

Stone Soup Group



Supporting families who care for children with special needs



Who Are We?

Founded in 1992

Parent Training and Information Center

Family to Family Health Information Center

Parent to Parent USA affiliate

Developmental Disability Resource Connection – Anchorage & Mat-Su



Organization Chart

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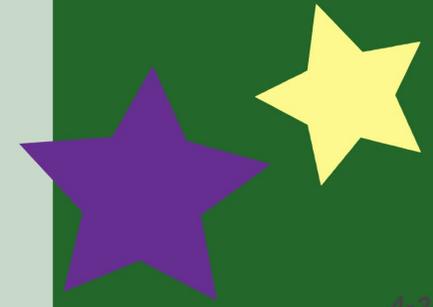
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MARY MIDDLETON
Executive Director

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

★ PARENTS OR SIBLINGS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS





Families

- ★ Connect with a Parent Navigator
- ★ Connect with a DDRC Navigator
- ★ Learn about Mentor Parents
- ★ Register for a training or event
- ★ View On-Demand Trainings
- ★ Check out our Family Resource Guide
- ★ What is Alaska's Shared Vision?
- ★ Join our mailing list



Youth

- ★ Find events or activities for Youth
- ★ Learn about Friendships & Dating Workshop
- ★ Learn about guardianship and support decision making agreements
- ★ Join our mailing list



Partners

- ★ Make a Referral
- ★ Register for a training
- ★ Request resources for your school or office
- ★ Join our mailing list
- ★ Make a Donation

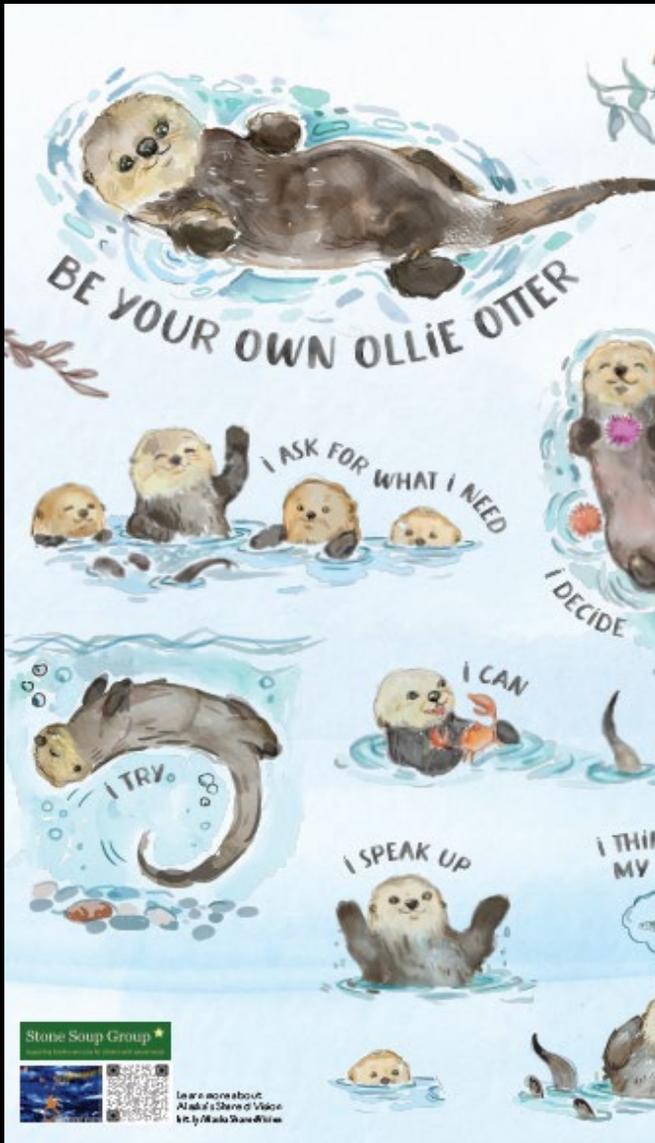
What Do We Do?



Alaska's Shared Vision

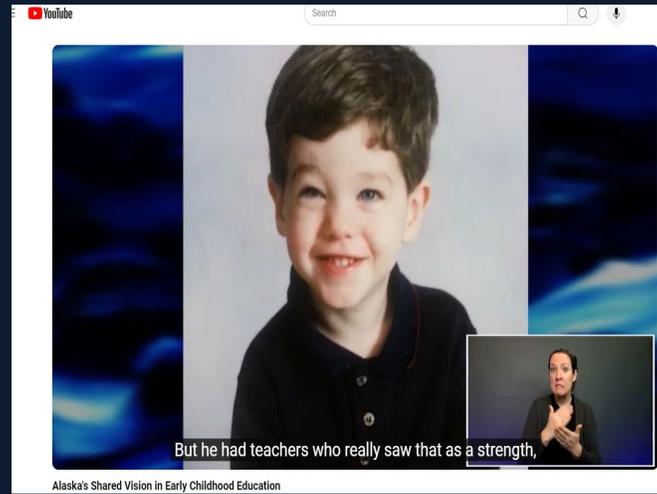
*“I live the life I
chose with the
supports I direct”*





