Leveland Center

Providing programs and services to children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities since 1962.

### **Meet Our Staff at Loveland North Port**



From left to right: Michelle , Tracy, Sabrina, and Ray

Meet our staff! The staff are the backbone of our program. They not only keep the day to day routine going, they also create engaging and fulfilling activities for our participants. They ensure the safety and success of our program and the participant's progress to independence.

## **Equality Through Opportunity**

Our North Port participants practice **life skills** as part of the ADT program. With these skills, they can navigate their daily lives with greater ease, contribute to their local community through volunteering, and even explore future employment opportunities. Keep up the great work!







### **Spotlight on Success ADT**

**John** is our March ADT Spotlight on Success! John is a very social young man and is full of information. From the minute he walks in to



program to the minute he walks out, he stays engaged in activities. He does like his time to chill and will listen to music on his phone. He has made friends and is very encouraging to them to do the right thing. John also enjoys going into the community especially to walk the trails at a park or visit a museum. Keep up the good work John!

### **HERO Super Star**

**Chloey** is our HERO Super Star of March. She is social and very helpful. She makes friends easily and enjoys participating in activities. She has been part of our HERO program for three years. We have watched her grow into a wonderful young lady. Your smile is as bright as your successes!



# Therapy With A Smile





Sherry, our Speech Therapist uses several tools to increase speech and language. Playing games in one way she makes therapy fun.

Occupational therapist, Eric, assists participants in many ways. From increasing flexibility to fine motor skills.

#### Loveland provides therapy services to our participants as well as outpatient services . Want

more information about our therapy services? Contact Lauren Osmond, Director of Clinical

Services, at (941)493-0016 Ext. 320.

### **Upcoming Events**

### **Eggnormous Egg Hunt**

Loveland will be hosting the sensory friendly area for this event held by North Port Parks and Rec.

Gather on the Green for an 'Eggnormous' egg hunt, visit with the Easter Bunny and grab an Insta-worthy photo.

For safety, egg hunters will be divided into four groups:

- Adaptive
- Ages 3-4
- Ages 5-6
- Ages 7-9

Special eggs can be redeemed for prizes at the George Mullen Activity Center. Don't forget to bring your own basket. Saturday March 23, 2024 Location: City Center Front Green (4970 City Hall Blvd.) Event opens at 9:45 a.m. Egg Hunts begin at 10 a.m.





Loveland Center is excited to invite you to participate in the **4th Annual Ability 5K Run and 1K Fun Walk** on Sunday March 24, 2024 at Laishley Park in Punta Gorda. This event is the primary fundraiser for our Port Charlotte Adult Day Training center, which provides services and support to adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The Ability 5K Run and 1K Fun Walk is a fun-filled event that promotes community involvement and healthy lifestyle choices. Don't miss out on the opportunity to support Loveland Center and make a positive impact in the lives of individuals with disabilities. Click the link below to register today and join us for a day of fun, fitness, and fundraising!

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### To create opportunities for Loveland Center participants!

### April 9th & 10th, Noon-Noon

The Giving Challenge is hosted by:



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The 2024 Giving Challenge is coming April 9th and 10th from noon until noon.

Hosted by The Community Foundation of Sarasota County, with giving strengthened by The Patterson Foundation, The Giving Challenge is an online giving event that provides our community with the opportunity to come together to raise as much money as possible for local nonprofits.

- The Giving Challenge will take place Noon-Noon on April 9th & 10th
- Every donation of \$25 to \$100 will be matched, dollar for dollar, by The Patterson Foundation.
- Anyone with access to the internet and a debit or credit card can participate.
- Every person can donate one time per organization during the 24 hour period.
- You can be a Champion for Loveland by creating your own Giving Challenge fundraiser!

Want to learn more, or become a giving challenge champion for Loveland? Visit our Giving Challenge page <u>here!</u>

### **AdvoCan Series**

This is Me: The importance of person-centered planning

# Presented by Loveland President and CEO, Patrick Guerin III

Thursday, March 21, 2024 @6:00 PM Virtual FREE



Person centered planning and advocacy are at the heart of everything we do here at Loveland, and your involvement as family members and

caregivers is vital to successful planning for your loved one. Understanding what person-centered planning is, how it works, and your part in a successful plan to support your loved one will make a huge difference in both the life of your loved one and your life as well.

In this advocan series, you'll learn about how you can prepare for and best support the personcentered planning process.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86831933664?pwd=N0w0ek1icmRkT0EvclVDZWhZSkdZdz09 Meeting ID: 868 3193 3664 Passcode: 821261

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