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Free Expo to Showcase Services for Persons with Disabilities

Area organizations that assist persons with disabilities will showcase their services at a free expo beginning at 6:30 p.m., Thurs., May 22, in Room 101 of Village Hall, 123 Madison St. A lift-equipped mini-van will provide transportation both to and from the event for those who need a ride. To reserve a ride call 708.848.8844

Sponsored by the Village's Universal Access Commission, the expo will feature representatives from 14 organizations whose services could prove useful to residents with disabilities.

Among those organizations scheduled to participate are Great Lakes ADA & Accessible IT Center, Progress Center, Leyden Developmental Disabilities, Oak Park Township & Unified Services Providers, School District 97, School District 200, Supported Education Association (SEA), Medicaid, Oak Park Family Services, Illinois Department of Human Services, Oak Park Public Health Department, Oak Park Access Advisor, West Suburban Hospital and West Suburban Special Recreation Association.

In addition to presentations by the service organizations, a video screening also is planned of *Sharing the Moment*, a dance created for and performed by persons with disabilities. The screening will be followed by an open discussion with the performers who will be at the expo.

All attendees also will receive a free copy of the Oak Park Accessibility Handbook, an extensive list of accessibility services, organizations and important telephone numbers.

For more information on the expo, or to reserve a ride call 708.848.8844.

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