

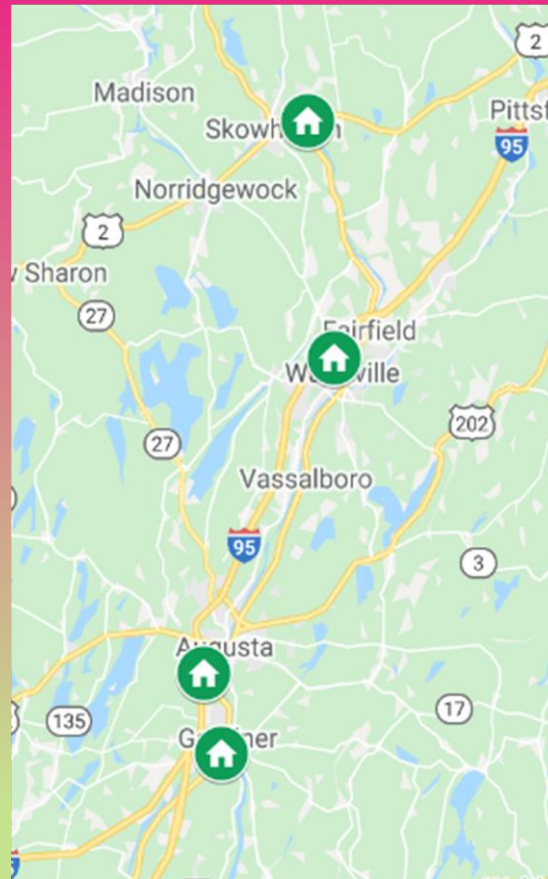
MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission at Families Matter, Inc. is to enhance the quality of life for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We do this by providing the highest quality of services through our Personal and Social Awareness Program. The primary goal of Families Matter, Inc. is to support these individuals through education, therapeutic activities, and to encourage participation in all activities of life to the fullest extent possible. Families Matter, Inc. assists in promoting individual independence and motivation to meet their needs and desires. Our goals are achieved by employing skilled, dedicated, certified and compassionate staff.



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Services Provided

History

Families Matter, Inc. was informally organized in 1992. At that time, the group was comprised of and primarily supported by parents with adult children with intellectual and developmental disabilities. In 1994 FMI received their 501(c)(3) status and in 1996 the Personal Social Awareness Program began operation in Augusta. The program has since blossomed and now provides a five-day program serving four locations throughout the state.

Proud participant in the
Maine Special Olympics



Shared Living

Shared Living provides a home and supports for an adult with intellectual disabilities and autistic disorders in the home of a qualified contracted provider. Shared living is somewhat like foster care, but different in emphasis, in that the home is a more cooperative sharing of space and supports between adults. The individual becomes part of the fabric of the Shared Living Home Provider's life, the provider's family, home, and community.

Community Support

Families Matter, Inc. provides community support services. These services create the opportunity for community intergration while improving social skills and personal independence. Clients work on a variety of goals and objectives, which are driven and supported by their Person Centered Planning process. All activities are therapeutic and goal based.

Opportunities for therapeutic recreation include, but are not limited to:

- Volunteering within the community
- Peer interaction
- Computer skills
- Excercise
- Money management
- Healthy eating/food preparation
- Safety awareness
- Visiting local parks & walking trails
- Sensory stimulation
- Problem solving
- Self care

