**Accessibility in the News- August 13, 2021**

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*“This is a wonderful day. I’ve never seen this one before.”* **―** **Maya Angelou**

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**National News (U.S.)**

**1.    The ADA at 31: Access to Housing and Health Care Must Meet the Rise of Disability in the U.S.- August 5, 2021 Source:**[**Center for American Progress**](https://www.americanprogress.org/issues/disability/reports/2021/08/05/502242/ada-31-access-housing-health-care-must-meet-rise-disability-u-s/)

It has been nearly 50 years since disability activists in San Francisco took over a federal building for 28 days to force the signing of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. This legislation established the rights of people with disabilities against discrimination in programs receiving federal funds. By 1990, disability activists were literally crawling up the steps of the U.S. Capitol to demand civil rights legislation for disabled people. This resulted in the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which celebrated its 31st anniversary in July 2021…

**2.    Disability Access Hits Opposition in Senate Infrastructure Debate- August 5, 2021 Source:**[**Bloomberg**](https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2021-08-05/when-transit-accessibility-becomes-woke-planning)

**a.    Washington's infrastructure deal is a raw deal for the disabled- August 5, 2021 Source:**[**New York Daily News**](https://www.nydailynews.com/opinion/ny-oped-infrastructure-raw-deal-disabled-20210805-mgmhsqiy4rdtvc3jsgqhvilf5u-story.html)

Just days after the 31st anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the U.S. Senate defeated an amendment in the $1 trillion infrastructure bill aimed at boosting transit accessibility. Introduced in May by Democratic Illinois Senator Tammy Duckworth as the All Station Accessibility Program Act, the legislation brought to the Senate floor Tuesday as an amendment to the infrastructure bill would require transit agencies that receive $1.75 billion in federal accessibility grants to create an explicit plan for how they would prioritize accessibility for people with disabilities…

**3.    In Pandemic's Wake, Synagogues Address Accessibility- August 5, 2021 Source:**[**Jewish Exponent**](https://www.jewishexponent.com/2021/08/05/in-pandemics-wake-synagogues-address-accessibility/)

From March to September 2020, Zoom’s revenue skyrocketed by 3,300%, according to a CNN report, and it’s no secret why. The application became a ubiquitous tool for connection and opened up new possibilities for synagogues to confront and navigate the question of accessibility for disabled congregants and community members. “During the height of a pandemic, I was largely unable to safely leave my home,” said Rabbi Julia Watts Belser, a professor of Jewish studies and disability studies in the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at Georgetown University and a wheelchair user…

**4.    One law firm brought hundreds of website accessibility cases. One of their clients says they 'beefed up' her disability in more than a dozen lawsuits.- August 6, 2021 Source:**[**Business Insider**](https://www.businessinsider.com/blindness-web-accessibility-lawsuit-law-firm-flaws-screen-reader-ada-2021-8)

Frances Kalender is legally blind. She has a condition called retinitis pigmentosa that is eating at her peripheral vision. She can't drive, and some things look blurry, but her central vision still works; she can read. But in 13 lawsuits, her lawyers gave a different impression, telling a judge that Kalender couldn't browse the internet without text-to-speech software known as a screen reader. When Insider read portions of the lawsuits filed in her name, Kalender seemed confused. She doesn't need a screen reader…

**5.    'A project like this is generational': New KCI terminal prioritizes accessibility- August 6, 2021 Source:**[**Missouri Independent**](https://missouriindependent.com/2021/08/06/a-project-like-this-is-generational-new-kci-terminal-prioritizes-long-term-accessibility/)

When flights get rescheduled or moved to another gate, the announcement usually comes through the airport’s audio system. Passengers who are deaf or hard of hearing don’t get the memo, forcing them to rely on others to relay the new information. Sometimes, it turns into a game of telephone. Micki Keck, a deaf woman who works with The Whole Person, once missed a flight after another person gave her the wrong gate number. She was forced to get a hotel for the night and catch a different flight the next day…

**6.    'We're making an accessible place public': Autism Trail seeks to break down barriers to deep nature- August 6, 2021 Source:**[**WBFO**](https://www.wbfo.org/local/2021-08-06/were-making-an-accessible-place-public-autism-trail-seeks-to-break-down-barriers-to-deep-nature)

Deep in Letchworth State Park, Catherine Abida and her son Ali sat on a bench in a pine tree-lined oasis. “What do you like about this trail?” Abida asked him. “The rocks? The trees? The benches?” “The trees,” Ali responded. Ali is 14. He has autism and is minimally verbal. He and his mom live in Albany. It takes them about four hours to drive to Letchworth, but they wanted to see the soon-to-open Autism Nature Trail -- also known as the ANT…

**7.    Predating the ADA, This Park County Camp Is A Prime Example Of Accessibility In Nature- August 6, 2021 Source:**[**KUNC**](https://www.kunc.org/news/2021-08-06/predating-the-ada-this-park-county-camp-is-a-prime-example-of-accessibility-in-nature)

Through the pandemic, outdoor recreation has emerged as critically important to our state’s economic recovery. National and state parks here are reporting record visitation, and businesses that sell outdoor gear have gotten a shot to the arm thanks to all the extra interest. And while the pandemic might have driven much of the recent interest, the outdoor recreation industry has been growing a lot over the past few years. A recent report from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis shows the outdoor recreation economy in the United States is bigger than ever before — and bigger than sectors like mining and agriculture…

**8.    Colorado passes new laws to support people with disabilities in “banner year”- August 8, 2021 Source:**[**The Denver Post**](https://www.denverpost.com/2021/08/08/colorado-new-laws-disabilities/)

If it weren’t for his family and their support over the years, Mitch Routon doesn’t know what he would be doing now. The 41-year-old Colorado Springs man has intellectual disabilities, and is now an advocate for himself and others at The Arc of Colorado, an organization that promotes policies to help people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. “We can do the same thing as everyone else,” Routon said. “It just may be at a slower pace.”…

**9.    How Troy Kotsur Broke Barriers As A Deaf Actor, On Stage, On Screen And Now In 'CODA'- August 8, 2021 Source:**[**NPR**](https://www.npr.org/2021/08/08/1025124051/troy-kotsur-coda-deaf-actor-mandalorian-criminal-minds)**&**[**Yahoo**](https://sports.yahoo.com/marlee-matlin-coda-apple-tv-plus-emilia-jones-deaf-culture-hollywood-movies-sian-heder-200014784.html)**&**[**BBC**](https://www.bbc.com/culture/article/20210809-coda-and-the-films-finally-treating-deaf-people-with-respect)**&**[**Brisbane Times**](https://www.brisbanetimes.com.au/culture/movies/coda-a-family-comedy-with-sentiment-brings-deaf-actors-to-the-screen-20210809-p58h9b.html)

