

To All Local Hamilton Organizations/Stakeholders,

On Wednesday October 5th, 2022, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disability is putting on a major interactive event on the Forecourt surrounding City Hall. We are calling it ACPD's Accessibility Fair 2022 and the theme is "Ability First". It is from 11:00AM to 3:30PM

We cordially invite your organization to set up an informational table at the event and provide education to the public in attendance about what your organization does and how it affects or is affected by, persons with disabilities. The event should also provide a forum for you to converse with other like-minded groups. We are currently not allowed to sell product even for fundraising purposes.

Our interactive events are aimed at providing a fun or informative experience for all citizens of Hamilton whether they have a disability or not. We are planning to have various mobility device obstacle courses and other activities that highlight some of the difficulties we face. We are having the Steel City Wheelers perform a square dancing demonstration. We are talking to Mobility device providers about teaching of new equipment, or demonstrating how to properly maintain a mobility device. We are setting up a "Chair Wash" so people can get a quick wipe down of their device and maybe a quick tune up.

Do you have some ideas for an interactive activity? Please let us know as soon as possible and we will see what we can do to support your event. We also welcome you to send this release to other people and organizations you think may be interested in attending our event or setting up a station.

We will have a conventional bus and a DARTS bus on site so able bodied people can try to board them with mobility devices and perhaps understand why we need the space we do. It will also provide an opportunity for people with mobility devices to try to board both vehicles so they can experiment in a safe environment.

We look forward to hearing from you and know that together, we can make this event a success. Advertising and website will be available as soon as it is approved by Council. When it goes live, we invite you to provide a small bio of your organization, along with a logo if you would like to provide one, and we will list you on our Participants page. Website address is acpdaccessibilityfair2022.ca.

For more information, please contact the event organizer or the person that sent you this release. Event organizer can be reached at the following email address or phone number.

We can also be reached through the Clerk's office at clerk@hamilton.ca

Sincerely,

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