

Providing Shelter and Mass Care for Adults with Developmental Disabilities

The Ice Storm of 2007



The Storm Experience

- **Loss of Power**
- **Loss of Telephone**
- **Impassible Roads**
- **Lack of Public Shelter**
- **Lack of Information**



Obstacles for People with DD at Public Shelters

- **Lack of Accessibility**
- **Special needs for people who require adaptive equipment.**
- **Community reactions to people with developmental disabilities.**



What had to be Changed

- **Development of our own shelter.**
- **Resources needed to fund the shelter**
- **Where to go for resources**
- **Communication of the changes to staff and others who need to know**
- **Sharing our shelter with others**
- **Adjustments to our Disaster Recovery Plan**

