

Plainfield Township Abilities Committee to host 8th Annual Abilities Expo in May

The Plainfield Township Abilities Group will host its 8th annual Abilities Expo on Saturday, May 5th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This event is FREE and will take place at Lois Joliet Mall located on Mall Loop Drive – Joliet, IL. The Expo will include more than 60 exhibitors providing support to people with various disabilities including:

- MobilityWorks - Provider of custom vehicles including wheel chair accessible vehicles, rental vehicles, scooter lifts and hand controls.
- Hillmann Pediatric Therapy - Outpatient Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy & Speech Therapy for individuals 0-18 yrs
- Life's Plan Inc. – manages special needs trusts in a pooled investment for meeting the supplemental service needs of people with disabilities and the elderly
- Lily Cache Special Recreation Association (LCSRA) – provides recreational programs for the special needs community
- Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy at St Coletta's of Illinois – a school that provides a positive environment where students become independent through a variety of experiences
- Special Needs Mom Squad – provides special needs caregivers/parents with advocacy, consulting and education
- The Apraxia Connection – sharing local apraxia information and resources with the individual, family and support providers

Demonstrations and activities will occur throughout the day including:

- Custom vehicle showcase
- Service Dog demonstrations
- Cheer, Song and Dance demonstrations
- Giveaways

The exhibitors showcase will feature products and services including: automobile/van conversions; assistive technologies; adaptive home/work equipment; beds, furnishings and accessories; chairs and accessories; daily living aids; durable medical equipment; exercise, recreation, sports equipment and services; home medical equipment and services; incontinence products; insurance and insurance services; legal services; publications; ramps/lifts; rehabilitative care/services; residential programs; seating/positioning systems and accessories; travel and hospitality services; and wheelchairs, scooters and walkers.

“Living with a disability can present challenges for the person with the disability, care takers, educators, etc. As a result, there is a never-ending need for new products, services and technologies to improve quality of life. The Expo will provide avenues to improve care, educate and network with over 60 exhibitors.” said Marie Adams, Expo Coordinator / Abilities Committee Member.

The event is sponsored by Plainfield Township. For more information on the Expo, visit <http://www.plainfield-township.com/services/disability-committee>