

## *The Program*

The Evaluation & Treatment Center will provide a variety of treatment options for children and families, including:

- Individualized behavioral programming
- Occupational therapy
- Speech therapy
- Social and life skills training
- Family education and support services for both siblings and parents

All in a state-of-the-art therapy area serving as many as 400 children and families each year.


## *The Vision*

Lengthy wait lists for evaluation services for families of children with a suspected developmental disability, including Autism Spectrum Disorder, are simply unacceptable and have a serious impact on development. The Evaluation and Treatment Center will address this gaps and provide timely evaluations so that children can get the proper treatment and supports they need to live their best possible lives!



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# Evaluation *and* Treatment Center



OLV Human Services  
A Father Baker Legacy

## An Unmet Need

Simply put, there is a desperate need for more services for young people with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and their families.

According to estimates from the CDC's Autism and Developmental Disabilities Monitoring Network, approximately 1 in 36 children is born with ASD today, a drastic increase from the 1 in 150 in 2000. Locally, 25% of children with ASD have not been diagnosed with such, meaning they and their families are struggling without the benefit of qualified support.

Making matters worse, one of the only major ASD clinics in Western New York estimates that it currently has 1,200 families on an 18-month wait list to receive an evaluation, and that an additional 115 referrals are received each month. Another major clinic in Rochester has a current wait list of 12-14 months.

*These extended time frames are detrimental to a child's development*

## A Timely Solution

With decades of experience in serving children and youth with developmental disabilities, OLV Human Services will address this crisis in the compassionate spirit of the organization's founder, Venerable Nelson Baker.

Licensed under Baker Victory Healthcare Center, The Evaluation and Treatment Center (ETC) will fill the gap in area services by offering multi-disciplinary assessments and evaluations for children and youth (ages 2-21) suspected of having an intellectual and/or developmental disability, including ASD.



Led by a medical director/pediatrician, a licensed psychologist and a team of assessment and evaluation specialists will conduct in-person testing in a calm and friendly environment at 790 Ridge Road in Lackawanna.

