

ABOUT US!



"All homes and day locations were well - maintained, attractively furnished and decorated, and a showcase in the communities in which they were located.... Beaverbrook Step continues to be a flagship of high quality services. The agency demonstrated the ability to maintain a qualified workforce and the ability to adapt to the ever changing needs of people served by the agency."

MA Department of Developmental Services,
Quality Enhancement
Licensure and Certification Report



"Beaverbrook STEP is awesome...I love my apartment, my new friends and best of all my new job!"

A STEP individual who receives residential and day program services.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Beaverbrook STEP, Inc. actively works to advocate, promote and support the full inclusion of our citizens into the fabric of community life. The organization is a member of local Chambers of Commerce and community organizations; collaborates with national, state and local (public & private) advocacy and housing groups; and coordinates services with community health, education, recreation and other providers.

STEP has earned an excellent reputation as a compassionate provider of quality services, achieving the highest level of certification from the MA Department of Developmental Services, Office of Quality Enhancement for over 25 years.



Beaverbrook STEP serves communities in Eastern MA including: Arlington, Belmont, Boston, Brighton, Brookline, Cambridge, Newton, Waltham and Watertown.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Beaverbrook STEP receives funding from Massachusetts Department of Developmental Services, Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission, Massachusetts Commission for the Blind, MassHealth, Medicare, HUD, project-based Section-8 housing certificates, community fundraising, corporate and foundation grants, and private fees.



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Beaverbrook
STEP, Inc.



Incorporated in 1973, Beaverbrook STEP's mission and philosophy focus on empowering individuals with intellectual, developmental and related disabilities to make their own personal choices and decisions about their lives in order to achieve full community inclusion.

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Beaverbrook STEP, Inc.

Providing children, adolescents and adults with intellectual, developmental and related disabilities and their families with community living & housing services; employment & community based day services; recreation, social & self-advocacy services; specialized clinical, health care & ABA services; and corporate guardian & conservator services.



COMMUNITY LIVING & HOUSING

BEAVERBROOK STEP'S Community Living and Housing Services are individually designed to reflect each person's unique, personalized needs and desires.

We provide a wide range of part and full time supported living choices to 200 children, adults and elders. Services include 24 hour residential, in-home/supported living, shared living, agency with choice, family support, respite, and specialized housing for individuals with Autism, Alzheimer's disease, behavioral needs, elders, students with special needs, joint services with DDS, DESE, MRC, MCB, Medicare and private pay.

Personal care, activities of daily living, health care services, social, recreational and community activities, ABA and clinical supports are available.



OPTIONS EMPLOYMENT & COMMUNITY BASED DAY SERVICES (CBDS)

BEAVERBROOK STEP'S highly acclaimed Options Employment & CBDS program serves 100 adolescents and adults with special needs at 4 downtown community sites in Watertown and Belmont.

Each participant's individualized plan is designed to meet his/her personal life vision and preferred activities and goals, focusing on 5 components: Employment & Employment Training, Volunteer Services, Social Relationships, Recreation, and Education.

Participants desiring to work are placed and supported in community jobs; train at Options' businesses—Meals on Wheels, Gifts at Peppermint Place and Sweet Deals Boutique; and/or receive supports to develop their own businesses.



Gifts at Peppermint Place
**An Elegant & Fun Gift Store
and**

Sweet Deals Boutique
**5 Lexington Street
Waverley Square
Belmont, MA 02478**

"Gifts at Peppermint Place" and "Sweet Deals Boutique" are business enterprises of Options Employment Services. The stores feature handmade crafts, artwork, jewelry, children's apparel, home accessories and gently-used clothing. Both are programs of Beaverbrook STEP.

SELF-ADVOCACY, COMMUNITY & SPECIALIZED SERVICES

BEAVERBROOK STEP supports families, self-advocates, staff, volunteers and community leaders to work together to build social capital—relationships and community ties that expand choices, provide new opportunities and offer options that enhance each person's quality of life and joy of living.

Working with our experienced clinicians and partners, Melmark NE and UMass Boston, STEP provides specialized supports within all of our services including: Special Education Consultation & Teacher Training, Positive Behavioral Management Supports, Nursing & Health Care, Clinical & Psychological Services, Autism Spectrum Supports, Elder and Dementia Services, Community Skills Training Services and mentoring.

STEP also operates a MA certified Corporate Guardianship and Conservator Program.