

MY EXPERIENCE AS A MEMBER OF THE INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COMMITTEE

I am the only self-advocate on the committee and I would love to have other self-advocates join me because our voice is important. I feel like my voice has been heard. I really enjoy having inside connections with other professionals who support people with disabilities. It has been a great learning experience for me.

I have been able to present to the Ramsey County Commissioners and share my real life story and how I started my current peer mentor opportunity. I have also presented to the Commissioners about my experience with public transportation in efforts to get improved transportation for people with disabilities. I really like knowing that my voice is being heard and making a difference for others.

I recommend that you get involved with this committee – it is worth your time to help make your community better.

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Katie & Commissioner McGuire