



# GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DISABILITY

Governor's Council on Disability 2023 Legislative Priorities Poll

Welcome to the 2023 Legislative Priorities Poll. **Deadline - November 3, 2023**

**The Poll has various sections: Demographics, topic areas, Legislative Update sign up, and contact information.**

**Questions with an asterisk are the only ones which require an answer from all individuals.**

**We will share the results with all state legislators prior to the 2024 legislative session to inform them of issues important to the disability community.**



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## Demographics

\* 1. Please indicate what county you live in

\* 2. Please indicate your zip code

\* 3. Please indicate which describes where you live

- Urban
- Suburban
- Rural

\* 4. Please indicate whether you are a (select all that apply):

- Person with a disability
- Family member/Friend
- Government agency
- Service provider
- Educator
- Employer
- Personal Care Attendant/aide/Direct Support Professional
- Other (please specify)

5. If you have a disability, please indicate which type(s) (Optional)

- Blind/Low vision
- Deaf/Hard of Hearing
- Cognitive
- Learning
- Mobility
- Psychological
- Developmental
- Multiple chemical sensitivity
- Chronic health condition
- Intellectual
- Other (please specify)



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## Accessibility

\* 6. All Missouri statutes and bills should not use terms such as handicapped, disabled, special needs, etc. when referring to people with disabilities.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

\* 7. The State of Missouri should update websites to include more language that is direct and easy to understand for those with reading or writing difficulties.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

\* 8. The State of Missouri should ensure person first language is used on all state associated websites.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

\* 9. It is difficult to access disability related services provided by the State of Missouri.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

\* 10. If you could ask legislators to make one change to make Missouri more disability-friendly, what would it be?



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## Education

11. *If you are a parent of a school-age child with a disability, what problems do you experience making sure your child receives an appropriate education?*

\* 12. What is the most important issue with education in Missouri?

13. What changes could state legislators make to improve education opportunities for people with disabilities?



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## Assistance Services and Health Care

\* 14. The personal care attendant/aide/ direct support professional workforce provides critical services to people with disabilities.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

15. Do you use Personal Care Attendant/aide/ Direct Support Professional services?

- Yes
- No



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16. My Personal Care Attendant/aide/Direct Support Professional helps me be independent and a part of the community.

(Do NOT answer question if you do not use an attendant/aide/direct support professional. Go to question 17.)

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

\* 17. Please indicate which, if any, health care services you have difficulty with.

- Finding/hiring/retaining a Personal Care Attendant/aide/Direct Support Professional
- Appropriate number of personal care hours to meet needs
- Dental care
- Mental health services
- Appropriate accommodations to meet health care needs
- Transportation to/from health care appointments
- Providers who accept your insurance
- Ancillary services (Examples: imaging, rehabilitation, massage/chiropractic)
- None of the above



\* 18. What is the most important issue with health care in Missouri?

19. What changes could state legislators make to improve health care opportunities for people with disabilities?



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## Housing

\* 20. Is accessible housing available in your community?

Yes

No

\* 21. The legislature should provide funding for people to renovate or build homes which would allow them to age in place (continue to live there as they get older).

Strongly agree

Agree

Neutral

Disagree

Strongly disagree

\* 22. Do you have difficulty finding available rental properties that meet your needs?

Yes

No

Not Applicable

\* 23. Are rental costs affordable based on your income?

Yes

No

Not Applicable

\* 24. There should be a freeze (stay the same) on property taxes for people with disabilities.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

\* 25. The Senior Citizen Property Tax Credit (circuit breaker) needs to be updated.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

\* 26. Do you know someone with a disability who no longer has a home because of increasing property taxes?

- Yes
- No



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\* 27. Have you experienced discrimination in renting?

Yes

No



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28. How have you experienced discrimination in renting?

(Do NOT answer this question if you answered NO to question 27. Go to question 29.)



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\* 29. Have you experienced rental application rejections?

Yes

No



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30. How have you experienced rental application rejections?

(Do NOT answer this question if you answered NO to question 29. Go to question 31.)



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\* 31. What is the most important issue with housing in Missouri?

32. What changes could state legislators make to improve housing opportunities for people with disabilities?





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## Employment

\* 33. Are you currently seeking employment?

Yes

No

\* 34. What motivates you to obtain employment?

Income

Skill development

Full-time hours

Socialization

Benefits

Not Applicable

35. Describe any barriers people with disabilities experience when attempting to obtain employment.



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\* 36. What is the most important issue with competitive employment in Missouri?

37. What changes could state legislators make to improve employment opportunities for people with disabilities?



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## Transportation

\* 38. What is the most important issue with transportation in Missouri?

39. What changes could state legislators make to improve transportation opportunities for people with disabilities?



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## Legislative Update Sign Up and Contact Information

40. The Governor's Council on Disability sends out a Legislative Update each week of the legislative session which tracks disability-related bills. If you do NOT receive the GCD Legislative Update and would like to be added to the listserv, please provide your name and email address here. If you already receive it, please do not provide it again.



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## 41. Provide your contact information (Optional)

**Name**

**Company**

**Address**

**Address 2**

**City/Town**

**State/Province**

**ZIP/Postal Code**

**Email Address**

**Phone Number**