

DEMAC Member Bios

First	Last	Email	Membership	Location	Reviewed Bio	Column1
Kathey	Carr	Katheycarr@gmail.com	Primary	Tillamook	<p>Kathey Carr, Tillamook. Kathey is a retired RN with a Multiple Sclerosis, Lupus and a few other Autoimmune Conditions. Zuma, her Service Dog, is always at her side. She has experience as a Disability Educator, as well as in public health emergency preparedness and response. As a member of this council, she wants to be able to help individuals and take part in influencing government policies.</p>	
Linda	Cruz	linda.cruz@multco.us	Primary	Portland	<p>Linda Cruz, Portland. Linda Cruz (she/her) is a person with an invisible disability. She is affiliated with Multnomah County and Portland State University. Linda wants to create more visibility for people with intersecting identities such as QTPOC (queer and trans people of color) and people with disabilities as well as directly contribute to policy change and advocacy that prioritizes racial justice and mental health.</p>	
Patty	Falkenstein	p.falkenstein4@gmail.com	Primary	Tigard	<p>Patty Falkenstein, Tigard. Patty is a parent/guardian of a person with a disability. She also has experience in public health emergency preparedness and has experience providing disability services. Patty represents SEIU 503 Local 99 (PSW) and is affiliated with CERT. She would like to participate in creating structural support for people with disabilities during an emergency, and is interested in providing information to her homecare union.</p>	
CM	Hall	hallcm@wou.edu	Primary	Newport	<p>CM Hall, Newport. CM is a nationally-certified ASL interpreter and is the Co-Director of the DeafBlind Interpreting National Training & Resource Center. She has a background in public policy and advocacy for LGBTQ Oregonians as well as for the Deaf and DeafBlind communities. CM also serves on the Newport City Council. As a public official in a coastal community, CM is concerned about how communications protocols are developed to support seniors and people with disabilities during an emergency.</p>	

Jack	Howard	worldofjack2010@yahoo.com	Primary	La Grande	Jack Howard, La Grande. Jack is a person with a disability and has experience providing disability services. He represents the State Independent Living Council Plan Committee and was formerly affiliated with the State Long-term Care Ombudsman. Jack is interested in civil rights for people with disabilities, particularly for people in rural Oregon.
Kirsten	Ingersoll	kingersoll@clackamas.us	Primary	Colton	Kirsten Ingersoll, Colton. Kirsten has experience in public health emergency preparedness. She represents the Clackamas County Public Health Division and coordinates the Clackamas County Medical Reserve Corps unit. Kirsten wants to ensure that access and functional needs are addressed in emergency plans.
Sherryl	Lamm	sherrylamm81@gmail.com	Primary	Salem	Sherryl Lamm, Salem. Sherryl is a person with a disability and has experience in public health emergency preparedness. She wants to make sure that the community is better prepared in case of an emergency.
Joseph	Lowe	Joseph.Lowe@dhsosha.state.or.us	Primary	Sandy	Joseph Lowe, Sandy. Joseph is a person with a disability and has 9+ years of experience advocating for disability services. In 2016, he was hired by DHS Aging & People with Disabilities to help revamp the Disability Services Advisory Councils throughout the state and recently, he was appointed as a co-coordinator to the Oregon Disabilities Commission. He serves as Co-Chair for ABLENet (an Employee Resource Group for employees with disabilities) and he's on the Incident Response Team. Joseph is an advocate, and wants to empower others to be an advocate for people with disabilities.
Regina	Martinez	r.martinez@newportoregon.gov	Primary	Newport	Regina Martinez, Newport. Regina is an Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, has experience providing disability services, and has experience in community response efforts during or after disasters. She represents the City of Newport and is affiliated with CERT, Red Cross, and Listos. Regina believes in the project and wants to serve her community.
Duncan	McArthur	chiyabori@gmail.com	Primary	Hillsboro	

