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### Kennedy-Donovan Center Receives Highest Level of Accreditation

Foxboro — CARF, the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, announced that Kennedy-Donovan Center (KDC) has been awarded a three-year term of accreditation for all of its adult community based services. KDC offers these programs in Cape Cod, Blackstone Valley, greater New Bedford, Taunton/Attleboro, greater Plymouth and Middlesex County.

CARF awarded accreditation in the areas of Community Housing, Community Services Coordination, Family Services, Respite Services, Supported Living, Host Family Services, and Community Employment Services: Job Supports. These services cover all of Kennedy-Donovan Center's program areas of Cape Cod, Blackstone Valley and Metro West regions, and greater New Bedford. Last year, KDC received a three year CARF accreditation in the areas of Governance for overall agency standards, and Community Integration for KDC's Day Habilitation program.

"It is unusual to receive a three-year accreditation in your first cycle," states Mike Hyland, Vice President of Adult and Residential Programs. "We are proud of this accomplishment and the commitment it demonstrates of our staff to the individuals and families supported by Kennedy-Donovan Center."

This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to the CARF standards. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process and has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit that its programs and services are of the highest quality, measurable, and accountable.

CARF, a nonprofit accreditor, was founded in 1966 and touches close to 6 million individuals served in a wide range of human service organizations. For more information about the accreditation process, please visit [www.carf.org](http://www.carf.org). Kennedy-Donovan Center (KDC) is a non-profit human service agency dedicated to supporting individuals and families with developmental disabilities and similar needs to reach their maximum potential and quality of life through advocacy and individualized services. KDC offers a wide range of direct and supportive community-based services to more than 5,000 individuals and families from over 150 communities in Massachusetts.

For additional information on services, contact Kennedy-Donovan Center at [www.kdc.org](http://www.kdc.org) or phone Ann Buono, VP of Development and Public Relations at 508-543-2542 extension 115.

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