



## Meeting assets for Youth Action Council Meeting are ready!

### Meeting summary

#### Quick recap

The meeting began with members of the Youth Action Council discussing their previous presentation at a Governor's Council meeting. Alex Hilke shared his personal advocacy journey and encouraged council members to leverage their experiences to drive change, while Stacy and others discussed the importance of resources and peer connections for individuals with disabilities. The Youth Action Council conversation ended with discussions about upcoming conference opportunities, scheduling changes, and a review of open meeting law basics.

#### Next steps

- [Alex: Send information about the July 7th Youth Action Council event at Clark County Commission to NV](#)
- [NV: Resend information about officers and their roles to Youth Action Council members](#)

- [NV: Post officers and their roles information on SILC website under Youth Action Council meeting materials](#)
- [NV: Resend Silver State Self-Advocacy Conference registration information to Youth Action Council members](#)
- [NV: Send information about the medical subcommittee meeting on February 26th at 1PM to Calvin \(and group\)](#)
- [Youth Action Council members: Review Making My Mark handbook before next meeting](#)
- [Youth Action Council members: Check availability for August 3rd and 4th for potential presentation at Silver State Self-Advocacy Conference](#)
- [NV: Schedule next Youth Action Council meeting for March 12th at 5pm and send calendar invitation](#)
- [Catherine: Provide more information about planning committee participation for Silver State Self-Advocacy Conference to interested Youth Action Council members](#)
- [Calvin will participate in TRIP program conference on July 31st in Lake Tahoe](#)

## Summary

### Self-Advocacy Summer Camp Planning

Alex invited Dawn to speak about self-advocacy at an upcoming summer camp for a program teaching kids with special needs, scheduled for July 7th. The meeting included members of the Youth Action Council, who discussed their presentation at a previous Governor's Council meeting and planned to wait for additional members before starting their regular meeting.

### Disability Advocacy and Self-Advocacy

Alex Hilke, a council member of the Nevada Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities, shared his personal journey and experience in disability advocacy, emphasizing the importance of self-advocacy and political involvement. He encouraged the council members to leverage their experiences and expertise to drive change, highlighting the power of lived experience in disability advocacy. Alex also discussed his work in creating inclusive turnout plans and his efforts to improve services for people with disabilities. He concluded by urging the council members to continue their advocacy work and offering his support for their future endeavors.

### Disability Support and Individual Strengths

Stacy shared her experience of receiving support from the Disability Resources Center during her college years, emphasizing the importance of resources and peer connections for individuals with disabilities. NV and Alex discussed the unique abilities and strengths of each person, regardless of their disabilities, and highlighted the importance of recognizing individual superpowers. Alex clarified that the Arc of Nevada is an independent organization but is located at Opportunity Village in Las Vegas. The group represented various parts of Nevada and discussed their shared experiences and support systems.

### Youth Action Council Advocacy Planning

The Youth Action Council meeting covered several key topics. Alex shared his experience in advocacy and encouraged Calvin to pursue his interests in public health and advocacy. The group discussed upcoming opportunities to present at conferences, including the Silver State Self-Advocacy Conference in August. They agreed to move their next meeting from March 6th to March

12th at 5pm. The council also discussed the Nevada TRIP program conference in Lake Tahoe on July 31st, with Calvin expressing interest in attending. Open meeting law basics were reviewed, and the group was reminded to review the Making My Mark handbook before the next meeting.

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