

Duties, Responsibilities, and Powers of ADAAC

The mission of the Albuquerque Americans with Disabilities Act Advisory Council is to support the civil rights of, and full integration into, Albuquerque community life for all people with disabilities. The Albuquerque Americans with Disabilities Act Advisory Council shall:

- A. Advise the Mayor and City Council on issues affecting people with disabilities.
- B. Provide a public forum to identify, discuss, and address issues relevant to people with disabilities.
- C. Report on accessibility problems around the city.
- D. Provide information to the city's ADA Coordinator about disability concerns expressed by the public.
- E. Provide information, educational opportunities, and networking opportunities to all citizens with disabilities.
- F. Establish criteria for prioritizing the remedial steps to address access needs within the community.
- G. Develop operating procedures for the Albuquerque Americans with Disabilities Act Council.
- H. Review city government program services and activity access for physical, sensory, or other impediments.
- I. Review city codes with the city's Office of Diversity & Human Rights relating to disability rights and access.
- J. Make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council regarding a community transition plan that addresses: barriers (non-structural) to city programs, services, and activities and barriers (structural) to city facilities including parks and trails.
- K. Create an Advisory Committee comprised of at least 3 developmentally disabled citizens, and/or their advocates, to provide input to the Albuquerque Americans with Disabilities Act Council to ensure their issues are being addressed.