Accessibility is for everyone!

The Americans with Disabilities Act was signed into law over 33 years ago but there are still accessibility issues being faced by disabled individuals everyday. Recently a quadriplegic Denver City Council member made headlines when he had to crawl on to a stage with no ramps due to inaccessibility. The Councilman said he felt “humiliated.”

The councilman, Chris Hinds, said “My thought process was, I have to participate in this debate or end my campaign.”

After struggling to get onstage and several people trying to lift his chair on to the stage, eventually organizers agreed to have the debate on the main floor so Hinds could sit in his wheelchair.

Accessibility is still one of the most sought-after solutions to people with disabilities, especially in urban and rural areas.

Let city and county officials, as well as business owners, know the crucial need for accessibility in these areas. There are literally millions of people with disabilities and elderly citizens who would benefit from it!

Call us or email us at info@maysmission.org for some of our brochures like “Making Your Community Accessible” or “The Americans with Disabilities Act” free of charge. These brochures were produced by individuals with disabilities. Share these brochures in your community and let them know accessibility is for everyone!

Thank you for your support and everything your donations make possible for people with disabilities!
You Can Help...

Summer time means hot temperatures and spending more time outdoors. Heat protection safety is always something to consider but for a person with a disability this is even more important. If someone you know could use some tips to avoid overheating this summer please call us toll-free at 1-888-503-7955 or visit us at info@maysmission.org and ask for a free copy of our brochure “Heat Wave” which was produced by disabled employees right here at Mays Mission.
There’s something about summertime that brings out the patriotism in me. Maybe it’s the warm weather and people getting out more and becoming more active. We are out doing yard work and giving our communities a fresh new look.

One thing that inspires more patriotic feelings over the summer is that during this time of year we honor and celebrate our nation through more patriotic holidays and events. On May 29th we celebrate Memorial Day, a time we set aside every year to renew our dedication to the principles brave men and women have died for. They gave their best to ensure our democratic way of life.

For Mays Mission it’s an extra special time. Our founder, Ewing W. Mays, was a disabled veteran and a double amputee. Ewing Mays lost both legs during a mortar attack in Sicily during World War II. He knew well the suffering that disabled people must endure in a world accessible to able-bodied persons.

Mays began touring hospitals and talking with veterans who needed someone to listen to them and could well relate to the troubles and obstacles they were now facing. Ewing would show them they too could live a normal life even though they may have a minor handicap. As he was touring the country, he realized he needed money to help with expenses. Ewing came up with the idea to hire people with disabilities to do the work instead of hiring work out to other companies. The Mission opened its doors in its current location, the New Hope Center, in 1982. Ewing was proud of his dream.

Although Ewing W. Mays passed away in 1994, his hard work and dedication is not forgotten. People here are committed to carrying on his work. Today, over 50 percent of the Mission’s production team is employees with disabilities.

This summer we will also honor our nation’s flag on Flag Day (June 14th) and our nation’s birth on Independence Day (July 4th). But ‘independence’ means more than just our nation’s freedom. Here at Mays Mission we offer independence to our disabled employees, fulfilling our founder’s dream and giving these disabled individuals opportunity, purpose and better quality of life.

If you would like more information on disabilities, please call us at 888-503-7955 or email us at info@maysmission.org and ask for our brochures on various subjects.
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A number of thoughtful people, desiring to honor the memory of a departed friend or loved one, are sending memorials in the form of contributions to the Mission. Families of those whose memories are so honored are notified of the contributions by an appropriate card, and the names are listed in an issue of our newsletter without mention of the amount of the contribution.