Arc of Kentucky Vision

The Arc of Kentucky holds a vision of a positive future for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities; a future of communities with services and supports that will promote lives of value for Kentuckians with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The Arc of Kentucky believes that individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities are contributing members of schools, work places, churches, synagogues, neighborhoods, and their communities. The Arc values services and supports that enhance the quality of life through friendship, interdependence, choice, and respect for individuals.

# The Arc of Kentucky sees its Mission as:

Advocating for the rights and full participation of all children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Together with our network of members and affiliated chapters, we improve systems of supports and services, connect families, inspire communities and influence community policy.

The mission is accomplished primarily by its ability to enhance the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through:

- \* Advocacy the process of presenting their needs to local, state and national governmental and organizational bodies.
- \* Education informing such persons and their families of the programs and processes that they can use, and by raising awareness of the general population of the needs and abilities of such persons so that they will be accepted as individuals by the general public.

## **Local Arc Chapters**

The Arc of Ashland Ashland

The Arc of Barren County Glasgow

The Arc of Breckinridge County Harned

The Arc of Central Kentucky Lexington

The Arc of Floyd/Pike County Prestonsburg

The Arc of Greater Louisville Area, Inc. Louisville

The Arc of Hardin County Elizabethtown

The Arc of Lake Cumberland Somerset

The Arc of Logan County Russellville

The Arc of Madison County Richmond

The Arc of Meade County Brandenburg

The Arc of Owensboro Owensboro

The Point Arc (Northern KY) Covington

The Arc of Warren County Bowling Green





Sixty Years of Advocacy, Education, Resources and Partnership for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities



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### Who Are We?

The Arc of Kentucky is the largest **volunteer** organization in the state. The Arc is a **grassroots** organization formed in 1955 by a small group of parents. (The national Arc was created in 1950.)

The Arc is **people** -people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, their families, neighbors and friends - advocating for fairness and equality.

The Arc works to ensure a quality life for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We do this by focusing our efforts on P.E.O.P.L.E.!

- P Protecting rights
- E- Encouraging inclusion
- O Optimizing supports
- P Promoting choice
- L Lifting expectations
- **E** Educating communities

The Arc is your **platform** and your **voice** working to provide the opportunities and supports for Kentuckians with intellectual and developmental disabilities to live, learn, work and play in the community...as is their right.

#### Why Do We Exist?

The Arc of Kentucky advocates for the rights of citizens with intellectual and developmental disabilities to:

- \*participate in and be included in all phases of community life.
- \*make choices about and take control over their own lives to as large extent as possible, including where and with whom they will live and work in the community.
- \*by initiating and supporting local, state and national prevention efforts to reduce the incidence and limit the consequences of intellectual and developmental disabilities through research, advocacy, education and family support.
- \*by providing leadership, pursuing quality and justice, and developing human and financial resources to reach the above goals.

#### **Donate Now!**

\*The Arc of Kentucky does not receive any federal or state funds. We rely solely on private contributions.

Donations will be used for education, advocacy, valuable resources, informative training opportunities, programs, and to support caregivers, professionals, families and individuals in Kentucky. We are a 501(c) 3 organization.

#### Ways to donate:

Text CHANGE to: 502-305-3456

Amazon Smile, https://smile.amazon.com/ch/61-0593311

Car Donation Program, http://www.thearc.org/page.aspx?pid=2492

Donation button on our page through PayPal, www.arcofky.org

Kroger Rewards, # 77260 krogercommunityrewards.com

The Arc of Kentucky's Giving Page: https://the-arc-of-kentucky.snwbll.com/giving-portal

Or mail your check to: The Arc of Kentucky, 706 East Main Street, Frankfort, KY 40601

# The Arc of Kentucky Membership Application. *Please join us!* Name:\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:\_\_\_\_\_ Address: City:\_\_\_\_\_ State:\_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code:\_\_\_\_\_ Date: **Organization: Check One:** \_\_\_\_I am a professional or a business in the field. Enclosed is a check for \$50.00 for my dues. \_\_\_\_I am a parent/relative of an individual with intellectual or developmental disability or I am interested in supporting the Arc. Enclosed is a check for \$25.00 for my dues. \_\_\_ I am an individual with an intellectual or developmental disability. Enclosed is a check for \$10.00 for my dues. \_\_\_ I am a student interested in supporting the Arc. Enclosed is a check for \$10.00 for my dues. Please make all checks out to The Arc of Kentucky and mail to 706 East Main Street, Ste. A Frankfort, KY 40601.