



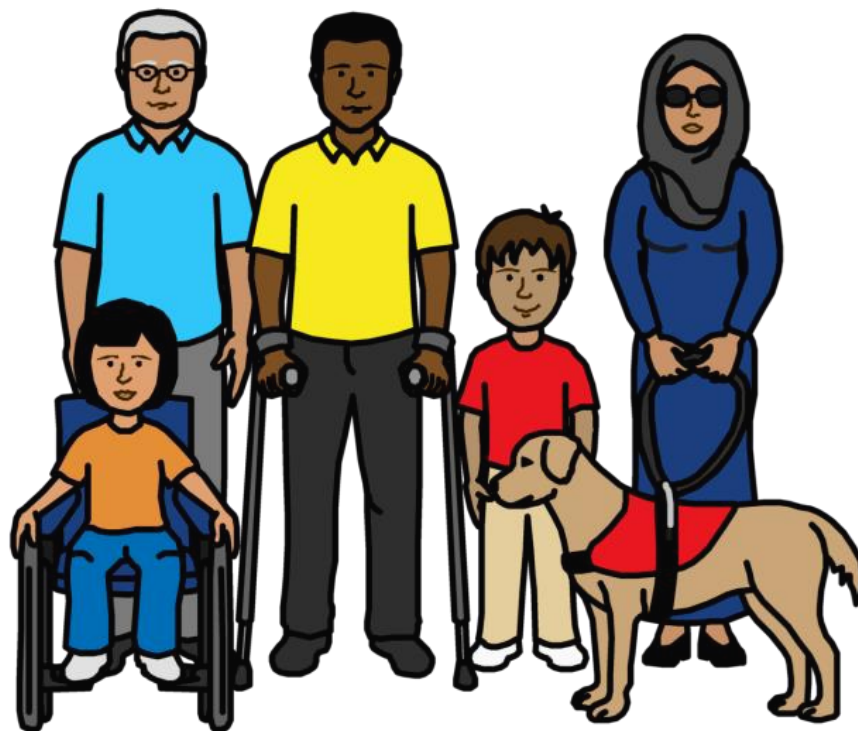
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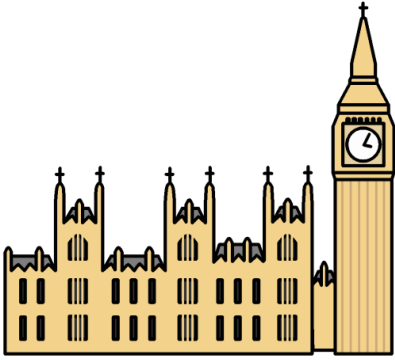
How our plan to include people with disabilities is going so far

The plan is about our work from 2018 to 2023



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About this document



We are part of the Government.



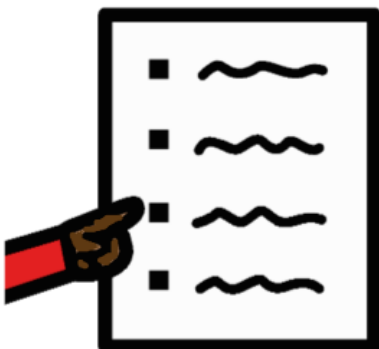
We work with other countries to help solve big problems in the world.



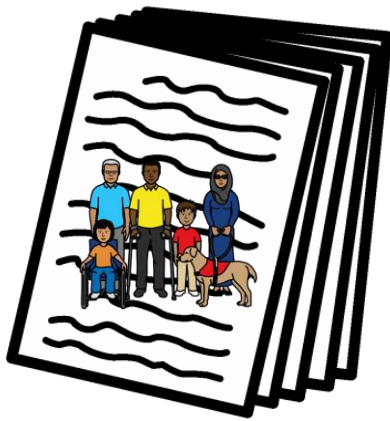
In 2018 we had a big meeting with many leaders and people from around the world.



The meeting was about making life better for people with disabilities.



Countries made some promises about this at the meeting.



After the meeting we made a plan.

The plan was about what we will do to include people with disabilities in all our work.



The plan is called our Disability Inclusion Strategy.

It is on this website:

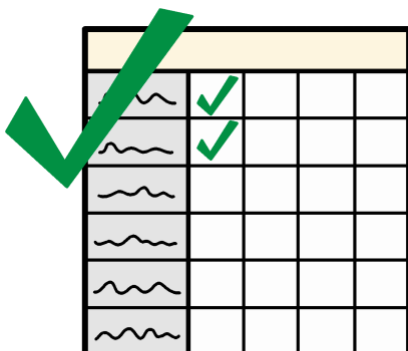
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This document is about how the plan is going so far.

