

Ripley County Indiana

ADA COMPLIANCE PUBLIC NOTICE & POLICY STATEMENT



NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION UNDER THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AND SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973

Pursuant to Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act as amended (ADA) of 1990 (42 U.S. C. §§12101 et seq.) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (Section 504) (29 U.S.C. §794) and implementing regulations found in 28 CFR 35 and 49 CFR 27, Ripley County Government does not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities in its policies, or in the admission of, access to, treatment of or employment in its programs, services or activities.

It is the policy of Ripley County, Indiana not to exclude qualified individuals with disabilities from participation in or benefiting from the services, programs or activities of the County. Further, it is the policy of Ripley County, Indiana not to discriminate against a qualified individual with a disability in its job application procedures; the hiring, advancement or discharge of employees; employee compensation; job training and other terms, conditions and privileges of employment. It is the intention of Ripley County, Indiana to comply with all applicable requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Upon request, Ripley County will make reasonable efforts to provide appropriate auxiliary aids and services to facilitate effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so that they have an equal opportunity to obtain the same result, to gain the same benefit or to reach the same level of achievement as provided to others. Ripley County is not required to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services or impose undue financial or administrative burden.

The general public is invited to contact the **ADA Coordinator (contact information below)** to request that a need be addressed or to seek relief from a barrier of access using the contact information below. Additionally, any individual wishing to address any ADA concerns directly to the Ripley County Board of Commissioners at a public meeting may request to be placed on the meeting agenda by contacting the Ripley County Auditors Office, at (812) 689-6311, or via email: auditor@ripleycounty.com.

Members of the public, including individuals with disabilities and groups representing individuals with disabilities, are encouraged to submit suggestions to county officials on how the county might better meet the needs of individuals with disabilities pursuant to its stated policy. Assistance in identifying barriers to accessibility is also encouraged.

RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS FOR DISABLED PERSONS

Any individual who is disabled and wishes to request reasonable accommodation OR who believes he or she has received treatment inconsistent with the policies set forth above or any other requirement of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) may take any of the following steps:

- 1. Contact the Ripley County ADA Coordinator at the address below.
- 2. Complete a request for accommodation form available on the Ripley County Website.
- 3. Follow the ADA Grievance Procedure outlined on the Ripley County Government website: <u>www.ripleycounty.com</u>

J. Patrick Rose, ADA Coordinator Office of the County Commissioners Ripley County Government 102 West First North Street (PO Box 235) Versailles, IN 47042

NOTE: Notice of a barrier may also be communicated in person, by e-mail, or by mail to the Office of the Ripley County Board of Commissioners, 102 West First North Street (PO Box 235), Versailles, Indiana 47042 / Email: adacoordinator@ripleycounty.com.