**a.    Apple original 'CODA' will be the first ever feature film to include burned in subtitles in all theaters- August 9, 2021 Source:**[**9TO5Mac**](https://9to5mac.com/2021/08/09/apple-original-coda-subtitles/)

**b.    Marlee Matlin on Fighting for Inclusion 34 Years After Oscar Win: 'Deafness Is Not a Costume'- August 9, 2021 Source:**[**Yahoo**](https://www.yahoo.com/entertainment/marlee-matlin-fighting-inclusion-34-153515462.html)

**c.     Are Deaf Actors and Stories Finally Breaking Through in Hollywood?- August 11, 2021 Source:**[**The Wrap**](https://www.thewrap.com/deaf-actors-stories-breakthrough-coda-hollywood/)

**d.    Minnesota Academy for Deaf grad Daniel Durant ready to make a splash on screen with 'CODA'- August 12, 2021 Source:**[**Finger Lake Times**](https://www.fltimes.com/news/nation/minnesota-academy-for-deaf-grad-daniel-durant-ready-to-make-a-splash-on-screen-with/article_d86d4d23-cecc-5a85-b779-2e817a7e47c1.html)

The new film CODA premiered at this year's Sundance Film Festival to rave reviews and a record-breaking distribution deal with Apple. One aspect of the film that awed both audiences and critics was the supporting performance by actor Troy Kotsur. He plays a father and fisherman in the story, struggling to understand his hearing daughter's dreams to sing. Prior to the film's acclaimed Sundance debut, Kotsur has already been a pioneering star of stage and screen, honing his craft despite the structural limitations of an industry that hasn't always recognized his gifts…

**10. Why are disabled women so underrepresented in American politics?- August 9, 2021 Source:**[**The Fulcrum**](https://thefulcrum.us/big-picture/disabled-women)

Today, 25 percent of American adults experience some type of disability, and the Disabled community continues to grow. Research has shown the number of eligible Disabled voters increased by more than 10 percent between 2008 and 2016. Over the past few decades, the United States has passed many legislative bills supporting equitable voter access and signed the U.N. Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Despite this, the number of disabled politicians is a staggeringly low 10 percent of sampled U.S. elected officials…

**11. Justice Department Reaches Agreement with Brown University to Ensure Equal Access for Students with Mental Health Disabilities- August 10, 2021 Source:**[**Department of Justice**](https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-reaches-agreement-brown-university-ensure-equal-access-students-mental)

The Justice Department and U.S Attorney’s Office for the District of Rhode Island today announced a settlement agreement with Brown University to ensure that students with mental health disabilities have equal access to educational programs. The agreement resolves the department’s findings that Brown University violated Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) by not allowing students who took medical leave for mental health reasons to return to school even though they were ready to return to campus life…

**12. Remote work made life easier for many people with disabilities. They want the option to stay- August 10, 2021 Source:**[**Action News Now**](https://www.actionnewsnow.com/templates/AMP?contentID=575070322)

Gabe Moses prefers to work his eight-hour shift for a call center while lying on his stomach, resting on a mattress set out on the floor of his apartment. Moses uses a wheelchair because of conditions including dysautonomia, which arises from a dysfunctional nervous system and can affect major organs, and Ehlers-Danlos syndrome. A connective tissue disorder, EDS can cause chronic pain, muscle weakness and ruptured blood vessels. Before the pandemic, commuting to work and sitting up for hours at a time left Moses in pain and so fatigued, he sometimes lost his ability to speak…

**13. Social Security Won’t Penalize Disabled People For Saving Stimulus Checks- August 10, 2021 Source:**[**HuffPost**](https://www.huffpost.com/entry/supplemental-security-income_n_6112be11e4b0b99ac6094c68)

People who still have stimulus checks and money from other pandemic programs in their bank accounts won’t face a loss of Supplemental Security Income benefits, thanks to a policy reversal from the Social Security Administration. The agency announced last week, with little fanfare, that stimulus checks, unemployment benefits, emergency rental assistance and other benefits won’t count against eligibility at all ― and that the agency would restore any benefits it had withheld…

**14. Why US animal relief areas are ripe for improvement- August 11, 2021 Source:**[**Runway Girl Network**](https://runwaygirlnetwork.com/2021/08/11/us-animal-relief-areas/)

Over the last decade, animal relief areas have become a common amenity offered at US airports. Most travelers likely never give these areas anything more than a passing thought, but they can be a godsend for service animal handlers like myself. While animal relief areas may seem like a simple nice-to-have, the reality is that US federal regulations require airports to offer these amenities. Airlines, in conjunction with airports, have been required to offer escorts to service animal relief areas since 2009…

**15. For People With Disabilities, Outdoor Dining Has Created New Opportunities — And New Hazards- August 11, 2021 Source:**[**WGBH**](https://www.wgbh.org/news/local-news/2021/08/11/for-people-with-disabilities-outdoor-dining-has-created-new-opportunities-and-new-hazards)

With its overflowing garden tucked away on a quiet street in Jamaica Plain, the outdoor patio at Tres Gatos is a welcoming place to enjoy a meal outside on a summer day in Boston. Built over the past year as outdoor dining became a lifeline for restaurants during the pandemic, this particular patio is welcoming in more ways than one — it is the “crème de la crème” of outdoor dining in terms of accessibility, according to disability advocate Michael Muehe…

**16. Ride-hailing companies getting better on accessibility- August 12, 2021 Source:**[**City & State**](https://www.cityandstateny.com/policy/2021/08/ride-hailing-companies-getting-better-accessibility/184470/)

When ride-hailing companies came cruising into New York, accessibility was not at the top of their agendas. But just as New York City slowly began to slap new regulations on those companies in recent years, so too has the city started to require more of companies like Uber, Lyft and Via when it comes to accessibility. Under a regulation from the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission that went into effect in 2019, Uber, Lyft and Via – the dominant ride-hailing companies in the city – are able to fulfill the city’s requirements for wheelchair accessibility by meeting a certain percent of wheelchair-accessible ride requests within a certain time frame.