Shared Vision Posters and Videos for Educators

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vEb3KMOTIZY&list=PL1PkTaZ7z0gW5GF3PZlwbIJhdjJ-i-S5C>





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What you will learn

- You will be able to define the roles of EHD leaders and observers.
- (Director/Head of hearing)

11 videos

EHD MAP Guides and Mentors Training

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IDD and ISW Medicaid Waivers - Your Role and Responsibilities

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Medicaid/SSI Qualified Vehicles for Excess Resources

- What if the recipient has more than \$2,000 in countable resources or receives assets that put them over the \$2,000 resource limit?
- ABLE Accounts for persons of any age with incident nursing costs whose disability began before age 26 (changing to age 46 effective 1/1/2026)
- Special Needs Trusts (SNTs) for persons under age 65 with a 50% State only disability determination (SDD). Trusts can also be used for spousal income.
- "Waiver" Trusts for persons of any age with disability determination (DD/AGC) Trusts receive income.

12 videos

Transition Series

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IDEA Procedures for Discipline

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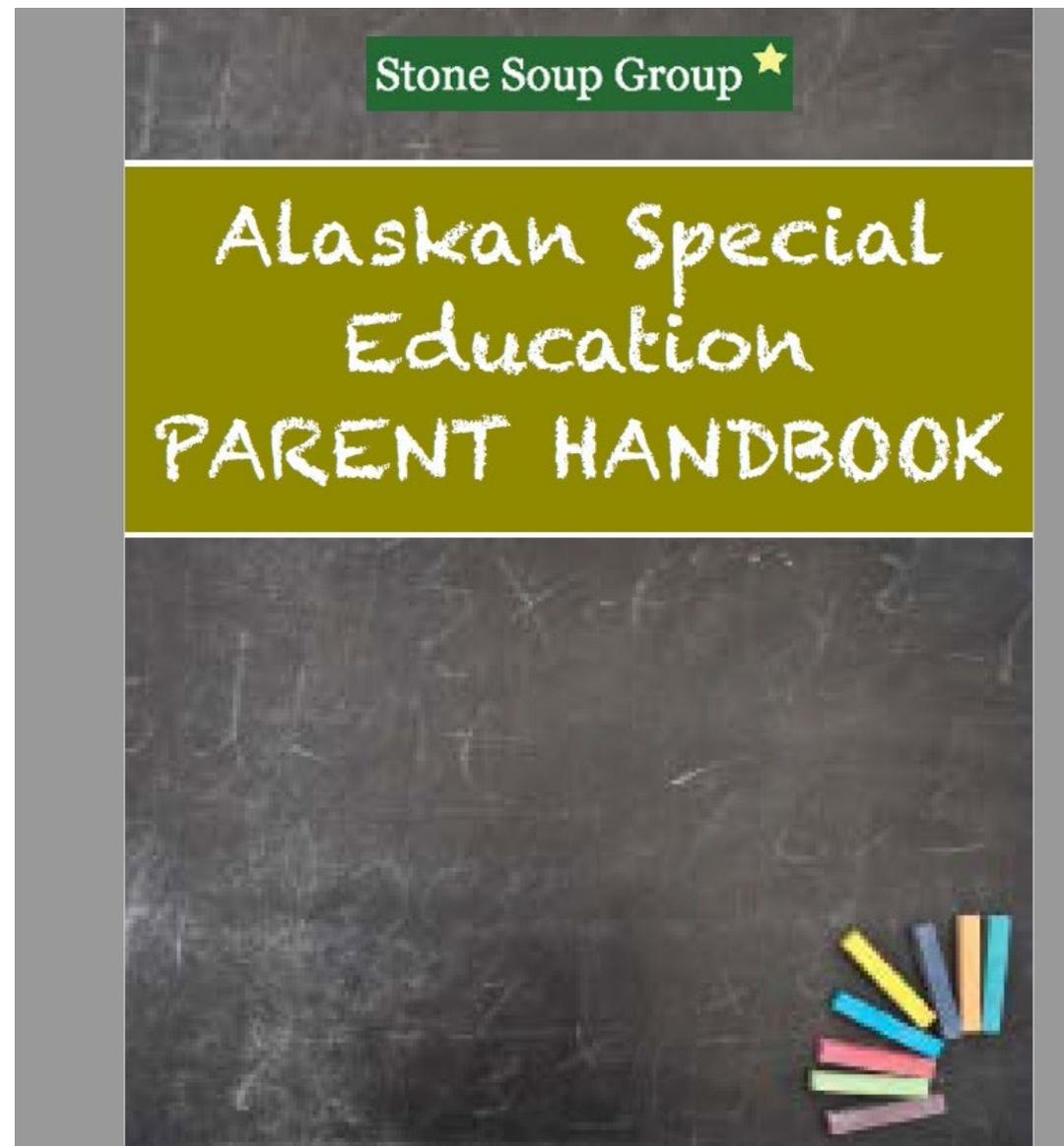
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- Education
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- Transitions
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Special Education Parent Handbook

Downloadable PDF is available
on our website

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The Paper Trail Notebook

Video guide to help families make the most of this valuable resource.

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