# Community Disability Advocacy Project



### The project

In 2021, People With disabilities WA (PWdWA) received grant funding from the Department of Communities to implement a whole-of-community approach to solving local issues impacting people with disabilities. A partnership between PWdWA and Advocacy WA was formed to:

- Co-design a model for Community Disability Advocacy, and
- Set up 12 Community Disability Advocacy Networks across the Perth Metropolitan, Wheatbelt, Peel, Southwest, Great Southern, Goldfields, and Mid-West regions of WA.





# The purpose

The purpose of the project is to "create pathways for people with disabilities to collaborate with their communities in advocating for and achieving positive local change."

We are supporting these Community Disability Advocacy Networks with any issues they identify as needing a whole-of-community approach to solve. Issues ranging from access and inclusion, local education, and employment, to discrimination and developing community connection.



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# The support

In addition to providing grant support to the Network to implement Community Action Plans, the co-design group identified 3 ways PWdWA and Advocacy WA can support these groups, including:

- 1. Provide ongoing facilitation, secretariat, and mentorship support to Networks both existing and getting started.
- 2. To relieve the administrative burden on these groups, provide linkages and grant writing support as needed.
- 3. And lastly, provide ad hoc training workshops and events to support skill building.





### Get involved!

Are you a community group or individual wanting to bring your community together?

People With disabilities WA are seeking to support individuals and groups to come together with their community to solve local issues impacting people with disabilities.

If you are interested, please get in touch!



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