We Are Here... To ensure that our region’s children, teens, and adults with disabilities are empowered to make life-choosing decisions.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, Pathlight is making a difference across the lifecycle of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

Your gifts allow us to:
• Offer a robust recreation and enrichment program that runs six days a week.
• Put smiles on faces, help develop social skills, discover new strengths and find joy.
• Be the provider of exceptional services to people with disabilities and their families in Western Massachusetts.
• Give aspiring performers a chance to shine on stage in our theater, chorus, and rock band programs.
• Provide accessible community homes with compassionate, trained staff and caregiver support.
• Offer financial assistance to individuals in Pathlight’s Shared Living Program so they can enjoy life-enhancing activities like horseback riding, a trip to a Red Sox game, and performing arts classes.
• Provide innovative support to people with autism and their families, to enhance their learning and inclusion in the community.

And, just like that YOU change lives!

Board members in Fond and Mike Murray, along with their twins Alex Philip and Jon, are having a wonderful time together and are grateful for the support of those who give.

Your gift supports a quality life

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This benefit funds more individuals served by Whole Children and Milestones, helps them build social and recreational skills and grow through music. Thank you, Erin. You rock!