



# Special Needs Quick Guide to Resources for:



## Down Syndrome

### ***Broward Gold Coast Down Syndrome Organization***

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10250 NW 53rd Street

Sunrise

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American Sign Language

**Phone:** (954) 577-4122

**FAX:** (954) 746-2954

#### **Description of Services:**

Down Syndrome-Organization that offers many services for parents or individuals with Down Syndrome including: meetings and workshops designed to educate families on ways to improve and fulfill the lives of individuals with DS. Call or visit the website for more details.

**Eligibility:** For families and children with Down Syndrome. (Not an appropriate referral for general Mental Retardation diagnosis).

**Fees::** None

**Intake:** Call or visit the website for information; [www.bgcdownsyntax.org](http://www.bgcdownsyntax.org)

**Area Served:** Broward County

**Hours of Operation:**

### ***Internet Sites (URL's)***

#### **National Down Syndrome Congress**

1370 Center Drive, Suite 102

<http://www.ndsccenter.org>

Atlanta

GA

30338

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American Sign Language

**Phone:** (800) 232-6372

**FAX:**

#### **Description of Services:**

NDSC provides information, advocacy and support concerning all aspects of life for individuals with Down syndrome. They help to promote the availability of and accessibility of opportunities and/or resources that meet individual and family needs.

**Eligibility:**

**Fees::** No Fee

**Intake:** Please visit website for information; <http://www.ndsccenter.org>

**Area Served:** National

**Hours of Operation:**



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### Down Syndrome Resources

www.ds-health.com

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Phone:

FAX:

#### Description of Services:

A list of informative internet sites for parents of children with Down syndrome. Categories include national organizations, community education, medical resources, online magazines and newsletters, resources for parents, non-profit foundations and comprehensive web sites.

#### Eligibility:

Fees:: No Fee

Intake: Visit website for information: www.ds-health.com

Area Served: National

#### Hours of Operation:

### National Down Syndrome Society

666 Broadway

New York

NY

10012

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Phone: (800) 221-4602

FAX: (212) 979-2873

#### Description of Services:

Offers information and resources about Down Syndrome by locating support groups, clinics, NDSS affiliates, articles, books, and videos about Down Syndrome and other organizations near you.

#### Eligibility:

Fees:: No Fee

Intake: Visit web site for information; www.ndss.org

Area Served: National

#### Hours of Operation:

Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

### Living Inclusively For Everyone, Inc.

#### Living Inclusively For Everyone: LIFE

350 NW 84th Ave. Suite 211

Plantation

FL

33326

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Phone: (954) 817-4742

FAX: (954) 236-5071

#### Description of Services:

An all-volunteer parent-run organization that promotes the inclusion of Broward County residents and developmental disabilities (DD). We provide advocacy to parents to obtain appropriate educational services as well as IEP support. We also provide recreational opportunities via our FAN or Friends Are Necessary Clubs. Also assists in affordable housing for Broward residents with DD. We offer all services free of charge and are bilingual.

Eligibility: Individuals with developmental disabilities (DD)

Fees:: None

Intake:

Area Served: Broward County

#### Hours of Operation:

Mon-Friday 9-5pm



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### ***March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation***

#### **March of Dimes - Community Services**

1001 West Cypress Creek  
Suite #110  
Fort Lauderdale FL 33309

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 American Sign Language  
**Phone:** (954) 772-0013  
**FAX:** (954) 772-4655

#### **Description of Services:**

Provides referrals pertaining to genetic counseling, prenatal care, medical evaluations and birth defect treatment, as well as maternal/infant referrals to assist clients in reaching appropriate agencies.

#### **Eligibility:**

**Fees::** No fee  
**Intake:** Contact program office  
**Area Served:** Broward County

#### **Hours of Operation:**

Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

### ***Parents of Down Syndrome Angels (PODS)***

#### **PODS Angels Support Foundation**

1270 SW 28th Terrace  
Fort Lauderdale FL 33312

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 American Sign Language  
**Phone:** (954) 581-4165  
**FAX:** (954) 585-8787

#### **Description of Services:**

PODS Angels is a non-profit support group for families raising an individual with Down syndrome. Families are connected with much-needed Down syndrome-specific information through local, state and national resources. PODS Angels offer many opportunities for families to be involved in local activities.

#### **Eligibility:**

**Fees::**  
**Intake:** Please call for Down Syndrome parent and family support  
**Area Served:** Broward and all South Florida (Online support site serves all of FL)

#### **Hours of Operation:**

Hours vary by activity, call for times and locations