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HISTORY

The Governor's Council on Disability traces its roots to the World War II era. In 1947, President Harry S Truman issued an Executive Order establishing the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped. This Committee was created to assist WW II veterans living with disabilities with reentry into the civilian workforce. In 1949, Missouri established the state Governor's Committee to share information about work related problems facing people living with disabilities. In 1994, our statute was updated to broaden our mission beyond employment, enabling the Governor's Council on Disability to become a voice for more than one million Missourians living with disabilities in all facets of life, including state government.

MISSION

To provide leadership and support so people with disabilities achieve inclusion and independence.

VISION

The Missouri Governor's Council on Disability will be recognized, statewide as the primary organization providing leadership to improve the lives of Missouri citizens with disabilities.

GOALS

The Missouri Governor's Council on Disability's Strategic and Operational Plan was reviewed and updated for 2017—2019 on November 18, 2016. The Goals are:

- Goal I: Advise all state agencies and non governmental organizations advocate for policies and practices that impact Missouri citizens with disabilities.
- Goal II: Encourage system changes and public policies that eliminate barriers to people with disabilities.
- Goal III: Expand opportunities for independence for people with disabilities in all aspects of their lives.
- Goal IV: Gather input from the public on disabilities-related issues and report the results of this information.
- Goal V: Develop, explore, and implement strategies to increase resources for and the operating efficiency of the Council.

For the complete Strategic Plan, please visit our website at <http://disability.mo.gov/gcd> and click on Strategic Plan.



COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

- 20 members and a chairperson comprise the Council.
- Council members are appointed by the Governor.
- The appointment of the chairperson requires the advice and consent of the Missouri Senate.
- Members represent each of the eight U.S. Congressional Districts.
- The majority of members are people with disabilities.
- The Governor's Council on Disability is comprised of the following committees: Executive, Advocacy, and Programs.
- The Council conducts quarterly meetings.
- Currently, seven seats are vacant.



Yvonne Wright
Council Chair
New Bloomfield
First Appointed: 7/21/15



Joan Bergstrom
Member 1
Lee's Summit
First Appointed: 7/15/08



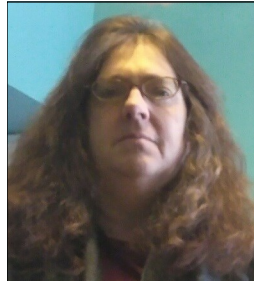
Charles Comstock II
6th Congressional District
Kirksville
First Appointed: 7/29/10



Betty Davidson
Member 5
St. Louis
First Appointed: 11/16/09



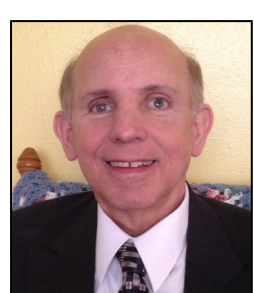
Ronald Hack
Member 10
Sunset Hills
First Appointed: 10/2/09



