

# The Alliance News



## Operation: Community Access

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### Vision

Our vision is for self-advocates to work together to get the support we need to live the life we want in the community.

### Mission

Our mission is to speak up for ourselves and each other while working together to make changes in our communities and in Illinois.

The Alliance is proud to be an Initiative of the Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities



If you want to vote in the Illinois General Election, which includes voting for President of the United States, on November 8, 2016, you must register to vote by October 11, 2016. Learn more at U.S. Vote Foundation at [www.usvotefoundation.org](http://www.usvotefoundation.org).

The National Technical Assistance Center for Voting and Cognitive Access helps protection and advocacy systems, election officials and people with disabilities to make voting accessible for all citizens. The Center is managed and operated by leaders in the self-advocacy movement. Learn more by visiting [www.sabeusa.org/govoter/](http://www.sabeusa.org/govoter/)

DeafVote has been set up especially for Deaf citizens - specifically, those who may never have voted before but are curious about the Presidential campaign and the parties' positions on issues that concern Deaf people. It's for anyone would like to know how to register to vote. Learn more at <http://deafvote.com/>.

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## Staying Safe on Social Media and Online

This booklet is about how to keep safe when you are using social media and the internet. It covers profiles, Facebook, Email, Twitter and Skype. Check it out by going to [www.learningdisabilities.org.uk/content/assets/pdf/publications/staying-safe-online.pdf](http://www.learningdisabilities.org.uk/content/assets/pdf/publications/staying-safe-online.pdf)



## Two Great Presentations...One Date and Time! Wednesday, August 24, 2016 10am



Two great presentations...one date and time! Join self-advocates from Livingston County Advocates in Action (LCAA) in Pontiac, Illinois, as they share two great presentations ~ My Self-Advocacy Journey, and Wheelchair Etiquette: It's All About Respect!

Please register for August Webinar on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 at 10:00 AM CDT at:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2583870289978343692>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.



Missed "Got Ideas? The Alliance Wants You To Share Them!" webinar on July 26, 2016? No worries...we can send you the recording! Just e-mail Krescene Beck at [krescenebeck@gmail.com](mailto:krescenebeck@gmail.com), and put Got Ideas Webinar in the subject line.



Check out this 9 minute video from DisabilityRightsFL:

### Ten Steps To Effective Self-Advocacy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K6n3uFdXo2Y>

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**Be a Part of Advocacy in Action by attending your local Advisory Council Meeting****North Suburban**

To Be Announced  
Community Alternatives Unlimited  
8765 W. Higgins Road  
Chicago, IL

**North Central**

Tuesday, September 6, 2016  
10 – 10.30am  
By Conference Call Only

**Northwest**

Tuesday, September 13, 2016  
4.30pm  
Milestone Training Center  
4504 Shepherd Trail  
Rockford, IL

**City of Chicago**

To Be Announced  
UIC's Institute on Disabilities and Human Development (Auditorium)  
1640 W. Roosevelt Road  
Chicago, IL

**Central Region**

To Be Announced  
DHS DDD - Centrum Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room  
319 East Madison  
Springfield, IL

**Southern Region**

Wednesday, August 17, 2016  
10.30am  
Southern Illinois Case Coordination  
140 South Locust  
Centralia, IL

**South Suburban**

Thursday, August 18, 2016  
2pm  
Suburban Access  
900 Maplewood Avenue  
Homewood, IL