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*Information, Referral, Education, Supported Employment and  
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Hello,

I don't have much of an update since the March letter. I am just about finish with ASA's Semi-annual report and a summary of the results of our surveys. You will be receiving the documents in July. I do want thank you all for taking the time to respond. It is helpful to us here to know what we are doing well with and what we need to improve on.

We have received referrals and may increase our census for both of our programs in the coming months.

The major news is a potential **New Building** that is similar to our current building. We have put in an offer for a building in Waltham. **We are just in the beginning stages.** However, I did have The Department of Developmental Services complete a feasibility survey and will need do a Pre-Placement Review and an Approval to Occupy prior to ASA operating out of it if we are able to work out purchasing the building.

**Please stay tuned!!!**

### Employment

**I do not have any new News here. We are still waiting to hear about our CVS worksite, Wegmans and Bay Path. I have reached out to Warriors Arena as several individuals want to work there. Hoping to hear back from them.**

### ACTIVITES

Joy of Golf started and is going very well.

We toured channel 5 and those that went had a great time, which sparked interest with others – so we are hoping to do that again.

Charles River Museum was a hit as well.

We are planning a few trips to the aquarium and Franklin Park Zoo.

Through the survey Dave Buster was requested so we are looking to see what we can work out there.

I have purchased fishing equipment and we are in the process of applying for fishing licenses. We have down loaded the documents and working on applying for licenses for those who have interest.

**A Service Coordinator sent me a list of activities that are free to do on Fridays and we are coordinating some of those activities as well. Thank You Amy!**

**We went to Gaining Ground in Concord and it was an educational experience for everyone and plans are in the works to go again. They learned about how to grow and care (from picking to washing to storing) for strawberries.**

**We did some volunteering for the Town of Wellesley.**

**If anyone has any ideas or suggestions for us to do please let us know.**

- **Annual trainings in safety, Transportation, Fire, Human Rights and Proactive Alternative for Change completed during this quarter.**

**We have started on enhancing our Web Page and we will be editing the site in the coming months. Everyone should still be able to access it.**

**We are continuing to look for software to have our daily data be electronic to make all reports more efficient.**

We held our Annual Meeting May 16, 2018. We had a nice turn out and everyone had a wonderful time. Those who won awards were extremely happy.

Again Thank You from all of us at ASA for your support.

**I hope everyone has a wonderful summer!**

**Sincerely,**

**Sheela Smith, Executive Director.**