

The Utah Governor's Committee on **Employment of People**

with Disabilities



The Utah Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities promotes public and private efforts to achieve equal employment opportunities for Utahns with disabilities.

The Committee helps Utah businesses connect with job-ready applicants, offering training and assistance for employing individuals with disabilities and providing information on disability issues and workplace accommodations.

OUR FOUNDATION

In 1947, the President's Committee on Employment of the Physically Handicapped was established "to promote a positive climate of opinion in America, leading to full acceptance of physically and mentally handicapped people in the world of work."

The Utah committee advocates for the right of every individual to access employment based on their skills and abilities and defends the rights of everyone to have access to needed training. It encourages employers to be proactive in hiring and retaining individuals with disabilities, while using innovative approaches to increase employment opportunities.

"[Utah] looks for opportunities to hire good people. Certainly, in the disabled community, there are a lot of good capable people."

—Governor Gary R. Herbert



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Key Activities and Responsibilities

- Promotes employment opportunities and advocate for full and equal rights for individuals with disabilities.
- Hosts an annual training workshop for employers and job seekers to bring awareness of the benefits of hiring individuals with disabilities and resources for accommodations.
- Manages an employer network to help employers keep abreast of disability employment issues and strategies.
- Recognizes Utah businesses that are making an effort to hire individuals with disabilities at the annual Golden Key Awards.
- Partners and collaborates with Disability:IN Utah, Utah's Business Leadership Network, an affiliate of the national Disability:IN.

Committee members are seen as leaders in their industry that are making a difference in the lives of individuals with disabilities through employment.



Member Duties

- Serve at least one 4-year term.
- Allocate 2–4 hours of your time, every other month for committee commitments. (Up to 10 hours per month for officers.)
- Attend committee meetings held every other month and subcommittee/task force meetings.
- Participate in at least one Committee activity annually.

To join the committee or for more information:

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Equal Opportunity Employer/Program

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities by calling 801-526-9240. Individuals with speech or hearing impairments may call the Relay Utah by dialing 711. Spanish Relay Utah: 1-888-346-3162.