

Sponsorship Overview

The Arc of New Mexico

Event Date: September 18, 2026

Location: Albuquerque, NM

Expected Attendance: 200–300 participants from across New Mexico

About the Self Advocate Summit

The Self Advocate Summit is a statewide event that brings together individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD), self-advocates, families, service providers, and community partners for a day of shared learning and connection.

The Summit is centered on the Self Advocate program, which supports individuals with IDD in developing leadership skills, understanding their rights, and participating more fully in their communities. Through personal stories, educational presentations, and resource sharing, the Summit highlights the importance of self-advocacy and peer leadership.

Programming for the Summit takes place in a centralized main hall, allowing all attendees to participate in the same conversations throughout the day. Presenters include self-advocates, community leaders, and professionals who share information about advocacy, available resources, and opportunities for community involvement.

In addition to the main presentations, attendees have the opportunity to connect with organizations and service providers who support individuals with IDD across New Mexico. These interactions help participants learn about programs, services, and tools that can support independence, leadership, and community participation.

Why the Summit Matters

For many individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, opportunities to connect with peers, share experiences, and learn about available resources are limited. The Self Advocate Summit creates a welcoming environment where individuals can see others advocating for themselves, learn from lived experiences, and gain confidence in their own ability to participate in their communities.

The event also strengthens connections between self-advocates and the organizations, programs, and professionals who work alongside them. By bringing these groups together in one place, the Summit helps build stronger networks of support across the state.

The Role of Sponsors

Sponsorship support plays an important role in making the Self Advocate Summit possible. Contributions from sponsors help offset the costs associated with hosting a statewide event, including venue space, accessibility supports, materials, and other logistical needs. Sponsors also demonstrate a visible commitment to supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and the broader movement for self-advocacy and inclusion. Organizations that wish to sponsor their non-profit partners are encouraged to, feel free to reach out for more information on this.

Organizations that sponsor the Summit help ensure that individuals with IDD have access to opportunities for learning, leadership development, and community connection.

Sponsorship Levels

- Diamond Sponsor – \$10,000
 - Top-tier logo placement on all major materials
 - Verbal recognition during opening remarks
 - Premium vendor booth placement (high-traffic area)
 - Featured spotlight in email and social media promotions
 - 2–3 dedicated social media posts
 - Full-page program ad
 - 10 complimentary registrations
- Platinum Sponsor – \$5,000
 - Prominent logo placement on event materials
 - Vendor booth (priority placement)
 - Verbal recognition during event
 - 2 social media mentions
 - Half-page program ad
 - 7 complimentary registrations
- Gold Sponsor – \$2,500
 - Logo placement on website, signage, and program
 - Vendor booth (standard placement)
 - 1 social media mention
 - Quarter-page program ad
 - 5 complimentary registrations
- Silver Sponsor – \$1,000
 - Vendor booth (**for-profit eligible**)
 - Logo listing on website and program
 - Group sponsor recognition signage
 - 3 complimentary registrations
- Bronze Sponsor – \$500
 - Vendor/resource table (**nonprofits only**)

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- Name or logo listing on website/program
- Shared sponsor recognition signage
- 2 complimentary registrations

Getting Involved

Organizations interested in supporting the Self Advocate Summit may participate through one of several sponsorship levels. Details regarding sponsorship benefits and recognition opportunities are included in the accompanying sponsorship materials.

To confirm your participation, please complete and return the **Sponsor Commitment Form** included in this packet.

For additional information about sponsorship opportunities or the Self Advocate Summit, please contact:

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