

## Funding Sources

Many of ARC Marion's clients are funded through Florida Medicaid home and community based waiver. However, there is not enough funding available for the level of need. ARC Marion also receives funding from the United Way of Marion County, the Heart of Florida Hope Foundation, corporate and individual contributions.

## Having Hope

The Heart of Florida Hope Foundation is a 501 (c)(3), whose sole purpose is to raise money for ARC Marion, Inc. and the disadvantaged intellectually disabled clients ARC Marion serves.

For more information, contact the Hope Foundation at (352) 351-2479 or visit [www.HeartofFloridaHope.org](http://www.HeartofFloridaHope.org).

*A donation to  
the Hope Foundation  
is a gift to ARC Marion*

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To make donations online, please visit

[www.HeartofFloridaHope.org](http://www.HeartofFloridaHope.org)

Donations may also be mailed to:  
Heart of Florida Hope Foundation  
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**Putting  
Clients  
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# Clients First

What began in 1959 as the New Hope School for Children, supporting individuals with intellectual disabilities, evolved into the Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC) of Marion County and eventually led to who we are today, the Advocacy Resource Center (ARC) Marion.

ARC Marion staff and volunteers focus on each person's specific needs and their unique gifts, talents and interests, assisting them to experience a full and valued life in the community.

## SUPPORT PROGRAMS

### Early Intervention Program (EIP)

#### Ages Birth-to-three

EIP offers play-based pre-school curriculum, physical, speech and occupational therapies and other supports for these special toddlers. Annually 10-12 students are "mainstreamed" into public school classrooms.

### Adult Day Training (ADT)

#### Adults 18 and older

Local businesses in the community such as Signature Brands, Custom Window Systems, USA Scientific and others contract with ARC Marion to provide work for the individuals who attend the opportunity center and receive job skills training.

### Supported Employment

Job coaches assist the intellectually disabled in finding jobs and work with the employee and employer to ensure long-term successful employment.

### Supported Independent Living

Supported living coaches assist clients through the process of finding a place to live, meeting roommates, sharing expenses and managing budgets.

### Residential Services

Over 50 individuals have chosen to live full-time in one of ARC Marion's community group homes.

### Companion Support

Companion coaches offer life skills training of the client's choice in community based settings.

