



Juan Valenzuela

Board Member

"I have served on the DSASTX Board for 6 years now. Dante (Valenzuela, son) is the number one reason why I became involved with this community. I came to the DSASTX building by mistake. I bought a house close to the area and decided to drive up there looking for daycare for newborns with Down syndrome. That is when I met Heather and Michelle and I saw the outdated building. We talked about future plans and there was a lot of work to upgrading the building that had just been purchased (Maggie Hartman). Talking to Heather McFarland, the Executive Director at the time, I offered to serve and use my resources, including my experience in the construction industry to help manage this project, and join the board almost simultaneously.



My favorite part about serving is being able to work with people who are similar minded, passionate about making a difference in the Down syndrome community, and who are experts in different fields which making our board solid. Getting to know people from other organizations and collaborate with them is also another part I enjoy working with the DSASTX."
