

A Look at MARC -----

Presenter: Alicia Rodriguez

April 22, 2025



MARC Community Resources

MarcCommunityResources.org

25 Industrial Park Rd.
Middletown, CT 06457

(860) 347-0700

 [@marccommunityresources](https://www.facebook.com/marccommunityresources)

 [@MARC_CommRes](https://twitter.com/MARC_CommRes)

 bit.ly/linkedin-marc-cr

 bit.ly/youtube-marc-cr



SERVING OUR COMMUNITY SINCE 1955

- Over 65 years of empowering people with I/DD
- Our service areas include Middlesex County, Hartford County, & The Shoreline
- Services we offer:
- Employment
- Day Service Options
- Independent Living (I.H.S, Cluster I.H.S, & CCH)
- Residential 24/7 Services (CLA/CRS)
- Adult Skill Development & Leisure
- Outreach & Advocacy

CHESHIRE CRS





**MEET THE GUYS AT CHESHIRE CRS
AL & JACK**

WELCOME HOME GUYS

Alexander is a 24-year-old gentleman who prefers to be called "AL or Alex and John is a 23 -year-old gentleman who prefers to be called “Jack”. Both guys previously resided at Shrub Oaks International Therapeutic School in New York. The guys were seeking an opportunity to move back to CT to be closer to their families and reside in a community-based setting. MARC was thrilled at the possibility to be able to support the guys in a CRS setting and quickly jumped at the opportunity to open CHESHIRE CRS, a place where the men would be able to call home for years to come.

Cheshire CRS provides 24 hour 1:1 staffing supports, to ensure the medical, programmatic, and behavioral needs of the guys are met at all times.

Alexander (AL) and John (Jack), made the MARC Cheshire CRS a place to call home on January 15th 2025. The gentleman made the transition into their new home a breeze and easily began the process of making their new home into a space where it felt personalized and “homey”. The guys took no break and quickly began to explore their neighborhood and begin their new Day Program at MARC, provided by MARC’s Day Services in Cromwell.



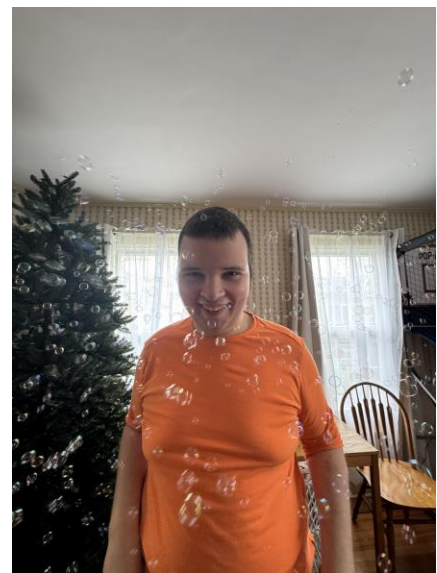
This is Shrub Oaks

Inside their new home



Fun times

- Since moving to Cheshire, the guys have participated in various in-home activities such as enjoyed hosting Super Bowl party where Al helped make appetizers for their guest while Jack helped with set up and clean up, they have enjoyed lots of arts & crafts, shooting hoops with the indoor basketball hoop, enjoying cultural celebrations such as making homemade empanadas & rice/Spanish beans, hosted an Ice Cream Social where both gentlemen shopped for items and picked their favorite ice creams and toppings that they were able to share with their new friends, celebrated Al's B-Day with a party at the house with family & friends, and decorated the home for ST. Patty's Day.



Guys enjoying art at Day Program



Superbowl 2025



**WHO LOVES
POOL TIME?
WE DO!**

Cheshire
Community Pool





SPRING READY.....Let's garden!!

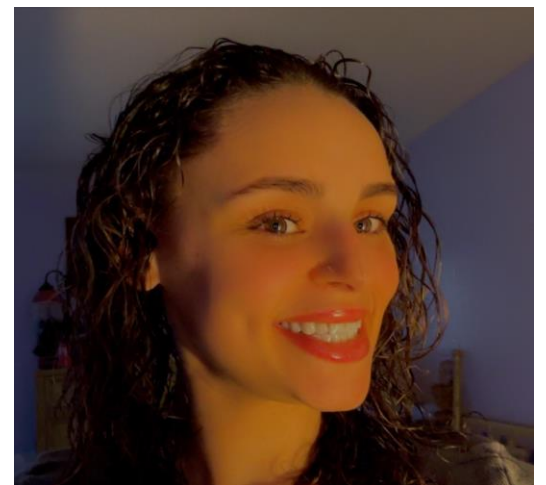
Celebrations

- Jack has really opened and is expanding his verbal communication more and more each day. He spoke his first full sentence since moving to the home. (Can I have more food, Please) This was a huge celebration in knowing he is feeling more comfortable with his peers and staff.
- Al went to the Movie Theatre for the first time and absolutely loved it. He sang a phrase or two to several of the theme songs for the movie SNOW WHITE.

Future Vision

- Cheshire CRS is hoping to accomplish many goals in the upcoming future such as:
- The guys would like to get an outdoor basketball hoop and patio set/grill so they can enjoy their yard in the summer.
- Plant a vegetable garden
- Schedule weekly trail walks throughout Connecticut
- Visit museums throughout Connecticut
- Host many more parties to come!!!

The DSPs who make it possible:





THANKS FOR JOINING US!

Alicia Rodriguez
Residential Manager
(P): 2032508302 | (F): 203-439-6201
www.marccommunityresources.org



@marccommunityresources



@MARC_CommRes



bit.ly/linkedin-marc-cr



bit.ly/youtube-marc-cr