

Table 8.1

Recreational and Leisure Organizations for Individuals With ASD or Other DD

Organization	Description
<p>Best Buddies International http://www.bestbuddies.org</p>	<p>International organization dedicated to pairing individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities with nondisabled peers in one-to-one friendships.</p>
<p>Disabled Sports USA http://www.disabledsportsusa.org</p>	<p>Community sports, recreation, and educational programming for youth and adults with disabilities.</p>
<p>Draw4Free http://www.draw4free.com</p>	<p>Online or downloadable computer drawing program.</p>
<p>Easter Seals http://www.easterseals.com</p>	<p>Provides a range of service options for individuals with ASD and other disabilities. Easter Seals offers recreation and camping services that are barrier-free and accessible across the country.</p>
<p>Fishing Has No Boundaries http://www.fhnbinc.org</p>	<p>Organization designed to make fishing accessible to individuals with disabilities.</p>
<p>Let's Play http://www.letsplay.buffalo.edu</p>	<p>Online resource with tips for how to adapt and select toys based on disability.</p>
<p>National Center on Accessibility http://www.ncaonline.org</p>	<p>Access issues unique to parks and recreation programs and facilities.</p>
<p>National Center on Physical Activity and Disability http://www.ncpad.org</p>	<p>Directories of information and organizations related to physical activities for individual with disabilities.</p>
<p>PATH International http://www.pathintl.org</p>	<p>Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International provides equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs.</p>
<p>Scratch http://www.scratch.mit.edu</p>	<p>Free animation and art program that allows users to program interactive stories and games.</p>

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Special Olympics http://www.specialolympics.org	Offers information on year-round training and competition in Olympic-style sports, as well as coaching resources, for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Promotes unified sports for youth with and without disabilities. Includes resources for educators to create Project Unify in their schools.
Switch in Time http://www.switchintime.com	Accessible software, including computer games for individuals with disabilities.
Therapeutic Recreation Directory http://www.recreationtherapy.com	Clearinghouse of resources related to therapeutic recreation, including ideas for activities, links related to education, programs, therapeutic recreation, forums, and more.
United States Adaptive Recreation Center http://www.usarc.org	Offers adaptive programs across the United States in summer and winter Olympic-type sports.
YMCA http://www.ymca.net	Offers adaptive swimming lessons for children with special needs as well as other opportunities for recreation in an integrated setting.

Note. ASD = autism spectrum disorder, DD = developmental disabilities.

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