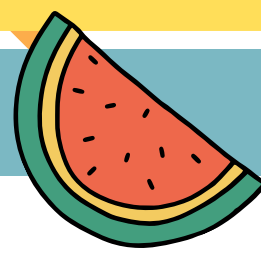


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## CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS (CYSHCN) PROGRAM

### What is the CYSHCN Program?

The Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) Program provides families with resources and referrals to access services for their child(ren) with special health care needs. Scan the QR code below for more information!

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MORE INFORMATION ON  
THE CYSHCN PROGRAM



### Agency Spotlight



Jawonio is dedicated to advancing the independence, well-being, and equality of people with disabilities and special needs. For more information, click [HERE](#).

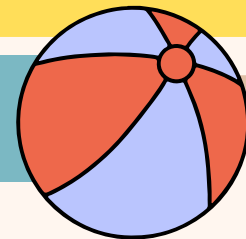
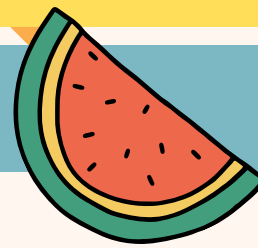
#### What does Jawonio mean?

Jawonio is an Indigenous word that means "Independence." Jawonio helps children and adults reach their fullest personal potential and supports them to be as independent as possible, beginning at a very early age.

#### What services does Jawonio offer?

- Early Intervention services after EI evaluation by the county.
- Special Education Preschool - Supports the therapeutic, educational, and social/emotional needs of children, ages 3-5, within self-contained and integrated classrooms.
- Respite - After-school care program for children with disabilities, ages 5-8.
- Summer Education - A 6-week educational and recreational program that provides extended school year services for students with disabilities, ages 5-22.

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## Things to do

### **ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUNDS:**

*These playgrounds have ADA accessible swings, wheelchair ramps, and/or sensory panels.*

#### Haverstraw Bay Park

21 Gagan Rd.  
West Haverstraw, NY 10993  
*County residency required*

#### Peck's Pond Park

130 Samsondale Ave.  
West Haverstraw, NY 10993  
*Town residency required*

#### Children's Town Park

60 Grotke Rd.  
Spring Valley, NY 10977  
*Town residency required*

#### Veteran's Memorial Park

81 Hunt Rd.  
Orangeburg, NY 10962  
*Town residency required*

### **SENSORY-FRIENDLY MOVIES:**

*At these showings, house lights stay on, sound levels are turned down, and kids can get up and move around.*

#### AMC Palisades

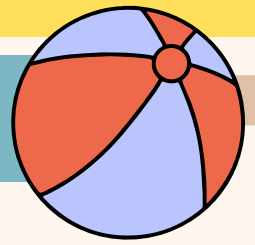
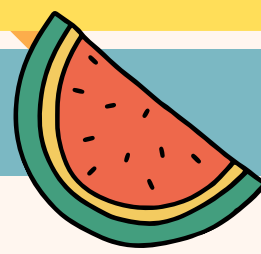
4403 Palisades Center Dr.  
West Nyack, NY 10994  
(845) 348-1876  
Click [HERE](#) for more information.

#### REGAL Nanuet

6201 Fashion Dr.  
Nanuet, NY 10954  
(844) 462-7342  
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## Free Webinars

### *Jawonio*

#### *The Autism Training and Resource Center*

This center serves as a hub for individuals with autism and/or psychiatric disabilities and their families.

Click [HERE](#) to access the webinars.

### *ADAPT Community Network*

#### *Advocating for Families of Children with*

#### *Emotional and Behavioral*

#### *Issues Who Also Have Developmental Disabilities Disorder*

June 20, 2024 | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Zoom

Click [HERE](#) to register.

## Local Food Pantries



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## Free Events

### *County of Rockland*

#### *Accessible Family Fun Day*

June 23, 2024 | 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Rockland Community College

Eugene Levy Fieldhouse - Suffern, NY

Click [HERE](#) to register.

### *Haverstraw King's Daughters Library*

#### *Sensory Play*

Sensory fun with explorative and interactive play for ages 0-6.

June 25, 2024 | 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

85 Main St.

Haverstraw, NY 10927

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

### *Nanuet Public Library*

#### *Sensory Playdate*

Sensory fun with explorative and interactive play for ages 0-5.

July 16, 2024 | 10:15 AM - 11:00 AM

149 Church St.

Nanuet, NY 10954

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## Free Programs

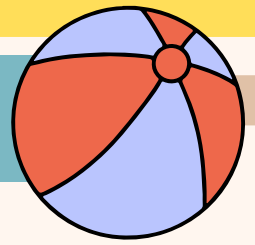
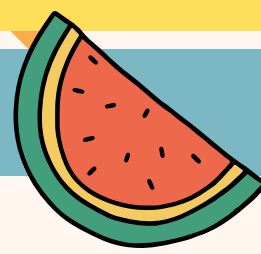
### *BRIDGES*

#### *Pro-Youth Summer Program*

6 week program for students with disabilities, ages 14-22

Contact [erocks@bridgesrc.org](mailto:erocks@bridgesrc.org) or 845-624-1366 ext. 107 for more information.

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## Tips for Summer

As summer arrives, it brings days by the pool, sandy beach getaways, and trips for ice cream. But it's also a good time to keep the little minds busy, especially for kids with special needs or on the autism spectrum.

Here are some easy and fun ideas to keep your child engaged:

- Make an indoor jungle gym: Use pillows and cushions to build forts and tunnels on rainy days. It's a great way for them to explore different textures and develop motor skills.
- Take a daily walk: Keep a routine by going for a walk every day. It's good exercise and a chance to spend time together outdoors.
- Visit the zoo: Animals can be great for social interaction. Check out some of the zoos in the region ([Trailside Museums and Zoo](#) or [Bergen County Zoo](#)) and spend time meeting new furry friends.
- Enjoy a sensory-friendly local show: Some local shows offer performances with adjusted lights and sounds, making it more comfortable for everyone.
- Read, color, and paint: Pick out a favorite book, do some coloring, or paint outdoors. Tailor activities to what they enjoy most and share the fun together!

**THE CYSHCN PROGRAM WOULD LIKE YOUR FEEDBACK!  
CLICK [HERE](#) TO BE DIRECTED TO A SURVEY  
REGARDING DIFFERENT TYPES OF GROUPS FOR CYSHCN  
FAMILIES**