

JUNE 2026

Arkay
Incorporated

Welcome to the new all-Arkay newsletter!

Mission Statement: To empower individuals with intellectual and other disabilities to achieve sustainable independence through personalized support, meaningful employment opportunities, and active participation in their communities

Vision Statement: Arkay will be a leading provider of innovative, evidence-based services that advance dignity, independence, and full community inclusion for individuals with intellectual and other disabilities.

hello
SUMMER

Our first parents meeting held 5/13/26 was a success!

We will continue to hold parent and staff meetings on a quarterly basis to keep everyone informed.

The best way to stay up to date is to check Arkay's Facebook and website- They are updated regularly.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

Staff Updates and Moves

Welcome to our newest staff members!
Arkay is hiring Job Coaches for all programs.
Applicants can contact Kim G at (734) 284-2929

Program Updates

All Arkay programs enjoyed “cooking class” in the month of May. With the warmer weather finally here, all Arkay programs have been enjoying outdoor activities like picnics at local parks, the alpaca and dairy farm, and the zoo. These community outings offer a great change of pace while helping our participants practice valuable skills such navigating public spaces, socializing, safety, and managing money.

♥ A BIG THANK YOU- to our family and friends who have donated items for parties, for the upcoming hygiene class and gardening club, and the bake sale at Crossings last month.

Reminder: Programs will be closed in observance of Juneteenth Friday 6/19/26.

We need YOUR HELP for the ARKAY CARNIVAL coming up July 17th (See flyer)

Java Junction

“Going viral” in May has given us a huge boost! We have enjoyed making new connections in the Downriver community through recent school field trips.

Thank you to everyone who has donated and shared our story.

Java Junction is now offering boxed lunches. They completed a large order for the Bridgewater community at the end of May. Let us make lunch for your next meeting or small event. (734) 301-3738

We will Celebrate our 2-year anniversary June 5th and 6th!
(See flyer for more info.)

Employment Services / Business Development

Employment Services continues to develop strong partnerships with Michigan Works, Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS), and the Downriver Community Conference to expand opportunities for our participants. Local businesses are a vital part of our mission. If you own a business or know anyone who would like to partner with Arkay for employment-related services, We would love to discuss how we can work together.

🎉 Congratulations to Da'Laino on his new job with Emagine theatre!
(Take a look at the “Working Wednesdays” feature on our Facebook for more stories about employment success.)

Any participant who is interested in working with Arkay or at an employer paid job should have a benefits analysis done before seeking employment.

Please contact Kyra and Kim M for more information.
(734) 258-8966.

REMINDERS:

Lunch and Weather

We do not have access to a microwave when out in the community. Please do not bring anything that needs to be heated. Also, make sure that your participants have an ice pack and drinks to keep their lunch cold.

Please be prepared for the weather-
You may need a sweater, umbrella, sunscreen, etc.
Don't forget your water bottle!
Thank You.

One on One assistance

While 1:1 job coaching services are offered, they are subject to the availability of job coaches. We make every effort to ensure consistent support; however, staffing limitations or scheduling conflicts may occasionally impact service delivery. In the event that availability changes or a disruption occurs, we will make every reasonable effort to notify consumers receiving 1:1 job coaching as soon as possible and provide updates regarding next steps.

Donations

If you link your Kroger account to Arkay, Inc. They will donate to us- all you have to do is shop! This can be done online through Kroger Community Rewards. We can assist with this if needed.



All programs are happy to accept other items like crafts, party tablecloths, and items for our Christmas raffle baskets throughout the year. We are working on an Amazon wish list for those interested in an easy way to donate physical items.

