

Nevada Community Enrichment Program

The Loux Center is a 32,000 square foot complex housing the Nevada Community Enrichment Program (NCEP), a neurological rehabilitation program, Community College of Southern Nevada's (CCSN) physical therapy assistant and occupational therapy assistant programs and seven other non-profit partner programs serving persons with disabilities. The address will be NCEP at the Loux Center, 6375 West Charleston Boulevard, Suite L200/WCL, Las Vegas NV 89146.

The Loux Center represents a unique public/private partnership unlike any other in the country. The project was initiated through legislation sponsored by 42 legislators and 19 state senators, signed by the Governor and directed to the ODS (formally the Office of Community Based Services) to work with Accessible Space, Inc. (ASI), NCEP's parent company. The legislation supported the construction of a comprehensive facility for people with brain injuries and other disabilities in Clark County. A steering committee headed by State Assemblyman David Goldwater was formed and charged with finding a low cost or no cost site for the facility. The committee also included Assemblywoman Barbara Buckley, Senator Ray Rawson, former Assemblyman Jack Close, Stephen Vander Schaaf, ASI President/CEO and NCEP Program Director Bob Hogan.

The Loux Center will include a host of exciting partners providing a wide array of direct service, education, support and information. Additionally, ASI's Personal Assistance Program (in home support) and its Independent Living Program (equipment, home and wheelchair modification) will be housed at the Loux Center. Other agencies at the Loux Center will include: Blind Connect (serving low and no vision individuals), Family Ties (training, information, education and support to families of children with disabilities), University of Nevada-Reno's Center for Excellence (developmental disabilities information and referral), St. Mary's Foundation Personal Assistance Services Program (in home personal assistant services), the Center for Creative Therapeutic Arts (music and art therapy) and Nevada's only disability publication, the *Challenger Magazine*.

All of the agencies are now co located in the Loux Center. To provide an additional service, NCEP has recently initiated the paratransit evaluation program, to provide the evaluations for between 3,000 and 5,000 persons with disabilities in Southern Nevada annually. The ability to access paratransit services is essential for persons with disabilities.

In order to complete the mobility area of the Loux Center, to expand it's use for additional assessment and training, the following items are requested:

- Extended sidewalk, to connect the mobility area to the walkway around the building, for ease of access to the mobility area and to the Community College. The only current access is through the NCEP physical therapy gym.
- Electricity from the Loux center out to a street crossing light adjacent to the mobility area. This will assist in assessment and training for persons with physical and cognitive impairments as they prepare for community re entry. The light has been provided by the City of Las Vegas and will be installed at no charge.
- Shade- a large industrial tarp to cover half of the mobility area so that it can be used year round.

The cost of these three additions is estimated at \$6,000.00

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