Mary Ann Harter
Member 3
Crestwood
First Appointed: 11/16/09



Rosemary Hendon
8th Congressional District
West Plains
First Appointed: 1/6/17



Raymond "Chip" Hailey
7th Congressional District
Joplin
First Appointed: 1/6/17



Katie Jones
Member 4
St. Peters
First Appointed: 10/27/17



Todd Mayfield
3rd Congressional District
Jefferson City
First Appointed: 10/9/01



DeAnna Noriega
Member 7
Columbia
First Appointed: 10/2/09



Susan Orton
Member 8
Creve Coeur
First Appointed: 7/19/05



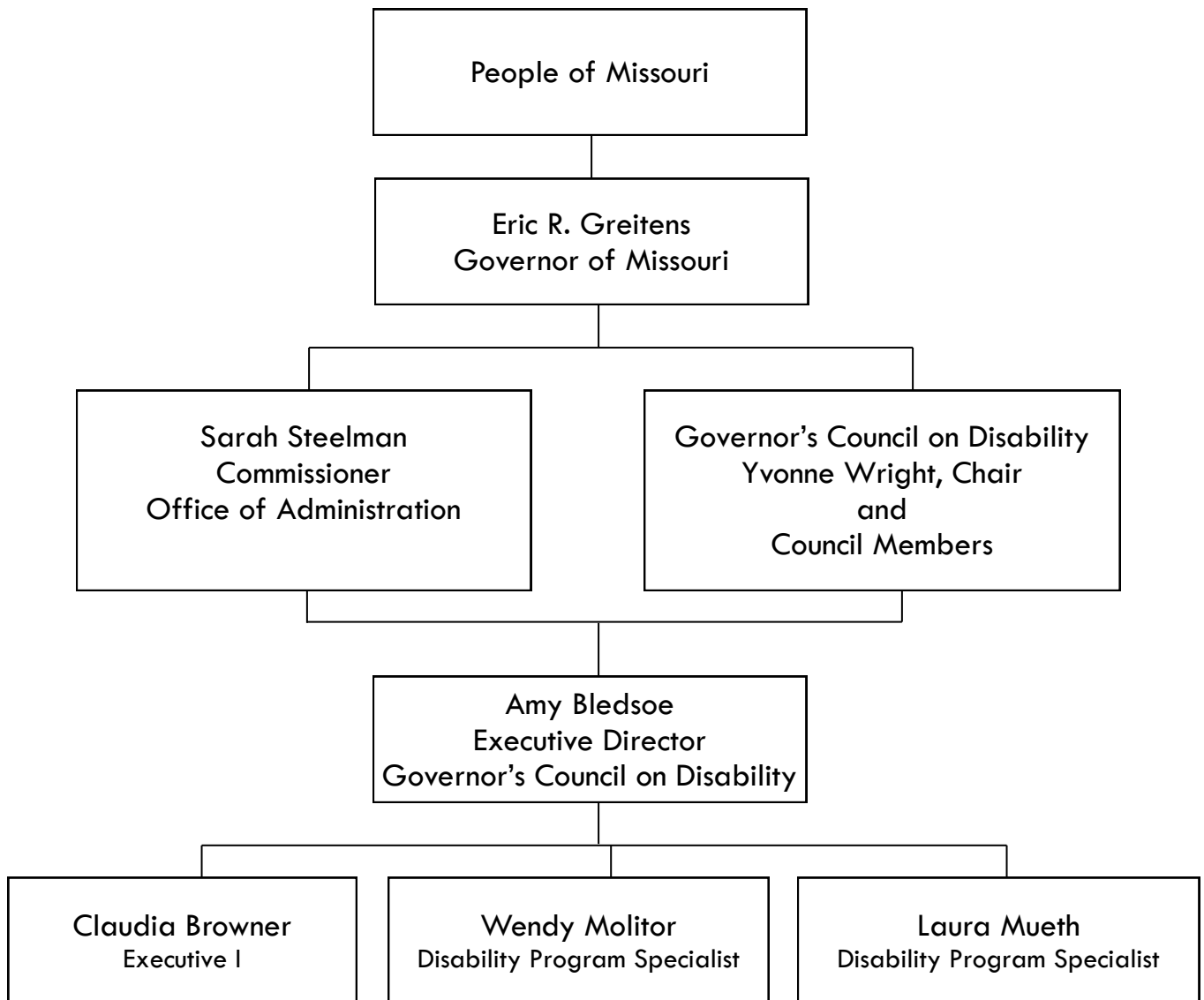
James Trout
1st Congressional District
Webster Groves
First Appointed: 3/4/09



Robert Wallace
Member 2
St. Louis
First Appointed: 5/10/10



ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



COUNCIL EVENTS 2017

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

- Chip Hailey (Joplin) and Rosemary Hendon (West Plains) were appointed to the council January 6, 2017
- Katie Jones (St. Peters) was appointed to the council October 27, 2017
- Currently seven seats are vacant.

STAFF

- Robert Honan resigned from his position of Executive Director January 9, 2017.
- Claudia Browner served as Acting Director from January 2 to February 28, 2017.
- Amy Bledsoe began serving as the new Executive Director on March 1, 2017.
- Wendy Molitor began serving as the Disability Program Specialist and Missouri Youth Leadership Forum coordinator on May 22, 2017, replacing Judy Grainger, who vacated the position March 3, 2017.
- Laura Mueth was reclassified to Disability Program Specialist on September 16, 2017.

PROGRAMS

- GCD developed and maintained partnerships among the state departments. State department liaisons are encouraged to attend the quarterly Council meetings and provide input from their departments.
- GCD staff participated as exhibitors at various conferences throughout the State of Missouri to raise disability awareness and provide information on disability related programs and resources.
- Presentations on the following topics were provided to organizations, agencies, and employers throughout Missouri: Employment of people with disabilities, disability awareness, service animals, self-determination, and the Missouri Youth Leadership Forum.
- GCD developed and provided disability awareness training for Jackson County 16th Circuit Court staff.
- Staff collaborated with MPACT to host the annual Tools for Life Transition Summit.
- Governor Eric R. Greitens issued three proclamations: 1. Recognizing the Missouri Youth Leadership Forum, 2. Declaring October as Disability Employment Awareness Month, and 3. Recognizing two MO-YLF alumni for excellence.
- GCD staff participated in the national Association of Youth Leadership Forums.
- GCD Executive Director participated in the National Association of Governor's Councils.
- GCD published six issues of the bi-monthly newsletter covering disability-related topics and GCD activities.
- GCD continued its annual programs:
 - Legislative Education Project
 - Legislative Update
 - Missouri Youth Leadership Forum
 - Inclusion Award
 - Youth Leadership Award
 - Website/IT Award



