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16th Kansas Disability Caucus
August 10-12, 2022
Hotel Topeka at City Center, Topeka, KS



Kansas Disability Caucus 2022



2022 KANSAS DISABILITY CAUCUS

The 16th Kansas Disability Caucus will be held in **Topeka, KS on August 10-12, 2022**. People with all types of disabilities, of all ages, representing every county of the State, are invited to attend. ***The purpose of the Kansas Disability Caucus is to provide opportunities for Kansans with disabilities to learn, share, and provide solutions to issues faced by the disability community.***

In 1988 ninety people attended the first Kansas Disability Caucus in Salina, KS. The outcome of these individuals coming together was a united charge to pass the first consumer directed personal care assistance program in Kansas. It has been common to have leaders in the disability rights movement, such as Ed Roberts, Andy Imparato, and Kelly Buckland, speak at the Caucus in the past.

One of the vital pieces of the KS Disability Caucus has always been to have participants divide into three regions where we gather their concerns on issues or barriers to their independence and potential solutions that they may have. Another important part is the opportunity for participants to gain information about topics and issues occurring that affect Kansans with disabilities and our rights to live independently in our communities and make choices in our lives.

This year's Caucus theme is **“Together We Rise, United in Action!”** When we are united, big things can happen! This year's theme celebrates the strength of our Kansas disability community and encourages advocacy to improve independent living for people with all disabilities, including all intersections with marginalized populations. The Disability Caucus offers the opportunity for the Kansas disability community to come together and unite voices for change. Every Kansan deserves the chance to live independently in every part of life, and this year's Caucus will bring EVERYONE together to promote full inclusion and integration of people with disabilities. Our community has faced many challenges in the last two years, including isolation, segregation of people with disabilities in institutions, many uncalled-for deaths, lack of pandemic resources, rationing of healthcare, food insecurity, and COVID long haul effects. These challenges have only increased the barriers to integration, inclusion, and independent living that were already occurring prior to the pandemic. Let's finally gather back as a community and unite our voices to say “Enough!” Time to rise and take action to address barriers that get in the way of living independently. It's time for our disability community to come together, inclusive of ALL populations, to develop the action needed for everyone in the community to have the ability to live to their fullest potential!

Join us on August 10-12 in Topeka as we come together as a community to advocate for change with this theme in mind- **“Together We Rise, United in Action!”**



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Together We Rise, United in Action!

Tentative Schedule

● Wednesday, August 10, 2022 ●

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Registration
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	WELCOME & OPENING PLENARY / KEYNOTE SPEAKER
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	REGIONAL CAUCUS SESSIONS BREAK OUT (3)
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Dinner Plated – Keynote Speaker
7:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.	Dance!!

● Thursday, August 11, 2022 ●

Exhibitors Open – 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast Plated
9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions (4)
10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions (4)
12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch Plated
1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	REGIONAL CAUCUS SESSIONS BREAK OUT (3)
3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions (4)
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	AWARDS BANQUET – includes Dinner
8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Youth Unite: A Gathering of the Next Generation!

● Friday, August 12, 2022 ●

Exhibitors Open – 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast Plated
9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions (4)
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	REGIONAL CAUCUS SOLUTIONS REPORT OUT
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	CLOSING CEREMONY / KEYNOTE- Colin Olenick and Phillip McGruder (Self-Advocate Coalition of Kansas)

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General Information

Please note: The Kansas Disability Caucus will monitor Federal, State, and local guidelines around proactive measures to ensure everyone's health and safety as we move closer to the event. We will communicate to all participants in advance safety measures that will be implemented by the KDC and the hotel.

Fragrance and chemicals can be access barriers for some participants.
The Caucus requests that you come fragrance free. Please refrain from using scented products.
Use designated smoking areas outside.

REGISTRATION

Complete and return the hotel/conference registration form online or included in this booklet, along with your payment. **The Disability Caucus will make all hotel reservations.** Confirmation of your registration will be sent directly to you. If you have questions, please call Rosie Cooper at 785-817-3047.

SUPPORT SERVICES or ACCOMMODATIONS

Adaptive Equipment: Arrangements for shower chairs and any other adaptive equipment must be filled out on the registration form. Please be sure to check the appropriate box on the registration form.

Personal Assistant Services: The Disability Caucus will provide PA services during the scheduled conference activities. Anyone requiring additional personal assistant services **MUST** make a request on the registration form.

ASL Interpreters: The Disability Caucus will provide ASL interpreters during scheduled conference activities. You **MUST** request interpreter services on your registration form to ensure appropriate interpreter service is available for you.

Accessible Formats: Anyone wishing to have Caucus materials in alternate format **MUST** request it on your registration form. These accessible formats include large print, electronic text only/flash drive, Braille, and Real Time Caption/CART.

REMEMBER TO:

- Print clearly so we can read it correctly.
- Provide us with a phone number and area code if we need to contact you.
- Let us know when you plan to arrive and depart the hotel.
- Decide which registration you would like to take advantage of.
- Mark any adaptive or accessible needs you require to attend the Caucus.
- Let us know any special diet needs.

If you need to explain, please comment here: _____

Don't forget to **send your registration and payment back by July 10, 2022!!!**
Due to a high volume of participants, the deadline date will be strictly enforced!

Register Online! Visit <http://tinyurl.com/2022KDCregistration>.

Or you can send this registration form to:

KS Disability Caucus, P.O. Box 67161, Topeka, KS 66667, topekarose0817@gmail.com



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HOTEL/CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM -- **PLEASE PRINT**

Location: Hotel Topeka at City Center, Topeka, KS

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____ Phone Number (____) _____

Email _____ Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

Registration Type: (Registration includes hotel stay on Aug. 10 and 11, registration fee, and meals during Caucus sessions unless otherwise noted)

= Single room- \$350

= Registration (no hotel room)- \$150

= Double/Share a room- \$250

= Personal Assistant attending with paid attendee- \$0

Roommate Name _____

What is your gender? ____ Male ____ Female ____ Nonbinary

Who do you feel comfortable having as a roommate? ____ Male ____ Female ____ Nonbinary

***Scholarship** Assistance is available for people with disabilities who require financial aid in order to attend. Partial and full scholarships are available. A \$50 registration fee is required so as many participants as possible may attend.

Adaptive Equipment/Room Requests:

For the purpose of lodging, are you a wheelchair user? ____ YES ____ NO

Shower chair

Roll in shower

Bathroom door removed

Bed lowered

Assistive Listening Device

Other _____

Alternate Format:

Large Print

Electronic Text Only/Flash Drive

Braille

Real Time Caption/CART

Personal Assistant (PA) Services:

I will need a PA during scheduled events. (If yes, we will be in contact to try to best meet your needs.)

Will you bring your own PA? ____ YES ____ NO *PA Name _____

*PA must complete their own registration form so that meals, etc. can be provided to them.

ASL Interpreter Service:

Will you need ASL interpreter service during scheduled events? ____ YES ____ NO

Special Diet: Diabetic Vegetarian Gluten Free

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**Checks should be made payable to Kansas Disability Caucus.*

(Alternate formats available upon request)



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To:



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