

Louisiana Citizens for Action Now

ACTION ALERT - Attend Yellow Shirt Day to Support the Funding of Disability Services

**Attend Yellow Shirt Day on Monday, April 28th,
and Show Your Support for the Funding of Disability Services!**

The **Senate Finance Committee** will be considering [SB 355](#) by Sen. Fred Mills on Monday, April 28th, which calls for a constitutional amendment to provide protection against future budget cuts to critical services for vulnerable populations. LaCAN members will attend this committee meeting and meet with legislators individually to express their support for these services.

Our goal is to fill the committee room with yellow shirts to represent all those who are waiting or relying on disability services. **Contact your [LaCAN Team Leader](#) if you would like to attend.** Carpooling options may be available in your area.

Watch for an updated alert with the start time and committee room.

Background Information

Funding for essential services for children and adults with disabilities, seniors and other vulnerable populations is at risk. These services are subject to the majority of cuts in times of budget shortfalls, as many other parts of the budget are constitutionally protected. Critical services are vulnerable because they are the few parts of the state budget that are not protected. These services include:

- Home and community based waiver services
- Individual and family supports for people with disabilities
- Mental health services
- Hospice
- Services provided by Councils on Aging
- Primary care
- EarlySteps
- Employment supports for people with disabilities

If any of these services are important to you, it's time to let your voice be heard! There is still time to contact the Chairman and members of the Senate Finance Committee to express your support for the protection of these critical supports. Click [here](#) for our Protect Critical Supports and Services action alert.

Any Questions?

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