FINANCES

All but one of the Governor's Council on Disability's programs are financed with General Revenue. This funding covers personnel costs and expenses for most Council activities. The Fiscal Year 2018 (July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018) budget is listed below:

Personnel (4 FTE):	\$173,623.00
Operating Expenses:	<u>\$ 19,029.00</u>
Total:	\$192,652.00

At the time of publication, the Council has spent \$9,862.34 in operating expenses, 52% of the FY18 budget. Expenses include supplies, travel, Council meeting expenses, professional development, accommodations, and expenses for GCD programs.

The Missouri Youth Leadership Forum (MO-YLF) is a program that is **not** funded through General Revenue funds. This program is funded through a combination of private donations and grants.

Beginning in 2015, Paraquad, a Center for Independent Living in St. Louis, signed a Memorandum of Understanding as the 501(C)3 fiscal agent for the MO-YLF account.

The following is a synopsis of the 2017 MO-YLF budget.

Beginning balance Forum account (with Paraquad) January 1, 2017:	\$ 47,515.75
2017 MO-YLF event costs:	
Supplies, Equipment, Printing & Material	\$ 4,483.94
Presenter Fees and Travel Expenses	\$ 5,850.00
Staff and Alumni Travel	\$ 207.60
Accommodations (PCAs, ASL Interpreters, CART)	\$ 2,073.82
Transportation	\$ 360.00
Meals (separate from MU billing)	\$ 893.44
University of Missouri – Columbia ¹	<u>\$ 33,560.15</u>
	\$ 47,428.95
Post MO-YLF activities/professional development ²	<u>\$ 1,854.49</u>
Total Spent:	\$ 49,283.44
Donations/sponsorships/deposits received in 2017 ³ :	\$ 50,842.08
Balance in MO-YLF account (December 1, 2017)	\$ 49,074.39

1. Includes: Lodging, meals, banquet facilities, meeting rooms, conference center fees, as well as \$4,692 for American Sign Language interpreters (accommodation)
2. Expenses include: Expenses for MO-YLF coordinator to attend National APRIL (Association of Programs for Rural Independent Living) conference and grant writing workshops.
3. This amount does not include a grant of \$6,250 from the Reeve Foundation as it was necessary to return the funds. Further inquiries may be made to Executive Director Amy Bledsoe.

The average cost of the 2017 MO-YLF was about \$2,053 per student delegate.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

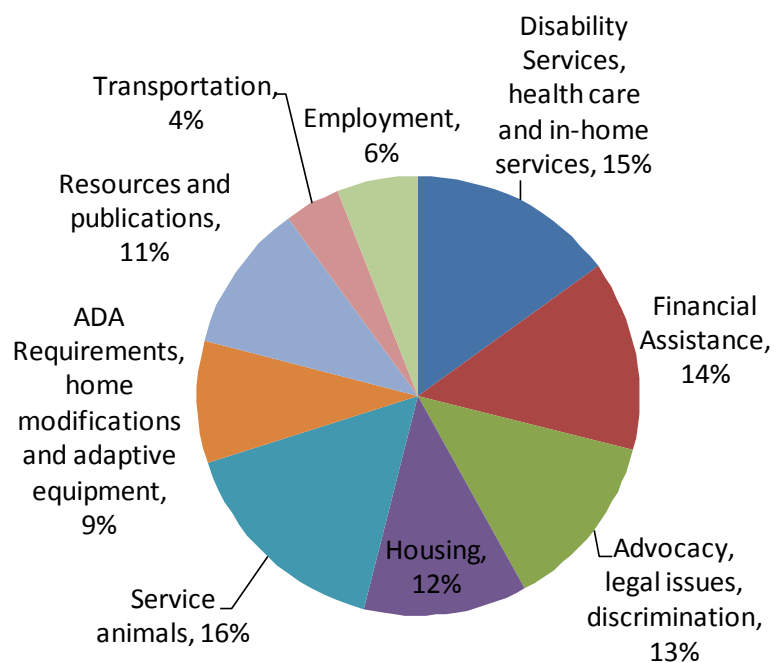
The Governor's Council on Disability provides disability-related technical assistance to individuals, businesses, governmental and agency representatives from all over the state, and occasionally from other states, by phone, letter, or e-mail. Most contacts were from individuals in need of resources in order to live more independently. Referrals were made to Centers for Independent Living, state and federal agencies, and other non-profits, including faith-based groups and Community Action Agencies. In some instances, referrals were made to businesses or for-profit entities. The Council also worked with a number of state legislators and the Governor's Office on Constituent Affairs to provide solutions to individuals' problems and issues.

