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Family Advocates: Who We Are

We are family members too. Because our loved ones also face lifelong challenges with intellectual and developmental disabilities, we identify with the families we support.

We offer hope and encouragement to families in transition to community living. Transition is an ongoing process that can take multiple attempts, but we believe success is possible because we have experienced it!



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Family advocates meet one on one with self-advocates and their families who are interested in making the transition from state operated developmental centers to community living.

We are here to listen and learn their histories, their needs and their concerns.



Families sharing with families is at the heart of what we do. We share our own personal success stories of transition with the families we meet. We share the experiences of other families who have made successful transitions from SODC's to community living and how they work with available supports. We share information about community resources. We connect families who are willing to share information and experiences with each other.

Family advocates keep in contact throughout the transition process. We are here to provide requested supports from our unique family perspective – whether it's listening on the phone or visiting potential homes with families or accompanying families to first meetings with providers.

We will continue to serve as a resource of friendly support for families as they iron out transition issues, even after community living is achieved.

