

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Disability Advocates of Kent County needs volunteer support for a massive project in downtown Grand Rapids. We are building teams of volunteers to complete accessibility evaluations of several blocks in the downtown area. Feedback from these evaluations will help improve accessibility in the community.

Volunteers who can bend, lift, carry, squat, kneel, read 14 pt. are needed. We are hoping to build teams with 4 volunteers to work one block at a time. Training is provided.

Volunteers will be taking measurements and evaluating the following:

- Sidewalks: Surface conditions, slopes (running and cross), protruding objects that interfere with flow of pedestrian traffic, and driveway crossings and loading zones that cross the sidewalk.
- Intersections: Timing of signals, Curb Cuts, and Tactile Warning Systems.
- Public Parking- Off Street: Number and location of accessible spaces, and condition of parking spots.
- Public Parking- On Street: Number and location of accessible parking spaces, quality and reach to parking meters.

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