In this past year, the Council received a substantial number of calls and e-mail inquiries concerning service animals, disability services, financial assistance, housing, and legal/advocacy issues. Other common inquiries included requests for information about employment, transportation, disability statistics, ADA guidelines and regulations, Universal Design standards, accessible parking, FMLA issues, eligibility requirements for disability benefits, and questions about potential discrimination on the job, in housing or in public places.

Overall, the Council assisted more than 832 different individuals with their inquiries. Additionally, the Council responded to 354 e-mail inquiries and requests. The number of callers has decreased by 2.5% compared to 2016, and the number of e-mail inquiries has increased by 16%.

All data is as of December 13, 2017 due to the printing deadline for this report.

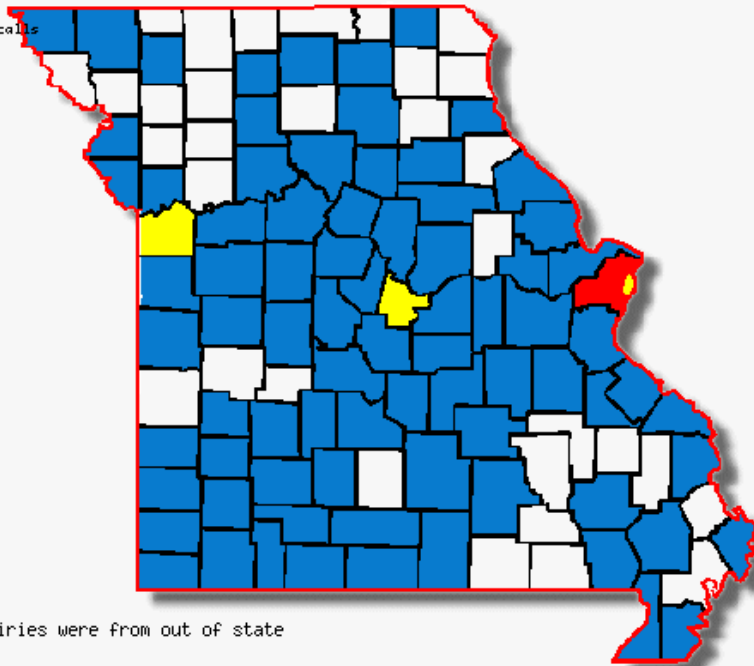
Inquiries by topic





2017 Phone Inquiries by County

- - <5% of calls
- - 5-10% of calls
- - >10% of calls



NOTES:

4.5% of inquiries were from out of state

Source: diymaps.net (c)

The counties displayed on the map include the following:

Group I (<5% of inquiries):

Adair, Atchison, Audrain, Barry, Barton, Bates, Benton, Boone, Buchanan, Butler, Callaway, Camden, Cape Girardeau, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Chariton, Christian, Clay, Cole, Cooper, Crawford, Dade, Dallas, Dent, Douglas, Dunklin, Franklin, Gasconade, Gentry, Greene, Grundy, Henry, Howard, Howell, Jasper, Jefferson, Johnson, Laclede, Lafayette, Lawrence, Lincoln, Macon, Maries, Marion, McDonald, Miller, Mississippi, Moniteau, Monroe, Morgan, Newton, Nodaway, Osage, Ozark, Pemiscot, Perry, Pettis, Phelps, Pike, Platte, Polk, Pulaski, Randolph, Saline, Scotland, Scott, Shannon, St. Charles, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, Stoddard, Stone, Taney, Texas, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Webster

Group II (5-10% of inquiries): Cole, Jackson, St. Louis City

Group III (>10% of inquiries): St. Louis County

Total number of counties listed: 83 of 114 Missouri counties, and the city of St. Louis.

PUBLICATIONS / RESOURCES

DIRECTORY OF RESOURCES FOR MISSOURIANS WITH DISABILITIES

The Governor's Council on Disability publishes a variety of information on the Disability Web Portal, including the *Resource Directory for Missourians with Disabilities*. The online Directory allows each user to search for disability-related resources by category or location.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

During the legislative session, a weekly update - *Legislative Update* - was distributed to keep interested individuals up-to-date on legislation that potentially impacts individuals with disabilities. Over 1,250 individuals received the publication via email and the regular mail system in addition to the website.

