

DEMONSTRATING OPTIONS

Addressing distance as an access barrier is unfortunately being viewed as a challenging “retrofit” issue. We believe that creative solutions can make our public spaces consistently accessible to those of us with HMD—if we can demonstrate the possibilities. Would your neighborhood or municipality would be willing to pilot best practices, or is there a local public service or a business that prides itself on being an innovation leader and could be a demonstration project? Let us know!

Encourage New Members!

We can advocate more effectively
the larger our Alliance is.

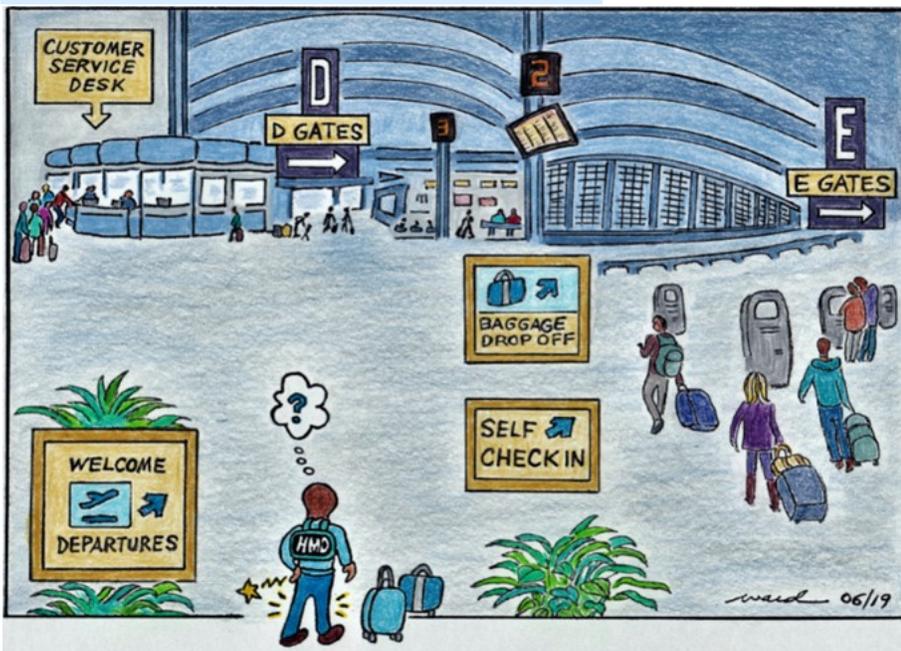
Invite friends and family to join!

Tackling Distance as a Barrier

The Alliance was visible at the International Making Cities Livable conference in June with the presentation of a paper titled [“50 Foot Circles – Empowering Persons with Hidden Mobility Disabilities in the City of Short Distances”](#). While there was interest from urban planners and good discussion, the focus of new design continues to be on “car free” cities.

A similar trend can be seen in air travel, with Terminal 4 at Singapore’s Changi Airport in Singapore designed to be completely automated. One self-serves at check-in, scanning ID as well as a fingerprint. That electronic identification follows you through customs and passport control, check in at the gate, and the boarding process. No need for human interaction! The kiosk check-in and self-service baggage deposit are used at a number of airports. It is the lack of airport staff during the rest of the process that is currently unique to Changi. While staff are not completely absent, the challenge is how to connect with them – see below!

Far too far for me to
walk ... how will I
check in?



Educate others!

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

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