

2026 Disability Empowerment and Advocacy Luncheon



Tuesday, April 28, 2026 | 12:00 pm CST | Riverside Revival, Nashville, TN

Join Us in Building a Better Tennessee

Disability Rights Tennessee (DRT) invites you to a luncheon that celebrates the Tennessee disability community. Together we can honor the voices and figures that are building a strong state through individual choice and opportunity for all. The **Disability Empowerment and Advocacy Luncheon**, DEAL for short, brings together people with disabilities, self-advocates, community and state leaders, and supporters from all corners of the state to **uplift stories**, **expand access**, and **drive change**.



Ticket Options

PROFESSIONAL TICKET (\$100)

For general public, corporate, government, or legal professionals.

COMMUNITY TICKET (\$75)

For nonprofit professionals, students, family members of people with disabilities.

**Subsidized below cost.*

SPONSOR A TICKET (\$75)

Sponsor a self-advocate or guest with a disability.

SPONSORED TICKET (FREE)

Available to people with disabilities and self-advocates (covered by sponsors).

**limited quantity, please inquire about availability*



1 in 7 Tennesseans have a disability.

Disability Rights Tennessee provides **free** services in all 95 Tennessee counties.

Why Your Sponsorship Matters

- ▶ **Amplify Voices:** Help make sure Tennesseans with disabilities are heard, seen, and supported.
- ▶ **Fund Access:** Your support provides **Sponsored Ticket(s)** for self-advocates and removes financial barriers to entry.
- ▶ **Lead by Example:** Align your brand with a mission grounded in a Tennessee where everyone can belong and contribute.

Join us in building a more accessible Tennessee.

Contact Lee Sherwood, Director of Community Relations and Development, for more information about sponsoring.

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2026 Sponsorship Opportunities

\$25,000

Volunteer Visionary 2 Premium Tables (16 seats)

- 10 Sponsored Self-Advocate Tickets
- Speaking opportunity at event and/or recognition video during event.
- Preferred seating.
- Social media and newsletter recognition.
- Invitation to interview for recap video with professional videographer.
- Logo featured prominently on event website, program, press kit, and signage.
- Invitation to professional development with Disability Rights Tennessee Staff.

\$15,000

Cumberland Champion 2 Tables (16 seats)

- 8 Sponsored Self-Advocate Tickets
- Preferred seating.
- Social media and newsletter recognition.
- Invitation to interview for recap video with professional videographer.
- Logo featured on DRT website, DEAL program, and event signage.

\$8,000

Tennessee Trailblazer 1 Table (8 seats)

- 6 Sponsored Self-Advocate Tickets
- Social media and newsletter recognition.
- Logo featured on DRT website, DEAL program, and event signage.

\$5,000

Bridge Builder 1 Table (8 seats)

- 4 Sponsored Self-Advocate Tickets
- Social media and newsletter recognition.
- Logo featured on DRT website, DEAL program, and event signage.

\$2,500

Appalachian Ally 1 Table (8 seats)

- 2 Sponsored Self-Advocate Tickets
- Logo featured on DEAL program and signage.
- Recognition in event follow-up.

\$1,000

Community Supporter | 1 Table (8 seats)

- 1 Sponsored Self-Advocate Ticket
- Name listed in DEAL program.
- Recognition in event follow-up.