GCD NEWSLETTER

The GCD published six issues of the bi-monthly newsletter about disability-related topics and GCD activities. The newsletter is sent out by email and posted on the website and Facebook page, as well as Twitter.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

The Governor's Council on Disability also disseminated a variety of other publications including the accessible parking informational "Tickets."

AWARDS PROGRAMS

For more than 25 years, the Governor's Council on Disability (GCD)'s [Inclusion Award](#) has showcased individuals or organizations that have demonstrated best practices in inclusion of people with disabilities. In 2013, GCD added the [Youth Leadership Award](#) recognizing emerging leaders in the disability community, and the [Website/IT Award](#) honoring Missouri non-profit organizations that offer accessible and user-friendly websites was added in 2016.

The 2016 winners were honored at the annual Power Up Conference in Columbia in April 2017.

ANNUAL INCLUSION AWARD

The Governor's Council on Disability's annual Inclusion Award program recognizes and honors a Missouri resident, organization or business that illustrates excellence in leadership for best inclusion practices. Innovative universal design and assistive technology concepts that incorporate people with disabilities also may be submitted. The Council's Programs Committee selects the winners of the Inclusion Awards, who are nominated by individuals or organizations in their communities.



2016 Inclusion Award winner: UD for Yoga in Kirkwood

Natasha Baebler is a yoga teacher and special educator successfully working and running her own yoga business, UD for Yoga, as a person with disabilities. Her innovative and accessible approach to yoga makes it accessible to people with all ability levels. Baebler has been specifically trained and built her business to teach yoga to children and adults with varying support needs, including visual impairments and children who use wheelchairs. Baebler is an excellent role model for inclusion and an example of living a full life despite her disabilities.

(Picture on left: Amy Bledsoe, Executive Director, (right) presents the award to Natasha Baebler.)



Honorable Mention: Art Inspired Academy in Springfield

Art Inspired Academy (AIA) provides inclusive creative arts opportunities to children and adults, both with and without disabilities in the community. Through partnerships with the Springfield Boys and Girls Clubs, AIA provides art and theater classes to children with and without disabilities. For many of the students, these classes have been the first time they have had interaction with someone with a disability or a different background. AIA has also formed a partnership with Pigtails and Crewcuts, a local children's salon that accommodates children who have trouble getting their hair cut due to sensory issues. AIA music and theater classes are held at Drury University, where students and volunteers work together to write and perform two productions a year, which are open to the public.

(Picture above: Art Inspired Academy staff accepts the honorable mention from Amy Bledsoe, Executive Director)

For additional information, please visit our website at <http://disability.mo.gov/gcd/inclwin.htm>



YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD

The annual Youth Leadership Award recognizes an outstanding Missouri youth (age 16-26) with a disability that has demonstrated exemplary leadership by making a difference in their community.



4th Annual Youth Leadership Award: David Vektor

David Vektor serves as the Student Government Association president for the Florissant Valley campus of St. Louis Community College. He is very passionate about students with disabilities having the access they need to ensure academic and social success on campus. Vektor takes great pride in his academic excellence and encourages others to use the support services available to them. As a representative of the deaf community, Vektor volunteers with the Deaf Communication Studies Program. He created a community college recruitment video and acted in college theater productions. His most recent focus is working to make the college emergency alert system more accessible.

(Picture on left: Amy Bledsoe, Executive Director, presents the Youth Leadership Award to David Vektor)

For more information, please visit our website at <http://disability.mo.gov/gcd/youthleadershipaward.htm>

WEBSITE/IT AWARD

In 2016, the GCD initiated a new **Website/IT Award** to recognize a Missouri based agency or organization that provides a fully accessible, user friendly website.



1st Annual Website/IT Award: Midland Empire Resources for Independent Living, St. Joseph

Midland Empire Resources for Independent Living (MERIL) is a center for independent living committed to removing barriers for persons with disabilities and the aging in northwest Missouri, serving nine counties in the region and providing cross-disability services in areas such as advocacy, peer support, independent living, information and referral, and transition. MERIL's website is designed to be accessible to all, including people with visual impairments who are using a screen reader or other forms of assistive technology. It allows changes in font size, high contrast, and translation capabilities. Closed caption of videos and audio content make the website accessible to people who are deaf or hearing impaired. Overall, the website is user friendly and easy to navigate.

(Picture on left: Amy Bledsoe, E.D. presents the Website award to MERIL director Rob Honan and Paul Bergonzoni, Director of Community Access)

More information can be found at <http://disability.mo.gov/gcd/websiteaward.htm>

The Governor's Council on Disability is currently accepting nominations for the 2017 Inclusion Award, Youth Leadership Award, and Website/IT Award. Deadline for nominations is January 31, 2018.

