



Supporting Wisconsinites with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities and their Families

The Arc Wisconsin, established in 1960, includes 15 local chapters in communities across the state serving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) and their families. The Arc Wisconsin promotes and protects the rights of people with I/DD and actively supports their full inclusion and participation in the community.

The Arc Greater Columbia County Portage, WI

The Arc Greater Columbia County, established in 1966, is focused on increasing awareness while improving education, living environments, social and recreational activities to achieve full community inclusion for individuals with I/DD and their families. The Arc Greater Columbia County currently offers residential services through Family Care and IRIS, including independent living options, and recreational and social activities for adults with disabilities, including year-round Special Olympics.

The Arc Dane County Madison, WI

The Arc Dane County was created by a group of parents more than 67 years ago to advocate for their children with disabilities. Today the Arc Dane County offers educational programming and supports to individuals with I/DD and their families, including special needs trusts, guardianship options, sibling issues and long-term services and supports. The Chapter is active in state and county public policy issues, supports families in special education advocacy and coordinates a variety of popular social events for adults with disabilities, their families and community members with more than 400 attendees.

The Arc of Dodge County Beaver Dam, WI

The Arc of Dodge County is focused on sharing information and resources as well as facilitating programs and recreational and social opportunities that include people with I/DD in the broader community. Featured programs include a Venture Scouting experience and support for year-round Special Olympics. The Chapter also offers an annual scholarship to an area high school or college student interested in special education. The Chapter engages nearly 200 volunteers in 6000 hours of service and serves more than 220 families and individuals annually.

Arc of Dunn County, Inc. Menomonie, WI

The Arc of Dunn County was organized in 1967 and continues to advocate for and provide quality services that support people with I/DD to be active and full participants in their community. The Chapter offers several programs for more than 100 individuals with disabilities and their families annually including health and wellness, cultural and recreational opportunities, sibling and family supports. The Chapter also offers Workforce Readiness programs, community supported living, respite care, guardianship services and residential housing featuring personalized housing options to meet people's unique needs; including a transitional home (LaunchPad) for young adults.

The Arc Eau Claire, Inc. Eau Claire, WI

The Arc Eau Claire has served the Chippewa Valley region since 1957. The Chapter has a focus on providing quality guardianship services, care coordination and advocacy/resource referral services, including twice-a-year day camps for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The Chapter promotes full citizenship for people with I/DD in the local community and serves as a resource center for both self-advocates and families through a variety of social, recreational and educational activities.



The Arc Fond du Lac Fond du Lac, WI

The Arc Fond du Lac, established in 1963, is the largest Arc chapter in Wisconsin. Chapter programming is focused on supporting people with I/DD to become independent and integrated into the community. Services offered through Family Care, IRIS and other programs include adult and youth community enrichment activities, multi-faceted day activities, respite services, residential services, transportation, professional training and year-round Special Olympics. The Arc Fond du Lac transportation program fleet of 26 vehicles provides more than 20,000 rides while the Chapter serves more than 750 individuals and families annually.

The Arc - Green County, Inc. Monroe, WI

Started in 1950s The Arc-Green County has been a leader in improving the local community for people with I/DD. Specifically, the volunteer board, which includes people with disabilities, directs foundation funding to meet local needs for both children and adults. The Chapter supports swimming instruction at the community pool, provides supports to area schools, supports Special Olympics athletes and helps individuals attend summer camp. The Chapter is the lead sponsor for the Monroe Balloon and Blues Festival.

The Arc La Crosse La Crosse, WI

The Arc La Crosse, established in 1954, has enhanced the local community for people with I/DD by facilitating education initiatives, transportation, daycare and training supports for individuals to establish community employment. In addition, the Chapter has developed a comprehensive advocacy program that assists people with appeals when services are decreased, IEP issues, access to youth transition services and supports for independence for community living. The Arc La Crosse also supports the University of Life program to help people further their skills in the arts, technology and social situations. The Chapter co-hosts the annual Summer Celebration with La Crosse Citizen Advocacy.

Langlade County Arc Antigo, WI

Providing local awareness and advocacy.

Lincoln County Arc Merrill, WI

Providing local awareness and advocacy.

The Arc - Monroe County Sparta, WI

The Arc-Monroe County focuses on increasing participation of individuals with I/DD in the local community while also increasing positive awareness of disability issues. The Chapter coordinates community recreational opportunities and uses funds to support individuals to attend camps and offers grants to improve special education and other community supports for adults with I/DD. The Chapter also provides scholarships to high school seniors who choose to enter the disability field.

The Arc of Racine County Mount Pleasant, WI

The Arc of Racine County, established in 1954, continues to advocate for the rights of children and adults with I/DD. The Chapter offers special education advocacy and is a key resource for information, assistance, and referral services to children and adults with I/DD and their families. It also provides independent living skills training, develops employment initiatives and offers trainings on disability rights, special education, and public policy issues while supporting local People First self-advocates to engage with policymakers. A School-to-Community transition project features self-advocacy training and teen mentoring. In 2015 The Arc of Racine County served more than 1100 individuals and families.

Richland County Arc Richland Center, WI

The Richland County Arc was started in the 1950s by families who were pioneers for disability rights. Since that time the Chapter has focused on raising awareness about I/DD, fundraising and public policy advocacy to establish and improve local schools, transportation and housing for people with I/DD in their rural communities. The Richland County Arc has been a leader in improving local health care, community based accessible housing and the direct care workforce. Today's Richland County Arc is run by volunteers who coordinate community social events and promote self-advocacy.

The Arc of Washington County West Bend, WI

Providing local awareness and advocacy.

Waupaca County Arc Clintonville, WI

Providing local awareness and advocacy.