

## **RECOMMENDATIONS - DISABILITY COMMISSION HOUSING WORK GROUP**

- 1) Draft a letter to the Senate members of the Congressional delegation asking for support of the Frank Melville Supportive Housing Investment Act of 2008.
- 2) Change the per unit cap for the Livable Homes Tax Credit from \$500 to \$1,000.
- 3) Support a Joint Resolution encouraging the use of the Transportation and Housing Alliance Toolkit with the development of local comprehensive plans.
- 4) Support the plan for a portable Auxiliary Grant, as a step toward expanding the portability of Auxiliary Grants for all persons receiving Auxiliary Grants.
- 5) Require localities to post Comprehensive Plans on a website maintained by the local Planning District Commission, in order to promote collaboration, increase community awareness and citizen participation, and enhance regional planning efforts.
- 6) Ask the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to, in collaboration with the Department of Housing and Community Development, utilize federal HUD grant funds for development and dissemination of a booklet or field manual that is designed to educate builders and building officials about the requirements of ANSI A117.7 (2003), to address concerns about the statute of limitations on design and construction complaints under the Federal Fair Housing Law and Virginia Fair Housing Law.

### **OTHER SUGGESTIONS TO THE DISABILITY COMMISSION**

- 1) Increase Medicaid Buy In eligibility from 80% to 100% of the Federal Poverty Level.
- 2) Link development of accessible housing with Certificate of Public Need requirements.