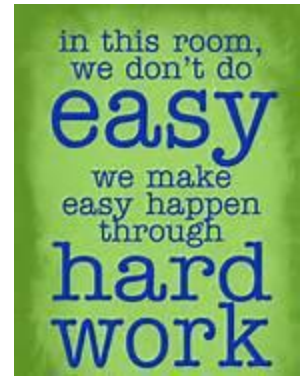




August 2013

Calendar of Events



Department of Neighborhoods



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Todd Curry, Interim Division Manager

National Events of Interest

13th Annual ATI (Association of Travel Instruction) Conference: Paving the Way to Community Involvement

August 15 to August 18

Held at Chicago, Il.

Sponsored by Association of Travel Instruction

Cost: Varies. Registration required.

Visit: [ATI website](#)

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2013 LEAD Conference and Training

August 21 to August 22

(Pre-conference workshop on August 20, Washington, D. C.)

Sponsored by LEAD (Leadership Exchange in Arts and Disability)

Cost: Varies. Registration required.

Visit: [LEAD website](#)

16th Annual Examining Conflicts in Employment Laws (EXCEL) National Training Event

August 26 to August 29

Held at Denver, CO

Sponsored by Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Cost: Varies. Registration required.

Visit: [A EEOC Training Institute website](#)



Online Webcasts and Webinars

Webinar: Accessible Transportation Facilities

August 1

1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

Cost: **FREE**. Registration required.

Visit: [Accessibility Online website](#)

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Webinar: AT Bootcamp Part 2:

Applications of AAC, Access, Positioning and Mobile Technologies

August 1

2:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Cost: **\$49**. Registration required.

Visit: [Assistive Technology Industry Association \(ATIA\) website](#)

Webcast: JAN Update: Best Practices

August 13

1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Cost: **FREE**. Registration required.

Visit: [Job Accommodation Network \(JAN\) website.](#)

Webinar: AT Bootcamp Part 3: Applications of Technology for Literacy, Accessible Instructional Materials, Sensory Disabilities and for Social Integration

August 14

2:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Cost: **\$49**. Registration required.

Visit: [Assistive Technology Industry Association \(ATIA\) website](#)

Webinar: Athletic Opportunities for Students with Disabilities Focus on Colleges and Universities

August 20

1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Cost: **FREE**. Registration required.

Visit: [ADA-Audio website.](#)

Webinar: Legislative Update 2013: Disability Law

August 28

12:30 pm to 1:30 pm

Cost: **\$85**. Registration required.

Visit: [Texas Bar CLE website](#)



Statewide Events

Texas Association of the Deaf 47th Biennial Conference: Make a Splash

August 1 thru August 3

Held at Moody Gardens Hotel and Convention Center,
7 Hope Blvd, Galveston

Sponsored by Texas Association of the Deaf (TAD)

Cost: Varies Registration required.

Visit: [TAD website](#)

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Abilities Expo

August 2 thru August 4

Held at Reliant Center, Houston.

Sponsored by Abilities Expo.

Cost: FREE Registration required.

Visit: [Abilities Expo website](#)

Camp Broncho: for children with asthma ages 7-12

August 3 thru August 9

Held at [Camp John Marc](#), Meridian

Sponsored by Cook Children's Hospital

Cost: FREE Registration required. Donations appreciated

Contact: Chrystal at 682-885-4813 or

Email: chrystal.baeza@cookchildrens.org or

Visit: [Camp Broncho website](#)

Texas Advocates Conference

August 9 thru August 11

(boys with bleeding disorders ages 7- 14)

Held at Westin Oaks Galleria, Houston

Sponsored by Texas Advocates. Keynote Speaker: Beth Holt

Cost: Varies Registration required.

