

PRESS RELEASE

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Disability Advocacy Day 2024

Columbia, South Carolina - The South Carolina Partnership of Disability Organizations (SCPDO) will be celebrating their 35th Annual Disability Advocacy Day event on Tuesday, March 5th at the South Carolina State House. Collectively, the member organizations of the SCPDO represent more than 500,000 people with lifelong disabilities and their families in South Carolina. Disability Advocacy Day is an opportunity for these individuals and their supporters to come together to address legislators making budget decisions that directly affect their lives.

This year's theme, "All Voices Heard!" celebrates the contributions made by people of all abilities. The SCPDO invites the public, lawmakers, and community partners to attend the 35th Annual Disability Advocacy Day on March 5, 2024 to bring about positive change, and work together to preserve services and supports for people with disabilities in South Carolina.

We will gather at the steps on the North grounds of the South Carolina State House. Sign-in is at 9:30 a.m. and guest speakers will begin at 10:00 a.m. This year's event will include a walk around the State House, a rally, and speeches by community leaders, partners, self-advocates, and others.

Together, we can make changes and seek out solutions to the many challenges that face the disability community in our state...with All Voices Heard!

Pre-register for this event at <u>tinyurl.com/DADSC2024</u>
Visit <u>www.scpdo.org</u> for more information and updates.

About SCPDO

SCPDO is made up of organizations representing autism, brain injury, spinal cord injury, intellectual and related disabilities. Our aim is to assure self-determination, independence, empowerment, integration and inclusion of all individuals with severe, lifelong disabilities in all aspects of society.

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