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FOURTH OF JULY

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Thursday, July 4th

and

**Wednesday, July 24th
for Cheyenne Day**

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NATIONAL
DISABILITY RIGHTS
NETWORK

In CONGRESS, July 4, 1776.
A DECLARATION
By the REPRESENTATIVES of the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
IN GENERAL CONGRESS ASSEMBLED.

Today ...

People First Language

What do you call a person with a disability? A *person*.



Let
Freedom
Ring

Heather Watkins' daughter is now 25. But the disability rights advocate still remembers the problems she faced picking her up from preschool two decades ago. Parenting is hard work. But for parents with disabilities, the challenges can feel insurmountable—because they are raising children in a society not built for them. "Parenting is a journey, and disability adds another dimension. There is no instruction manual, and definitely no 'one-size-fits-all' approach," Watkins said. "You have to find a customized approach that works for you and your family, ensures your safety, productivity and peace of mind, and quality of life," she said. "It may take some time and much effort, and that's OK."

Rewire.News To read more, go to: <https://rewire.news/article/2019/06/04/what-its-like-to-be-a-disabled-parent-in-an-inaccessible-world/>

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Accessibility NEWS

Universal Design Increases In Style, Availability and Luxury

Universal design. Accessible design. ADA design. These terms all convey images of unattractive, institutional spaces required by law and disability. As more Americans move into their senior years, more face challenges to their ability to live independently, which the vast majority prefer. AARP put it this way: "87 percent of adults age 65-plus want to stay in their current home and community as they age."



Increasing Need It isn't just older users who face independent living challenges. There are an estimated 291,000 people in the U.S. with spinal cord injuries, and their average age is 43 years old, according to the National Spinal Cord Injury Statistical Center. Car accidents, falls, sports injuries and gunshot wounds are leading causes of SCI, the University of Alabama-based group reports.

There are more than 7.6 million Americans with significant vision loss in the country, as well, according to the National Federation for the Blind. Overall, the Census Bureau found in the last count that 56.7 million people living in the U.S. have one or more disabilities. With obesity-linked diseases like diabetes with its crippling potential on the rise, those numbers could easily increase in the 2020 census. To read more:

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/jamiegold/2019/05/31/universal-design-increases-in-style-availability-and-luxury/#1b7ed6eb5c42>

Law Enforcement Officers Respecting Service, Restoring Honor for Vets in Crisis

This new publication from the National Institute of Corrections (NIC) features law enforcement programs created to improve interactions and outcomes for veterans in crisis, particularly those experiencing mental health issues or substance abuse.

To read more, go to: <https://s3.amazonaws.com/static.nic.gov/UserShared/033091.pdf>



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