



COMMUNITY SUPPORTS:

Raising Expectations Think Tank

LOCATION: Statewide

| FUNDING: \$3,500

GOALS

Council Goal: Children and adults with developmental disabilities meaningfully participate in all facets of community life, and are valued and supported by their communities.

Council Objective: Increase the expectations that family members, providers, educators, and others have about people with developmental disabilities.

Goals of Initiative: By bringing together a diverse group of people (people with developmental disabilities, parents of people with developmental disabilities, providers, educators, advocates, and leaders in the disability field), develop messaging that can be used by the Council and others to influence the way people think about and engage with people with developmental disabilities.

OVERVIEW

Design-thinking professionals will lead a diverse group of stakeholders through meaningful dialogue and activities to identify challenges and related strategies to increase expectations of people with developmental disabilities.

STRATEGIES & ACTIVITIES

- Establish a Think Tank of diverse stakeholders.
- Conduct a half-day creative thinking workshop with the Raising Expectations Think Tank guided by two creative workshop experts to develop effective and compelling messaging to address the challenge.
- Develop a concept/tagline by the workshop facilitator that will support messaging by the Council and others and potentially serve as a launch point for broader initiatives to address the challenge of raising expectations.

OUTCOMES

- Family members, providers, educators, and others have increased expectations about people with developmental disabilities.