

FOURTH ANNUAL · DISABILITY LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Amplify Your Voice. Elevate Your Network.

March 3 – 4, 2027 ■ Virtual ■ Two half-day sessions

The only national conference designed by and for disabled professionals — built for people seeking to leverage their power to influence change in their workplaces and communities.

“Networking becomes community — and that’s why I’m here: to learn, share, and belong.”

2026 SUMMIT ATTENDEE

77%

of 2026 attendees were disabled professionals

92%

will apply what they learned

10,000+

marketing reach

About the Summit & Disability Lead

Now entering its fourth year, the Disability Leadership Summit is a fully accessible, virtual conference built specifically for disabled professionals seeking to leverage their power to influence change in their workplaces and communities. It is a distinctive space focused on leadership and advancement, building upon principles of disability inclusion.

Disability Lead is a network of people with disabilities using our collective power to create a more equitable and inclusive society. Founded in Chicago, we have grown to more than 300 Members — 100% of whom are civically engaged and more than 30% of whom work in corporate spaces. Many of our Members lead disability-focused Employee Resource Groups (ERGs) and Business Resource Groups (BRGs), and the results of our work reach workplaces and communities across the country.

Why Partner With Us

- + Shift power to people with disabilities and strengthen a national network of disabled professionals.
- + Increase the visibility of leaders with disabilities — and position your organization as a leader in inclusive leadership development.
- + Build the business case for inclusive leadership inside your organization and across sectors.
- + Connect meaningfully with an engaged, national audience of leaders with disabilities.

PAST SPEAKERS HAVE REPRESENTED

Cisco · EY · Google · Health Care Service Corporation · LinkedIn · Microsoft · T-Mobile · Highmark Health

PAST SPONSORS INCLUDE

AbbVie · JPMorgan Chase · Wintrust · Health Care Service Corporation · Slalom · Cruise · AARP · May & Stanley Smith Charitable Trust · The Field Foundation of Illinois · Bally's Chicago Casino

Attendees leave ready to act

The 2026 Summit drew 156 attendees from across the country — 77% of them disabled professionals. What they took away speaks volumes.

WHAT ATTENDEES REPORTED AFTERWARD

92%

likely to apply what they learned at work or in their community

89%

said the Summit met their primary goal for attending

81%

gained confidence leading with their disability identity

73%

left better equipped with disability inclusion tools

2026 post-Summit survey, 37 respondents. Percentage agreeing or strongly agreeing.

WHERE WE'RE HEADED IN 2027

Building on 2026's momentum — growth that makes your partnership even more visible and more impactful.

200

attendee target

90%

identifying as disabled professionals

10,000+

engaged and influential leaders reached through Disability Lead marketing channels

Two focused half-days

Each day is built around a clear outcome for attendees. All times Central.

DAY 1 — MARCH 3 Amplify Your Voice 10:00 a.m. Keynote: Redefining Leadership — Why Your Voice Matters 11:00 a.m. Building Your Personal Brand as a Disabled Professional 12:00 p.m. Panel: Storytelling as a Tool Across Sectors 1:00 p.m. Finding Power in Vulnerability: Authenticity as a Leadership Asset 2:00 p.m. Messaging for Impact: Strategic Tools for Narrative Change + Closing	DAY 2 — MARCH 4 Elevate Your Network 10:00 a.m. Keynote: Collective Power — How Community-Building Moves Us Forward 11:00 a.m. Sprint Session: Tips for Maximizing Networking & Building Relationships 12:00 p.m. Power Hour Networking 1:00 p.m. Industry-Specific Networking 2:00 p.m. Open-Topic Networking + Closing
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“Disability Lead sets the standard for what accessibility should look like — a masterclass in what access can look like when it is automatic, embedded, and non-negotiable.”

Choose your level of impact

Partnering with the Summit is a chance to shape the future of professional disability leadership. Every tier includes complimentary registrations, logo recognition, and year-round access to Disability Lead programming, including our Storytelling and Disability Power Series events.

	PLATINUM PARTNER \$15,000	ACCESSIBILITY PARTNER \$10,000	SESSION PARTNER \$5,000
Complimentary registrations	12 employees	8 employees	4 employees
Discount on additional registrations	25%	25%	25%
Introduce a keynote speaker	+	Not included	Not included
Named day sponsor (Day 1 or Day 2)	+	Not included	Not included
Named accessibility sponsor	Not included	+	Not included
Named breakout session sponsor	Not included	Not included	+
Logo on event landing page & materials	Premier placement	All Summit materials	Agenda & session materials
Recognition across marketing channels (10,000+ reach)	+	+	+
Year-round Disability Lead programming access	+	+	+

Custom and multi-year packages are available — see the following page.

WHAT EACH TIER INCLUDES

Partnership tier details

Platinum Partner

\$15,000

Our top Summit partner receives the deepest visibility and engagement across the 2027 Summit — signaling a highly visible commitment to disability leadership.

- + Free registration for up to 12 employees, plus 25% off additional attendees.
- + A representative introduces a keynote speaker.
- + Named sponsor of Day 1 or Day 2, plus premier logo placement on all materials, the landing page, and email.
- + Recognition across channels reaching 10,000+ engaged leaders.

Accessibility Partner

\$10,000

Accessibility Partner investment funds the accommodations that make the Summit work — live captioning, ASL interpretation, and accessible event technology.

- + Free registration for up to 8 employees, plus 25% off additional attendees.
- + Recognition as the partner underwriting Summit accessibility across both days.
- + Year-round access to Disability Lead programming.
- + Logo recognition on all materials, the website, and follow-up email.

Session Partner

\$5,000

Session Partner investment underwrites one Summit session in full — your organization is its sole named partner, recognized from the moment it is announced through the session itself.

- + Free registration for up to 4 employees, plus 25% off additional attendees.
- + Sole named partner of your chosen session — no shared billing.
- + Recognition in the agenda, session materials, and the live introduction.
- + Year-round access to Disability Lead programming.

Looking for something different? Custom packages — including multi-year commitments and in-kind partnerships — are available. Contact us to build a package tailored to your goals.

NEXT STEPS

Reserve your tier for the 2027 Summit.

- 01 Choose a tier — or tell us what a custom package would need to do for your organization.
- 02 Confirm your commitment as soon as possible, so your recognition appears in every Summit touchpoint.
- 03 We handle the rest — logo placement, registration codes, and speaker coordination.

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