

EXAMPLES OF ADVOCACY STORIES

Here are some examples of how to use personal stories in advocacy.

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| Social Media Posts | Maria shared why Medicaid is so important to her family and why we must invest in this important program. | Bin shares how Supplemental Security Income's \$2,000 asset limit stops his son from working as much as he wants. |
| Graphics & Carousels | Eugenia shares about why she advocates for Medicaid. | Isaac and his dad share about Isaac's experience with restraint and why educators need more resources. |
| Traditional Media | Meeka shares in Word in Black about how The Arc's education advocacy curriculum has empowered her. | Derrean shares his hopes for voting to be more accessible to people with disabilities. |
| Videos | Steve shares about why SSI is so important to him and why it must be increased so people can be independent and save for emergencies. | Diana speaks about laws that need to change so that people are not forced to choose between love and critical benefits. |
| Rallies | Lolita spoke about how critical home and community-based services were to her during a rally attended by members of Congress. | Advocates rallied during our 2022 Disability Policy Seminar to support more investment in disability funding at the federal level. |

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| Meetings | Disability justice advocate Neli Latson joined the White House's Black History Month event, sharing his experience and bringing attention to the need for better treatment of people with disabilities when interacting with law enforcement. | Chloe meets with the National Council on Disability to speak about health disparities and why doctors need to recognize people with IDD as a medically underserved population. |
| Events with Legislators | Advocates gather on Capitol Hill to meet with their members of Congress about issues that matter to them. | Texas sibling advocate Hannah shared her family's long wait for Medicaid home and community-based services. |
| Drop-off Events | Advocates went to Capitol Hill and dropped off over 100,000 stories and petitions from about the importance of Medicaid home and community-based services. | Advocates delivered messages to members of Congress with examples of how the outdated SSI asset limits impact people with disabilities. |
| Blog Posts | Disability rights lawyer Sean shared about what the ADA means to him and about why its promise must be fulfilled. | Dominick shares about his experience as a multiply disabled, trans dad and what he wants others to know. |
| Reports | James shares his story as part of The Arc's report on male survivors of sexual violence who have IDD. | The Arc of the United States highlighted stories about the importance of paid leave . |