**17. Richmond library for the blind is a 'hidden gem'- August 12, 2021 Source:**[**WTVR**](https://www.wtvr.com/heroes-among-us/richmond-library-for-the-blind)

Melody Roane’s approach to life is never off key. “I remember taking art lessons. I do remember that,” said Melody. The woman from Richmond lives every day to the fullest. “I do a lot. I do,” she said. Melody always looks on the bright side, despite living in darkness. “I’ve been blind since I was eight years old,” said Melody. Optic Neuritis robbed her of sight. “It is an inflammation of the optic nerves,” explained Melody. “They have no idea how it happened.” Going blind had its challenges…

**18. Deaf or hard of hearing? This program might be able to help your child- August 11, 2021 Source:**[**KSAT**](https://www.ksat.com/sa-live/2021/08/11/deaf-or-hard-of-hearing-this-program-might-be-able-to-help-your-child/)

Do you have a child who is hard of hearing? Three out of every 1,000 babies are born deaf or hard of hearing in the U.S. Those numbers are mirrored in our state statistics, as well, according to the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders. Making the best decision on how to provide your child the best education can be overwhelming, but a school in San Antonio offers a place where kids with hearing impairment can go to get an education that meets their specific needs...

Jack Fact **—***In a study published in JAMA Ophthalmology, “Prevalence of Visual Acuity Loss or Blindness in the US,” researchers estimate permanent vision loss and blindness in Americans of all ages, including people younger than 40 years old, and adults in group quarters, such as nursing homes or jails. Researchers found more than 7 million people are living with uncorrectable vision loss, including more than 1 million Americans who are living with blindness.*

Hit The Road Jack**—**[**Greece: Accessibility certification and labelling in tourism**](https://www.tornosnews.gr/en/tourism-businesses/thematic-tourism/44480-accessibility-certification-and-labelling-in-tourism.html) **&**[**Accessible parks are new norm for Sahuarita, GV**](https://www.gvnews.com/news/accessible-parks-are-new-norm-for-sahuarita-gv/article_c4d3c994-e0ef-11eb-b4da-cf8efe64ecb2.html) **&**[**10 Handicap Accessible Hiking Trails in WNY**](https://stepoutbuffalo.com/guide-handicap-accessible-hiking-trails-in-wny/)

**International News**

**1.    The pandemic made university more accessible for disabled students – returning to campus could reverse that- August 6, 2021 Source:**[**iNews- UK**](https://inews.co.uk/opinion/covid-pandemic-university-more-accessible-disabled-students-return-campus-1137558)

Despite the Government’s U-turn on the proposal that university students must be fully vaccinated, I’m convinced the initial push will increase the pace at which students return to in-person teaching. Those itching for a return to on-campus mingling with their peers may well welcome that outcome. Others may consider it relatively sensible. But for disabled students like me, it risks putting many people’s health at risk – as well as destroying the long-awaited progress made towards accessibility during the pandemic…

**2.    Departments must 'improve IT accessibility and interoperability', says Whitehall disability champion- August 6, 2021 Source:**[**Public Technology- UK**](https://www.publictechnology.net/articles/news/departments-must-%E2%80%98improve-it-accessibility-and-interoperability%E2%80%99-says-whitehall)

Work needs to take place across government to ensure IT systems are accessible and interoperable, according to civil service disability champion Sarah Healey. In a blog post marking the publication of the government’s National Disability Strategy, Healey – who is also permanent secretary of the Department for Digital, Culture Media and Sport – difficulties encountered by officials in securing workplace adjustments to allow them to better do their jobs are “unacceptable”…

**3.    Hearing Aid Accessory Inspired by Former Miss Universe Catriona Gray's Ear Cuff- August 6, 2021 Source:**[**Tech Times- Canada**](https://www.techtimes.com/articles/263827/20210806/hearing-aid-accessory-inspired-former-miss-universe-catriona-grays-ear.htm)

A Filipino-Canadian woman with hearing loss has been selling hearing aid accessories inspired by the culture of the Philippines. Ruzzelle Gasmen, a speech pathologist from Vancouver, has taken inspiration from the ear cuff that former Miss Universe Catriona Gray wore during the Miss Universe 2018 competition. One of the hearing aid accessories that Ruzelle Gasmen is selling takes inspiration from the ear cuff worn by Catriona Gray in the Miss Universe competition…

**4.    Pandemic-era patios still too often inaccessible, disability advocates say- August 7, 2021 Source:**[**CBC- Canada**](https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/pandemic-era-patios-still-too-often-inaccessible-disability-advocates-say-1.6132490)

**a.    Accessibility changes are coming to Halifax patios this summer- August 11, 2021 Source:**[**CBC- Canada**](https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/nova-scotia/accessibility-changes-halifax-patios-1.6137194)

More than 16 months into the COVID-19 pandemic, Canadians with disabilities say many restaurant and bar patios that have been expanded onto streets and sidewalks to create more outdoor seating remain inaccessible to them. They say it's bad for people with disabilities and bad for businesses. David Lepofsky, a law professor and chair of Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Alliance said the expanded patios pose two challenges. One is that the patios themselves are often inaccessible for people who have mobility issues, vision loss or hearing loss…

**5.    Progress of Accessible India Campaign slow: Parl panel- August 7, 2021 Source:**[**Daily Excelsior- India**](https://www.dailyexcelsior.com/progress-of-accessible-india-campaign-slow-parl-panel/)

**a.    Make all court buildings accessible for specially abled people: Himachal HC- August 12, 2021 Source:**[**Hindustan Times- India**](https://www.hindustantimes.com/cities/chandigarh-news/make-all-court-buildings-accessible-for-specially-abled-people-himachal-hc-101628713651818.html)

A Parliamentary Standing Committee has said it is “constrained” to note that the progress of the Accessible India Campaign launched for people with disabilities has been “rather slow” and only 494 of the 1,662 identified buildings under the programme have been made accessible since 2015. The campaign, was launched in 2015, to make transport, public spaces, tourist places, international airports, railway stations and information and communication technology in India differently-able friendly….

**6.    Service dog refused entry into Bradford restaurant; incident leads to education around legislation- August 8, 2021 Source:**[**Barrie Today- Canada**](https://www.barrietoday.com/local-news/service-dog-refused-entry-into-bradford-restaurant-leads-to-education-in-legislation-4201445)

“Any dog is not allowed,” repeated Ganesh Ponniah, owner of the Golden Taste of Asia restaurant in Bradford, while refusing a local pastor and his service dog entrance into his establishment last week. Lily, the two-year-old purebred golden doodle, is owned by Cory Kostyra, interim pastor at Bradford Community Church. Lily completed training with the Citadel Canine Society as a medical service dog in June 2020, pursuant to the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) and in accordance with the standards of the Canadian Association of Service Dog Trainers…

**7.    Meet the visually impaired Inverness woman fighting for change- August 8, 2021 Source:**[**Press and Journal- UK**](https://www.pressandjournal.co.uk/fp/lifestyle/health-and-wellbeing/3115795/meet-the-visually-impaired-inverness-woman-fighting-for-change/)