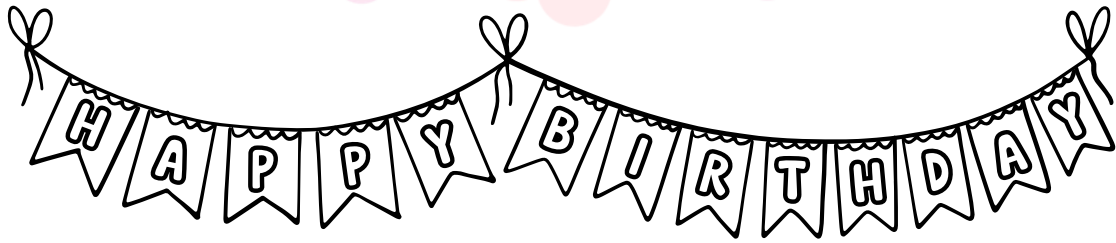
Crossings is looking for donations of KITES for a kite flying day in the park in July.

You can donate money online with this QR code:



*Thank,
You!*





Crossings:

Katelynn S 6/24, Lauri C 6/10
Nichole S 6/23, Erin S 6/2, Kyle S 6/3,
Christopher U 6/12, Katherine W 6/16, Jalessa W 6/15,
Sandra S 6/8, Jacklyn S 6/6, Bobby S 6/3,
Cathry M 6/23, Reco N 6/5, Anthony R 6/19,
Terrell R 6/17, Betsy G 6/29, Sheena H 6/12,
Joshua L 6/16, Crystal L 6/10

Unity:

Sandra M 06/06, James B 06/08,
Da'Laino W 06/21, Jeffery J 06/16,
Deion K 06/21

Oakland:

Michelle P 6/2, Matthew C 6/7, Danielle L 6/10,
James S 6/19, DeVante 6/27



Nicole Barry 6/27/2023 from Crossings
Thank you for your years of dedication!

Leadership Team:

CEO: Edward Steinberger
VP of Operations: Alics Dillard
Director of Quality: Cherie Stangis
Director of Programs: Tiffani Paschall

Program Managers:

Crossings- Kierra Jones
Unity- Monica Martinez
Oakland- Tiffany Jenkins

Case Coordinators:

Crossings-
Amanda Barnum (A-Ed)
Tammy Affholter (Ex - L)
Lashay Hurn (M - R)
Boushra Khaireddine (S -Z)

Unity- Tammy Gaetner & Maria Garza

Oakland- Jamie Pike

Employment Services- Kyra, Kim, Mark,
Ken, Veronica, Toni, Caryn, Ron, Maryann

The Staff That Proudly Serves Our Individuals:

Damika Ballard, Nichole Barry, Sade Jackson,
Suane Thomas, Shantel Caldwell, Laura Lichy,
Kianna Wimberly, Dawn Palumbo, Don Cisco,
Terry Prickett, Emmanuel Edeani,
Michael Iwuagwu, Starkeisha McFarlin,
Katie Sprinkles, Ishah Aranda, Leslie Cook, James Medaris,
Winnie Underwood

Madina Gunn, Taquilla Irvin, Allen Smith,
Nichole Lucas, Mikala Dugeon

Brenda Capps, Lisa Green, Dea Laitis, Kimberly Gardner,
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Stuart, Denessa Girvin, Carissma Hurn

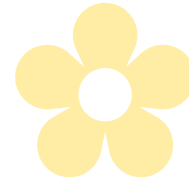
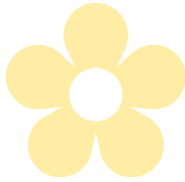
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CELEBRATING

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YEARS

**COFFEE!
TREATS!
GOOD TIMES!**

**POP
CORN**

**FRIDAY JUNE 5 &
SATURDAY JUNE 6, 2026**

**Thank you for being a
part of our story**

**Join us for a special
celebration with free
popcorn available all day!**

**DJ CHRIS 6/6
11AM-2PM**

LET'S PARTY!

www.miarkay.org/java

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

CARNIVAL DAY

JULY 17TH, 2026

Everyone is invited to a fun-filled day!

Volunteers Needed:

July 16th: 8am-3pm
for setup

July 17th: set up
starting 6am

12 volunteers for
event support
2 volunteers for
dunk tank

Cost: TBA

More info coming soon!

Activities

Games, Dunk
Tank, Great Food

Donations Needed:

Balloons

Chips

Pop

Hot dogs

Nachos

Hamburgers

Prizes! ✨