

Community Outreach Meeting Agenda

Governor's Committee on Disability Issues and Employment

July 13, 2026 | 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Zoom link: [GCDE Community Outreach Meeting | Zoom](#)



Meeting Purpose

Plan for the 2026 Community Outreach activities.

Meeting Results

By the end of the meeting, participants will:

- Welcome new members
- Review implementation timeline and work completed this far
- Approve partner outreach messaging
- Confirm next steps and meeting cadence

Time	Agenda Item	Person Responsible
4:00	Call meeting to order / roll call: welcome new members	Dave Carl, Chair
4:05	Approve agenda and minutes	Dave Carl
4:10	Review implementation timeline/completed work	Dave / Emily
4:35	Approve outreach language	Subcommittee members
4:55	Wrap-up: next steps and meeting cadence	Emily / Dave

Implementation timeline:

Month	Key Actions
June	Draft outreach language, review elevator pitch, prep NMO bullets
July	Partner outreach, confirm topics, onboard new members
August	Draft fact sheets
September	Revise drafts, decide on training expansion

October	Final revisions, design coordination
November	Finalize materials, accessibility review, approvals
December	Publish materials, outreach rollout

Draft outreach language

Dear new, current GCDE members, and partners,

I am excited to reach out to introduce the GCDE Community Outreach Subcommittee, share our goals for this year, and invite interested members to join us.

The GCDE Community Outreach Subcommittee is a project of GCDE. Our work centers on conducting outreach to facilitate, encourage and celebrate local disability communities especially in rural and underserved communities.

As a subcommittee, we're excited about the opportunity to shape our direction with input from members. Our goals for the coming year are:

1. Select a project for 2026.
2. Identify partners to participate in the work.
3. Get new people involved.

Some of our initial ideas include creating a training series, 1-pager, fact sheet, or resource template/guide on how to impact your community, whether that be through creating an Accessible Communities Advisory Committee, connecting with your local legislators, or understanding what inclusion is and how to create a more inclusive community.

We'd love to hear from you if you want to be involved!

Elevator pitch

Short Version (30–45 seconds)

GCDE, the Governor's Committee on Disability Issues & Employment, our goal is to help people with disabilities have equal opportunities in life, work, and their communities. 90% of our members have disabilities with lived experience so we can include real voices and experiences in our work. We help guide the government, support inclusive employment, and educate communities.

Our goal is simple: A fair Washington where people with disabilities are included and have the chance to succeed.