



PRESS RELEASE

Date: March 30, 2018

Contact: Sharon Holbrook-Ryan

Phone: 518-954-3265

Email: ryans@libertyarc.org

Liberty ARC Receives Grant to Benefit Children's Programming Funds to be used to Off-Set Cost for Agency's Family Support Services Offerings

AMSTERDAM- Liberty ARC, the Montgomery County Chapter of The Arc New York, has been awarded a \$750 grant from Stewart's Holiday Match program. The funds will be used to augment the agency's Family Support Services (FSS) children's programs; such as after-school, summer/school break recreation and respite services.

Liberty ARC's FSS program provides services and supports to children with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) who have diverse needs, skill sets, and interests. The participants are offered a variety of options for programming, which empowers them to choose how they spend their time while away from home. At times, these programs rely on used or donated items for educational or recreational events such as cooking, arts and crafts, wellness activities or playtime. In addition to providing art and project supplies, the children are offered the opportunity to participate in a gym class two times per month.

With these funds, Liberty ARC will be able to provide the children with a variety of tools and resources that will enhance the experiences offered by the Liberty ARC FSS program.

About Liberty ARC

Liberty ARC, the Montgomery County Chapter of The Arc New York, was founded in 1957 by parents of children with developmental disabilities who wished to establish special education programs in the local community. For more than 60 years, the organization has provided the area with top-quality supports and has grown to include vocational, recreational, residential, day, family support and health-related services to nearly 580 individuals with physical, developmental and other disabilities.

###