

Agenda for August 25, 2025 4:00-5:30 p.m.

In Person: Allison Room, City Hall

Zoom: <https://bloomington.zoom.us/j/89390514679?pwd=6sgnNybqsKqV5ZuVE6sF7g60CcgxYK.1> Password: 3471

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Speaker: Ric Edwards, ADA Director, Indiana Department of Natural Resources
- III. Review of Minutes (June)
- IV. Financial Report
- V. Partner Organizations Awareness & Outreach
- VI. Report from the City
 - A. Asia Abang, Digital Opportunity Specialist, IT
- VII. New Accessibility Concerns from Members/Visitors
- VIII. Committee/Partner Reports
 - A. Accessibility Committee
 - B. Transportation and Mobility Committee
 - C. Activities and Events Committee
 1. Popup Meeting: Endright East (October 9th, 1-2:30 p.m.)
 2. Gather Planning (October 27th, 4-6:30 p.m.)
 - D. MALL
- IX. Planning (Continued)
 - A. 2025 Goals
- X. Adjournment

NEXT MEETINGS: Meetings held at 4 p.m.

- August 25, 2025, Allison Room (#225) and Zoom
- September 29, 2025, Allison Room (#225) and Zoom (SICIL to present)
- October 9, 2025, Popup Meeting, Endright East, 1-2:30 p.m.
- October 27, 2025, Gather 'round the Table, The Mill, 4-6:30 p.m.

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2025 CCA Planning Goals

Transportation

- Expansion of BT Access or other publicly funded accessible transit options to include routes outside of Bloomington (to appointments in Indianapolis, for example) (5 years)
- Incentivize accessible Ubers or taxis in Bloomington (available any time, including late at night) (1-5 years)

Accessibility/ADA Standards

- Work with city and county government and business communities to incentivize stricter, better-than-ADA standards within Bloomington city limits for new constructions of hotels, restaurants, the new convention center, etc. (Ongoing, increasing over 1-5 years)
- Work with BMV, City, IU and police department to educate drivers about accessible parking etiquette and develop methods for enforcing while educating offenders. (5 years)
- Work with City and subcontractors on effective snow removal procedures to remove access barriers to paths of travel for people with disabilities. (now and ongoing)

Community Connections

- Increase community engagement and outreach by meeting people where they are with “Traveling CCA Meetings” (similar to Meet the Mayor) hosted by the CCA once a quarter at Stone Belt, Endwright, or other locations. (now and ongoing)
- Increase diversity of perspectives by connecting with other social service organizations that work with people with disabilities, such as the library, Beacon, HealthNet, and Middle Way House. (1-5 years)
- Host informal social meetings to connect with potential members (within the year)
- Offer Disability Awareness/Etiquette trainings (starting this summer)

Employment

- Creation of a peer-to-peer support program around employment (1-5 years)
- Collaborate with organizations like Fehribach Center (IU), Goodwill and DWD to reach out to hiring managers at major employers (e.g., Cook, NovoNordisk, MCCSC, IU) to offer training on hiring people with disabilities (1-5 years)
- Connect local consultants (e.g., CCA members) with businesses and organizations looking for assistance with accessibility questions (now and increasing within 1-5 years)

Housing

- Become more involved in efforts to increase local stock of affordable and accessible housing, reaching out to HAND, City Council and CoDesign Commons (1-5 years)

Advocacy

- Continue to be a voice in local and state-wide efforts to defend the rights of people with disabilities in the face of current threats to Medicaid, Education, and Section 504, and any new threats on the horizon. (now and ongoing)