She is quietly confident, and her determination grows as the conversation unfolds. For Sarah, who lives in Inverness, is on a mission to make a difference to youngsters across the Highlands. Were you to rush past Sarah in the street, you would perhaps not notice anything out of the ordinary. But for Sarah, a simple walk can be thwarted by obstacles, and she relies on a white cane to help her scan her surroundings. There was once a time when she had no issue with her eyesight, and could easily join in with other children at primary school…

**8.    Australia's 2021 Census set to be more accessible deaf and blind people- August 8, 2021 Source:**[**Talking Disability- Australia**](https://www.disabilitysupportguide.com.au/talking-disability/australias-2021-census-set-to-be-more-accessible-deaf-and-blind-people)**&**[**Innovation**](https://www.innovationaus.com/census-2021-breaks-ground-on-accessibility/)

The upcoming National Census will be the most accessible and inclusive survey yet, making it as easy as possible for everyone to participate, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS). This year’s National Census is set to take place on Tuesday 10 August, with extra resources and support available for people who are vision-impaired or hard of hearing. A range of assistive technologies on the Census website promises to offer extra support and resources for people who are deaf or vision-impaired and would like to submit their forms online without requiring additional help…

**9.    Housing Assistance for people with special needs- August 9, 2021 Source:**[**FBC News- Fiji**](https://www.fbcnews.com.fj/news/housing-assistance-for-people-with-special-needs/)

Persons living with disabilities will now be able to upgrade their homes to accessible standards through the new Housing Assistance Program. This as the Ministry of Housing and Community Development is now accepting applications for the new program that focuses on improving the accessibility of housing needs of persons living with special needs in the country. Housing Minister Premila Kumar says this programme will assist those Fijians living with disabilities with a maximum grant of up to $5,000.00 per applicant to upgrade their homes to accessibility standards…

**10. Atkins to conduct accessibility audit of all UK rail stations- August 9, 2021 Source:**[**Infrastructure Intelligence- UK**](http://www.infrastructure-intelligence.com/article/aug-2021/atkins-conduct-accessibility-audit-all-uk-rail-stations)

Atkins has been appointed by the Department for Transport (DfT) to carry out an accessibly audit of all UK rail stations as part of a government programme to boost inclusivity across the transportation network. The audit, originally pledged in the Williams-Shapps Plan for Rail, will help identify improvements and highlights existing areas of excellence. The findings will form a new public database so people can better plan their journeys and, along with input from disabled passengers, will shape future investment in accessible rail travel as part of the government’s National Disability Strategy…

**11. The importance of offering digital accessibility options- August 10, 2021 Source:**[**Elite Agent- Australia**](https://eliteagent.com/the-importance-of-offering-digital-accessibility-brock-fisher/)

In broad terms, digital accessibility is the practice of making all your digital tools, such as websites and apps, usable and accessible by people who may have a disability. Challenges such as vision impairment, colour blindness and deafness can all have a significant impact on a person’s ability to engage with and consume digital information. It’s not simply a case of it being ‘nice to have’; it’s a legal requirement to ensure that your website is accessible, in the same way that building standards and codes require buildings in Australia to meet particular accessibility requirements…

**12. iPads to help visually impaired children in Scotland use the internet- August 10, 2021 Source:**[**FutureScot- Scotland**](https://futurescot.com/ipads-to-help-visually-impaired-children-in-scotland-use-the-internet/)

Young people living with sight loss are being encouraged to apply for a smart device to help them enjoy the same benefits of being online as everyone else. The charity Guide Dogs has launched ‘Tech for All’ which provides free assistive technology to all children with visual impairment aged between three and 18 in the UK. The scheme aims to help 3,500 children and young people in the first six months and potentially 10,000 by the end of 2022, if the pilot is successful. So far, 89 youngsters in Scotland have signed up…

**13. Disabled access: 32% of disabled sport fans feel unable to attend live events, says survey- August 10, 2021 Source:**[**BBC News- UK**](https://www.bbc.com/sport/58160934)

Almost a third of disabled supporters feel unable to attend certain sports or sporting venues because of poor access, says a survey by Level Playing Field. The charity campaigns for equal access for disabled fans in England and Wales. The survey asked about fans' matchday experience at live sport events. "There is clearly much that still needs to be done to ensure disabled fans have an equal matchday experience to non-disabled fans," said Level Playing Field's chair Tony Taylor…

**14. HSBC joining the bank card accessibility push with new ‘vertical’ designs- August 11, 2021 Source:**[**AltFi- UK**](https://www.altfi.com/article/8207_hsbc-joining-the-bank-card-accessibility-push-with-new-vertical-designs)**&**[**Finextra**](https://www.finextra.com/newsarticle/38631/hsbc-to-issue-accessible-vertical-cards)

Banking giant HSBC is replacing all its UK bank cards with a new design that prioritises features to help customers with dementia, sight loss, learning difficulties and dyslexia. Its new cards are also made from 85 per cent recycled plastic, which HSBC says will save 30 \*tonnes\* of plastic waste per year. HSBC told AltFi that figure is based on the average number of cards it produces per annum, which some quick maths indicates that must be around 5-6m new bank cards…

**15. Disability campaigner stranded after hotel shower fall- August 11, 2021 Source:**[**BBC News- UK**](https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-england-tees-58159843)**&**[**iNews**](https://inews.co.uk/news/disabled-woman-naked-vulnerable-hotel-accessible-shower-seat-off-wall-1145941)

A disability campaigner was left naked and feeling vulnerable when she fell in a hotel bathroom where an emergency alarm cord was tied up out of reach. Jennie Berry, a wheelchair user from Hartlepool, lay on the floor for 20 minutes after the accessible shower seat broke in her room on Saturday. The 28-year-old managed to "wriggle" to a second alarm but when staff turned up they were unaware of how to lift her. The Mama Shelter London hotel has been approached for a comment…

**16. With Events and Venues Pivoting to Online Experiences During the Pandemic, What Can We Learn To Make More Experiences Accessible in the Future?- August 11, 2021 Source:**[**Broadsheet- Australia**](https://www.broadsheet.com.au/national/city-file/article/events-and-venues-pivoting-online-experiences-during-pandemic-what-can-we-learn-make-more-experiences-accessible-future)

Earlier this year a wheelchair user named Joel Sardi was refused access to a Melbourne restaurant, because the venue’s staff thought his wheelchair would take up too much space. Every wheelchair user I know has similar stories. Even in venues where there are turning spaces, accessible bathrooms and no steps at the entrance, attitudinal barriers can still exclude us just as effectively as physical obstacles. Making a space more accessible is a multifaceted and sometimes contradictory endeavor…

