

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION FOR DEAF, HEARING AND SPEECH SERVICES

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

CLIENT ELIGIBILITY: Persons who are deaf and hard of hearing.

SERVICES PROVIDED: Sponsor programs through advocacy, education (about deafness and hearing conversation), special services including interpreter services, equipment rental, and youth programs.

Individuals and families - We have TTY and equipment distribution, youth services (which includes Camp Chris William and our Leadership Training School), interpreter services, and technical/client assistance. To qualify for TTY and equipment distribution program, applications must meet the guidelines for general assistance. Camp Chris William programs for children ages 8 to 14. Leadership Training School for youth in grades 9 through 12.

Education - MADHS offers a variety of educational services, presentations, ADA in-services, public education (including the development of informational brochures and press releases), and general information and referral.

MADHS offers a "Kids on the Block" program which is a presentation concerning ability awareness. This program is appropriate for elementary and middle school children.

Organizations - Organizations include chairmanship of the Michigan Coalition for Deaf and Hard of Hearing People, community service organizations, interagency coordination, and groups including individuals, teachers, and parents.

Policy/Advocacy - Advocacy for accessibility for basic services and improved quality of life for deaf and hard of hearing people.

CLIENT FEES: Fees for interpreter services. Must meet the guidelines for general assistance to qualify for TTY distribution.

INTAKE PROCEDURES: Call.

VOLUNTEERS: Assist with special mailings and data entry.

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