"BEYOND 4 WALLS AND A BED: HOUSING OPTIONS FOR ADULTS"

SUMMIT SCHEDULE

Registration

Breakfast

Welcome, from your Autism Society of Los Angeles hosts

Kim Sinclair - Executive Director, Autism Society of Los Angeles

Mari-Anne Kehler - VP, Board of Directors, Autism Society of Los Angeles, ASLA "Beyond 4 Walls" Director

Andy Kopito - President, Autism Society of Los Angeles

Keynote

Micaela Connery - Founder and CEO of The Kelsey

Panel: Housing Options

A panel of national experts discuss the variety of options, keeping in mind one size does not fit all. They will consider best practices across the spectrum of alternatives and overcoming barriers to entry.

Terry DeBell - Board Member, Board of Directors, Autism Society of Los Angeles

Chris Arroyo, Los Angeles Regional Manager, State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD)

Micaela Connery - Founder and CEO of The Kelsey

Desiree Kameka - Project Leader, Autism Housing Network

Mari-Anne Kehler - VP, Board of Directors, Autism Society of Los Angeles, ASLA "Beyond 4 Walls" Director

Break and Networking Expo

Panel: Funding

Beyond housing options, consider how to move ahead with the funding sources available. Learn how the various funding sources contribute to a client's living support.

Ronit Molko, Ph.D., BCBA-D - Founder and Principal, Empowering Synergy Inc and Board Member, Board of Directors, Autism Society of Los Angeles

Hillary Kessler – Parent; Director, Adult & Residential Services, Westside Regional Center

Richard L. Rosenberg, Ph.D. - Regional Manager for CaPROMISE and CCI

Michelle Wolf – Parent; Founding Executive Director, Jewish Los Angeles Special Needs Trust (JLA Trust)

Lunch – grab and go lunch

Breakouts:

A. **Housing Models**

Learn from the experts - educate yourself on the pros/cons of various models, what to expect and how to access.

Micaela Connery - Founder and CEO of The Kelsey

Desiree Kameka - Project Leader, Autism Housing Network

B. **Friendships and Beyond**

Relationships and sexuality are important elements of adult living. This session will offer guidance on self advocacy and respecting boundaries.

Natalia Geldin - Sexuality Educator, Creator, Director of SPARK

C. **CalABLE Act**

The ins/outs and how to proceed from the CalABLE team.

Carrie Fisher Stone – Parent; Deputy Executive Director, CalABLE

D. **"What's Up with Transition Services and Supports from Birth to Adult Life"**

Lifespan planning support and building skills at each stage of life.

Richard L. Rosenberg, Ph.D. - Regional Manager for CaPROMISE and CCI

E. **"How the Self-Determination Program Lets You Live the Life You Want"**

Learn why it matters and how to get the most for self advocates' wants and needs.

Judy Mark - Parent; President, Disability Voices United; Government Relations Chair, Autism Society of Los Angeles

Tim Jin –Board of Directors, Disability Voices United

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Panel: Supports

Learn from this diverse team how all self-advocates can expect an inclusive life with appropriate supports.

Victor Lira - Vice President, Premier Healthcare Services; Board Member, Board of Directors, Autism Society of Los Angeles

Ryan Berman - Board Member, Board of Directors, Autism Society of Los Angeles

Kendra Oliver - Co-Director of Supported Living Services (SCIP), Institute for Applied Behavior Analysis (IABA)

David Oster - Disability Rights California, People First

Tim Jin –Board of Directors, Disability Voices United

Panel: Employment and Education

How citizenship leads to lifelong learning and purpose. Learn best practices to start implementing today.

Kim Ransom - Director of Special Education, Centinela Valley Union High School District

Cynthia Austin - Transition Specialist, Centinela Valley Union High School District

Sherry Beamer - Director of Employment WorkFirst, Easterseals of Southern California

Simon Lopez - Vice President of Workforce and Career Development, Goodwill of Southern California

Closing

Mari-Anne Kehler - VP, Board of Directors, Autism Society of Los Angeles, ASLA "Beyond 4 Walls" Director
Neal Katz *Board of Directors, Autism Society of Los Angeles*

Wrap Up/Final Networking