**17. Israel Seeking Third Delay in Making Its Buildings Accessible to the Disabled- August 12, 2021 Source:**[**Haaretz- Israel**](https://www.haaretz.com/israel-news/.premium-israel-seeking-third-delay-in-making-its-buildings-accessible-to-the-disabled-1.10109744)

The government is once again seeking to postpone its obligation to make its facilities accessible to people with disabilities, even though almost 20 percent of government buildings still aren’t in compliance with the law. The postponement is included in the Economic Arrangements Bill that accompanies the annual budget but which has yet to be passed by the Knesset. The delay is being sought by both local governments and national government ministries, including the Health Ministry…

**18. AI-supported test can predict eye disease that leads to blindness- August 12, 2021 Source:**[**Imperial College London**](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/news/228113/ai-supported-test-predict-disease-that-leads/)

In a clinical trial of 113 patients led by researchers at Imperial College London and UCL, retinal imaging technology called Detection of Apoptosis in Retinal Cells (DARC) was able to identify areas of the eye that were showing signs of geographic atrophy (GA) - a common condition that causes reduced vision and blindness. The researchers believe that this technology could be used as a screening test for GA and help advance the development of new treatments for the disease…

**COVID-19 Resources and Information**

* [Best Cities for Conferences – 2021 Edition- Yahoo](https://finance.yahoo.com/news/best-cities-conferences-2021-edition-110020698.html)
* [COVID-19 Accessibility Recommendations- CNIB Foundation](https://cnib.ca/en/covid-19-accessibility-recommendations?region=on)
* [Amid the pandemic, healthy vision is important, too- Panay News](https://www.panaynews.net/amid-the-pandemic-healthy-vision-is-important-too/)
* [The ADA@31: A Review of Emerging Implementation Issues- EARN](https://askearn.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/EARN_Learning_Guide_Emerging_ADA_Issues.pdf)
* [Episode 96: Accessible Inclusive Virtual Meetings and the ADA- ADA Live!](https://www.adalive.org/episode96)
* [Accessibility Services captioning team supports students and faculty - WVU ENews](https://enews.wvu.edu/articles/2021/08/09/accessibility-services-captioning-team-supports-students-and-faculty)
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* [If your employer fires you because you won’t get the COVID vaccine, don’t expect to collect unemployment](https://www.marketwatch.com/story/dont-expect-unemployment-benefits-if-you-dont-comply-with-your-employers-vaccine-requirement-11628287814?siteid=yhoof2)
* [With Events and Venues Pivoting to Online Experiences During the Pandemic, What Can We Learn To Make More Experiences Accessible in the Future?- Broadsheet](https://www.broadsheet.com.au/national/entertainment/article/eleven-artists-add-your-wfh-or-office-playlist)

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* [How To Apply WCAG On Mobile: FAQ- UsableNet](https://blog.usablenet.com/how-to-apply-wcag-on-mobile-faq)
* [Ensuring universal accessibility- The Financial Express](https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/views/ensuring-universal-accessibility-1628697681)
* [30 years ago today, the first website was published- Hypertext](https://htxt.co.za/2021/08/30-years-ago-today-the-first-website-was-published/)
* [Building digital products for the web's next billion users- Medium](https://toriistudio.medium.com/building-digital-products-for-the-webs-next-billion-users-c05b9fa15413)
* [GLAUCOMA – “The Silent Thief of Sight”- Dr. Kojo Cobba Essel](http://www.businessghana.com/site/news/general/244206/GLAUCOMA-The-Silent-Thief-of-Sight)
* [The ADA@31: Review of Emerging Implementation Issues- EARN](https://askearn.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/EARN_2021_Policy_Brief_ADA31_Emerging_Implementation_Issues.pdf)
* [6 ways you can make your small business more accessible- HR News](http://hrnews.co.uk/6-ways-you-can-make-your-small-business-more-accessible/)
* [August 2021: Progress on Syracuse University Campus Commitments](https://news.syr.edu/blog/2021/08/11/august-2021-progress-on-campus-commitments/)
* [How to make digital communications accessible- Charity Digital News](https://charitydigital.org.uk/topics/topics/how-to-make-digital-communications-accessible-9089)
* [The Prominent Occupation of the Sightless in China- Fun4TheDisabled](https://www.fun4thedisabled.com/the-prominent-occupation-of-the-sightless-in-china/)
* [Brand experience must be accessible to be truly universal- Campaign Live](https://www.campaignlive.co.uk/article/brand-experience-accessible-truly-universal/1724608)
* [Accessibility statement for 'Ask the export support team a question'- GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/accessibility-statement-for-get-help-selling-goods-and-services-abroad)
* [How Background Noise Affects Accessibility- Bureau of Internet Accessibility](https://www.boia.org/blog/how-background-noise-affects-accessibility)
* [Be Sure Websites, Apps Are Accessible, OPM Tells FEHB Carriers- FEDweek](https://www.fedweek.com/fedweek/be-sure-websites-apps-are-accessible-opm-tells-fehb-carriers/)
* [Accessibility concerns around Canada's new ArriveCAN travel app- Globalnews](https://globalnews.ca/video/8091876/accessibility-concerns-around-canadas-new-arrivecan-travel-app)
* [Beyond the Bare Minimum: A Vision for Inclusive Design- Utah State Magazine](https://utahstatemagazine.usu.edu/health/beyond-the-bare-minimum-a-vision-for-inclusive-design/)
* [Dominick Petrillo: How a blind fantasy football expert does his job- The Athletic](https://theathletic.com/2761170/2021/08/10/dominick-petrillo-how-a-blind-fantasy-football-expert-does-his-job/)
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* [Web Accessibility for the Human Experience: When We Can Help- Kim Krause Berg](https://www.searchenginejournal.com/web-accessibility-best-practices/415631/#close)
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* [Health Habits You Should Never Do After 50, According to Doctors- Eat This, Not That](https://www.eatthis.com/news-unhealthy-habits-after-50/)
* [How to make retirement income more accessible for all Americans- Brookings Institution](https://www.brookings.edu/podcast-episode/how-to-make-retirement-income-more-accessible-for-all-americans/) **(**[**PDF**](https://www.brookings.edu/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/BCP-20210806-Iwry-John.pdf)**)**
* [Opinion: UCLA must prioritize plans for Deaf studies program to better support community- Daily Bruin](https://dailybruin.com/2021/08/06/opinion-ucla-must-prioritize-plans-for-deaf-studies-program-to-better-support-community)
* [How Casey Gagliardi used her experiences with disability to advocate for her fellow students- VCU News](https://news.vcu.edu/article/2021/08/how-casey-gagliardi-used-her-experiences-with-disability-to-advocate-for-her-fellow-students)
* [RIT students take on accessibility and medical care challenges by design- Rochester Institute of Technology](https://www.rit.edu/news/rit-students-take-accessibility-and-medical-care-challenges-design)
* [Inside Davis Technical College’s First-Of-Its-Kind Inclusive CNC Machining Program Accessible To All- Forbes](https://www.forbes.com/sites/stevenaquino/2021/08/11/inside-davis-technical-colleges-first-of-its-kind-inclusive-cnc-machining-program-accessible-to-all/?sh=11a0e01341cf)
* [Why investing in social care could boost the economy by helping disabled people be independent- Disability Horizons](https://disabilityhorizons.com/2021/07/why-investing-in-social-care-could-boost-the-economy-by-helping-disabled-people-be-independen/)
* [Mountain View Chamber of Commerce webinar offers advice on handling ADA-related lawsuits- Los Altos Town Crier](https://www.losaltosonline.com/business/mountain-view-chamber-of-commerce-webinar-offers-advice-on-handling-ada-related-lawsuits/article_89a13f86-fa1d-11eb-841c-b79ac21e5a76.html)