The awards for 2017 will be presented at the 2018 Power Up Assistive Technology conference in Columbia.



LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION PROJECT

The purpose of the [Legislative Education Project](#) (LEP) is to educate individuals about the Missouri legislative process and motivate individuals by providing opportunities to become actively involved in public policy that impacts people with disabilities. The LEP is sponsored annually during the legislative session and includes online learning tools, the *LEP at the Capitol*, and the *LEP on the Road* to bring the training to individuals and organizations in their communities. During the 2017 legislative session, 66 individuals participated in the LEP.

The online training modules and videos teach individuals about *How a Bill Becomes a Law*, the *Elected Officials and General Assembly*, and *How to Navigate the House and Senate Websites*. The videos educate about *Accessible Voting*, *Attending a Senate Hearing and Providing Testimony*, and *Building an Effective Relationship with Legislators*. The learning modules and videos have had more than 900 views.

The Governor's Council on Disability annually conducts a **Legislative Priority Poll** to determine the top legislative priorities among people with disabilities. The survey is sent out to agencies and individuals. Based on the 579 returned surveys, the Governor's Council on Disability will be following these legislative priorities during the 2018 legislative session:

1. All schools including higher education and public buildings should have emergency plans that include evacuation plans for people with all types of disabilities: 98.62% answered yes, 0.69% answered no, 0.69% answered don't know.
2. All public school buildings and higher education buildings should be equipped with detectors that have audio and visual alarms: 93.96% answered yes, 3.45% answered no, 2.59% answered don't know.
3. Public administrators should be required to participate in training on the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act), Disability 101 and disability etiquette: 71.16% strongly agree, 23.66% agree, 4.15% are neutral, 0.69% disagree, and 0.35% strongly disagree.

GCD will continue to advocate for people with disabilities in the 2018 legislative session. GCD staff will be examining pre-filed bills that relate to disability and analyzing their impact on the disability community.



MISSOURI YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM



2017 MO-YLF delegates on the MU campus

The Missouri Youth Leadership Forum (MO-YLF) was held July 18-22, 2017 at the University of Missouri in Columbia. Twenty-four (24) youth-delegates participated in the five-day event, which is a leadership and career development skills training for high school juniors and seniors with disabilities.

By serving as delegates from their communities, young people with disabilities cultivated leadership, citizenship, employment and social skills. Activities included keynote speakers, small group discussions, a community service project, assistive technology demonstrations, career exploration, a mentoring luncheon, a resource fair, and a day at the State Capitol in Jefferson City to meet with legislators. Evening activities included an adaptive sports night, a talent show, and a dance party.

As part of the training, students participated in a mock legislative session at the capitol, where the delegates and staff had the opportunity to visit the House and Senate Chambers, learn about the legislative process and discuss disability-related legislation with Representatives from several districts. After the mock legislative sessions with the legislators, the delegates had the opportunity to tour the Governor's office.

At the closing graduation, the delegates gave presentations about what they had learned at the program to staff, family members and guests.

Outcomes of the MO-YLF are:

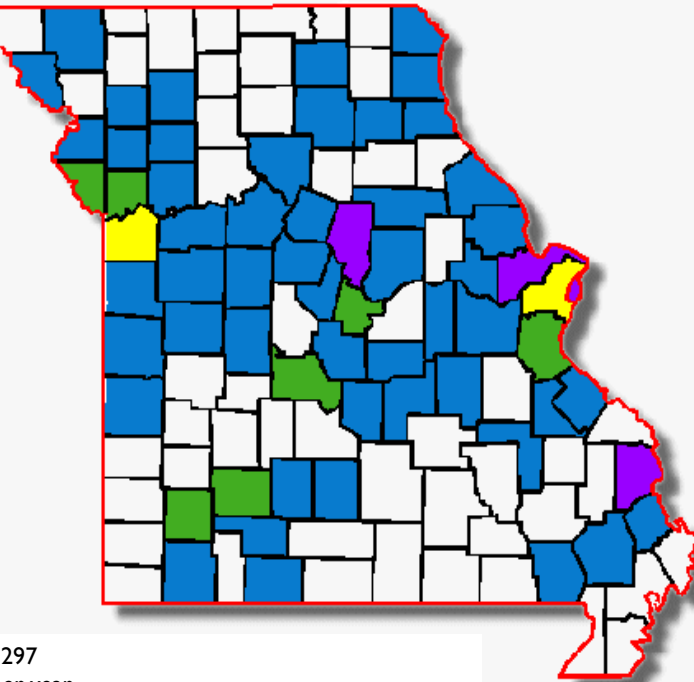
- Twenty-four (24) delegates attended in 2017, representing 18 different counties in Missouri.
- Ten (10) alumni attended the 2017 MO-YLF as facilitators and team members.
- The delegates and alumni participated in a community service project to help others in need by collecting supplies and donations for Missouri Women's and Children's Hospital.
- Many alumni are pursuing post-secondary education with a few pursuing a graduate degree.
- Several have graduated from college and a few have received a graduate degree.
- Two alumni graduated from law school.
- One alumnus served on the Governor's Council on Disability.
- One alumna has been appointed to the St. Louis County Commission on Disabilities.
- One alumna is an ambassador for Shriners Hospitals for Children in St. Louis.
- One alumna will be a speaker at The Life Conference in Delaware in Jan 2018 where she will speak about how MO-YLF helped shape her life.
- Several alumni have given presentations as panelists and/or keynote speakers at events throughout the state, e.g. MPACT Transition Summit, 2017 MO-YLF closing banquet, etc.
- Several alumni are now presenting disability information in their schools and to their peers.
- Two alumni have received the GCD's Youth Leadership Award for the years 2015 and 2016.

