

### Louisville Metro Council Originated NDF

**Primary Council Member:** Jennifer Chappell

**Appropriation Amount:** \$1,000

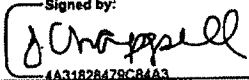
**Specifically describe the charge to NDF attaching supporting documentation to fully describe the expenditure and describe the public purpose:**  
Platinum level sponsorship requested for Gathering Strength Adaptive Recreation Showense. The event is Saturday, July 25th at UofL's Student Activity Center. The event is free to attend and open to the public.

**Entity Hosting Event:** Gathering Strength, Inc.  
**Entity Mailing Address:** liz@gatheringstrength.org  
2721 Shippen Ave. Louisville, KY 40206  
**Entity Contact:** Elizabeth Fust  
**Contact Phone:** 502-797-5658

**Attachment required:**

- **Sponsorship of an event:** Attach an event flyer and/or details regarding how the event was publicized.
- **Admittance to an Event:** Attach a list of persons whose admission was paid by this expenditure.
- **Fundraiser:** Specifically disclose how the net proceeds of this fundraiser will be used.

I have reviewed this request for an expenditure of city tax dollars, and have determined the funds will be used for a public purpose.

15	<small>Signed by:</small>  <small>AA31828478C8A83</small>	\$750	6/5/26
District #	Primary Sponsor Signature	Amount	Date

_____	_____
Appropriations Committee Chair	Date

List below any personal or business relationship you, your family or your legislative assistant have with this organization, its volunteers, its employees or members of its board of directors.  
NA

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**Applicant/Program: Gathering Strength/Adaptive Recreation Showcase**

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- District 1 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 2 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 3 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 4 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
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- District 14 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 15 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Additional Council Office Disclosure**  
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NA

- District 16 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 17 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 18 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 19 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 20 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 21 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 22 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
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- District 24 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 250  

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- District 25 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- District 26 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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# Gathering Strength's Second Annual Adaptive Recreation Showcase

**Saturday, July 25, 2026. 10:00 - 4:00 ET**

UofL Student Activities Center  
2100 S. Floyd St.,  
Louisville, KY 40208

**Anchor Sponsor:**  
**Craig H. Neilsen Foundation**



## What's Adaptive Rec

Adaptive recreation opens the door to sports and fun through modified equipment and rules—and this showcase puts it all in one place.

Hosted in a large indoor space the size of three basketball courts, the event will feature:

- Live demonstrations of wheelchair basketball, rugby, archery, track & field, bocce, and more.
- Hands-on opportunities to try adaptive equipment with expert athletes and coaches.
- Inclusive fun with food and an atmosphere where everyone belongs.

"So much information and different sports available!" -Shenitrea

## Why it matters

People with disabilities, their families, and our community will experience the joy and power of adaptive recreation.

"I'm so glad I brought my kiddos to see how awesome it is to be unique."  
- Amber

In Kentucky, 35% of adults live with a disability—the second-highest rate in the nation—and face 3x higher risk of heart disease, stroke, and diabetes, along with greater isolation.

Adaptive recreation delivers real results:

- Improved heart health and physical strength
- Greater confidence and independence
- Reduced isolation and depression
- Renewed hope that fuels community engagement and employment

## Make an impact

In 2025, this showcase brought together:

- 14 sports and recreation groups from around the region.
- 20 business, nonprofit, and government vendors.
- Over 230 participants.

"Having so many wheelchair users in the same place is very helpful to feel like part of a community." - SCI survivor

In 2026, with your support, we will engage and inspire many more.

"It's amazing to feel a part of something and knowing I'm not alone!" - SCI survivor

Join us in creating a day of joy, empowerment, and connection that will leave a lasting impact.

Contact us at [liz@gatheringstrength.org](mailto:liz@gatheringstrength.org) to learn more about sponsorship opportunities and how your organization can get involved. Let's strengthen our community together!

**Second Annual  
Gathering Strength  
Adaptive Sports Showcase**  
Saturday, July 25, 2026  
10:00 – 4:00 ET



**Presenting Sponsor: \$15,000**

*BENEFITS INCLUDE:*

- Listing as presenting sponsor on registration; signature banner at event; all promotional materials; website; and all social media.
- Prominent mention in all press releases.
- Special recognition throughout the event.

**Platinum Sponsor: \$5,000**

*BENEFITS INCLUDE:*

- Prominent logo on signage, event program, t-shirts, and all promotional materials;
- Prominent logo on the Facebook event page.
- Prominent logo and link on website.
- Listing as sponsor in Gathering Strength newsletter
- Prominent mention in all press releases.
- Opportunity for joint interview with media sponsor.
- Tagged in event social media.
- Complementary table at event to display promotional materials.

**Gold Sponsor: \$2,500**

*BENEFITS INCLUDE:*

- Logo on t-shirts, event program, and promotional materials.
- Prominent logo and link on website.
- Mention in 1 social media post and email acknowledgment
- Listing as sponsor in Gathering Strength newsletter
- Complementary table at event to display promotional materials.

## Silver Sponsor: \$1,000

### *BENEFITS INCLUDE:*

- Logo on select event signage and event program
- Logo on website.
- Complementary table at event to display promotional materials.  
(Space is limited to 20 tables.)

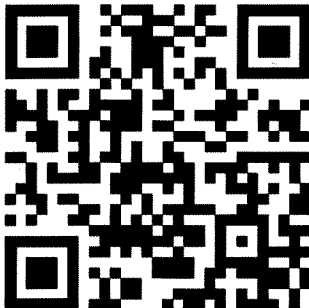
## Bronze Sponsor: \$500

### *BENEFITS INCLUDE:*

- Name listed on event program
- Logo on website.
- Complementary table at event to display promotional materials  
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### **Contact:**

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Gathering Strength  
<https://gatheringstrength.org>  
[liz@gatheringstrength.org](mailto:liz@gatheringstrength.org)  
502-797-5658



Focus the camera of your smartphone on  
The QR code and a yellow pop-up will appear.  
Tap the pop-up and you will be taken to the  
Gathering Strength website.

