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Goal Statement: Individuals of all ages and abilities are able to access and be engaged in a comprehensive (and quality-consistent) array

of recreation, arts, and enrichment activities.

**Priority Objective #1:**

Increase afterschool and summer enrichment activities available and access to children with special needs. (Through partnerships and building on current assets)

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| Action Steps / Task | Timeline | Who |
| 1. Make a complete listing of all available activities for school age children with disabilities including name of organization, contact information, services offered, participant profile, time/date/location. (note: provide this to the get connected group to help build the database and website they are working on) 2. Research Best Practice Models (Sensations Therafun – multisensory activity center; sports camps for all abilities; Adaptive Learning Center - partners with preschools to include DSN children in regular classrooms; others?) | In progressWaiting for possible grant | AllARC |

**Priority Objective #2:**
Increase recreation and arts activities available to adults 21 and over (through partnerships and building on current assets).

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| Action Steps / Tasks | Timeline | Who |
| 1. Make a complete listing of all available activities for adults with disabilities including name of organization, contact information, services offered, participant profile, time/date/location. (share with get connected group)2. Create a menu or calendar of choices for adult enrichment activities. (share with get connected group)3. RECESS program is well-regarded--- find out what it would take to replicate it-- Staff? Money? Locations? 4. Create a centralized place to go for recreation/enrichment choices -- place to go in the AM, choose activity for the day--- all waivers, transportation, etc. handled here—choose morning activity, afternoon activity--- include recreation choices and also work/volunteer placements (If physical location is not feasible, an interactive website?) (adult workgroup is working on a plan for a physical center; get connected working on the website…so these efforts could lay within those workgroups, will need to coordinated and make sure these groups include the recreation component) | In progress (Rec / Arts List)In progress (Rec / Arts List)In progressOn hold. Will reconsider in the future. | AllAll |

**Priority Objective #3**
Increase access to events throughout the year.

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| Action Steps / Tasks | Timeline | Who |
| 1. Brainstorm potential disability specific events and select 1-4 events for the year.

-Prom – Look – Flash Mob – Summer Waterparks “Disability Days”1. Encourage people to attend existing (non-disability focused) events such as Artisphere etc.

-Work with existing events to help them be more inclusive and disability friendly.-Develop a guide for individuals with disabilities, parents, and caregivers for popular recurring events with information such as parking and accessible routes, event specific accommodations, best accessible bathrooms, etc. | In progressTBD | AllTBD |

**Priority Objective #4**
Promote recreation areas that implement a high standard for accessibility and encourage other recreation areas to improve accessibility.

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| Action Steps / Tasks | Timeline | Who |
| 1. Determine/define levels of accessibility (ie, ADA compliant vs. a higher “gold standard” or “accessibility champion”) in coordination with Getting Around Town group
2. Assess recreation opportunities and venues per developed standards
3. Positively promote those meeting a higher standard than just ADA compliance.
4. Educate individuals with disabilities about their rights and what should be provided to them through public, private, and non-profit providers.
 | In ProgressTBDTBDTBD | Getting Around Town Group / MikeEnlist ABLE and ProParents to help. |

**Priority Objective #5**
Increase adaptive recreation and sports opportunities.

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| Action Steps / Task | Timeline | Who |
| 1. Help promote and grow adaptive sports offered through Roger C. Peace.
2. Work with local public parks and recreation providers to help them determine demand and develop effective adaptive sports opportunities.
 | In ProgressTBD | RCP + County RecRCP + All |

**Priority Objective #6**
Increase existing after school program providers ability and willingness to accommodate and include individuals with disabilities.

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| Action Steps / Task | Timeline | Who |
| 1. Work with BOOST to identify training needs.
2. Work with BOOST to identify pilot program opportunities.
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Other issues—how to engage churches/faith community; *could we get a group of local churches to agree to host a week long arts or rec camp during the summer if we trained them on how to do it and provided technical support? (Minimal cost and would expand opportunities)*

Challenge- broad age range and broad range of abilities/level of care

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