## Community Resource Fair

Disability

Thursday, June 21, 2018 10:00 am-1:30 pm Edgewater Mall, 2600 Beach Blvd., Biloxi, MS

## Community Resource Fair for Health, Employment, and Inclusion

## You are invited to join this free community event to learn about free and low-cost resources available in South Mississippi. There will be lots of freebees.

Disability Connection is providing a Community Resource Fair with the support of a network of an estimated 80 non-profit organizations, government agencies, and businesses. The purpose is to provide the community the information they need to learn about and connect to the services that will provide them a better quality of life. It is especially designed to assist people with disabilities, veterans, seniors, and families, but there will be information for everyone.

Disability Connection (DC) hosts numerous large community health events designed to be inclusive and welcoming for all individuals. In 2013 over 600 individuals attended DC's "Celebration of Health" as part of the Arbor Day Disability Run which DC has hosted for 8 years. For over 5 years, DC provided the "Mayor's Disability Awareness Health Fair" and the "People with Disabilities/Disabled Veterans Job Fair" each serving over 700 individuals yearly. DC chose to substitute daily direct service programs for these events as we determined these would provide better employment and health outcomes than one day events provide. In addition, DC currently provides the most respected community resource networking tool, the "MS Gulf Coast Community Resource Guide" available on our website.

Last year, by the request of several nonprofit agencies, and with 10 years of experience in resources, employment, disability, and health, DC brought this experience together in support of assisting the community in connecting to a better quality of life. 80 agencies and 800 individuals participated in the first "*Community Resource Fair for Health, Employment, and Inclusion.*" The main purpose of the event is to network the community and engage individuals with disabilities through providing employment resources and tools that improve employment outcomes and eliminate their barriers to employment.



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