

About United Cerebral Palsy:

United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) was founded more than 60 years ago in 1949 by parents of children with cerebral palsy. Today UCP is a leading service provider and advocate for children and adults with an array of disabilities. UCP strives to ensure the inclusion of individuals with disabilities in every facet of society so they can live a *life without limits*.

The UCP mission is to advance the independence, productivity and full citizenship of people with disabilities through an affiliate network.

The backbone of UCP is the services and supports that are provided by its approximately 100 affiliates worldwide, which reach 176,000 children and adults, daily. Affiliates' services include housing, therapy, assistive technology training, early intervention programs, individual and family support, social and recreation programs, community living, state and local referrals, employment assistance and advocacy. Each affiliate offers a range of services tailored to its community's needs.

The UCP national office in Washington, DC supports the affiliate network through fundraising, marketing and communications, best practices and programmatic support. The national office also advocates on behalf of individuals with disabilities; advances federal disability public policy ([Disability Policy Collaboration](#)); provides information and referral; and develops forward-thinking initiatives and programs like [Life Without Limits](#) and [My Child Without Limits](#). For more information, please visit www.ucp.org.

Fast Facts:

- UCP is committed to change and progress for children and adults with disabilities, whether it is a disability evidenced from birth, the result of an accident, or as a consequence of aging.
- More than 65% of people served by UCP have disabilities other than cerebral palsy.
- UCP is one of the largest health nonprofits in America.

Leadership:

- Stephen Bennett, President & Chief Executive Officer, United Cerebral Palsy
- Bruce Merlin Fried, Chair, United Cerebral Palsy Board of Directors

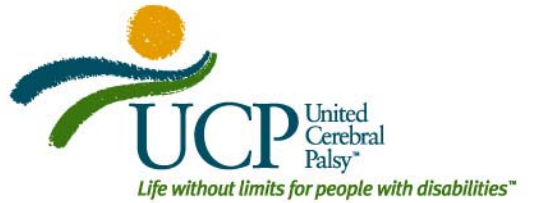
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Timeline:

- 1949 ----- * UCP was founded.
- 2000 ----- * UCP launched a new website at www.ucp.org.
- 2002 ----- * UCP and TNT presented the original film, *Door to Door*, featuring William H. Macy, who portrayed Bill Porter, a salesman with cerebral palsy.
 - * UCP ranked 18th in *Non-Profit Times*' list of Top 100 nonprofit organizations.
 - * UCP announced William H. Macy as UCP Ambassador.
- 2004 ----- * *Life Without Limits* launched in April, and UCP started a far-reaching dialogue about how people with disabilities can become fully integrated in society and live life without limits.
- 2005/6 ----- * Dozens of "Focus Groups in a Box" were sent to organizations across the country, allowing people to envision how *Life Without Limits* might impact their work.
 - * UCP affiliates in places like Massachusetts; Texas; and Alberta, Canada began hosting Rides Without Limits, Walks Without Limits and Laughs Without Limits.
- 2006 ----- * Emmy-nominated actress Cheryl Hines became an UCP Board Trustee.
- 2009 ----- * The interactive, future forecasting, role playing immersive experience, Ruby's Bequest (www.rubysbequest.org), looked to community instead of government to find strategies to create the future of caregiving; caring.
 - * April marked the launch of *My Child Without Limits*.