The Iowa Developmental Disabilities Council (DD Council) is excited to offer grant funds to local disability advocacy groups! These groups should have a plan to take action in their community on disability-related issues by hosting a town hall meeting with state and local lawmakers. Activities of grant recipients must be non-partisan and support individuals with disabilities in developing relationships with lawmakers and community leaders.

**AVAILABLE GRANTS**

Grants are available from $100 up to $2,000. You will have the option to select a dollar amount on the application. We encourage advocacy groups to apply for any size grant they feel would have an impact in their community. Great ideas that have a big impact don’t always carry a big price tag. Grant requests must include a plan detailing how it will be put into action.

Grant funds are provided as a reimbursement for actual expenses. Receipts for all expenses must be submitted along with a final report prior to the payment of funds. Grants may be awarded for part of the planned activities.

**GRANT REQUIREMENTS**

As a grant recipient, you will be required to:

1. Complete the grant application, including a plan and proposed budget.
2. Sign the grant agreement.
3. Provide a final report within three weeks of the conclusion of grant-related activities. The requirements of the final report will be based on grant activities and will be included in the agreement.
4. Provide receipts for grant-related expenses.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Local groups of people with disabilities, family members, and advocates with an interest in supporting and encouraging Iowans with disabilities to get involved in advocacy are eligible. Groups are expected to meet with lawmakers, which may include other community and state leaders, and host a town hall meeting on disability-related issues. Groups may be formal or informal.

**EXPECTATIONS**

The Iowa DD Council provides grants to allow local advocacy groups to take action in their communities. We want you to be creative in your proposals. Describe how your group will support community members with disabilities to get involved and meet with lawmakers on disability-related issues.

Grants will be evaluated based on the following:

- How many individuals with disabilities, lawmakers, and other community and state leaders will be reached through the grant?
- What will be the result of this grant?

**SUPPORT**

The DD Council is able to help you with your townhall! The following are items the DD Council can provide therefore; these activities will not be approved for funding:

- Advocacy trainings.
- Marketing materials (printing and distribution are the responsibility of the grantee).
- Marketing support to increase awareness of grantee’s activities.

**QUESTIONS**

Please call or email the DD Council if you have questions. We are here to help make your event a success.

Phone (800) 452-1936

Email contactus@iowaddcouncil.org

Web iowaddcouncil.org
APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Group Name: _________________________________________________________

Address: _____________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ State: __________________ Zip: _____________

Phone Number: ___________________________ Email: _______________________

GRANT REQUEST

The DD Council will award multiple grants in varying ranges. Actual grant amounts awarded will be stated in the grant contract and reimbursements will be provided based on actual expenses.

Select the grant range you wish to apply for.

☐ $100-$500  ☐ $501-$1,000  ☐ $1,001-$1,500  ☐ $1,501-$2,000

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Submit a narrative that includes the following information for review by the DD Council team. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until funds are depleted.

1. How many total people are in your group?
   • How many of those are persons with disabilities?
   • How many are family members?

2. Describe your plan for the town hall meeting. Include the following:
   • Planning timeline
   • Proposed activities and events
   • Disability issues to be discussed
   • List of elected officials and community and state leaders who will be invited

3. Who and how many will attend your activities?

4. What is the total cost of your town hall meeting? (Use form on following page to list estimated expenses and who will pay for what.)

5. What will be the outcome of your town hall meeting and how will you know that your project was successful?
# GRANT APPLICATION BUDGET

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**APPLY TODAY!**

To apply for a DD Council town hall grant, complete and submit the following grant application.

**EMAIL TO:**  
contactus@iowaddcouncil.org

**MAIL TO:**  
Iowa DD Council  
700 2nd Ave Suite 101  
Des Moines, IA 50309

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