

Please Join Us and Ask NYS to Keep The Promise

It has become increasingly difficult for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to secure the residential placements they need to live safe, secure, and independent lives in their communities. Additionally, families across the state live in a perpetual state of anxiety that despite their advancing age and possible infirmity there is no assurance that anything other than a family catastrophe, including the death of a family caregiver, will be sufficient to justify an appropriate residential placement.

According to a recent report by the NYS Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), there are thousands of individuals who now need, or will need, permanent housing. In response to this growing housing crisis, parents and advocates have developed this Report to the Governor <http://tinyurl.com/yicsd8hkd> which describes the urgent problem and requests that the Governor address it.

Please read the report <http://tinyurl.com/yicsd8hkd> and sign the online petition <http://tinyurl.com/yd7dhc3e>.

Thousands have already signed the petition, but we need more signatures to bring this matter to the attention of the public, the press, and especially the Governor in preparation for the next State Budget.

For over half a century the united voice of families, parents, and friends of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities has helped ensure that they are never forgotten. The voice of our families, friends, and advocates throughout the state has never been more important.

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