

American and African Advocacy Gathering Initiatives for 2023-2024

The American and African Advocacy Gathering is a community action organization founded in Clarkston, Georgia by Eric Naindouba. Our mission is to educate communities on issues related to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and provide resources to those in the need of assistance. We host in-person ADA education events around the area, weekly in-person office hours at Refuge Coffee in Clarkston, and interactive workshops. We also engage with our community through social media, email newsletters, and local outreach by appearing at festivals, school board meetings, community events, and speaking engagements.

This grant proposal will fund our monthly outreach, events, and workshops. It will help us serve the communities of District 6 including Clarkston, Atlanta, Decatur, Brookhaven, Dunwoody, Brookhaven, Chamblee, and Avondale Estates. Our budget is segmented by month including our monthly outreach expenses including products that we pay for monthly: Mailchimp, WIX, mobile internet hotspot, and Zoom.

- January
 - New Year 2024 ADA Educational event. An in person event where we will educate our local community on the most current policies around the ADA.
- February
 - Weekly office hours in person at Refuge Coffee in Clarkston. Each week we will be available in person and online to answer questions about ADA, IDEA, and sharing resources.
- March
 - Primary Voting Workshop. We will hold an election information session, so that our ADA community understands how and where to vote in the Primary and Presidential election.
- April
 - 1k Accessibility Awareness Walk in Clarkston. We are holding a 1k walk that will be accessible and open to all. The theme of the walk is accessibility and awareness around the ADA.
- May
 - Voting Accessibility Workshop. As we head toward the Presidential and local elections, we will hold an educational workshop in person and online for District 6 communities.
- June
 - Olmstead Act Anniversary Workshop. A workshop celebrating the Olmstead Act.
- July
 - **ADA Anniversary Event.** Education event around the ADA Anniversary.
 - ADA Workshop. Online workshop around ADA education.
- August
 - Back-to-School event. ADA awareness in the school and college system.
- September
 - Weekly office hours in person at Refuge Coffee in Clarkston
- October
 - Early Voting Workshop. Helping our community know where and how to vote.
- November
 - IDEA Act Anniversary Event. Educational event around the IDEA Act.
 - GOTV Event. Our final Voting Event before the federal and state elections.
- December
 - Winter Clothing Drive Event. Clothing drive for our local communities.

2023	Event	Workshop	Outreach	Total
January	\$200		\$100	\$300
February			\$100	\$100
March		\$50	\$100	\$150
April	\$200		\$100	\$300
May		\$50	\$100	\$150
June		\$50	\$100	\$150
July	\$200		\$100	\$300
August	\$200		\$100	\$300
September			\$100	\$100
October		\$50	\$100	\$150
November	\$200		\$100	\$300
December	\$100		\$100	\$200
			TOTAL BUDGET	\$2,500