

# SEATTLE DISABILITY COMMISSION

## 2024 WORK PLAN

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*We believe in a world where disability is celebrated as an integral part of human diversity, inclusivity and equity.*

-Stanford Medicine Alliance for Disability, Inclusion, and Equity

Goals of the Seattle Disability Commission (SDC) are to:

- 1. Be a voice for the disabled community**  
Increase community engagement by recruiting new Commissioners and doing outreach
- 2. Deepen partnerships and advocacy on policy**
- 3. Recognize the importance of intersectionality & advocate for all people ([see Disability Justice](#))**

In 2024, the SDC will increase our capacity by:

- Recruiting new Commissioners
- Focus community outreach according to drafted recruitment and outreach plan

- Follow an annual calendar of activities
- Host hybrid meetings open to public

## **Upcoming Work**

Our policy and advocacy priorities for 2024 are:

1. Transportation (including sidewalks, accessible parking, wheelchair chargers, etc.)
2. Housing
3. Employment
4. ADA
5. Parks
6. Emergency preparedness

We will use multiple methods to accomplish our goals:

- Meet with City Council early in 2024 to share our plan and hear how they will support the disability community
- Invite policy leaders, topic experts, and folks from disability community to attend and/or present at meetings
- Recruit new commissioners from the community by increasing our social media presence and outreach in

accordance with the recruitment and outreach plan we drafted

- Attend other commission meetings to collaborate or co-host events/panels
- Attend other organizational meetings to hear of opportunities, reach out and network
- Continue to welcome public comment at meetings

**The Commission has created the following work committees:**

- Transportation
- Employment
- Advocacy