



PASSAGE OF LEGISLATIVE BILL 1011

On April 7th 2022, Legislative Bill 1011 was approved on a 42-3-4 vote by Nebraska's elected representatives. LB-1011, among other things, will provide a permanent 15 percent provider rate increase for DD providers. This increase will continue to ensure the State will have adequate resources available to provide community based treatment to individuals and avoid unnecessary institutionalization. The passage of this bill can be seen as a reflection of how the community values the services ABLED, Inc. and its partners provide, and most importantly, the value of the lives of people these services are meant to serve.

THE NEBRASKA OLMSTEAD PLAN

The term "Olmstead Plan" derives from the Supreme Court's 1999 ruling in *Olmstead v. L.C.*, which held that the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) prohibits the unjustified institutional segregation of individuals with disabilities. Specifically, the court concluded that public entities must provide community-based services— as opposed to institutionally-based services—to persons with disabilities. Nebraska's Olmstead Plan is a framework designed to provide a solid structure for a flexible plan to ensure laws, regulations, and future planning are consistent with the principles of the Olmstead decision.

CORE VALUES OF THE NEBRASKA OLMSTEAD PLAN

1. Person- and family-centered approaches.
2. Ensuring the safety of, and an improved quality of life for people with disabilities
3. Services that are readily available, at locations accessible to individuals in need and their families
4. Supporting individuals to live a meaningful life in the community they choose

Thank You for joining us in our mission!

"Serving Jesus Christ by enabling people with developmental disabilities to creatively explore and live full meaningful lives in their communities"

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www.abledinc.com.

***Special
Olympics***



**ABLED is proud of Chris, Nick, Noah, and Iris
for giving it their all in the Special Olympics!**

ABLED would like to highlight Anna and her part in the Lincoln Community Playhouse's production of *Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters*. The story follows daughters Nyasha and Manyara as they journey through a mystical jungle to be presented to a king as possible wives. *Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters* takes the audience members on a journey of their own in thinking about the true meaning of beauty and in celebrating the mystery and splendor of the African continent. Way to go Anna!



Bringing joy to the stage
and beyond





ENJOY EACH MOMENT



NEBRASKA HAPPENINGS!



7TH ANNUAL 5K WALK/RUN FOR AUTISM

Saturday, April 23rd, 2022

Lancaster Event Center

4100 North 48th St.

Lincoln, Nebraska

- \$30.00 Registration—Ages 13 and Up (through 4/21 at 11:59pm)
- \$20.00 Registration—Ages 12 and Under (through 4/21 at 11:59pm)
- \$35.00 Race Day Registration

Get outside and plant a tree for the 150th anniversary of Arbor Day, or if you're feeling adventurous take a trip out to Nebraska City, where it all began, for a weekend-long Arbor Day celebration. Activities will include:

- Free admission to Arbor Lodge Mansion
- Two hours of "Cosmic Bowling" (\$10 per person) - includes shoe rental and a medium soda.
- Home, Craft, & Garden Market
- 2022 Arbor Day Parade
- For more info: nebraskacity.com/festival/arbor-day/



The Lincoln Haymarket Farmers Market starts May 7th from 8:00 am until 12:00 noon, rain or shine, and will be held every Saturday after until October 15th. Some things you will find at the Farmers Market are a wide variety of foods and drinks, arts and crafts, and quality produce.

Visit lincoln.org and visitnebraska.com to discover more events taking place in and around the city of Lincoln.



LIVE INSPIRED!



LESSONS FROM THE TEACHER: THE WORK OF GOD

“When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, ‘Rabbi, when did you get here?’ Jesus answered, ‘Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval.’ Then they asked him, ‘What must we do to do the works God requires?’ Jesus answered, ‘The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.’”

- John 6:25-29

