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An Invitation from ADA Watch and the Coalition for Disability Rights and Justice



National Coalition • Road To Freedom Tour • Disability Rights Concerts • Alliance of State Disability Coalitions

Why you are critical to our efforts

During a time of polarization and dehumanization in America and across the world, the dignity and wellbeing of every individual is under threat. This is especially true for the more than 61 million Americans with disabilities. It is critical to ensure that together we are upholding our societal obligations to one another and working together toward a better future.

ADA Watch and CDRJ are convening artists, athletes, and other influencers to leverage their power to advance the disability rights and justice movement. Your support will touch hundreds of organizations representing the disability rights, civil rights, and social justice communities.

Join a powerful cohort of public figures coming together to advocate for our lives and rights, as well as those of our loved ones, neighbors, colleagues, and all individuals living with disabilities.

DID YOU KNOW?

1 in 4

American adults live with a disability

1 in 4

adults with a disability can't afford needed healthcare

1 in 4

Americans with a disability live in poverty

1 in 10

American children live with a disability

Our work: A voice for disability rights

Individuals with disabilities experience discrimination through attitudinal and structural barriers to inclusion, and disability-based discrimination is both influenced by and influences the view of what individuals with disabilities are able to do.

The disability rights movement promotes the **social model of disability** – which focuses not on an individual's impairment as the disabling entity, but the social, civic, political, and economic environments in which we operate. ADA Watch and the Coalition for Disability Rights and Justice work to **AMPLIFY** the voices of the U.S. disability rights movement.



The disability rights movement asserts the worth and dignity of everyone.

As society slowly works to become more inclusive of all people, it is our responsibility and duty to ensure that we, as people with disabilities, are leading the national conversation.

To make progress, we must amplify ADA Watch and CDRJ's message to reach policymakers, the media, and the general public.

We need powerful voices to build solidarity among individuals and organizations to influence systemic change. We need YOUR voice.



A few ways you can help.

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1. LEND YOUR NAME

Sign our pledge and add your name to the roster of public figures showing support. And consider a financial contribution to our nonprofit.

2. SHARE YOUR STORY

Stories are humanity's most powerful tool to influence change. We are collecting stories and artistic contributions.

3. CONTRIBUTE TO A LIVE EVENT

Concerts and live events have historically brought advocacy into the spotlight. Share your talents to empower the disability rights movement.

"I call for solidarity among all who love justice, all who love life, to create a revolution that will empower every single human being to govern his or her life, to govern the society and to be fully productive of life quality for self and for all."

Justin Dart, Jr.

(1930 — 2002)

ADA Watch/CDRJ founding chair



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