



## Affiliations

The PHCHPD preserves community connections as part of its work. Our current affiliates include Millersville and West Chester Universities, **witf** Public Media, The Arc of Pennsylvania, Speaking for Ourselves, Elwyn, Verland, Pennhurst Memorial and Preservation Alliance, The Pennsylvania State Archives, and The Commonwealth Institute.

## How You Can Get Involved



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The Pennsylvania  
History Coalition  
Honoring People with  
Disability

## Who We Are

The PHCHPD is composed of organizations and individuals with a common goal which is to enhance society's understanding about the historic and often heroic journey that Pennsylvanians with disability have faced.

Our objectives are:

- to honor those with disability by preserving and sharing historic evidence of life experiences and treatment
- to recognize those that have supported others
- to engage community stakeholders
- to set the record straight, inform the present, and contribute toward a better future

## Honoring People Through History

*People with intellectual and other forms of disability have not always been treated well in our country's history. Institutional care, poverty, and exploitation have effected the lives of those with disability for hundreds of years. While everyday living opportunities are expanding today, people still face barriers that originate from damaging practices and attitudes of the past. By exposing these and other influences, the Coalition seeks to recognize how the history of people with disability applies to the community relationships and opportunities that all Pennsylvanians share.*

## What We Do



The PHCHPD is currently conducting projects related to preservation, community outreach, and advocacy throughout the state of Pennsylvania. Project funding is made available from a grant by the Pennsylvania Developmental Disabilities Council.

