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GLOBAL Happy News - FEBRUARY 2024

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Culmination of 14 Years of GLOBAL's Advocacy in DC - The DeOndra Dixon INCLUDE Act of 2024

We are so proud to share that after 14 years of advocating for increased National Institutes of Health (NIH) funding, and over a year working on this legislation, the [DeOndra Dixon INCLUDE Act of 2024](#) (HR 7406) has been introduced! We will be reaching out to Congress and our community shortly to ensure this gets passed, so please stay tuned. We are so grateful that this legislation honors the memory of GLOBAL's beloved Ambassador DeOndra Dixon. Huge thanks to

GLOBAL's Congressional Champions - Reps Cathy McMorris Rodgers, Rosa DeLauro, Tom Cole, Diana DeGette, Pete Stauber and Eleanor Holmes Norton. Check out GLOBAL President & CEO testifying before congress this month about this important bill! [Watch the 5 Min Video](#)

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Let Your Life Be an Inspiration!

Celebrate World Down Syndrome Day by creating your own personalized giving page while supporting GLOBAL's "21x21" Campaign. With the help of Safeway Foundation we have a matching donation to reach our goal of raising \$21,000! 100% of the proceeds go to medical care for patients with Down syndrome. [Set Up Your Page in 3 Easy Steps](#)

Jordin Sparks Supports GLOBAL in DC!

Join Congressional and NIH Champions at our *AcceptAbility Gala* in Washington DC on May 9th for an intimate performance with Grammy-nominated, multi-platinum, singer/songwriter and actress, Jordin Sparks! A beautiful and inspirational event from start to finish! [Get Your Tickets & Tables Today](#)





GLOBAL LEADERS: An Exclusive Interview with Erin Suelmann

Under Erin Suelmann's leadership, the Down Syndrome Association of Greater St. Louis has become one of the largest in the U.S. Learn about how Erin's brother inspired her life and why she and her team are investing in adult guidelines. [Read More](#)

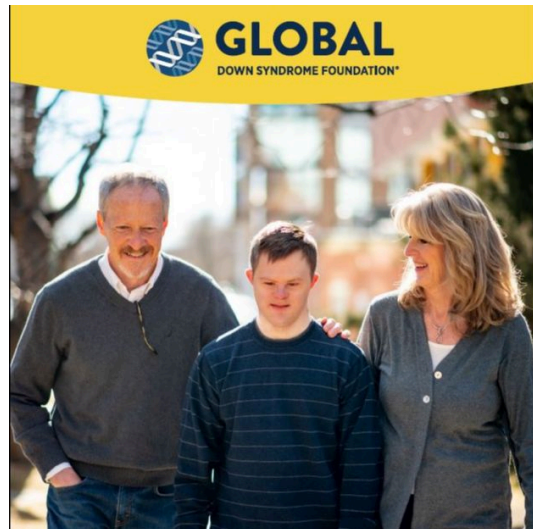
GLOBAL AcceptAbility Advocacy Day on the Hill

Our first GLOBAL fly-in to meet Representatives & Senators was a huge success! We had over thirty meetings where we educated Members on the importance of increasing NIH funding for Down syndrome research and the DeOndra Dixon INCLUDE Act of 2024. [Check Out the Photos](#)



Send Us Your World Down Syndrome Day Photos!

Send GLOBAL your photos for a chance to be featured in our *Down Syndrome World* magazine and social media! [Submit Your Photo](#)



Download Our Free Family-Friendly Adult Guideline

Important topics including Alzheimer's, behavior, heart disease, thyroid and obesity are covered. [Download the Guideline](#)

Please Donate!

Your donation will fund life-changing research and medical care for people with Down syndrome. Together we will elongate lives and improve health outcomes!

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The Global Down Syndrome Foundation (GLOBAL) is the largest non-profit in the U.S. working to save lives and dramatically improve health outcomes for people with Down syndrome. GLOBAL has donated more than \$32 million to establish the first Down syndrome research institute supporting over 400 scientists and over 2,400 patients with Down syndrome from 33 states and 10 countries. Working closely with Congress and the National Institutes of Health, GLOBAL is the lead advocacy organization in the U.S. for Down syndrome research and medical care. GLOBAL has a membership of over 110 Down syndrome organizations worldwide and is part of a network of Affiliates – the Crnic Institute for Down Syndrome, the Sie Center for Down Syndrome, and the University of Colorado Alzheimer's and Cognition Center – all on the Anschutz Medical Campus. GLOBAL's widely circulated medical publications include [GLOBAL Medical Care Guidelines for Adults with Down Syndrome](#), [Prenatal & Newborn Down Syndrome Information](#), and the award-winning [Down Syndrome World™](#) magazine. GLOBAL also organizes the annual [AcceptAbility Gala](#) in Washington DC, and the annual [Be Beautiful Be Yourself Fashion Show](#), the largest Down syndrome fundraiser in the world.

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