Visit: [Texas Advocates Conference website](#)

Statewide Events

Bike MS: Cactus and Crude Bike Ride

August 20 thru August 21

Bicycle ride fundraiser for the National MS Society

Held at Hyatt Regency Downtown, Houston

Sponsored by Ms. Wheelchair America

Fundraising minimum: \$250 Registration required. Fee \$25

Contact: Lyndee at 806-725-0946 or

Email: lyndee.groce@nmss.org

Visit: [Bike MS website](#)

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Camp Esperanza

August 20 thru August 26

Bicycle ride fundraiser for the National MS Society

Held at [Camp John Marc](#), Meridian

Sponsored by Children's Medical Center of Dallas and the Bridewell Foundation

Cost: FREE Registration required.

Contact: Doreen at 817-633-2332 or

Visit: [Camp Esperanza website](#)

Houston Standing Events

Water Exercise

Mondays 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Thursdays 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Sponsored by Houston Area Parkinson's Society in partnership with COH Parks and Recreation

Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Contact: Alfonso at 713.520.8670

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Tai Chi

Every Tuesday

10:30 am to 11:30 am

Sponsored by Houston Area Parkinson's Society in partnership with COH Parks and Recreation

Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Contact: Alfonso at 713.520.8670

Tango

Every Wednesday

1:00 pm to 2:15 pm

Sponsored by Houston Area Parkinson's Society in partnership with COH Parks and Recreation

Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Contact: Alfonso at 713.520.8670

Texas Sled Hockey

Every Saturday

10:00 am to 11:00 am

Sponsored by Texas Sled Hockey Paralympics Sport Club

Held at Ice Skate USA at Memorial City Mall

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Email: Jim O'Neill at jim@lonestarsound.com or

Visit: [Texas Sled Hockey website](#)



Houston Standing Events (cont)

Assistive Technology Computer Demonstration**Monday - Thursday of Each Week****9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

Sponsored by Houston Center for Independent Living

Held at 6201 Bonhomme Road, Suite 150-S

Cost: FREE.

Contact 3 days before to schedule ASL or Real Time Captioning

Contact: 713.974.4621. 713.974.4621 Voice / TTY

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| 7**Computer Access Training Program (CATP)****Monday - Thursday of Each Week****8:00 am to 12:00 pm**

Sponsored by Houston Center for Independent Living

Held at 6201 Bonhomme Road, Suite 150-S

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Contact 3 days before to schedule ASL or Real Time Captioning

Contact: 713.974.4621. 713.974.4621 Voice / TTY

Families Coping with Adult Mental Illness**First and Third Sunday of Each Month****4:00 pm to 5:30 pm**

Held at St Peter's United Methodist Church

20775 Kingsland Blvd

Cost: FREE.

Contact Pat or Leon at 713.467.3764

Families Coping with Children and**Adolescent Mental Illness****Second and Fourth Sunday of Each Month****2:30 pm to 4:00 pm**

Held at Memorial Drive United Methodist Church

12955 Memorial Drive

Cost: FREE.

Contact Bonnie Cord at 713.984.2538

Houston Standing Events (cont)**National MS Society Lone Star Chapter: After Hours****First Monday of Each Month****6:30 pm to 9:00 pm**

Held at Lupe Tortilla, 2414 Southwest Freeway

Cost: FREE. Registration required. Ages 18 – 30ish

Contact: Chris Mays at 832-334.9023 or

Email: chmays23@yahoo.com orVisit: [NMSS Lone Star Chapter website](#)Page
| 8**Families Coping with Mental Illness****Third Monday of Each Month****7:15 pm to 9:00 pm**

Held at Memorial Drive Methodist Church

12955 Memorial Drive

Cost: FREE.Visit [NAMI website](#)**Families CAN Support Group****First Tuesday of Each Month****10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

Held at Christ the King Evangelical Lutheran Church

2353 Rice Boulevard

Cost: FREE.

Contact 713.743.5435 or 713.743.5592

Adolescent Bariatric Surgery Program Support Group**Second Tuesday of Each Month****5:00 pm to 7:00 pm**

Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray

Sponsored by Texas Children's Hospital in partnership with

HPARD's Adaptive Recreation Staff

Cost: FREE.

