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**CHAFEE ANNOUNCES \$198,700 EDUCATION
GRANT FOR ARC OF NORTHERN RI**

WASHINGTON, DC – U.S. Senator Lincoln Chafee today announced that The ARC of Northern Rhode Island has been selected to receive \$198,700 under the U.S. Department of Education’s Congressional Earmarks Program. The grant will help fund Adult Basic Education (ABE) for 95 students and another 280 students will benefit from Personal Relationship Training (PRT). Both programs are designed to provide confidence and living skills required to be a productive member of the community.

“I am pleased that these federal funds will help ARC of Northern RI continue the good work being done to help people with developmental disabilities become more active members of our community,” said Chafee.

The Adult Basic Education (ABE) program was designed with help from the Rhode Island Department of Education. Instructors are certified teachers experienced with people with learning disabilities. ABE provides the basics of functional academics: language, reading, mathematics, budgeting skills and written communications.

The PRT program is a nationally recognized program designed by a certified Master Level clinical therapist. The program provides living skills including state of the art interactive relationships training and health education. PRT teaches the acceptable behavior between adults, what society accepts and rejects, and recognition skills required to function in everyday living.

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