

## ABOUT Handi-Crafters



Empowering Individuals to live more  
Independent, Productive and  
Fulfilling lives

We are a rehabilitative employment program working predominantly with individuals with diverse special needs, including individuals with developmental and physical disabilities, mental health diagnoses, cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury and people on the autism spectrum.

We serve the Counties of Chester, Montgomery, Bucks, Lancaster, Philadelphia and Delaware.

*Our Beginning... Handi-Crafters started in 1962. The concept of creating a go-to-work program was developed by a group of dedicated parents who refused to accept that their developmentally disabled children were "un-employable." Their vision turned into a workshop program that under supervision and training, their children were employed and achieved a new level of independence. 52 years later their extraordinary vision remains the cornerstone and foundation of Handi-Crafters. Providing meaningful work options and opportunities for those who are differently-abled. Our continuum of services has empowered thousands of individuals since opening half a century ago.*

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**Handi-Crafters** **Independent  
Living  
Solutions**





Handi-Crafters Independent Living Solutions Program provided...

*"such a huge help in getting me and my family out of a shelter situation and into a manageable apartment that is safe for my family. Excellent and hard working."*

*– Program Participant*

## INDEPENDENT LIVING SOLUTIONS

Is in partnership with The County of Chester Department of Community Development, *Decade to Doorways Initiative* and Connect Points



*Preventing and Ending Homelessness in Chester County*

# Independent Living Solutions

**The Independent Living Solutions Program** offers comprehensive services to people with disabilities who are establishing housing of their choice in the community. These services include information and referral, development of housing action plans, case management, education, outreach, coordination of roommate groups, and advocacy.



## Eligibility

- Must have a documented disabling condition
- Must be below 80% of the area Median Family Income (\$44,150 for an individual in 2014)
- Be a resident of Chester County
- Be literally homeless, imminently losing housing, unstably housed or have another housing related issue

Assistance is a phone call away!  
To learn more, contact Independent Living Solutions to schedule an Intake Call:  
610 384 6990 x 228