**Accessibility Training & Meetings**

* [Archived JAN Webinars and Webcasts](https://askjan.org/events/webinars/archive/index.cfm)
* [Upcoming IAAP Webinars - Digital Accessibility](https://www.accessibilityassociation.org/content.asp?contentid=357)
* [AI Fairness for Persons with Disabilities in Workplace Technologies - Tuesday, August 17 - 11am-12pm ET](https://www.accessibilityassociation.org/content.asp?admin=Y&contentid=754)
* [A Smattering of ADA Cases Worth Noting for the Past Three Years - August 17th, 2021 2:00 - 3:30 PM EDT](https://adata.org/event/smattering-ada-cases-worth-noting-past-three-years-2019-present)
* [Accessible Autonomous Vehicles (AVs) - August 17th, 2021 2:00 - 3:30 PM EDT](https://adata.org/event/accessible-autonomous-vehicles-avs)
* [Accessibility & Disability Inclusion in the Modern Workplace- Aug 17, 2021, 5:00 AM - 6:00 AM CDT, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM CDT](https://training.talent.linkedin.com/accessibility-disability-inclusion-in-the-modern-workplace)
* [Accessibility by Design 101- August 18, 2021 11:00 am ET](https://info.usablenet.com/webinar-registration-accessibility-by-design-101)
* [Accessibility & Disability Inclusion in the Modern Workplace- Aug 18, 2021, 11:30 PM - Aug 19, 2021, 12:30 AM CDT](https://training.talent.linkedin.com/accessibility-disability-inclusion-in-the-modern-workplace)
* [Accessibility and Disability Policy Webinar Series - Accommodations in College: Successfully Navigating the Transition- August 18th at 10 a.m. (CST)](https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/TXGOV/bulletins/2eb5594)
* [Using Digital Accessibility Tools-  August 19 at 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.](https://calendar.pitt.edu/event/using_digital_accessibility_tools#.YOttwuhKhPY)
* [Accessibility & Disability Inclusion in the Modern Workplace- Aug 19, 2021, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CDT](https://training.talent.linkedin.com/accessibility-disability-inclusion-in-the-modern-workplace)
* [Accessibility and Disability Policy Webinar Series - Collaborative & Proactive Solutions for Children- August 19th at 10 a.m. (CST)](https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/TXGOV/bulletins/2eb5972)
* [Funding Mental Health Service Delivery for Youth with First Episode Psychosis- August 24, 2021 02:00 PM in Eastern Time (US and Canada)](https://csg-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqdOurqD4pGdLnZbEgJ7__XpJQUbshH7jn?)
* [Break Silos & Build Bridges: Bringing UX + Data Engineering Together- August 26, 2021 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM CDT](https://www.meetup.com/STLXMeetup/events/279852699/)
* [Web Accessibility Techniques and Testing- August 26, 2021, 1:00 pm – September 16, 2021, 3:00 pm AEST](https://events.humanitix.com/web-accessibility-techniques-and-testing-virtual-august-vision-australia)
* [Break Silos & Build Bridges: Bringing UX + Data Engineering Together- August 26, 2021 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM CDT](https://www.meetup.com/STLXMeetup/events/279852699/)
* [Hybrid Event Tech 101: A Higher-Ed Guide to Accessible Hybrid Events - Free Webinar | Thursday, August 26 at 2 PM ET](https://go.3playmedia.com/wbnr-08-26-2021-hybrid-tech)
* ["Enabling an Accessible SDLC – People, Process and Technologies," on August 31 at 11 AM ET](https://webinars.devops.com/enabling-an-accessible-sdlc-people-process-and-technologies)
* [Accessible Educational Materials (AEM) Café Monthly Series September 2, October 7, and November 4, 2021 Time shows in 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time (US and Canada)](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYuc-2qrjooHNPMrnpxX8ygErTXx8RYKmuk)
* [Multilingual Website Accessibility - Wednesday, September 8 - 12-1pm ET](https://www.accessibilityassociation.org/content.asp?admin=Y&contentid=755)
* [W3C Web Accessibility Initiative Cognitive Accessibility- September 8, 2021- 10.00 - 16.30 BST (UTC +0100)](https://www.w3.org/blog/talks/event/w3c-web-accessibility-initiative-cognitive-accessibility/)
* [FCC released a Public Notice announcing that the next Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting will be held on Thursday, September 9, 2021, from 1:30 p.m. to approximately 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time.](https://www.fcc.gov/news-events/events/2021/09/disability-advisory-committee-meeting)
* [Accessibility in Archives and Special Collections- 9/9/2021 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Eastern Standard Time (GMT-5)](https://www.lyrasis.org/Content/Pages/Event-Details.aspx?Eid=360E5003-05B9-EB11-80EF-00155D0A2721)
* [Voice Content, Multimodal Accessibility, and the Story of Ask GeorgiaGov- September 14, 2021 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM CDT](https://www.meetup.com/A11yNYC/events/279891351/)
* [How Sighted and Blind Web Navigation Differs - Michele Williams (A11yTalks) September 21, 2021 1:00 p.m. ET](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MwfyJzB3OGM)
* [Creating Accessible Documents- September 22, 2021, 1:00pm to 4:00pm](https://accessibility.huit.harvard.edu/event/creating-accessible-documents-092221)
* [Inclusive Design 24 #ID24- September 23, 2021](https://inclusivedesign24.org/2021/)
* [Accessibility Inclusion and Understanding Cognitive Disabilities- September 27, 2021 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM CDT](https://www.meetup.com/Accessibility-Twin-Cities/events/275607561/)
* [Native Mobile Application Testing- September 30, 2021 at 12pm ET](https://www.tpgi.com/webinar-september-30-native-mobile-app-testing/)
* [Accessible Front-End Patterns Masterclass • Thu & Fri, Sep 30 – Oct 14](https://accessibility.asu.edu/events/accessible-front-end-patterns-masterclass)
* **Creating Accessible Word Documents 2020 Essentials (Austin, TX) – Offered** [October 1](https://www.microassist.com/instructor-led-training/creating-accessible-word-documents-virtual/?utm_source=AITN&utm_medium=Outlook&utm_campaign=2021august13)
* **Creating Accessible PowerPoints 2020 Essentials (Austin, TX) – Offered** [October 5](https://www.microassist.com/instructor-led-training/creating-accessible-powerpoint-presentations-virtual/?utm_source=AITN&utm_medium=Outlook&utm_campaign=2021august13)
* [UDAT Working Group- ASU Accessibility - Arizona State University- October 7, 2021 11:00 am to 12:00 pm](https://accessibility.asu.edu/events/udat-working-group-3)
* **Testing & Remediation Strategies for PDF Accessibility – The Basics (Austin, TX) — Offered**[October 7](https://www.microassist.com/instructor-led-training/testing-remediation-strategies-for-pdf-accessibility-the-basics-virtual-2/?utm_source=AITN&utm_medium=Outlook&utm_campaign=2021august13)
* [Overcoming Obstacles to Manual Accessibility Testing - Tuesday, October 12 - 11am-12pm ET](https://www.accessibilityassociation.org/content.asp?admin=Y&contentid=756)
* **Testing & Remediation Strategies for PDF Accessibility – Intermediate Edition (Austin, TX) — Offered**[October 13](https://www.microassist.com/instructor-led-training/testing-remediation-strategies-for-pdf-accessibility-intermediate-edition-virtual/?utm_source=AITN&utm_medium=Outlook&utm_campaign=2021august13)
* **Testing & Remediation Strategies for PDF Accessibility – Advanced Edition (Austin, TX--) Offered** [October 28](https://www.microassist.com/instructor-led-training/testing-remediation-strategies-for-pdf-accessibility-advanced-edition-virtual/?utm_source=AITN&utm_medium=Outlook&utm_campaign=2021august13)
* [VPAT Part 1: Quality Accessibility Conformance Reports using the VPAT - November 9 - 11am-12pm ET](https://www.accessibilityassociation.org/content.asp?admin=Y&contentid=757)
* [VPAT - Part 2 - Enhancing Your Product's Accessibility Conformance Reports; VPAT - Demonstrates A Company's commitment to Accessibility! (Tips and Lessons Learned) - Tuesday, November 16 - 11am-12:30pm ET](https://www.accessibilityassociation.org/content.asp?admin=Y&contentid=758)
* [Blue Beanie Day- November 30, 2021](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blue_Beanie_Day)

