

Louisiana Hands & Voices

Mission:

Hands & Voices is dedicated to supporting families with children who are deaf or hard of hearing without a bias around communication modes or methodology.

We are a parent-driven, non-profit organization providing families with the resources, networks, and information they need to improve communication access and educational outcomes for their children.

Our outreach activities, parent/professionals collaboration, and advocacy efforts are focused on enabling deaf and hard of hearing children to reach their highest potential.



**GUIDE BY
YOUR SIDE™**

Guide By Your Side™ is a program from Hands & Voices that provides emotional support and unbiased information from trained Parent Guides to families of newly identified children who are deaf or hard of hearing.



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*“What works
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is what makes the
choice right!”*

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who are deaf and hard of hearing
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WE NEED YOUR HANDS & VOICES

Hands & Voices is a nationwide non-profit organization dedicated to supporting families and their children who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as the professionals who serve them. We are a parent driven, parent/professional collaborative group that is unbiased towards communication modes and methods. Our diverse membership includes those who are deaf or hard of hearing and their families who communicate orally, with signs, cue and/or combined methods. We exist to help our children reach their highest potential.

Hands & Voices continues to be driven by the need to improve the educational outcomes and quality of life for our children who are deaf or hard of hearing.

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**Hands & Voices
 Member Benefits**

- Louisiana Hands & Voices quarterly *Connections Newsletter*
- Hands & Voices quarterly national newspaper *The Communicator*.
- Reduced fees for family and education events
- Deaf/HOH Adult Mentor
- Access to a Spanish-speaking Parent
- Regional Parent Support
- Notification to attend Hands & Voices sponsored programs across Louisiana
- Notification of educational workshops
- Statewide Family-to-Family contacts

***“What Works for Your Child
 is What Makes the Choice Right.”***



Annual family membership dues are \$25.00. H&V Board will determine scholarship availability. Membership renewal yearly in month of May.

- _____ I want to become a member
- _____ I want to become a member and be considered for scholarship
- _____ I want to make a contribution to Louisiana Hands & Voices

Donation amount: _____
 Check # _____

Anyone who cannot afford the annual membership dues but wishes to receive our mailings may check "Scholarship" on our registration form below to be considered for a waiver of dues.

- Parent of deaf/hard of hearing child
- Deaf or hard of hearing adult
- Professional
- Organization / agency
- Additional Donation



 Name

 Address

 Children's Ages

 Phone(s)

Method of Payment

- Check
- *Scholarship—Parent

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