



**It is with great excitement that I announce that IDDHHelp is launching today, July 30. You can get started by visiting [IDDHHelp.org](http://IDDHHelp.org) or call a Community Connector directly at 877-256-2202.**

Over the last six months PLB has been sharing its plans to create an Information and Assistance service that will serve as the “one number to call” when there is a question related to Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities services. PLB’s 2017 Needs Assessment indicated this was a greatly needed service, as families couldn’t access information that would make a difference in someone’s quality of life. With the plethora of agencies and services that are available in our community, we knew this was an area where we could (and must) make a difference.

With the assistance of all of our community partners, we have taken giant steps towards providing not only crucial information, but a compassionate experience for people seeking information about services related to Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities in the St. Louis Region. We are thrilled that the Developmental Disabilities Resource Board of St. Charles County and the St. Louis City Office of Developmental Disability Resources have joined this collaboration, making this truly a regional resource.

Many times over the last few months we have reminded ourselves that if this was an easy task, it would have been done before. IDDHHelp.org is a tool that will continue to grow and strengthen with every call that we receive, with every person’s comments that we capture, with every new resource added and updated. To build the resource our community needs will require all of us to be vigilant in ensuring the data is accurate, but also patient as the system continues to be refined.

We are grateful for your support, encouragement, and patience as work has progressed.

**Engage with our Community Connectors by visiting [IDDHHelp.org](http://IDDHHelp.org).**

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We’re going to help YOU!

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