

EMPOWERING OURSELVES

Are you finding the HMD illustrations helpful in bringing the issues we face into focus? Our thanks to those of you who have suggested topics—they are on the list to help **make the invisible visible**.

Together we can make a difference!

“Disability results from the interaction between persons with impairments & attitudinal and environmental barriers that hinders their full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others.”

Encourage New Members!

We can advocate more effectively the larger our Alliance is.

Invite friends and family to join!

Who Accommodates Whom?

As the Alliance gains in profile, we are getting suggestions about how to make better use of mobility aids. But is it up to us to adapt to the built environment, or should public spaces be designed so that we enjoy “full and effective participation and inclusion in society”? Disability results from an **interaction** between personal constraints and the design of public spaces.

So how can we preserve the pleasures for some of expansive spaces and beautiful long walks while ensuring that we have the option to access community life by moving within a 50-foot circle? Designing or modifying urban spaces on the basis of only needing to walk 50 feet is still a new concept. We need creative solutions. We need the type of imaginative thinking that will only occur when we affirm that public spaces need to accommodate us rather than our having to accommodate inaccessible designs.

Send us your suggestions for stimulating the adaptation of public spaces to 50-foot walking distances.

How can I participate in this consultation?



Educate others!

Visual cues are excellent for self-advocacy & to educate others. Order [Hannah's HMD buttons](#).

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12 Core Members
95 Supporting Members