

# Yes, We Are Interested!

Thank you for your interest in starting a People First self-advocacy group in your area or organization.



We want to start the collaboration by outlining what People First of West Virginia will provide to you and what we ask that your group be responsible for.

People First of West Virginia will:

1. Travel to your area to present a program on “Introduction to Self-Advocacy.”
2. Travel to your area to present a program on “How to Start a People First Chapter”.
3. Provide a toolkit on how to run a successful group.
4. Conduct Advisor training.
5. Provide technical assistance to the chapter that includes customized trainings, customizable print templates, and chapter support.

You will:

1. Arrange the time and place of meetings, notify and recruit participants.
2. Work with People First of West Virginia and communicate with local agencies.
3. Select officers and chapter leadership, including a chapter advisor.
4. Identify someone to represent your chapter on the People First of West Virginia Advisory Board and agree to have representation at the annual People First Conference each September.

If you are willing to work toward these and would like to start a People First group in your area, please sign below and mail to the address shown or fax us at 304-865-2072. You will serve as the beginning contact for the group.

Your name:

Your Email Address:

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Your address and telephone number:

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For further questions contact us at  
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