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## Liberty hosts Community Service Group

Children's Aid Association members have a chance to view Liberty's Family Support Services playground which was made possible through a grant from the community organization, aimed at providing services to underprivileged children and their families.

**Amsterdam**- Liberty hosted the Children's Aid Association at their Day Supports building for a luncheon meeting. The association recently provided funding for a new playground at Liberty through a recent grant. The grant was awarded to Liberty's Family Support Services program. The intention of the playground is to enhance opportunities for children with developmental disabilities who participate in Liberty's after school and recess programs.

The \$5,155 grant was also used to purchase additional recreational and exercise options for the FSS program. All equipment offers the opportunity to engage and challenge children during their program time.

Liberty's Family Support Program, currently provide over 6,000 hours of services to 36 area children with developmental disabilities for approximately 45 days when school is not in session during the school year and over the summer vacation.

Founded in 1957, Liberty, the Montgomery County Chapter of NYSARC, is a private, not-forprofit organization offering comprehensive, community-based services and support to over 6,000 individuals with intellectual and other developmental disabilities, their families and others in need throughout Montgomery County.

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