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Warren County Seeks Nominations for Thomas M. Kennedy Excellence in Accessibility Award

(White Township, NJ, June 9, 2017) – The Warren County Advisory Council on Disabilities is seeking nominations for the “Thomas M. Kennedy Excellence in Accessibility Award,” asking residents to recommend any local business, organization, professional office, or other place of public accommodation, or a service group, or a county resident, who has made real strides in facilitating and supporting equality and access for all people, including people with disabilities.

The priorities of Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) shall be used in determining eligibility. The ADA’s four basic priorities are:

- Access to the accommodation from the sidewalk(s) or parking area (e.g., ramps, accessible parking, and widened entrance);
- Access to goods or services (e.g. interior ramps, arrangement of racks);
- Access to restrooms; and removal of any other barriers;
- Accessibility, however, is not limited to physical access. Customer service and efforts to remove attitudinal barriers will also be considered. To be truly accessible, businesses and their employees should treat all customers with respect, and provide reasonable accommodations and other assistance as needed.

Nominations must be submitted by August 1, 2017.

Contact DAWN Center for Independent Living to obtain a nomination form, or call and they will assist you in getting your nomination submitted for consideration. They can be reached at 1-888-383-3296 or via email at kkryspin@dawncil.org.