

## Resources for Parents & Students

<p><b>Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD)</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> 2295 Victoria Ave. # 221A, Ft. Myers, FL 33901 <b>Phone Number:</b> (239) 338-1372 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://apd.myflorida.com/">apd.myflorida.com/</a> <b>Contact:</b> <a href="mailto:APD.info@apdcares.org">APD.info@apdcares.org</a> APD supports persons with developmental disabilities in living, learning, and working in their communities. Individuals must have a primary diagnosis of: autism, cerebral palsy, spina bifida, intellectual disabilities, Prader-Willi Syndrome, Phelan McDermid Syndrome or Downs syndrome, and functional limitations in major life activities.</p>	<p><b>Florida Center for Students with Unique Abilities (FCSUA)</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> University of Central Florida - Teaching Academy, 4000 Central Florida Blvd., P.O. Box 161250 Orlando, FL 32816 <b>Phone Number:</b> (407) 823-5225 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.fcsua.org">www.fcsua.org</a> <b>Contact:</b> <a href="mailto:fcsua@ucf.edu">fcsua@ucf.edu</a> The Florida Center for Students with Unique Abilities mission is to provide support to students, families, and institutions of higher education so that students with intellectual disabilities have opportunities for on-campus college experiences that lead to employment opportunities.</p>	<p><b>Florida Association of Centers for Independent Living (FACIL)</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> 325 John Knox Road, Building C, Suite 132, Tallahassee, FL 32303 <b>Phone Number:</b> (850) 575-6004 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.floridacils.org">www.floridacils.org</a> CILs are consumer driven, non-profit organizations whose mission is to support community living and independence for people with disabilities based on the belief that all people can live with dignity, make their own choices, and participate fully in society. CILs provide tools, resources, and support for integrating people with disabilities fully into their communities, to promote equal opportunities, self-determination, and respect.</p>
<p><b>Division of Blind Services (DOE Division of DBS)</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> 600 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., Suite 302, Palmetto, FL 34221 <b>Phone Number:</b> (941) 721-2914 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.dbs.myflorida.com/">www.dbs.myflorida.com/</a> <b>Contact:</b> <a href="http://www.dbs.myflorida.com/Information/contact-palmetto.html">www.dbs.myflorida.com/Information/contact-palmetto.html</a> DOE (Department of Education): DBS – Division of Blind Services assists blind individuals as well as those with usable but diminished vision. Their programs include: blind babies, children &amp; families (school age), VR transition program for High School students, Vocational Rehabilitation programs for those entering the workforce, and independent living programs for seniors.</p>	<p><b>Vocational Rehabilitation (DOE Division of VR)</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> 701 94th Ave N., Suite 103 St. Petersburg, 33702 <b>Phone Number:</b> (727) 217-7930 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.RehabWorks.org">www.RehabWorks.org</a> <b>Contact:</b> <a href="http://www.rehabworks.org/contact.shtml">www.rehabworks.org/contact.shtml</a> VR serves as an employment resource for businesses and people with disabilities. Their mission is to enable individuals with disabilities to obtain and keep employment.</p>	<p><b>USFSP U_Matter Program</b></p> <p><b>Address:</b> 140 7th Ave. S. St. Petersburg, FL 33701 <b>Phone Number:</b> (727) 873-7748 <b>Website:</b> <a href="https://www.usf.edu/education/umatter/">https://www.usf.edu/education/umatter/</a> <b>Contact:</b> <a href="mailto:u-matter@usf.edu">u-matter@usf.edu</a> The Eileen Hoffman Hafer U_Matter is an innovative inclusive postsecondary education (IPSE) program created to provide young people with intellectual disabilities the opportunity to experience higher education and campus life.</p>

**St. Petersburg College:  
Titans Up**

**Address:** 1300 22<sup>nd</sup> St. S, St. Petersburg,  
FL 33712

**Phone Number:** (727) 341-4772

**Website:**

<https://www.spcollege.edu/current-students/student-affairs/student-support-resources/retention-services/titans-up>

**Contact:** [titansup@spcollege.edu](mailto:titansup@spcollege.edu)

The Titans UP! Program is a two-year (four-semester) certificate program offering an integrated peer-to-peer classroom experience for students with an IQ of 70 or below. Students may choose from a variety of academic pathways available at different campuses. This fully adaptive college experience provides students with intellectual disabilities with the skills and knowledge required to transition to independent adult roles and community-based employment.

**Pinellas Technical College:  
PTC UP**

**Address:** 901 34th St S, St. Petersburg,  
FL 33711

**Phone Number:** (727) 893-2500 Ext.  
2323

**Website:** None at this time

PTCUP is an innovative inclusive postsecondary education program created to provide persons with intellectual disabilities the opportunity to experience career training. Upon successful completion, students will obtain a certificate from PTCUP in their chosen field of study. Students in PTCUP express a strong desire to acquire a career skill in an inclusive setting, engage in work-based learning opportunities and to learn self-determination skills.