

ADVOCACY

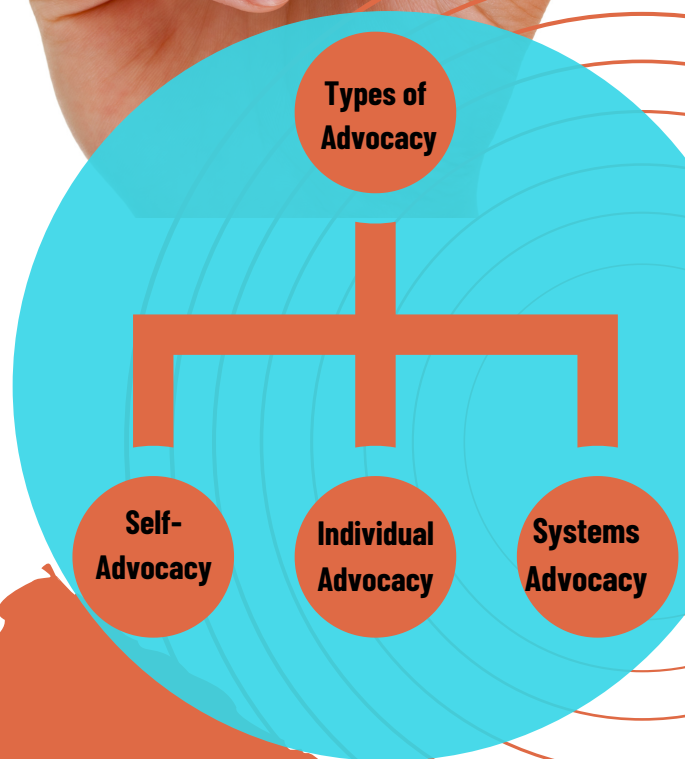
Advocacy is the act of taking a position on an issue and sharing that position with someone who can do something about it to bring systematic, lasting policy change.

Why Advocate?

1. Policy decisions affect everyone! Advocacy can lessen threats and/or strengthen policy decisions that create better outcomes for communities and individuals.
2. Because advocacy works! Effective advocacy can result in opportunities and better outcomes for the communities where you live and work

How to Advocate for Change:

- Research to make your case for change
- Raise awareness to move people to action
- Educate and engage policymakers and other stakeholders
- Build a strong and diverse group of partners to make your voice heard
- Use personal stories that show the effect of policy on the community



Policy Makers

In Bowling Green

Bowling Green City Commission

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- Todd Alcott – Mayor - 270-792-1488 todd.alcott@bgky.org
- Carlos Bailey – Commissioner - 270-594-1233
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- Dana Beasley-Brown – Commissioner – 270-697-3632
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- Melinda Hill – Commissioner - 270-792-7212 melinda.hill@bgky.org
- Sue Parrigin – Commissioner - 270-792-1428 sue.parrigin@bgky.org

In Kentucky

Kentucky Legislature -

<https://legislature.ky.gov/Legislators/Pages/default.aspx>

Senator – Mike Wilson - Warren County

Representatives – Warren County - 502-564-8100

- Shawn McPherson - Shawn.McPherson@lrc.ky.gov
- Michael Meredith - Michael.Meredith@lrc.ky.gov
- Patti Minter - Patti.Minter@lrc.ky.gov
- Jason Petrie - Jason.Petrie@lrc.ky.gov
- Steve Riley - Steve.Riley@lrc.ky.gov
- Steve Sheldon - Steve.Sheldon@lrc.ky.gov

In Washington D.C.

US Congress Members – Kentucky

<https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members/KY#senators>

Senators:

- Mitch McConnell – 270-781-1673 – Bowling Green Office
- Rand Paul – 270-782-8303 – Bowling Green Office

Representatives:

- Brett Guthrie – 2nd District - 270-842-9896