WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Community involvement is essential in helping us meet our goal to provide developmentally challenged citizens with the best possible services and to help them to reach their full potential. As a sponsor or volunteer, you can make a tremendous difference in the lives of our special citizens. Please contact us for more information concerning:

Sponsoring Special Events
Volunteer Opportunities
Contributions (Cash, Memorial, In Kind)
Fund-raisers

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Mother Teresa

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OUR MISSION:
To achieve the highest possible quality of life for the developmentally challenged citizens of Rockdale County.
To achieve the highest level of physical and mental development for the developmentally challenged citizens of Rockdale County.
To place an emphasis upon human dignity by providing responsible, non-intrusive, open-minded support and services.

WE ARE COMMITTED:
To the idea that all people, disabled or not, have the right to human dignity and a life free from physical and emotional barriers.
To provide opportunities to enhance and strengthen independence and well being for the developmentally challenged citizens of Rockdale County.
To focus on the abilities of the individual.
To respect everyone and treat individuals with dignity.
And above all, to remind all our citizens that...

Rockdale Cares is a volunteer organization dedicated to filling the gap that most developmentally challenged citizens fall into...the gap between simply surviving, and being an active part of the community and enjoying the same positive experiences that other citizens enjoy.

Through our continued advocacy efforts, the State agreed to fund day training and a work activity center called Our Place in Conyers. Through recent renovations, we have extended our priorities to include not only an adult day program, but to offer a place for social and recreational opportunities for our special citizens as well.

Rockdale Cares currently partners with Georgia Community Support & Solutions to offer an Adult Day Program that provides clients opportunities to learn job skills, gardening, cooking, music participation and daily living skills and much more.

OUR SERVICES:
Advocacy - Rockdale Cares works with local and state legislators to ensure that the rights and needs of developmentally challenged citizens in Rockdale County are protected.
Respite at Haven House - Provides a much needed break for families and care givers of developmentally challenged citizens. Conducted week-ends each month. Call (404) 634-4222 Ext. 226 for more information.
Adult Day Program at Our Place, in partnership with Georgia Community Support & Solutions
Social Opportunities - Rockdale Cares sponsors themed dinner dances, picnics, and holiday events designed to allow our clients the opportunity to meet others and just have FUN!
Community Events - Every year Rockdale Cares participates in the Conyers Christmas Parade. This not only gives our special citizens an opportunity to participate in the event, but serves as a way for us to raise public awareness about Rockdale Cares and about the needs of the developmentally challenged in our community.
Horticulture Therapy - Our clients maintain a greenhouse program that allows them an opportunity to grow and nurture a variety of flowers and vegetables. These plants are available for purchase through Rockdale Cares.
Housing - Rockdale Cares currently owns two group homes in the county for the developmentally challenged and a respite care house in the new Light House Village on Sigman Road in Conyers.

Planned yearly events:
Valentine's Dance
Spring Fling
Summer Spectacular
Harvest Ball
Country Western Dance
Halloween Costume Party
Christmas Parade
Christmas Party

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