

Want to Learn More?

For more information on The Ottawa County RICC, including meeting dates and times, please contact us below:

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Quotes from RICC Members about how awesome the RICC is:

- The RICC has helped me with public speaking.
- The RICC has helped me meet new people.
- The RICC enables me to attend conferences and trainings. My favorite was Washington DC.



Purpose:

RICCs serve four important roles:

- Serve as a place for talking about local issues that are important to the lives of people with developmental disabilities
- Reach out to all community members
- Help make changes in the community to make it better
- Tell the Developmental Disabilities Council about local problems for people with developmental disabilities

What we do:

- Networks with people with disabilities, their family members and community service agencies.
- Connects people with community events, resources and services for people with disabilities and their families.
- Actively participates in systems change efforts at the state and local levels.
- Helps people develop and exercise leadership decision making and so-

Objectives:

- **Advocate for improved housing, more long-term care options, transportation and Medicaid services.**
- **Nurturing partnerships with community leaders from agencies such as The Arc of Ottawa County, Community Mental Health, Ottawa ISD and Kandu.**
- **To host informative community workshops on issues critical to the disability community.**



Partners:

RICC works with the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Council to change local, state and national policies that affect people with developmental disabilities.



Why you should join:

- To give you a chance to talk about issues that are important to you.
- To be part of our community.
- To learn more about yourself
- To learn about Self-Determination
- To learn more about state policy and how it works.