**Accessibility Conferences**

* [JavaScript & Friends Conference- Online and Columbus, OH](https://www.javascriptandfriends.com/)

**Date:** August 19 and 20, 2021

* [UX Australia 2021- Online](http://www.uxaustralia.com.au/conferences/ux-australia-2021)

**Date:** August 24–27, 2021

* [UX Conference August- Online](https://www.nngroup.com/training/august/)

**Date:** August 28-September 3, 2021

* [An Event Apart Orlando- Orlando, FL](https://aneventapart.com/event/orlando-2021)

**Date:** August 30-September 1, 2021

* [UX Conference September- Online](https://www.nngroup.com/training/september/)

**Date:** September 18-October 1, 2021

* [Mid-Atlantic ADA Conference 2021 - Baltimore, MD](https://adata.org/event/mid-atlantic-ada-conference-2021)

**Date:** September 21-September 23, 2021

* [#id24free 24-hour online event](https://inclusivedesign24.org/2021/)

**Date:** September 23, 2021

* [Devopsdays Boston 2021- Online](https://devopsdays.org/events/2021-boston/welcome/)

**Date:** September 27-28, 2021

* [National Association of Government Web (NAGW) Conference- Indianapolis, IN](https://nagw.org/content.php?page=conference)

**Date:** September 28-October 1, 2021

* [TravelAbility Summit- The Future of Accessible Travel](http://travelability.net/agenda/)

**Date:** September 30, 2021

* [HighEdWeb Annual Conference- Buffalo, NY](https://2021.highedweb.org/)

**Date:** October 3-6, 2021

* [M-Enabling Summit- Washington, DC](https://m-enabling.com/)

**Date:** October 4-6, 2021

* [DrupalCon Europe 2021- Online, CET Timezone, With Local Camps](https://events.drupal.org/europe2021)

**Date:** October 4-7, 2021

* [The 3rd Annual Digital Accessibility Legal Summit- An Online event](https://accessibility.legal/)

**Date:** October 7-8, 2021

* [An Event Apart Denver- Denver, CO](https://aneventapart.com/event/denver-2021)

**Date:** October 11-13, 2021

* [World Usability Congress - Graz, Styria Austria](https://worldusabilitycongress.com/)

**Date:** October 13-14, 2021

* [Adobe MAX 2021- Online](https://www.adobe.com/max.html)

**Date:** October 26–28, 2021

* [Web Summit- Lisbon, Portugal](https://websummit.com/)

**Date:** November 1-4, 2021

* [CascadiaJS 2021- This year's event will be a hybrid event, a virtual conference progressively enhanced with in-person events in Seattle, Portland and Vancouver, BC](https://2021.cascadiajs.com/)

**Date:** November 3-4, 2021

* [Design Thinkers Week 1 - Virtual](https://designthinkers.com/week-1/)

**Date:** November 9-13, 2021

* [Accessing Higher Ground - Denver, CO](https://accessinghigherground.org/)

**Date:** November 15-19, 2021

* [Design Thinkers Week 2 - Virtual](https://designthinkers.com/week-2/)

**Date:** November 16-20, 2021

* [TravelAbility Summit- Accessibility In Action](http://travelability.net/agenda/)

**Date:** November 30, 2021

* [Sight Tech Global](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfberR7NW3F74cBNleiOVauGQ8wrSV0FcZqf1HH5X60mUrS6Q/viewform)

**Date:** December 1-2, 2021

* [37th Annual CSUN Assistive Technology Conference- Anaheim Marriott](https://www.csun.edu/cod/conference/sessions/)

**Date:** March 12-18, 2022

* [Deque’s Axe-Con 2022](https://www.deque.com/axe-con/)

