



EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The Advocacy Center of Louisiana (AC) is a statewide non-profit agency providing **FREE** legal services to people with disabilities and seniors.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for **AC employment services**, an individual must

- be a Louisiana resident; AND
- have a physical, intellectual, or mental disability; AND
- receive SSI or SSDI; OR
- be seeking, receiving, or denied services under the Rehabilitation Act (such as Louisiana Rehabilitation Services, American Indian Rehabilitation Services, or Supported Employment Workshops)



INFORMATION & REFERRAL

- Employment rights
- Ticket to Work program
- Supervised referrals to providers and vendors
- Rehabilitation services
- South Louisiana Benefits Planning Program
- Supervised referrals to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) related to discrimination in hiring or firing

INDIVIDUAL CASE ADVOCACY (advice, consultation, negotiation, mediation, and/or representation at administrative and court proceedings)

- Access to assistive technology (communication devices; durable medical equipment; vehicle modifications)
- Discrimination in employment, benefits, or supported employment
- Reasonable accommodations
- Transition issues from high school to work
- Services provider issues
- Wage and hour issues
- Para-transit and public transportation related to work
- Physical or programmatic access to universities and vocational/training schools
- Ticket to Work issues such as eligibility, work plan implementation, private provider issues, and conflicts about services to be provided
- Consultation, negotiation, and/or representation at administrative and court hearings

OUTREACH, EDUCATION & TRAINING

AC provides education and training on the following:

- Transition from school to work
- Louisiana Rehabilitation Services
- South Louisiana Benefits Planning Program
- Employment Networks
- Supported employment



RECENT SUCCESSES

- AC helped a person with physical disabilities obtain a Braille display from Louisiana Rehabilitation Services so that he could complete the tasks required for a promotion at work
- AC helped a person with an intellectual disability in sheltered employment receive a fair rate of pay by advocating for a time and motion study of the client's work
- AC helped a student realize his dream of attending a 4-year university with financing obtained through Louisiana Rehabilitation Services

If you think you might need help or have questions about how the Advocacy Center of Louisiana helps people with employment issues, call or email us.

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