

Accessible Connections Exchange

Background: While there are many good organizations providing services to the disabled community, there seems to be a disconnect among clients and also among service providers. Many clients are not fully aware of the range of services available to them. There are redundant programs but with limited resources. Some individuals lack a sense of independence, self-esteem, and support.

A.C.E. - a collaborative project of the Catalyst Network of Communities bringing together individuals and service organizations for broader coordinated support and awareness of the disabled community.



Vision: to see an enhanced quality of life for the disabled community where individuals are empowered, service providers are better connected, and the broader community has a better understanding of the disabled culture.

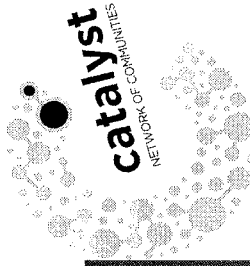
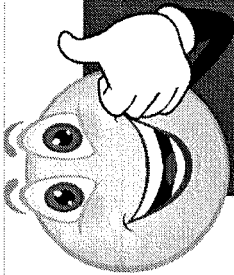
Mission: to create a collaborative of individuals and service providers that will work strategically to partner, advocate, build community, and share resources in order to better support the disabled community.

Get Involved! We are currently looking for:

- Organizations that provide services to the disabled population that would like to be better connected with other service providers.
- Individuals that would like to join the Accessible Connections Exchange Steering Committee to help shape our collaborative efforts.

If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Robert Skiles at

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Introducing ... **HAPPY FRIDAY!**

Hosted by **Accessible Connections Exchange (A.C.E.)**

Brought to you by **Catalyst Network of Communities**

Happy Friday is a program that puts a spotlight on the positive within the disability community, while promoting awareness of A.C.E. & it allows for a speaker platform where community members can share their stories. Happy Friday will be hosted on the last Friday of every month with the purpose of creating a "Happy Environment" for empathy and healthier relationships for all who participate".

July 26, 2013
6pm to 8pm

★ **Guest Speaker:**

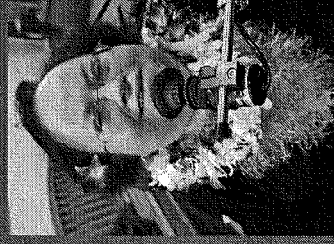
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★ **President of the BOD Housing Long Beach**

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★ **"Long Beach's Own Bionic Woman"**

★ Living life with Arthrogryposis before the ADA.



**Come
Celebrate
the 23rd
Anniversary of
the Signing of
the ADA**

**Location : Pathpoint 1406 Obispo Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90804**



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