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MISSOURI YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM, continued

Missouri Youth Leadership Forum – Alumni by Counties

- - < 5 alumni
- - 5-10 alumni
- - 11-20 alumni
- - > 30 alumni



Total alumni: 297
 Average: 20 per year
 Lowest #: 9 alumni (2004) Highest #: 29 alumni (2016)

The counties displayed on the map include the following:

Group I (less than 5 alumni):

Adair, Audrain, Barry, Bates, Benton, Buchanan, Butler, Caldwell, Callaway, Cass, Chariton, Christian, Clark, Clinton, Cooper, Crawford, Daviess, DeKalb, Franklin, Gasconade, Henry, Holt, Howard, Iron, Johnson, Lafayette, Lewis, Lincoln, Macon, Maries, Marion, Miller, Moniteau, Nodaway, Pettis, Phelps, Pike, Pulaski, Ray, Ste. Genevieve, St. Francois, Saline, Scott, Shelby, Stoddard, Taney, Vernon, Warren, Webster, Wright

Group II (5 – 10 alumni):

Camden, Clay, Cole, Greene, Jefferson, Lawrence, Platte

Group III (11 – 20 alumni):

Boone, Cape Girardeau, St. Charles, St. Louis City

Group IV (21 – 30 alumni):

none

Group V (more than 30 alumni):

Jackson, St. Louis County (72 alumni)

The total no. of counties represented since the inception of the program is **62** of the 114 Missouri counties, plus the City of St. Louis.

Total number of alumni attending the Missouri Youth Leadership Forum from 2001 – 2017: **297**

The 2018 Forum will be held at University of Missouri in Columbia from July 10-14, 2018.

EMPLOYMENT INITIATIVES

GCD continues to provide support to the Business Leadership Network (BLN) which is an employer driven endeavor to promote best practices in disability employment. In Missouri, there are three regional locations: 1) St. Louis region—Greater St. Louis Business Leadership Network (STLBLN)—that covers Greater St. Louis region and eight of the Southern Illinois counties; 2) Kansas City region—Greater Kansas City BLN (GKCBLN)—which covers the western Missouri and eastern Kansas area; and 3) Mid-Missouri region—Abilities for Business/Columbia Employment Consortium.

GCD staff participated in GKCBLN's Annual Disability Summit in Kansas City, the *disAbility* Awareness conference in Kirksville on October 17 and collaborated with the Missouri Parents Act (MPACT) to host the Tools for Life Transition Summit in Jefferson City on October 17.



OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

The Governor's Council on Disability participated in numerous outreach activities throughout the year to promote disability awareness and inclusion of people with disabilities in all aspects of life. Some of the highlights were:

