



WE BELIEVE THAT...

With opportunities, **people grow and share** their dreams and talents.

Communities are stronger when all people have a voice and **are heard with respect.**

The **humanity that we share is more important** than the differences in our abilities.

VISIT US ON THE WEB
to learn about our State Plan,
grants, projects, and members:

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We are the
**VERMONT DEVELOPMENTAL
DISABILITIES COUNCIL**

We're a statewide board that
tackles critical issues affecting
Vermonters with developmental
disabilities and their families.

We help to bring **people with
disabilities into the heart** of
their communities.



ADVOCATE.

We're passionate about systems change and long-term solutions.

VTDDC is a part of a powerful network of state councils created by federal law.

The Council partners with Vermont disability-related groups to move key legislation and policy initiatives forward.

We support self-advocates and families to grow as leaders and become the voices of change.

All advocacy begins by saying, **“Nothing about us, without us.”**

CHANGE.

The Council invests its resources for positive outcomes.

Every five years the Council plans how its federal funds will be used to improve the lives of people with developmental disabilities.

Council activities include:

- advocacy
- public policy development
- best practice demonstrations
- leadership education

We stood with self-advocates when they erased the R-Word from VT legislation.



JOIN.

You can apply and become a candidate for membership.

Self-advocates and family members make up more than 60% of the Council.

The Council represents a diverse geographic sample and various personal situations, including underserved groups.

Members identify priority issues and projects that will be supported by Council resources.

Applications available on our website or upon request. Openings are limited.