



HUMAN SERVICES

KATHLEEN PATRICK

Kathleen Patrick has made a difference by inspiring the involvement of all people in their communities. Ms. Patrick volunteers in her community, county and beyond.

She has volunteered for the Office of Emergency Management, serving as one of the only non-professionals on the board. She also served for several years as a coordinator of Jackson's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), teaching residents how to protect themselves, their families and their neighbors in the event of a disaster.

While serving as the coordinator of the CERT team, Ms. Patrick also facilitated a support group in Jackson for parents of children receiving special education and related services. She volunteered as a member of the Jackson Special Education Advisory Council, helping the district administration to improve its practices of including disabilities in their home schools.

Ms. Patrick also volunteered for the Jackson Commission for Individuals with Disabilities. She co-authored an article about the Commission's efforts that was published in the NJ State League of Municipalities Magazine.

A sought-after speaker at conferences on disabilities, Kathleen also serves on the Ocean County Human Services Council, where she is involved with the legislative committee and the Children's Interagency Coordinating Council.

Her drive and passion for her child who has a number of challenges ensures that her community will continue to benefit from her valued service.