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DDS is working to implement this through training sessions and other agency wide initiatives.  **To register please contact Lee Anne Brantley at** [**LeeAnne.Brantley@dc.gov**](mailto:LeeAnne.Brantley@dc.gov) |  | [Person centered thinking flyer](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&101&&&https://dds.dc.gov/page/person-centered-thinking-philosophy) |  Is It Accessible? Interactive Training Series  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **As part of ODR's continued celebration of the 28th Anniversary of the ADA,** we invite you to join us in our last interactive training session focused on scenarios that may fall under ADA Title I and ADA Title II.  **When:** Wednesday, August 15th from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.  **Location:** 441 4th Street NW, 11th Floor  [**Registration is free!**](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&103&&&https://www.eventbrite.com/e/28th-ada-anniversary-celebration-dc-office-of-disability-rights-training-series-tickets-48073862216?aff=eac2) |  | [Happy 28th Anniversary ADA](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&104&&&https://www.eventbrite.com/edit?eid=48073862216#preview) |  Georgetown University Certificate Program in Early Intervention  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Apply now for the Georgetown University Certificate Program in Early Intervention. The application deadline has been extended to **August 15th**!  [**Apply online**](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&105&&&https://portal.scs.georgetown.edu/portal/applications/applicationProfile.do?method=loadApplicationIndex&applicationProfileId=24587851&_ga=2.11630391.2097395610.1532262531-345083608.1493802333)! |  | Georgetown University Center for Child and Human Development Logo |  Developmental Disabilities Council August Meeting  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Join the DD Council for their August Meeting. The public are welcome to attend!**  **When:** Thursday, August 16 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.  **Location:** 441 4th Street NW, 11th Floor Conference Center, Room 1114  To request a reasonable accommodation contact Denice McCain by email at [denice.mccain@dc.gov](denice.mccain@dc.gov%20) or by phone at (202) 724-8612.  For more information about the DD Council, visit: [https://ddc.dc.gov/page/about-ddc](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&106&&&https://ddc.dc.gov/page/about-ddc) |  | [DDC Logo](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&107&&&https://ddc.dc.gov/page/about-ddc) |  10th Annual Olmstead Conference  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Join the DC Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) and the DC Office of Disability Rights (ODR) for our 10th Annual Olmstead Community Integration Conference:** Creating Wellness and Improving Quality of Life!  Learn about what Olmstead means to you, and hear from other District residents about their experiences transitioning to life in the community after a period of recovery!  Visit with vendors who provide services to individuals transitioning into the community!  Enjoy entertainment from your fellow community members!  **When:** Monday, August 20th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  **Location:** The ARC DC 1901 Mississippi Ave SE. (Closet Metro Station is Congress Heights)  [**Register for free!**](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&108&&&https://www.eventbrite.com/e/10th-annual-olmstead-community-integration-conference-creating-wellness-and-improving-quality-of-tickets-48279001794) |  | [image of community members smiling](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&109&&&https://www.eventbrite.com/e/10th-annual-olmstead-community-integration-conference-creating-wellness-and-improving-quality-of-tickets-48279001794) |  Small Projects & Home Renovations Workshop  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **The Small Projects and Home Renovations Workshop is designed to assist homeowners** with what to do when conducting small projects and renovations. From the plan review process to obtaining a permit – we are here to help! Some key topics covered will include using our online permitting tools to start your rehab process; getting the proper permit(s); submitting architectural plans; and avoiding pitfalls when buying a fixer-upper.  **When:** Wednesday, August 22nd from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m.  **Location:** Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs,1100 4th Street SW, 2nd Floor, Room E200  [**Register for free**](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&110&&&https://www.eventbrite.com/e/small-projects-home-renovations-homeowner-center-permitting-education-series-tickets-48075693694)! |  | [HomeOwner's graphic](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&111&&&https://www.eventbrite.com/e/small-projects-home-renovations-homeowner-center-permitting-education-series-tickets-48075693694) |  Commission on Persons with Disabilities August Meeting  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Join the DC Commission on Persons with Disabilities for their August Meeting.**  **When:** Thursday, August 23 from 10:00 to 11:15 a.m.  **Location:** Teleconference  For more information please visit: [https://odr.dc.gov/event/august-2018-dc-commission-persons-disabilities-meeting](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&112&&&https://odr.dc.gov/event/august-2018-dc-commission-persons-disabilities-meeting) |  | [DC Logo](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&113&&&https://odr.dc.gov/event/august-2018-dc-commission-persons-disabilities-meeting) |  Mayor Bowser to Congratulate Special Olympics DC Team  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **On August 27th Mayor Muriel Bowser will hold a congratulatory ceremony for the 20 Special Olympics, DC athletes** who competed in this year's USA Games and brought home 21 Medals!  To learn more about Special Olympics, DC, please visit: [http://specialolympicsdc.org/](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&114&&&http://specialolympicsdc.org/) |  | Special Olympics DC team at USA Games | | | UpdatesVolunteers Needed!  