



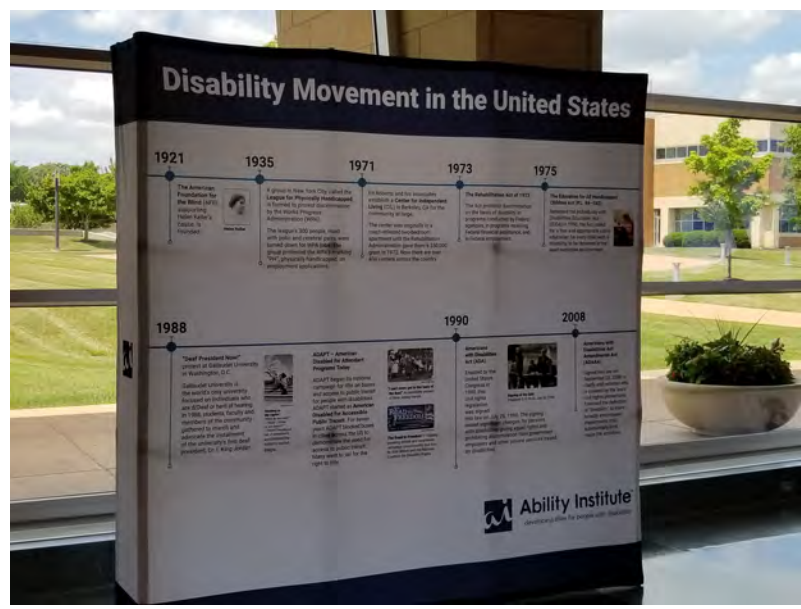
Allies for Inclusion: The Ability Exhibit

Rental & Purchasing Guide



The “Welcome” station features background information on Allies for Inclusion: The Ability Exhibit including how the exhibit was started and ways you can learn more about our programs. This station features an audio-guided tour for checkout, "Our Story", and Ally pins.

The “Disability Movement” station in the United States is illustrated through a display of historical photographs. A pivotal moment in the movement was the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, the most comprehensive legislation concerning the civil rights of persons with disabilities.



The **"Inclusive Language"** station allows us to show respect and avoid labels. This station includes information on person-first and identity-first language.

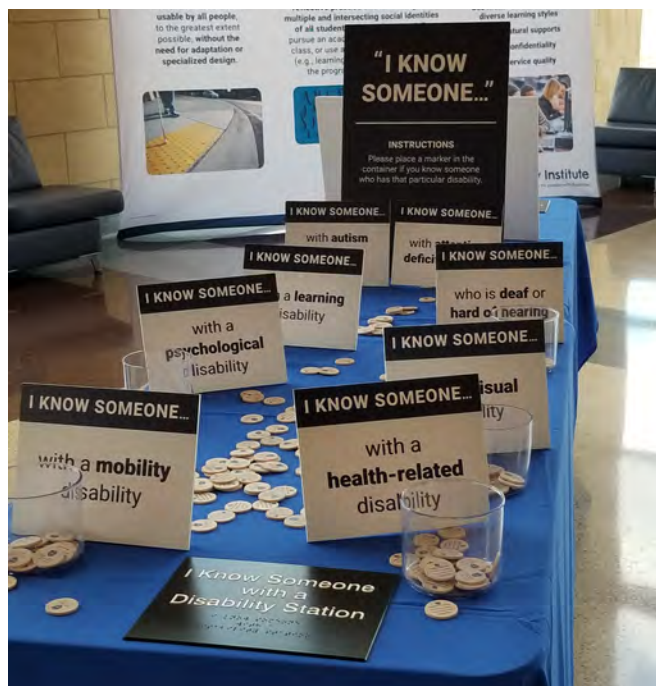


"Celebrities with Disabilities" pop up features a large pop-up banner showcasing popular celebrities with disabilities. **"The Disability Quotes"** banner provides inspirational quotes from various people with disabilities.



The Quiz Yourself: "Ability IQ" station allows you to test your knowledge about disability facts and disability law. You will be surprised how much you already know and what you might learn.

The "Who Do You Know with a Disability" station At this station, participants indicate if they know someone with a disability, and notice how many people already are disability allies -- including you! Categories include Visual (blind, low vision), Hearing (deaf, hard of hearing), Mobility, Psychological, Medical, and Learning disabilities.





The "Space Rope" station Hold one end of the Space Rope and experience the communication distances used by people who are blind and have low vision. Knots on the Space Rope indicate the distance between two people. Used in pairs, the Space Rope helps simulate the appropriate distance between two individuals for public or personal space.

The "Invisible Disabilities" station features disabilities that are "silent" or "hidden" disabilities that affect millions of people, but often are overlooked. The "Employment Facts and Disability Statistics" station features statistics about disabilities in the U.S. and the world.

Learning Disabilities

"Not all great minds think alike"
— UNKNOWN

Learning disabilities are not caused by lack of educational opportunities*

Learning disabilities affect **5% of all children** enrolled in public schools*

19% of children with learning disabilities drop out of high school*

88% of students in higher education report at least one disability¹

In the U.S. **1.7%** of the population reports having a learning disability

30-50% of the population has undiagnosed learning disabilities*

Learning disabilities are complex disorders. They vary in their expression and in the way they impact individuals*

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Who is Employed? People with Disabilities

EMPLOYMENT RATE:

34.9% of Americans with disabilities

76% of Americans without disabilities

WHO ARE THEY?

1 in 5 people worldwide

1 billion people worldwide

54.4 million Americans

reported having a disability in 2015

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Psychological Disabilities in the U.S. Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

More than 16 million Americans have difficulty with cognitive, mental, or emotional functioning.¹

College Students:²

- 20% feel depressed, have difficulty functioning
- 19% experience overwhelming anxiety
- 12% are diagnosed with depression
- 26.7% seriously considered suicide

Definition: A neurodevelopmental disorder characterized by impairment of social communication in the presence of restrictive and repetitive behaviors³

- 1 in 50 children ages 6-17 have ASD²
- 50,000 individuals with ASD turn 18 each year in the U.S.²
- Between 0.7 and 1.9% of college students with ASD attempt college within 6 years of leaving high school⁴
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The “**Universal Design (UD)**” station features information about UD. UD is "the design of products and environments to be usable by all people, to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation or specialized design" (Center for Universal Design, 1997). Participants will see examples of Universal Design, Universal Instructional Design, and Universal Design for Student Development.

The “**Assistive Aids**” station provides participants with the opportunity to engage with assistive aids and technology that provide accommodations for people with disabilities. This includes Braille playing cards, a partner for communication board, and more!



The **“Pledge to Be an Ally” station** includes an area where participants can pledge to use knowledge they learned in the exhibit to create a more inclusive world.



Additional Features

Each station features a Braille placard and the necessary tabletop or large easel stands to accommodate the materials featured.

In addition to the stations above, the exhibit includes large banners featuring statistics and historical data about disability and the disability movement. Videos, quizzes, and slideshows also accompany the exhibit stations for display on large projectors or laptop computers. An audio tour in English is included. The FULL exhibit is packed in 5 shipping containers, and shipped on one pallet.

