



Blindness Low Vision Experience

The Whole Person's Blindness Low Vision Experience program encourages individuals to enjoy opportunities to achieve greater independence and access to the community through physical and outdoor activities, art and cultural events and other experiences.

Examples of activities include Stretching Without Looking (flexibility and strength class), "Time to Spare" (accessible bowling), Tech Talk (guest speakers on a variety of topics), Mind's Eye View Peer Support Group and adaptive sports activities throughout the year. Each activity meets on different dates and times. Information available on our website calendar at thewholeperson.org.

TWP creates accessible documents for all our programs to support participants who are blind or have low vision.

Mind's Eye View Peer Support Group

Mind's Eye View is a peer support group for blind and low vision consumers. It is a recurring Zoom event, on the first Monday of the month from 6:30-7:30pm and is consumer-led in which they bring up topics they would like to discuss. **Email Meghan** to get the Zoom link! Join us for this great group!

Tech Talk

Tech Talk is a peer support group for blind and low vision consumers. It is a recurring Zoom event, on the third Monday of the month from 6:30-7:30pm. Each Tech Talk will have a guest speaker who will share information on topics that interest participants. **Email Meghan** to get Zoom link. Join us for this interesting and informative group.

Time to Spare

Join us for bowling on the third Wednesday of each month from Noon-1:30pm at KC Bowl, 8201 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66112. Open to anyone with a disability. TWP pays for your FIRST game. RSVP by the TUESDAY BEFORE to Meghan Schmidt, mschmidt@thewholeperson.org, 816-214-9729, or text to 816-848-2570.

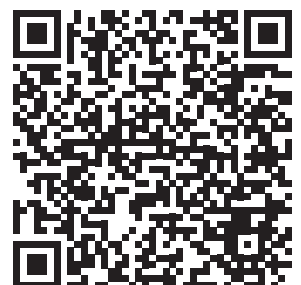
Contact Meghan to get involved!

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The Whole Person

People with Disabilities Leading Independent Lives

*Connecting people
with disabilities to the
resources they need.*

Mission Statement

The Whole Person connects people with disabilities to the resources they need by supporting independent choice and advocating for positive change in the community.

Vision Statement

The Whole Person envisions a fully accessible community where opportunities and choices are not limited by disability.

Who We Serve

- People of all ages with developmental/cognitive, mental health, sensory, and physical disabilities
Examples of disabilities:
Amputation, Arthritis, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Bipolar Disorder, Blindness/Low Vision, Brain/Head Injury, Cancer, Cerebral Palsy, Diabetes, Dyslexia, Environmental Sensitivity, Epilepsy, Fibromyalgia, Hearing/Speech Disability, HIV/AIDS, Learning Disability, Lupus, Multiple Chemical Sensitivity, Muscular Dystrophy, Multiple Sclerosis, Polio, Renal Conditions, Spina Bifida, Spinal Cord Injury, Stroke
- The parents, spouses, siblings and significant others of people with disabilities
- **We serve the following counties.**
Missouri: Cass, Clay, Jackson and Platte.
Kansas: Johnson, Leavenworth and Wyandotte.

Programs Include:

- Independent Living Skills Training
- Personal Assistant Services
- Employment Services
- Information & Referral
- Individual and Systems Advocacy
- Deaf / Hard of Hearing Services
- Adaptive Sports
- Transition Services (*youth to adulthood and nursing home patients to their own home*)
- Blind Low Vision Experience
- In-Home Care and Home Health Care

Peer Support Groups

Through peer groups there is a full exchange of brainstorming, problem solving, and sharing of concerns, successes, and ways to address issues. Peer groups meet 1-2 times a month. Information about each of these groups, meeting dates, locations and contact information for each facilitator is found on our website.

Community Outreach

The Whole Person provides education on disability etiquette, including reasonable accommodations and accepted social interaction, as well as why disability awareness is important. Visit our website to arrange a presentation for your company or organization.

Accessibility

The Whole Person is committed to providing accessible information about our programs and services. We offer large print and Braille versions of our materials upon request. Additionally, accessible PDF files are available on our website, which can be used with screen-reading programs. Our website features an assistive toolbar with various accessibility tools, including a screen reader, styling options, reading aids, and translation support. If you require any assistance or have specific accessibility needs, please contact us.

LOCATIONS:

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