

The 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

**Greater Metro Louisville Arc
Louisville**

**The Arc of Barren County
Glasgow**

**The Arc of Central Kentucky
Lexington**

**The Arc of Hardin County
Elizabethtown**

**The Arc of Lake Cumberland
Somerset**

**The Arc of Owensboro
Owensboro**

**The Point Arc (Northern KY)
Covington**

**The Arc of Warren Co.
Bowling Green**

**The Arc of Floyd County
Prestonsburg**



The Arc of Kentucky **ACHIEVE WITH US!**



**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!

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 © 3 organization.

Ways to donate:

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 - <http://arcofky.org/>



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 interesting 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 \$10.00 for my dues.

I am a student interesting in supporting the Arc. Enclosed is \$10.00 for my dues.

Please make all check out to The Arc of Kentucky and mail to 706 East Main Street, Ste. A Frankfort, KY 40601.