Commission for People with Disabilities

Established 2006





Purpose

To promote the inclusion and empowerment of people with disabilities within the Lexington-Fayette Urban County community, and to advise the Mayor and the Urban County Council on issues that impact persons with disabilities.



Members

Chair - Jason Jones – UK-Human Development Institute

Vice Chair - Christina Espinosa Bard, UK Human Development Institute

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Janet Scheeline – Community Advocate

Carla Johnson – Community Advocate

Ryan Guyder – Community Advocate

Eric Hobson – LFUCG, Public Safety

Roger Daman- LFUCG, ADA Coordinator



Accomplishments

Sidewalk Café Ordinance-helped to ensure adequate access around outside seating at downtown restaurants.

Curb Cuts-Worked with streets and roads to identify high foot traffic areas that high concentrations of people with disabilities frequented

Accessible Parking and Signage Ordinance-Increased accessible parking fine from \$15 to \$250. Required "no parking" to be painted inside access aisles near accessible parking spaces.

ADA Task Force-Identified 10 key areas of improvement, including the inclusion of a staff person in Building Inspection to review all construction documents for ADA compliance



Inclusion

Disability Awareness and Sensitivity – We have developed and offer training through the city's Division of Human Resources and other groups. This 90 minute training offers suggestions and tips to provide outstanding customer services to all people, especially those with a disability.

We are eager to help in any way that we can to ensure that Lexington is a more Livable and Inclusive community for all.