- GCD continues to update the Missouri Disability Web Portal, which serves as a one-stop access point for the public to obtain information on disability resources. The homepage of this portal offers links to other entities and state agencies that provide services to people with disabilities. In 2017, the Disability Web Portal had over 90,000 page views. The Missouri Disability Web Portal can be accessed at <http://disability.mo.gov>.
- GCD has a Facebook page reaching a growing fan base with 748+ Likes.
- The Missouri Youth Leadership Forum has a Facebook page with more than 160 followers.
- New in 2017, GCD has added a Twitter account reaching 40+ followers to date.
- Over 1,200 individuals are subscribed to GCD listservs to receive disability-related information.
- During Disability History Month in October, GCD features an informational display in the Truman Building in Jefferson City about Disability History Month and National Disability Employment Awareness Month.
- The Governor's Council on Disability provides educational programs on disability rights and disability awareness, employment of people with disabilities, service animals and other disability-related topics to any group or organization in Missouri requesting such information. Educational programs are specifically tailored to the individual or group to ensure effectiveness. During most quarterly public Council meetings, a presentation is provided on different disability-related topics. During calendar year 2017, GCD staff developed and presented 51 programs to 4,156 individuals around the state.
- GCD provided information to 5,695 people through exhibit booths at the following eleven conferences and transition fairs throughout the year:
 - ⇒ Abilities First, Springfield
 - ⇒ Cole County Resource Fair, Jefferson City
 - ⇒ Disability Awareness Conference, Kirksville
 - ⇒ High School Transition Fairs in:
 - ⇒ Cole County
 - ⇒ Camden County
 - ⇒ Warrensburg
 - ⇒ St. Louis Public Schools
 - ⇒ Missouri Coordinated School Health Conference, Lake Ozark
 - ⇒ Missouri Parents Act (MPACT) Tools for Life Transition Summit, Jefferson City
 - ⇒ Power Up, Columbia
 - ⇒ Shades of Green Girl Scout Conference, St. Louis
- In 2017, GCD provided outreach to 2,212 individuals at 64 meetings and events.



BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

As part of the Governor's Council on Disability's advisory capacity function, staff and Council members serve on a variety of boards and commissions to promote opportunities in all aspects of life, including employment, transportation, recreation, and housing. The following is a list of those boards and commissions in which staff and Council members served in calendar year 2017.

- Access and Functional Needs State Planning Subgroup Committee
- Access Ability, Jefferson City
- Aging and Disability Coalition, St. Joseph
- American Association of People with Disabilities, Kansas City
- Association of Programs for Rural Independent Living (APRIL), Nationwide
- AYLF (Association of Youth Leadership Associations), Nationwide
- Brain Injury Association of Missouri, Statewide
- Cole County Youth Connections, Cole County
- Community Transition Teams, Statewide
- Cover Coalition Medicaid Advisory Group, Statewide
- Disability Mentoring Day Planning Committee, Statewide
- Disability Rights Legislative Day Steering Committee, Statewide
- DMH's Healthy Living Transition Initiative, Statewide
- Down Syndrome Association of St. Louis
- East-West Gateway Council of Governments, St. Louis
- Employment First Initiative, Statewide
- Employment First State Leadership Mentoring Program, Statewide
- Franklin County Transition Team, Franklin County
- Giant Steps of St. Louis
- Harry S Truman Building Safety Coordinator Meetings, Jefferson City
- Inclusion Coalition for Employment of Metropolitan St. Louis
- Inter-agency Task Force on Emergency Preparedness, Statewide
- Lake Transition Network, Lake Ozark
- Missouri Disability Health Collaborative Advisory Committee, Statewide
- Missouri First Responders Disability Awareness Training Advisory Council, Statewide
- Missouri Inclusive Housing Development Corporation Board, Statewide
- Missouri Interagency Transition Team, Statewide
- Missouri Lifespan Respite Coalition
- Missouri Rehab Association—Heart of Missouri Chapter
- Missouri School Boards' Association Center for Education Safety Advisory Council, Statewide
- Missouri UD Initiative

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- Money Follows the Person Stakeholders Group, Jefferson City
- MO Youth Leadership Forum Advisory Council, Jefferson City
- MYLIFE Alumni Association, Statewide
- National Association of Governors' Committees on People with Disabilities
- Regional Transition Network, Warrensburg
- Rehabilitation Services Administration, Columbia
- Show Me Careers Management Team, Statewide
- Special School District (SSD) Transition Team, St. Louis
- State Plan Workgroup for Access and Functional Needs, Statewide
- State Rehabilitation Council, Statewide
- St. Louis County Commission on Disabilities, St. Louis
- State Vocational Rehabilitation Agencies, Columbia
- Statewide Emergency Management Planning Teams, Statewide
- Statewide Independent Living Council, Jefferson City



2018 MEETING AND EVENT DATES

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DISABILITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES

February 5, 2018

April 27, 2018

August 24, 2018

November 16, 2018

The Council meetings are scheduled to begin at 10 AM and will be held in Jefferson City.

The Council meetings are open to the public. If you would like to attend or request additional information, please contact our office at gcd@oa.mo.gov or 573-751-2600.

MISSOURI YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM

University of Missouri
COLUMBIA

July 10-14, 2018