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### **Youth and Transition Services Program**

Upcoming Events and Workshops

### **Sibshops**

Sibshops are fun, activity-filled gatherings of brothers and sisters of those with disabilities. Youth Services sponsors Sibshops for children aged 7 to 13. Facilitation is provided by Diane Kellison, LCSW and Brenda Wickard, parent of a child with a disability. Sibshops acknowledge that being the brother or sister of a person with special needs is for some a good thing, others a not-so-good thing, and for many, somewhere in-between. They reflect a belief that brothers and sisters have much to offer one another — if they are given a chance. Sibshops are a spirited mix of new games (designed to be unique, off-beat, and appealing to a wide ability range), new friends, and discussion activities. For more information on Sibshops, click on: <http://siblingsupport.org>.

### **Virginia: The State of Transition, 25th Anniversary Conference**

Conference will be March 15-17, 2010, at the hotel Roanoke & Conference Center, Roanoke, Virginia.

It is for educators, rehabilitation practitioners, workforce development personnel, students, parents, employers, advocates and representatives from adult service agencies invested in the successful transition of youth with disabilities. Form more information, click here: [http://www.virginiastransitionforum.org/Home\\_Page.html](http://www.virginiastransitionforum.org/Home_Page.html)

### **PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE – SAVE THE DATE**

An informational conference addressing Transitioning from school to adult life

**WHEN:** Saturday, November 13, 2010

**WHERE:** James Monroe High School, 2300 Washington Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401

**REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION:** Contact Peggy Dougherty at 540-582-3616, voice & TTY or [pdougher@scs.k12.va.us](mailto:pdougher@scs.k12.va.us)

Breakout sessions and a vendor fair for high school students and young adults with disabilities, their families, and professionals will include information on:

Employment	Planning Your Future
The Job Search	Supported Employment
Assistive Technology	Vocational Training
Community Living	Medicaid Waivers
Diploma Options	Housing Options
College Requirements	Estate Planning
Adult Rights	Links to Community Services
Guardianship & Power of Attorney	

*There is nothing like a dream to create the future - Victor Hugo*