

Day of Action in a Week of Protest: The Arc Hits the Streets



Clients, staff and leadership from The Arc of San Francisco made their voices heard on the Day of Action held Thursday, March 4th to protest cuts to education budgets that are eroding quality and accessibility for millions of students across the state.

"I'm here because I want to be part of the solution," said client Connie Chu, who marched in a sea of thousands around the San Francisco Civic Center and in front of City Hall.

"Our clients, our students, our schools and our state deserve better," said The Arc's CEO Tim Hornbecker. "We're rallying behind the teachers—especially those at City College who are doing everything they can to keep classes accessible to people with disabilities."

Earlier in the week, Arc advocates testified in front of MUNI transportation officials in an effort to avoid more transit fare increases. While MUNI Fast Passes will remain discounted for seniors, students and persons with disabilities, riders are anticipating more cuts to service.

"I don't like getting on the bus when it's crowded—people bump into me and I'm afraid I'm going to get hurt," said self-advocate Brianna Beker.

"I'm in a wheelchair and the bus goes right by me. What's going to happen when there's even fewer buses?" asked Arc client Sharon Jones.

Day of Action, continued



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