We had to slow some work down or change it because of Covid-19.

Covid-19 is a new illness that many people in the world are getting.



But different countries have already done a lot of work on the plan.

How our plan about people with disabilities is going so far

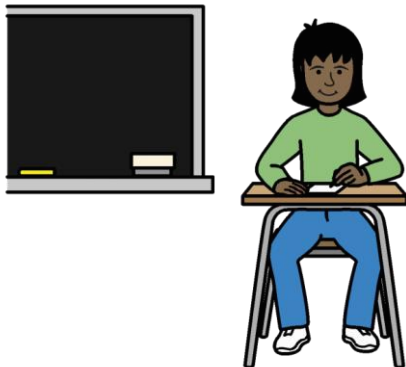


We have worked with people with disabilities and many other groups on the plan.

Making sure children with disabilities have a good education in the same classrooms as children without disabilities



Our projects are helping children with disabilities to go to school and learn.



For example, one project is helping many girls with disabilities go to school and get a good education.

This is important because girls with disabilities are often left out.

Making sure people with disabilities and their families have enough money and food to live on



Many governments give people some money to live on if they need it.

We are helping governments to include people with disabilities in this.

For example, there are 4 projects in a country called Myanmar.

The projects are helping people with disabilities to:

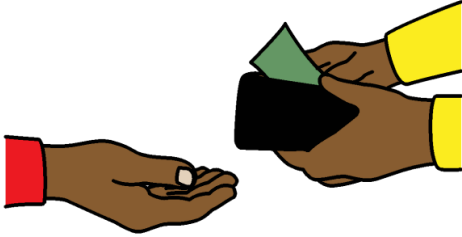


- Get money to live on and buy food if they need it

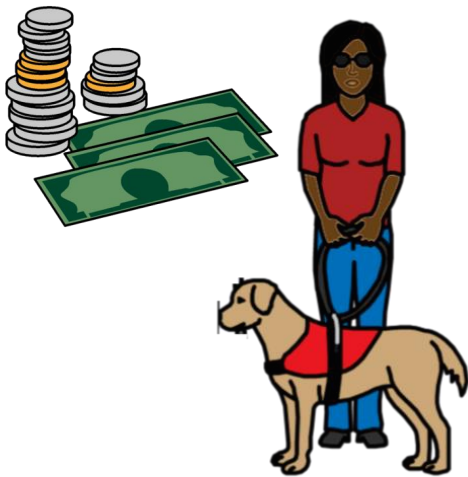


- Know their rights and the law
- Get training to help them find work
- Take part more in the community

Helping more people with disabilities to work and earn money



Our projects are helping more people with disabilities to get paid work.



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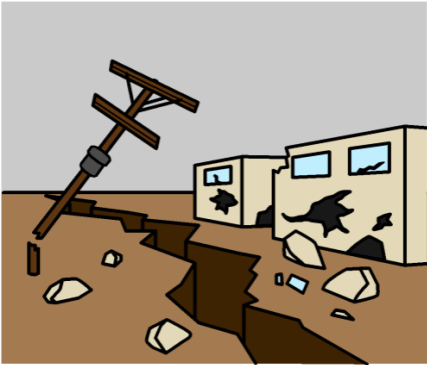
The bank is helping many young people with disabilities to get money to start their own companies.



And a project in Uganda is helping people with disabilities to work with farmers and companies.

This is to help farmers know what crops to grow for companies.

Giving people with disabilities the right support when war and other big problems happen in the world



Like floods, earthquakes and not enough food to eat.



We need to know how many people with disabilities are living in a place before we can help them.



There are some questions that people can ask to find out if somebody has a disability.

They are called the Washington Group Questions.



We made some new training for people about these questions.

The training is on the internet.

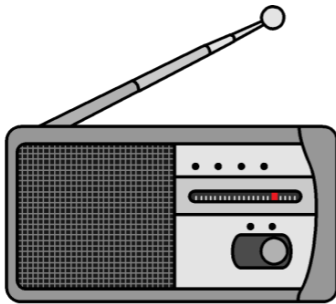
It is working very well so far.