Brook	McCall	bMcCall@Unitedspinal.org	Primary	Portland	Brook McCall, Portland. As a person with a disability, Brook recognizes the critical need for equitable protections for the health and safety of Oregonians in times of emergency and beyond. She has expertise in public health, emergency preparedness and response, disability programming and represents Oregon Spinal Cord Injury Connection and United Spinal Association.
Thurman	Merritt	allenmerritt.md@gmail.com	Primary	Lebanon	Thurman Merritt MD, Lebanon. Thurman is a person with a disability and has experience in public health emergency preparedness. He is board certified pediatrician with expertise in care for disabled infants and children. Thurman is interested in emergency healthcare services for children with disabilities, emergency departments in rural hospitals, and informing parents of children with disabilities about emergency preparedness.
Margo	Moore	moorem@trimet.org	Primary	Portland	Margo Moore, Portland. Margo is a parent of a person with a disability, and has 15 years of experience in public health emergency preparedness, 10 years of management of paratransit programs in Seattle and Portland and has extensive experience in providing accessible services for older adults and the disabled community. Margo has worked in the paratransit field for 10 years as an Operations Manager and General Manager, and currently as Director of Accessible Transportation Programs for Trimet that transports over 1M rides per year. Margo is passionate about fair and equitable transportation for older adults, disabled and those that are underserved in the community.
Vitaly	Murphy	vitaly.murphy@pcc.edu	Primary	Siletz	Vitaly Murphy, Siletz. Vitaly is a college student with a disability, from the rural Oregon Coast, and represents 4H 4Ability. He is also affiliated with CERT (Community Emergency Response Team). Vitaly wants to share his perspective to help prepare and respond to emergencies.
Phillip	Nel	Phillip.nel@chw.coos.or.us	Primary	Coos Bay	Phillip Nel, Coos Bay. Phillip is a person with a disability. He is also an emergency manager, has experience in public health emergency preparedness and community response effort during or after disasters. Phillip represents Coos Health & Wellness. He is affiliated with MRC, Health Emergency Response Team, ARES/RACES, CERT, International Association of Emergency Managers, Team Rubicon, ARC, SARC. Phillip wants to ensure that the needs of people with disabilities are met in emergencies.

Phillip	Squibb	psquibb@klamathcounty.org	Primary	Klamath Falls	Phillip Squibb, Klamath Falls. Phillip Squibb has been the Director of DD Services since 2018. He graduated from Greenville University with a Bachelor of Science in Special Education; earned a Masters in Social Work from the University of Illinois at Chicago, and is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. Prior to working at DDS, Phillip worked at a local residential treatment facility as a therapist and the academic and vocational director.
Stacy	Stenzel	stacy.stenzel@gmail.com	Primary	Portland	Stacy Stenzel, Portland. Stacy is the primary caregiver for her daughter who experiences physical and intellectual disabilities. Stacy wants to help create an emergency plan for people who experience disabilities and the people who care for them.
Phillip	Subia	PSUBIA@MSN.COM	Primary	WEST LINN	Phillip Subia, West Linn. Phillip is a person with a disability and has experience providing disability services. He also has experience in public health emergency preparedness and community response efforts during or after disasters. Phillip represents Love Your Brain and is affiliated with Brain Injury Association of America and Oregon Center on Brain Injury Research and Training. He is interested in contributing to emergency preparedness for people with disabilities.
Ashley	Williams	acmarie2911@gmail.com	Primary	Bend	Ashely Williams, Bend. Ashley is a person with a disability as a result of military service. She has experience providing disability services and represents Aging & People with Disabilities. Ashley wants to help people with disabilities and learn about emergency preparedness from others.
Glenna	Hayes	glenna.hayes@ucpconnections.org	Alternate	Portland	Glenna Hayes, Portland. Glenna has experience providing disability services for 11 years in a variety of settings and roles. They also have experience in community response efforts during or after disasters/emergencies. Glenna represents UCP Connections. They want to share lived experiences to help create better emergency planning that is fully inclusive and encompasses all voices.
Serena	Larew	serena.larew@gmail.com	Alternate	Salem	Serena Larew, Salem. Serena is a person with a disability who has experience in public emergency preparedness. She is a member of CERT. Serena wants to advocate for people with disabilities, including those with mental disabilities, regarding emergency preparedness.

