

Disability Rights and Services Internship

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Introduction

- Incoming junior at UW-Madison studying Neurobiology, Disability Rights and Services, and Health Policy
- Hometown: Brookfield, WI
- Hobbies: playing violin, running, and digital scrapbooking



DRC Project Management Tool

- Identify topics from DRC meetings
 - Meeting date, agenda link, recording link, additional notes
- Goal
 - Keep track of significant areas and topics in an organized way
- Link to transportation DRC project

https://docs.google.com/document/d/13OL_dIyMjMwLUleoy-4j7pF6zWjn9OsCWRT8Umg3O6s/edit?usp=sharing

Transportation

Meeting Date	Topic	Agenda/Recording	Notes
05/29/2025	ADA Transition Plan and PROWAG (Public Right-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines)	https://media.cityofmadison.com/Mediasite/S/showcase/madison-city-channel/Presentation/bd224ff20e3046fdb53df7e9812fd3681d?playfrom=1027000 Agenda link	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hoyt reviewed Public Right of Way
04/24/2025	Paratransit and crosswalks	https://media.cityofmadison.com/Mediasite/S/showcase/madison-city-channel/Presentation/0aa353a4ea7543bc981f57837b3f46a41d?playfrom=4290000 Agenda link	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goal of creating a safety audit for each district to identify dangerous crosswalks and intersections “Report a problem” portal
02/27/2025	Metro Transit	https://media.cityofmadison.com/Mediasite/S/showcase/madison-city-channel/Presentation/84acaa83cdd64d2ea88c6ce0fca25b701d?playfrom=1536000 Agenda link	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gaps between buses and BRT (Bus Rapid Transit) stations Ways to notify drivers of accessibility needs

Low-income Resource Guide

- Previous interns compiled information on city programs for low-income residents
- Goals:
 - Identify services offered, eligibility, and availability
 - Provide working links
 - Prioritize plain language and accessibility
- Link to health care low-income resource guide:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RSPPGlfiq8bgJhMyThEPXkctcG7A2UkaxzH8IQZr3jbo/edit?usp=sharing>

Health Care

Program: Children's Immunizations

Eligibility: free for all

Availability: year-round

Children can receive the vaccines they need at any time with no insurance required.

This program is open to everyone, including children who:

- Don't have health insurance
- Are on Medical Assistance or BadgerCare
- Are Native American or Alaska Native

<https://publichealthmdc.com/your-health/immunizations>

Program: Adult Immunizations

Eligibility: free for adults 19+ without insurance

Availability: year-round

Any adult who is nineteen or older and does not have insurance may receive certain vaccines at no cost.

<https://publichealthmdc.com/your-health/immunizations>

“Meet Your Commissioners”

- Collect short biographies and pictures of all commissioners
- Goal:
 - Make information accessible on the DRC website
 - Introduce you all to the community!
- Current status:
 - Assembling information
 - Will send to Donna once everything is collected

Other Projects

- Attending Equity and Social Justice team meetings
- Monitoring the Q&A for ADA Transition Plan Public Engagement Sessions
- Learning about social justice and policy writing

Thank you!