



The Governor's Office of
DISABILITY AFFAIRS

GODA Report 10/28/26

GODA:

Recently, GODA partnered with Disability Rights Louisiana and Dr. Miranda Huges state ADA Coordinator to create an informational flyer centered around voting accessibility and the importance of having a plan to vote prior to election day.

This flyer (page 2) went out via the GODA newsletter in October, was added to the GODA website, and was also reposted prior to the start of early voting and election day on the Governor's Programs and Planning social media pages.

The 2026 GOLD Awards and Art Contest final submission deadline is **Monday November 2.**

GACDA:

The Governor's Advisory Council on Disability Affairs (GACDA) has been participating in its roadshow program where GODA staff and GACDA members meet with members of various disability awareness committees and local stakeholders. The intent of these meetings is to meet the community members where they are and assess how we can be of assistance with their projects as a state agency.

Additionally, the GACDA meeting following these visits serves as a way for the local agencies and stakeholders to come together in one meeting and share their projects and progress with one another and remove some of the natural silos that can occur.

Our next stop for the year and the final GACDA meeting for the year will be the Shreveport/Bossier area and will take place as follows:

Monday November 16, 2026

Bilberry Park and Recreation Center,

Multi-Purpose Room.

1902 Alabama Ave, Shreveport, LA 71109

9:00 AM-1:00 PM

The GACDA subcommittees held their first round of meetings on Sept 1&2. The next quarterly meeting will take place on Wednesday Jan. 6, 2027. All three subcommittees Accessibility, Emergency Preparedness, and Accessibility will meet that day.



Louisianans with Disabilities have a Right to Accessible Voting



Elections are coming soon:
Make your Plan to Vote



Louisiana's Upcoming Election

Early Voting: October 20th through October 27th

Election Day: November 3rd



Elections and polling places must be accessible to people with all types of disabilities.



Making a Plan to Vote ahead of time will help avoid problems on election day.



GeauxVote has a pamphlet that talks about the ways that people with disabilities can get the assistance they need for voting:
<https://www.sos.la.gov/elections-voting/disabled-elderly-citizens>



Want help making sure you get the accommodations you need?
You may be able to find answers and help by contacting:

- **Disability Rights Louisiana-** 1.800.960.7706, www.DisabilityRightsLA.org
- **Your Local Registrar of Voters-** <https://voterportal.sos.la.gov/registrar>
- **The Secretary of State's Election hotline & webpage-** 1.800.883.2805, GeauxVote.com
- **The Governor's Office of Disability Affairs-** 225.219.7553



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