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Transforming lives through Hope since 1952



# Hope Services

Improving the quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities and mental health needs.

Since 1952, Hope Services has delivered a range of services to thousands of people with developmental disabilities and mental health needs. We currently help approximately 3,500 participants and their families, from infants through seniors, who reside in the six counties we serve: Santa Clara, San Benito, Santa Cruz, San Mateo, Monterey, and Alameda.

Developmental Disability refers to a severe and chronic disability that is attributable to a mental or physical impairment that begins before adulthood, such as intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, and Down syndrome.

**Children:** The *Early Intervention Program (Homestart)* provides individualized services to families with infants and toddlers (up to 5 years old) with developmental disabilities and mental health needs.

**Day:** *Site & Community Day Services, Tailored Day Service, and Employment, Media & Community Connections (EMCC)* offer varying of functional training in community settings, and individualized plans for safety, health, and community contribution—volunteer and/or paid work.

**Training and Employment:** *Community Employment* offers job development, job placement and specialized job coaching to support individuals to achieve their career goals. **Project SEARCH** is a unique, one-year internship program that takes place entirely at the host business site. The goal is community integrated employment for graduates.

**Community Living:** *Supported Living Services* enables individuals to live safe and health lives in their own homes. *Independent Living Services* provides support and skill development for people in their home environment and community.

**Mental Health:** Children, adolescents, adults, and senior citizens with a qualifying mental health diagnosis and a developmental disability can receive counseling and psychiatric services.

**Senior:** *Senior Services* provide leisure, recreational, social, and health related activities for older adults (ages 45 and up) with developmental disabilities.





## OUR THRIFT STORES

100% of every purchase at our three stores (San Jose, Fremont, Watsonville) goes to support Hope Services. Our HopeTHRIFT stores also provide employment for those with developmental disabilities.

## HISTORY

More than 60 years ago, a group of concerned parents of children with special needs came together to change the way young people with developmental disabilities were treated.

These courageous parents believed that their kids deserved the same opportunities as everyone else.

Among their earliest achievements was opening one of the first preschools for these children. In 1952, 12 children with developmental disabilities walked through the door of a one-room schoolhouse in San Jose and entered a new world - a world where they could receive an education and make friends.

The founding families of what later grew to be Hope Services left a lasting legacy that reflects the simple philosophy that has guided the mission of Hope.

## MISSION

Hope Services' mission is to improve the quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities and mental health needs, as measured by eight indicators: personal development, self-determination, interpersonal relations, social inclusion, rights, emotional well-being, physical well-being and material well-being.

## DONATE

Hope Services receives partial funding from the state, through regional centers. The Lanterman Act created 21 regional centers throughout California to ensure that people with disabilities get the services and supports they need to live like people without disabilities. The regional centers receive funding from the California Department of Developmental Services (DDS), who in turn fund services providers such as Hope.

To help close the funding gap, Hope relies on revenue from its businesses, grants, and donations. If you would like to donate to Hope, visit [www.hopeservices.org](http://www.hopeservices.org) or call 408 284-2862. We are a community-based organization and will ensure that your donation stays in your community.



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