



## We are growing again! The Arc of Quinebaug Valley is pleased to announce the opening of a new program center in Chaplin, CT!

The Arc of Quinebaug Valley's new Day Program Center and Emporium II will open soon at 174 Willimantic Rd. (Rte.6) in Chaplin. Preparations are underway for a smaller version of our very successful store in Putnam. We will feature household goods, furniture, ladies' accessories, jewelry, and local items like honey and maple sugar products. There will be a sweet shop and visitors will be able to find brochures for attractions in the area. The Emporium II is a unique blend of gift items, books, one-of-a-kind furniture pieces and so much more!

The new location will also offer a Day Services Program that will provide a safe and nurturing environment for individuals with intellectual, developmental and other life-affecting disabilities. We are now accepting referrals for both Chaplin and our Day Program in Danielson, CT.

If you or a family member is looking for a home-away-from-home with:

- Trained, caring, professional staff with medication certification
- Meaningful activities to enrich the person's life
- Social experiences and opportunities to make friends
- Wellness and exercise programs for every ability level
- Personal care as needed
- Transportation and community outings
- Educational activities of daily living to maintain/enhance present skills
- Mentally stimulating games and activities including music, arts and crafts, discussion groups, holiday and birthday celebrations, picnics, gardening, volunteering... all activities centered around individual's interests and abilities.

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Chaplin will also feature a satellite Employment Services Program. Community employment will be developed for those interested in finding meaningful work and competitive wages.

Wish List: As we prepare to open this wonderful new opportunity for The Arc and the community of Chaplin and surrounding towns we are accepting donations of the following:

Arts & Crafts Supplies	Small Kitchen Appliances	Dishes
Pots & Pans	Kitchen Towels & Utensils	Games
Snack Items	Radio/CD Player	Wii
Drawing/Art Supplies	Karaoke Machine	

We are also in the process of creating a therapeutic drumming circle group to benefit all of our programs in the agency. If anyone has a set of bongo drums, djembe drums or other percussion instruments they no longer use, we will gladly accept them. This activity will benefit individuals of all ages.

If you wish to make a donation of any items listed or make a cash donation to purchase any of these items, please contact Linda Lamoureux at (860) 774-2827 or [llamoureux@qvarc.org](mailto:llamoureux@qvarc.org) Thank you for helping us create this wonderful opportunity for those we support!