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | [Volunteers Needed](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&115&&&https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KDVDR3N) |  | **The Department on Disability Services is seeking volunteers with a passion for advocacy** to help improve the service system that supports people with disabilities. If you are interested in serving on a council or committee, please take a 9 question survey to match you to opportunities based upon your interests. After you complete the survey, a DDS staff member will contact you to provide more information and assist with completing a formal application.  **The survey is available at:** [**https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KDVDR3N**](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&116&&&https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KDVDR3N)  **If you have any questions or would like assistance with completing this survey, please call 202-730-1687.** |  2019 AAPD Paul G. Hearne Emerging Leader Awards  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | [AAPD logo](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&117&&&https://www.aapd.com/aapd-paul-g-hearne-leadership-awards/) |  | **Through the** [**AAPD Paul G. Hearne Emerging Leader Awards**](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&118&&&https://aapd.us13.list-manage.com/track/click?u=08dab5cd58ad9250c3f56519f&id=52a6dc6925&e=cb5be562b6)**,** the American Association of People with Disabilities (AAPD) recognizes outstanding emerging leaders with disabilities who exemplify leadership, advocacy, and dedication to the broader cross-disability community.  Two (2) individuals will each receive $2,500 in recognition of their outstanding contributions and $7,500 to further a new or existing project or initiative that increases the political and economic power of people with disabilities.   [**Apply now!**](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&119&&&https://www.aapd.com/aapd-paul-g-hearne-leadership-awards/) Deadline is October 1, 2018. |  Sign up for NFB-Newsline  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | NFB Newsline logo |  | **Would you like to listen to the reading of newspapers, magazines and other important information** through the use of an IOS Mobile App, a website with no graphics, a touch-tone phone, or a stand-alone player which downloads publications automatically? You will have free access to this information by these methods when you sign up for NFB-Newsline.  **NFB-Newsline is a free service for people who are blind and low vision.**  Anyone who is blind or low vision is eligible to sign up for NFB-Newsline. **If you are interested in doing so or you would like more information, please email** [**Nfb.newsline@dc.gov**](mailto:Nfb.newsline@dc.gov) **or call 202-403- 9279.** |  Rent Control for People with Disabilities and Older Adults  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | DHCD logo |  | You may be eligible for a reduced rent increase. Those eligible for a lower annual increase in rent control fall into two categories: Those aged 62 and over, and people with disabilities. **There are no income requirements for either group. And for people with disabilities, there is no age requirement.**  Renters must file a free application to receive the reduced rate (It’s available at [https://dhcd.dc.gov/publication/form-6-tenants-notice-housing-provider-elderly-or-disabled-status](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&120&&&https://dhcd.dc.gov/publication/form-6-tenants-notice-housing-provider-elderly-or-disabled-status))  **For assistance in filing the application, contact the Office of the Tenant Advocate at 202-719-6560.** |  Affordable Home Ownership  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | individuals in hard hats breaking ground |  | **The Pleasant Park Cooperative provides affordable homeownership** in the Deanwood neighborhood of Washington, DC.  All 60 units at the complex have been recently renovated. Households must meet household income maximums to apply. Currently, there are approximately 4 units available.  For more information and to fill out an application please contact [**pleasantpark301@gmail.com**](mailto:pleasantpark301@gmail.com)**or (202) 621-9482.** | | |  | | ODR Spotlight  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Alison Whyte, serves as the Executive Director of the DC Developmental Disabilities Council**. As a sibling of a person with a developmental disability, Alison Whyte has been working toward full inclusion of people with disabilities in work, school, and community life for as long as she can remember. Alison loves animals, being outdoors as much as possible, biking around DC, and practicing her Spanish and American Sign Language skills.  Learn more about the DC Developmental Disabilities Council at: [https://ddc.dc.gov/](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTgwODEwLjkzNTU0NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE4MDgxMC45MzU1NDc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjkwMDI4JmVtYWlsaWQ9anVsaWEud29saGFuZGxlckBkYy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPWp1bGlhLndvbGhhbmRsZXJAZGMuZ292JnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&121&&&https://ddc.dc.gov/) |  | Alison in blue shirt smiles at camera | | | For Information about ODR’s Newsletter call (202)724-5055 or visit the web at odr.dc.gov.  441 4th Street NW, Suite 729 North, Washington DC 20001, Phone: (202)724-5055  Fax: (202)727-9484 E-mail: [ODR.Complaints@dc.gov](mailto:ODR.Complaints@dc.gov)  MISSION STATEMENT  The mission of the District Office of Disability Rights (ODR) is to ensure that the programs, services, benefits, activities and facilities operated or funded by the District of Columbia are fully accessible to, and useable by people with disabilities. ODR is committed to inclusion, community-based services, and self-determination for people with disabilities. ODR is responsible for overseeing the implementation of the City's obligations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as well as other disability rights laws. | |
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