



Baltimore County Commission on Disabilities
 Providing support and advocacy for citizens with disabilities for over 25 years.

**BALTIMORE COUNTY
 COMMISSION ON
 DISABILITIES**

Our mission is to foster attitudes and promote behaviors which respect and value people with disabilities among County government, its citizens, and others.

Our vision is for a culture and environment to exist in Baltimore County which provides the support and opportunities for people with disabilities to participate fully in all aspects of community life.

The Commission on Disabilities includes people with disabilities, family members, representatives of public and private service-providing agencies, and State and local government. The Commission works to assure that all of the County's programs and services are accessible.

The Commission on Disabilities is part of the Baltimore County Department of Planning and is made up of volunteers who are appointed by the County Executive.

Goals

Achieve an effective and systematic delivery of public, private and consumer resources to all people with disabilities in the County.

Identify the strengths and weaknesses in programs, services and resources available to citizens with disabilities.

Propose the means whereby the needs of citizens with disabilities can be met.

Work Groups

In order to meet our objectives, the Commission on Disabilities sponsors the following work groups:

Education

Reviews and advises on issues related to disabilities and education in Baltimore County.

Employment

Acts as a resource for employment professionals and advises on issues related to employment of individuals with disabilities.

Housing

Examines the issues concerning the availability of affordable and accessible housing.

Public Policy

Monitors the local and State legislative issues and prepares the Commission's legislative agenda for elected officials.

Public Relations & Special Events

Organizes the Annual Awards Luncheon and other public information and awareness events.

Transportation

Studies issues related to effective transportation for individuals with disabilities.

Universal Access

Maintains and updates the Priority Matrix for making County facilities and services accessible to citizens with disabilities.

You do not have to be a member of the Disabilities Commission to participate in one or more of its Work Groups. If you are interested in being appointed to the Commission, or volunteering on a Work Group, please contact the Commission at 410-887-3317 or plncod@baltimorecountymd.gov