**Date:** March 15-17, 2022

**Accessibility Employment Resources**

* [Upwork](https://www.upwork.com/)
* [SideHusl](https://sidehusl.com/)
* [Inclusively](https://inclusively.com/)
* [A11YJOBS](https://www.a11yjobs.com/)
* [Ability Jobs](https://abilityjobs.com/)
* [WIRED Hired](https://jobs.wired.co.uk/)
* [Higher Ed Jobs](https://www.higheredjobs.com/admin/search.cfm?JobCat=179)
* [WorkforceGPS](https://www.workforcegps.org/)
* [Disabled Person](https://www.disabledperson.com/)
* [Digital A11y Jobs](https://twitter.com/a11yjobs?ref_src=twsrc%5Egoogle%7Ctwcamp%5Eserp%7Ctwgr%5Eauthor)
* [Texas HireAbility](https://twc.texas.gov/partners/texas-hireability)
* [SSI Youth Solutions](https://www.dol.gov/agencies/odep/program-areas/individuals/youth/ssi-youth)
* [U.S. Department Of Labor](https://www.dol.gov/)
* [EARN July 2021 Newsletter](https://askearn.org/news-events/newsletters/july-2021-newsletter/)
* [National Industries for the Blind](https://www.paycomonline.net/v4/ats/web.php/jobs?clientkey=C3DE8C56D71D87535EC8E7433280B0AE&jpt=)
* [PEAT Future of Work Newsletter](https://peatworks.org/enews/)
* [JAN ENEWS: Third Quarter 2021](https://askjan.org/newsletters/2021/JAN-Enews-Summer-2021-Issue.cfm)
* [Job Accommodation Network- JAN](https://askjan.org/index.cfm)
* [Partnership on Inclusive Apprenticeship](https://inclusiveapprenticeship.org/)
* [National Industry Liaison Group (NILG)](https://www.nationalilg.org/about-the-nilg/)
* [Workforce Recruitment Program (WRP)](https://www.wrp.gov/wrp?id=wrp_home)
* [LEAD On! Quarterly Newsletter - July 2021](http://www.leadcenter.org/news/newsletters/lead-quarterly-newsletter-july-2021)
* [American Council of the Blind Job Connection](https://acb.org/jobs#MembershipServices-Admin)
* [Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP)](https://www.dol.gov/odep/)
* [Workplace Resources for Autism Spectrum Disorder](https://disability.workforcegps.org/resources/2018/01/29/17/53/Workplace_Resources_for_Autism-Spectrum_Disorder)
* [American Job Center (disability job-driven resources)](https://disability.workforcegps.org/resources/2017/11/09/18/31/American_Job_Center)
* [Workforce Recruitment Program College Registration](https://www.wrp.gov/wrp?id=school_coordinator_landing_page&utm)
* [Federal Exchange on Employment & Disability (FEED)](https://askearn.org/topics/federal-state-government-employment/federal-government-employment/federal-exchange-employment-disability-feed/)
* [National Disability Employment Awareness Month 2021](https://www.dol.gov/agencies/odep/initiatives/ndeam)
* [The State Exchange on Employment & Disability (SEED)](https://www.dol.gov/odep/topics/SEED.htm)
* [Partnership on Employment & Accessible Technology (PEAT)](https://www.peatworks.org/)
* [College Registration for Workforce Recruitment Program (WRP)](https://www.wrp.gov/wrp)
* [Employer Assistance and Resource Network on Disability Inclusion (EARN)](https://askearn.org/)
* [US Department Of Labor Announces Alliance With National Organization Of Equal Opportunity Professionals To Promote Workplace Diversity](https://www.dol.gov/newsroom/releases/odep/odep20210804)

**Accessibility Employment Opportunities**

* [Accessibility Engineer - Vispero](https://vispero.com/careers/accessibility-engineer-2/)
* [Accessibility Consultant/Coach - Deque](https://www.deque.com/company/careers/accessibility-coach/)
* [Product Manager, Accessibility - SANS Institute](https://sans.bamboohr.com/jobs/view.php?id=96&source=sans)
* [Digital Accessibility Specialist - Iowa State University](https://isu.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/IowaStateJobs/job/Ames-IA/Digital-Accessibility-Specialist_R5787)
* [EIT Accessibility Coordinator - Johns Hopkins University](https://jobs.jhu.edu/job/Baltimore-EIT-Accessibility-Coordinator-MD-21209/759298000/)
* [Accessibility Assistant - Visual - University of North Florida](https://www.unfjobs.org/postings/17219)
* [Senior Digital Accessibility Engineer - United Health Group](https://careers.unitedhealthgroup.com/job/13532370/senior-digital-accessibility-engineer-eden-prairie-mn-remote)
* [Director Accessibility Resources - Tulsa Community College](https://careers.tulsacc.edu/postings/31129)
* [Coordinator of Student Accessibility Resources - Tarrant County College](https://jobs.tccd.edu/postings/25638)
* [Specialist, Digital Instructional Accessibility - Cuyahoga Community College](https://tri-c.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/10/home/requisition/2797?c=tri-c)
* [Accessibility Support Assistant - California State University, Dominguez Hills](https://careers.csudh.edu/en-us/job/503395/accessibility-support-assistant-administrative-support-assistant-ii)

**Accessibility Announcements & Products**

* [Kids Miracle Making Club](https://kidsmiraclemakingclub.com/)
* [Accessibility and Innovation at iF Design](https://designobserver.com/feature/accessibility-and-innovation-at-if-design/40456)
* [Help kids with limited mobility play the drums](https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-kids-with-limited-abilities-play-the-drums)
* [AudioEye Reports Record Second Quarter 2021 Results](https://markets.businessinsider.com/news/stocks/audioeye-reports-record-second-quarter-2021-results-1030720412)
* [Arts residency invites applications by artists with disabilities](https://www.devdiscourse.com/article/entertainment/1686135-arts-residency-invites-applications-by-artists-with-disabilities)
* [Wheelyboat Trust: The charity that provides accessible boats](https://www.midhurstandpetworth.co.uk/news/people/wheelyboat-trust-the-charity-that-provides-accessible-boats-3338832)
* [Support Students with Learning Disabilities with the RISE Act!](https://ujoin.co/campaigns/1441/actions/public)
* [SEPTA wants your augmented reality ideas for accessible transit](https://technical.ly/philly/2021/08/09/resource-roundup-septa-augmented-reality/)
* [Students Craft Wheelchair Accessible Puppet Theater For Library](https://patch.com/new-jersey/bridgewater/students-craft-wheelchair-accessible-puppet-theater-library)
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* [Olympian reflects on constructing universally accessible playground](https://www.koaa.com/news/covering-colorado/olympian-reflects-on-constructing-universally-accessible-playground)
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