Changing wrong ideas about people with disabilities

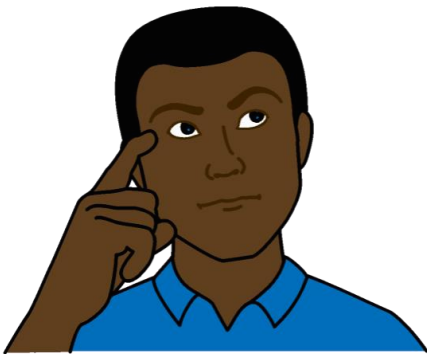


We are testing new ways to help people understand more about:

- People with disabilities
- How to include people with disabilities in the community



For example, there is a new radio show in Nigeria.



The radio show aims to change people's ideas about people with disabilities.



We will look at how this works.

We will see if the idea can be used again.

Helping people with disabilities to get the equipment and things they need



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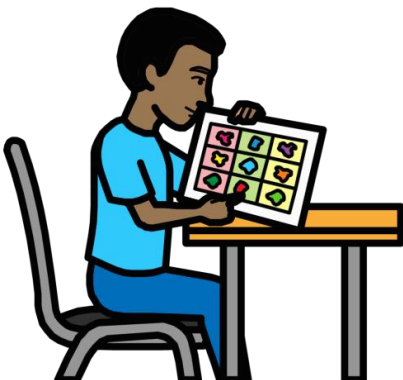
- Wheelchairs
- Hearing aids
- Walking sticks
- Computers
- Other things to help people with disabilities move around or communicate



We have 2 main projects about equipment for people with disabilities.

The projects are working well so far.

We are giving extra money for one of the projects.



This will help more people with disabilities in Africa and Asia get the equipment they need.



This includes when there is war or other problems in the country.



The project is also helping with new equipment ideas.

For example, a new wheelchair that has been made in Kenya.



Stopping violence against women and girls with disabilities

We are helping with projects to stop violence against women and girls with disabilities in different countries.

For example, in Haiti and Uganda.



Work has also been done to:

- Find out why violence happens to women and girls with disabilities and how to stop it
- Support women and girls with disabilities to speak up and know their rights



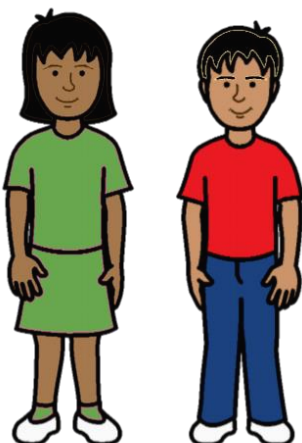
Support with mental health

Mental health is about the way people feel and behave.



We want the world to work together to give people better mental health support.

We have written a document about this.



We have projects to help children get mental health support if they need it because of war or other problems.

Changing the way we work

Some of the main things we have done:



We have many staff who are helping us to include people with disabilities in our work.

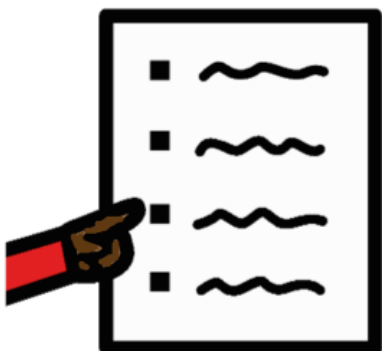
There is one person like this in each office.

They are helping to really change our work.



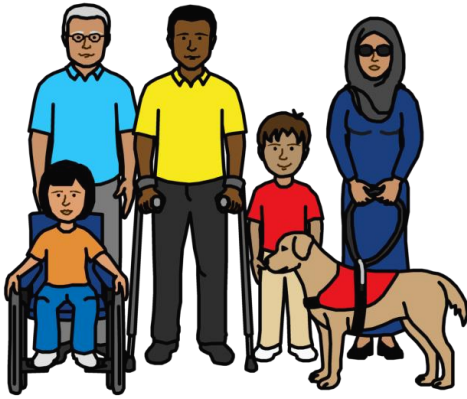
We are helping people with disabilities in other countries to speak up and stand up for their rights.

For example, we helped people with disabilities meet with the government in Pakistan and Afghanistan.



We are making sure countries do what they promised at our big meeting about disability in 2018.

Countries are doing well on this so far.



We are checking how many projects that we pay for are supporting people with disabilities.

There have been more projects like this in the last 3 years.



We are getting better information from our projects about people with disabilities and what they need.



We have a new way to give our staff information and advice about supporting people with disabilities.

We must all work now to make life better for people with disabilities.



We will keep learning from people with disabilities and other people.

We will change what we do if we need to.