

What is MegaConference?

The Tennessee Disability MegaConference is a statewide event made possible through collaborations and partnerships of many disability advocacy organizations. It began in 2002 and has been a huge success every year.

At the conference, people share the latest information and innovations on many topics. It is an inclusive experience for all people connected to issues of disability. It exposes best practices and gives participants the chance for statewide dialogue on important issues.

MegaConference would not be successful without the support of community businesses, disability organizations, advocacy groups and individuals that invest in this event each year! Creating a joint conference maximizes resources for organizations.

The Tennessee Disability MegaConference **supporters** are crucial to its purpose: *strengthening bonds and promoting understanding as the community moves forward, united in the desire for independence, choice and dignity for all people.*



Conference information on our website:
www.tndisabilitymegaconference.org

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The Tennessee Disability MegaConference values diversity and invites everyone to participate regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, age, geographic location, sexual orientation, gender or level of disability.

This conference is partially funded by the State of Tennessee.



**Tennessee's largest conference
for individuals with disabilities,
families and professionals.**



**Opportunity
abounds!**

MegaConference Activities:

The Exhibitor Experience:

A casual and exciting way for businesses to increase their customer base. Each year, **hundreds of attendees visit exhibits** that highlight specific services, technologies and products to enhance quality of life. A drawing for prizes encourages people to visit each and every booth. We strive to maximize our exhibitor's bang for their buck through product or service promotion, more sales and greater customer connections.



Exhibits from companies such as Byron White's Healthcare Lifts, HDS Vans & Mobility and Permobil offer customized products for clients to fully participate in all aspects of their employment and home life.

Outstanding National Speakers:

Share their experiences to inspire and motivate attendees to take that "next step." **Greg Smith**, the Strength Coach, spoke from his power chair about the physical and social obstacles that he overcame to rocket to his own success.



*Stories like **Greg's** inspired Frank, survivor of a traumatic brain injury, to embrace his disability, grow professionally, and turn it into a unique asset forwarding his career.*



Discussions and presentations include:

- ◆ Education (PreK-8)
- ◆ Transition/Post-Secondary Education (grade 9+)
- ◆ Transition/Employment (grade 9+)
- ◆ Housing
- ◆ Health Care
- ◆ Mental Health
- ◆ Recreation and Leisure
- ◆ Legal Issues
- ◆ Opportunity for Continuing Education credits

MegaMarketplace:

A free event open to the public, where *entrepreneurs with disabilities* showcase their artwork, crafts and goods. Inclusive experiences, like MegaMarketplace, positively influence financial independence, economic growth for the community and is fun for everyone!



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Your sponsorship helps bring people with disabilities to the conference, empowering them and promoting the full participation of all people with disabilities in their own lives!