Contact: Kari at Texas Children's Hospital at 832.822.4868



Houston Standing Events (cont)**South Texas College of Law Legal Clinic**

(Family, Probate, Estate Planning)

Third Thursday of Each Month

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray

Cost: FREE.

Request reasonable accommodations by 3rd Monday

Contact MOPD at 832.394.0814 or

Email mopdmail@houstontx.gov

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Houston Commission on Disabilities

Second Thursday of Each Month

4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray

Cost: FREE. Open to the Public

Request reasonable accommodations by 2nd Monday

ASL Interpreters and CART provided

Contact 832.394.0814 or

Email: mopdmail@houstontx.gov

Monthly Dance Social for People with Disabilities

First Friday of Each Month

Held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center 1475 W. Gray

Sponsored by The ARC of Greater Houston

Cost: FREE. Registration required.

Contact: 713.313.1652

Email: thearcofgreaterhouston.com



Houston MOPD Events

FREE. Visual Fire Alarms for Individuals who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing**August 1 - 31** (until alarms are given out)

Sponsored by Houston Fire Department, Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities and FEMA

Note: Alarms will be distributed as long as available**Cost: FREE.** to persons who are deaf or hard of hearing

Contact: MOPD at 832.394.0814 or

Contact: HFD at 832.394.6631

Email: mopdmail@houstontx.govPage
| 10**Houston Commission on Disabilities Meeting****August 8****4:00 pm to 6:00 pm**

Held at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray

Cost: FREE. Open to the PublicRequest reasonable accommodations by August 5th

ASL interpreters and CART provided

Contact: MOPD at 832.394.0814 or

Email mopdmail@houstontx.gov**South Texas College of Law Legal Clinic****August 15****1:00 pm to 3:00 pm**

Sponsored by MOPD and South Texas College of Law

Held at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray

Cost: FREERequest reasonable accommodations by August 12th

Contact MOPD at 832.394.0814 or

Email: mopdmail@houstontx.gov orVisit: www.houstontx.gov

Houston MOPD Events cont.

Volunteer Parking Enforcement Training

August 22

5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Sponsored by MOPD and Traffic Enforcement

Held at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray

Cost: FREE. Refreshments provided. Registration required.

Contact: Roland 832.393.8655 to

Request reasonable accommodations by August 19th

Email Roland.Delacerda@houstontx.gov

Houston Events

Abilities Expo**August 2 thru August 4**

Held at Reliant Center, Houston.

Sponsored by Abilities Expo.

Cost: FREE Registration required.Visit: [Abilities Expo website](#)Page
| 12**DAI's First Annual Big Hat Luncheon****August 3****11:00 am to 2:00 pm**

Sponsored by Different Abilities Inc.

Held at 17715 Call Drive

Cost: \$20. Registration required.

Contact: Rachel at 281.444.4435 or

Email Rachel@differentabilitiesinc.org**Special Education:****Child Welfare and the Juvenile Justice System; Video Class****August 9****8:00 am to 4:30 pm**

Sponsored by Texas Bar CLE

Held at Crowne Plaza River Oaks, 2712 Southwest Freeway

Cost: Varies. Registration required.

Contact: Texas Bar at 1-800-204-2222 x1574

Visit: [Texas Bar CLE website](#)**2013 Annual Down Syndrome Association of Houston (DSAH)****Swim Party****August 10****2:00 pm to 3:00 pm**

Sponsored by Down Syndrome Association of Houston

Held at Quillian Memorial Center, 10570 Westpark Drive

Cost: Varies. Registration required.

Contact: Texas Bar at 1-800-204-2222 x1574

Email: executivedirector@dsah.orgVisit: [DSAH website](#)

Houston Events cont.

Volunteer Parking Enforcement Training

August 8

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Sponsored by COH / Traffic Enforcement

Held at 2020 McKinney

Cost: FREE. Refreshments provided. Registration required.

Contact: Roland 832.393.8655 to

Request reasonable accommodations by August 5th

Email Roland.Delacerda@houstontx.gov