

# Self advocacy start-up toolkit tip sheet

## More power, more control over our lives!



## What is an Issue



An issue is a topic or problem that affects many or all members of your group. Issues are important to self advocacy groups.

Working on an issue gives the members hope that change can happen and that you can make it happen.

Self advocacy groups work best when the members work together on issues.

## Possible Issues

- Increasing membership
- Raising money
- Planning a conference or social event
- Closing institutions
- Transportation



Think about the issues affecting you and others in the community. Realize that what is hard for you might be hard for others, too. Your story is important.