## Sophie's Gazette

## M A R C H • 2025

A PERSON CENTERED NEWSLETTER PRODUCED BY ST. MADELEINE SOPHIE'S CENTER Edited in the Theresa & Edward O'Toole Foundation Adaptive Computer Learning Center Shifting Gears @ Michael Klein 2024



## BREAKING NEWS



## Were Here All Year



St. Madeleine Sophie's Center is proud to celebrate Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month this March with the campaign "We're Here All Year" and World Down Syndrome Day, emphasizing that community, accessibility, and opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities should be recognized, supported, and championed every day not just in March.

This month reminds us that individuals with developmental disabilities are valuable members of our communities and deserve full participation in all aspects of life, including education, employment, recreation, and civic engagement.

March 21 is World Down Syndrome Day, a day to celebrate persons with Down syndrome and to raise awareness for supported services. To learn about this special day and hear the stories of young adults from around the world talking about the supported services they rely on for getting to work, going to school, and in activities of daily living visit https://www.worlddownsyndromeday.org/2025theme.

At SMSC, our commitment to empowering adults with I/DD to realize their full potential continues year-round! This would not be possible without the support of our amazing community of supporters. If you would like to help SMSC provide year-round programs and services, please consider making a donation or becoming a monthly giver at https://stmsc.org/support-us/

SPECIAL EDITION





Looking for a unique and meaningful venue for your special event? Our nonprofit offers a beautiful space for weddings, baby showers, bridal showers, and celebrations of life. Nestled on 2 acres of organic garden, our venue provides a serene and natural backdrop for any occasion.





By renting our space, you're not only creating lasting memories but also helping support adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities in our community. Celebrate with purpose at our one-of-a-kind venue!

Kayleigh Gebreselassie Events and Development Coordinator St. Madeleine Sophie's Center 2119 E. Madison Avenue – El Cajon, CA 92019 619-442-5129 ext. 115 https://stmsc.org/about-us/#contact-form

