

Partner Talking Points

- Eligible participants must have a learning or developmental disability diagnosis and be comfortable and capable in a 1 staff to 10 participant ratio.
- Pathways to Independence gives participants a safe way to form strong relationships, improve social skills and have fun in the community.
- We offer young adult (age 16-21) and adult (age 18+) programs so participants can feel comfortable socializing with people their age.
- Cost of Pathways varies by county and eligibility, but financial assistance is available.
- Transportation is available for some events. Our participants also frequently set up carpools, which has become an important part of the sense of community and support that happens around our events.

For funded services in St. Charles County, participants need to have eligibility through the Department of Mental Health (DMH). If you don't have this already:

- Speak with a DMH Intake Officer at the Regional Center (314-587-4800) and complete an application
- DMH will follow up for you to complete an eligibility assessment
- If deemed eligible, receive a DMH ID number, which also makes participants eligible for Pathways' funded services

Visit factmo.org/family-support for help with this process.

