

About The Arc Mid-South

The Arc Mid-South is a 501c3 non-profit organization founded in 1950 that provides programs and services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, such as Down syndrome and autism. We help people achieve their life goals and become productive members of the community through opportunities in education, employment, housing, and recreation. Our agency is one of more than 700 Arc chapters nationwide.

The mission of The Arc Mid-South is to **“empower people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to achieve their full potential.”** We are dedicated to providing advocacy and services enabling individuals with disabilities to realize their worth and attain full inclusion in society.

The Arc Mid-South was instrumental in starting the first special education classes in Memphis City and Shelby County Schools as well as group homes and the Adult Activity Center now known as SRVS. As The Arc grew, other initiatives such as disability awareness training, respite care, weekend retreats, residential summer camps, job training, job placement, and disability prevention training focusing on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome were added to our programs and services.

Programs and Services

- Advocacy
- Support Groups
- Information and Referrals
- Community Services, Training & Education
- Family Support Services
- Career Development & Job Placement
- Respite - Summer Camps & Weekend Retreats
- Employment & Volunteer Opportunities

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