

Agenda for March 31, 2025 4:00-5:30 p.m.

In Person: Allison Room, City Hall

Zoom: <https://bloomington.zoom.us/j/89390514679?pwd=6sqnNybgSKqV5ZuVE6sF7g60CcgxYK.1> Password: 3471

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Review of Minutes (February)
- III. Financial Report
- IV. Annual Report
- V. Partner Organizations Awareness & Outreach
- VI. Report from the City
 - A. Transportation Commission Appointment (Speaker: Ryan Robling, Planning Services Manager, Planning & Transportation Department)
- VII. New Accessibility Concerns from Members/Visitors
- VIII. Committee/Partner Reports
 - A. Accessibility Committee
 - B. Transportation and Mobility Committee
 - C. Activities and Events Committee
 - D. MALL
- IX. Planning (Continued)
 - A. Public Works Visit Planning
 - B. Speaker Identification
 - C. Downtown Madison Accessibility (<https://downtownmadison.org/beyond-compliance/>)
 - D. Events
- X. 2024 Goals in Review and 2025 Goals Set (see next page)
- XI. Adjournment

NEXT MEETINGS: Meetings held at 4 p.m.

- April 28, 2025, Allison Room (#225) and Zoom
- May 28, 2025, TBD, Allison Room (#225) and Zoom (Wednesday)
- June 30, 2025, Allison Room (#225) and Zoom

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CCA 2024 Goals

At the January 29, 2024 meeting, Council for Community Accessibility members established the following goals for 2024 in the areas of Advocacy, Inclusion, and Alliances.

Advocacy

1. Support the official adoption of the Accessible Transportation and Mobility Principles by the City of Bloomington City Council.
2. Promote the rollout of the city-wide ordinance on closed captioning use on TVs in Bloomington, which will take effect on January 1, 2025.
3. Co-host a “Meet the Mayor” event with Stone Belt.
4. Form a working group that includes city leaders to explore how to support those in the community who require personal care assistants.

Inclusion

1. Increase awareness about and donations to the MALL and find a storage location for larger items.
2. Complete the disability brochure/website for Visit Bloomington.
3. Make all Bloomington public accommodation as accessible as possible through adding new fields to accessibility surveys specifically addressing the needs of deaf and blind patrons, offering staff trainings, and bringing parking lots into compliance.

Alliances

1. Increase participation with and efforts to serve the deaf community and other underserved communities
2. Expand the network of CCA partners through engaging in joint efforts with MCPL, SICIL, MCCSC, VITAL, IU ASL Club, Area 10, IU Health, IU Accessibility Educational Services, Habitat for Humanity, ADA Indiana, and member organizations represented at monthly Disability Service Provider Coalition meetings, among others.

2025 CCA Planning Exercise Results

Transportation

- Expansion of BT Access to include routes outside of Bloomington (to appointments or flights in Indianapolis, for example)
- Incentivize accessible Ubers or taxis in Bloomington (available any time, including late at night)

Accessibility/ADA Standards

- Incentivize stricter, better-than-ADA standards within Bloomington city limits for new constructions of hotels, restaurants, etc.
- “We could be that city” - businesses will still choose to move to Bloomington if they have to meet stricter standards

Community Connections

- Increase community engagement and outreach by meeting people where they are - for example, have a meeting once a quarter at Stone Belt, Endwright, or another location.
- Increase diversity of perspectives by connecting with other social service organizations that work with people with disabilities, such as the library, Shalom, or Middle Way House.
- A “Traveling CCA Meeting” (similar to Meet the Mayor) hosted by the CCA.
- Informal social meetings to connect with potential members

Employment

- Creation of a peer-to-peer support program around employment
- Become more involved in employment for people with disabilities
- Connect local consultants with businesses and organizations looking for assistance with accessibility questions

Housing

- Become more involved in affordable housing.