



... a monthly community calendar of events in Philadelphia,
by and for Consumers of **Liberty Resources, Inc.**

Unless otherwise noted, activities take place at Liberty Resources, 714 Market Street, Suite 100, Philadelphia. You can list an event by calling 215-634-2000, Ext. 303 by the 18th of the month.

Reminder: During inclement winter weather, the office may close but it is best to call the main number and Ext. 500. A voice mail message will let you know.

Independence Arts Studio Hours: Monday - Friday, 10 AM to 4 PM.

Every Wednesday:

- ★ **Legal Advocacy** – Free advice and representation on general legal problems for people with disabilities, provided by the Legal Advocacy for Consumers Program of Temple University's Law School. Please arrange an appointment. Call 215-204-1800.
- ★ **Pink and Blue**, Church of St. Luke the Epiphany, Blue Room, 330 S. 13th Street, 7:00–9:00 PM. Support and resource exchange group for people with mental illness who are bisexual, gay, inter-sex, lesbian, transgender, or questioning adults. Call 215-627-0424.

Every Thursday: Philadelphia City Council, City Hall, Room 400, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM. Attend to let Council members know people with disabilities are concerned about issues affecting the city and our community. Call Denerale, Ext. 295.

By Appointment:

- ★ **Benefits counseling** for Consumers with disabilities interested in working but concerned about losing benefits. Schedule your individual appointment with Carlos, Ext. 324.
- ★ **Housing Assistance** for disabled people with landlord or home ownership issues as well as for housing relocation. Call Information & Referral, Ext. 325.
- ★ **Consumer Opportunity!** Liberty Resources, Inc., and its family of entities are looking for Consumers to serve on the various Boards of Directors. Help mold the future of the CIL; develop strategies and guidelines for LRI and its entities to be the best they can be! For an application, call Nick, Ext. 211.





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- ★ **Visitability Committee** meets monthly, Bacal Room, First Floor, 3:00-5:00 PM. Visitability is a move to make all new constructed homes "visitabile" for disabled people. This would include one no-step entrance and a half bathroom big enough for a wheelchair. For meeting dates, call Damon, Ext. 383.
- ★ **Job Readiness counseling** for Consumers who wish to discuss resume concerns or other work preparation issues, The Academy, Third Floor. To schedule an appointment, call Lynne, Ext. 293 or Norene, Ext. 307.

March 1 & 15: "Policy Posse." Wade Blank Room (A), 5th Floor, 1:00-3:00 PM. The National Policy & Advocacy Team needs Consumers to help create a strong group of advocates. The meeting will focus on the work LRI is doing on the local, state and national levels, as well as provide information on the fight for disability rights. Call Madeleine, Ext. 340.

March 2:

- ★ **FMS Advisory Committee** meeting, Wade Blank Room (A), 5th Floor, 12:00-2:00 PM. This advisory group provides input for Resources for Living Independently FMS services. Share your ideas about advocacy and attendant care issues. Register in advance. Lunch provided at 12:15 PM on a first come, first serve basis. Call Linda, Ext. 227.
- ★ **HCBS Advisory Group** meeting, Wade Blank Room (A), 5th Floor, 2:30-4:00 PM. This month's meeting will discuss updates on Enrollment, the reassessment tool, Consumer and Employer Satisfaction Surveys and more. Call Jennifer, Ext. 246.
- ★ **Disabled in Action (DIA/Philly ADAPT)** meeting, Suite 205, 4:00-6:00 PM. DIA is the advocacy group fighting for the rights of people with disabilities in Philadelphia. Call Denerale, Ext. 295.

March 3:

- ★ **Community Advocacy Class begins.** These Ten (10) weekly sessions will cover all aspects of advocacy and prepare you to become a Community Advocate. 1:00-4:00 PM, Wade Blank Room (A), 5th Floor. Interviews are taking place now. Call Jennifer, Ext. 242.
- ★ **Fair Housing Meeting,** Are you experiencing housing discrimination because of your disability? Do you need changes to your housing to





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make it accessible? Katie McCabe, Director of Enforcement at the Fair Housing Center, will hold individual meetings for consumers interested in learning about their fair housing rights and how to protect and enforce those rights. 1:30-3:30 PM, 5th Floor Conference Room. To schedule your individual meeting, call Jacqueline at Ext. 339.

March 4 & 25: Taste of Technology Days, Free sessions that provide an overview and tour of the Liberty Resources Academy as well as a career exploration to identify your transferable skills, if seeking employment. 8:30 AM-12:30 PM. Consumers eligible for services under CSPSPD also may take advantage of The Academy's pre-vocational, basic computer skills, and other training classes. Registration is required. Call Louise, Ext. 203.

March 5: Nineteenth Annual Henrietta Murray Black History Celebration, Dinner concert at Carousel House, 4300 Avenue of the Republic, 6:00-9:00 PM. Donation: \$15.00. Call 215685-0160.

March 8 & 22: Young Adult Social Group, Anyone ages 14 to 30 is welcome to attend, Bacal Room, First Floor, 1:00-3:00 PM. Help plan social activities and provide support for each other. Call Hope, Ext. 214.

March 9: ADAPT Fundraiser Lunch, Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, salad, cake and soda for \$6.00. Prepared by Marshall Brown. Proceeds help fund disability rights advocacy efforts at the local, state and national levels. To pre-pay an order, see Marshall, Lobby or Nancy, Third Floor.

March 10:

- ★ **SEPTA Advisory Committee Meeting**, 1234 Market Street, 11th Floor, 12:30-3:00 PM. Voice your issues with SEPTA buses, the EI, trolleys, subway and CCT! Call Shawn, Ext. 245.
- ★ **Support Group for Disabled Women Over 50**, 1:00-3:00 PM, Bacal Room, First Floor. Call Cecilia, Ext. 240.

March 11: Friday Flicks! *The Other Sister*, Wade Blank Room (A), 5th Floor, 1:00-2:30 PM. Friday Flicks is a monthly (2nd Friday) showing of an Independent Living & Disability Rights DVD/video followed by facilitated discussion. Free popcorn and beverages. Call Rodney, Ext. 299.

March 11 & 25: ADAPT 50/50 Days. See Theresa before 1:00 PM.



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March 14: Mayor's Commission on People with Disabilities, Meeting, 1:30-3:30 PM, Municipal Services Building, 1401 JFK Boulevard, 16th Floor, Room Y. Guest speaker: Street Thoma, Manager Accessible Programs & Education, Philadelphia Museum of Art. Call Damon, Ext. 383.

March 17:

★ **Consumer Connection** meeting, Wade Blank Room, 5th Floor, 1:00-3:00 PM. All Consumers and attendants welcome. Monthly agenda covers issues of concern to the disability community. Call Damon, Ext. 383, Shawn, Ext. 245, or Jen, Ext. 242.

March 25: Support Group for Men Over 40. Bacal Room, First Floor, 1:00-3:00 PM. Program will be an open forum for participants to bring up issues and concerns for discussion. Call Damon, Ext. 383.

March 30: "Independent Living: What's It All About?" the first in a series of monthly workshops for Consumers, 1:00-4:00 PM, Wade Blank Room (B). Snacks and refreshments provided. Call Cecilia, Ext. 240 or Fran, Ext. 225.



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