

A LOOK AT JESPY'S DAY PROGRAM

JESPY Client Aliyah C. : "Going out to lunch. Learning about boundaries. Going to the mall. Going to Target. Going to the park to see nature, like the geese and the turtles that swim in the pond.

JESPY Client Arthur M. : "I come to the Day Program two times a week. . .Monday and Wednesday. I love the people. I've met some good people. You know, it's interesting. For the most part, they've got the same personality as I do. I love to have fun. I love to learn. All the stuff that I could learn now, that I probably didn't pay attention to in school at that time. . .so it's just filling in the cracks."

Voiceover: "I think it's been really great because JESPY is kind of a campus and a lot of the clients who live in South Orange already know each other. They're familiar with the area. Some of them have been here a very long time. So we welcome clients from surrounding towns and even surrounding counties. They get to learn in a new environment. They get to see people that they may have never met before."

"Also, in the community of South Orange, there's so many eateries. We have a train station, the library. So they get to learn life skills in a different environment that they can bring home with them and hopefully use in their own town."

JESPY Client Arthur M. : "I always wanted to learn how to play chess. I never had anybody teach me. I was glued to it and thinking that maybe I could use this in life. I could use my mind. . .strategy, the setup. It's like sports. I love football, so I kind of look at the Queen as like the quarterback. Chess is like 90% of my day."

JESPY Client Aliya C. : "We treat other people the way that you want to be treated and show kindness, love and respect and also don't judge a person by the way that they look. For the future, I want to get like a part time job and be part of the South Orange community.

JESPY Client Arthur M. : "JESPY House is a steppingstone for my future. I'm willing to just step and just leap!"