Cindy	Koza	cindykoza@outlook.com	Alternate	Springfield	<p>Cindy Koza, Springfield. Cindy operates adult foster homes, is an authorized representative and full-time advocate of people who experience disabilities, and has over 10 years of experience providing disability services. She is an emergency manager, represents Koza Care Home, is the President of the non-profit agency Rise & Shine, and is affiliated with ROAM since it's founding. She wants to build a better system for vulnerable populations during emergencies.</p>
Lois	Wilder	loiswilder@eocil.org	Alternate	Milton Freewater	<p>Lois Wilder, Milton Freewater. Lois is associated with Eastern Oregon Center for Independent Living (EOCIL) and is a person with a disability. She provides Advocacy, Peer Support, Skills Training and Information & Referrals for resources to people with Disabilities. She has worked and retired from the Criminal Justice system and in this field, worked in emergency response situations. As a member of this Council, she wants to be able to provide resources and help people with disabilities in disaster situations.</p>
Philip	Mason-Joyner	pmason@clackamas.us	Alternate	Clackamas	
Bruce	Miller	blmiller@co.lincoln.or.us	Alternate	WALDPOR	<p>Bruce Miller, Waldport. Bruce is a polio survivor that has used crutches or a wheelchair for mobility since 1949. His experience has been with providing disability services with an emphasis on employment, independent living and disaster response. He has experience in Federal and community based response with recent experience in the public health emergency preparedness and community response efforts during or after disasters. His background includes 32 years in healthcare information technology and 12 years as an IT specialist for the US Coast Guard. Bruce represents Lincoln County Sheriff Office of Emergency Management providing support to use of technology during emergency responses. He wants to advocate and contribute to emergency preparedness for people with disabilities.</p>
Mike	Hintz	rhintz@co.marion.or.us	Alternate	Salem	<p>Mike Hintz, Salem. Mike is an emergency manager who represents Marion County Emergency Management. They are affiliated with Marion County Local Emergency Planning Committee, County Evacuation Planning, and Marion County Emergency Management Assistance Group. Mike wants to help Marion County develop partnerships with the disability community to better prepare for emergencies.</p>

					Rebecca Fordyce, Albany. Rebecca is a person with a disability who has experience providing disability services. She represents RISE Service, Inc. and is affiliated with County DD offices, brokerages, Red Cross, IHN-CCO, and OIS. Rebecca wants to better prepare clients at Rise Services, Inc. in case of emergencies and wants to participate in community groups.
Rebecca	Fordyce	REBECCAF@RISESERVICESINC.ORG	Alternate	Albany	
Dave	Pierson	davepierson.oregonizer@gmail.com	Alternate		
					LeAnn Ivers. LeAnn is a person with a disability who is affiliated with CERT. She wants to help improve emergency preparedness for people with disabilities. LeAnn is passionate about transportation, service animals, and American Sign Language interpretation.
LeAnn	Ivers	leann.e.ivers@dhsoha.state.or.us	Alternate		
Eileen	Collins	collinse@trimet.org	Alternate	Portland	
					Patti S. Murphy, Siletz. Patti is the widow of a life-long disability activist with cerebral palsy and the mother of a three adopted children with various disabilities. As an attorney, mediator and community organizer, she also has experience providing disability and independent living services and community response efforts during or after disasters. Patti is affiliated with CERT, Accessible Dreams International, Inc., and 4H 4 Ability. She wants to contribute her advocacy skills and perspectives to improve emergency preparedness.
Patty	Murphy	atty4people@yahoo.com	Alternate	Siletz	
Russell	Johnston	russell.johnston@bayareahospital.org	Alternate	Coos Bay	
					Paulina Larenas, Milwaukie. Paulina is a Latina parent of a child with disabilities, who also works providing support for families experiencing disabilities. She is concerned about the safety of people with disabilities during emergencies and wants to participate in creating an emergency plan that support every person/family and addresses the barriers they may experience during these events.
Paulina	Larenas	larenaspaulina1@gmail.com	Alternate	Milwaukie	
					Amanda Rae Soares, LCSW - Portland. Amanda has over 20 years of experience with disability services, mental health, and crisis/emergency management. She represents ODDS-CIIS. Amanda lives with disabilities, and is passionate about advancing equity, justice, and accessibility.
Amanda	Soares	amanda.r.soares@dhsoha.state.or.us	Alternate	Portland	

Brook	Kremer	brook.d.kremer@state.or.us	Alternate	La Pine	Brook Kremer, La Pine. Brook has experience providing disability services and represents Aging & People with Disabilities. She is also affiliated with Senior Care Network and High Risk Management Team. Brook wants to help seniors and people with disabilities in Oregon, especially rural areas.
Eden	Ferrell	eden.p.ferrell@dhsosha.state.or.us	Alternate	Salem	Eden Ferrell, Salem. Eden has experience providing disabilities services and in public health emergency preparedness. She represents the Oregon Department of Human Services and has received FEMA emergency response training. Eden is committed to ensuring all members of her community have a voice and their needs are taken into consideration.