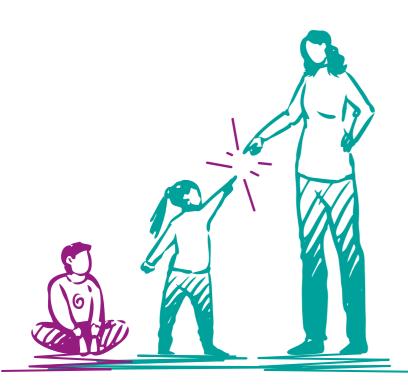
International Day of People with Disabilities

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December 3rd is the International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

The San Cristóbal de La Laguna City Council, together with the municipality's disability organisations, publicly express their desire to support the full rights of people with disabilities. This manifesto has been drawn up in the spirit of the United Nations' 2006 Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Our principles:

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- People with disabilities are diverse, and that diversity should be celebrated. Society must adapt to everyone so that we can all enjoy a social life equally.
- Public institutions must support the inclusion of people with disabilities in their actions and by applying specific regulations.
- Universal accessibility should be promoted for all people to have access to services, products and the environments in which they live.
- People with disabilities and their families are essential. We appreciate how they move forward despite the many social and physical barriers they face.
- We recognise the value of the work disability organisations and volunteers do and its importance in helping people with disabilities achieve equal opportunities.

Our pledges:

- We will ensure compliance with the United Nations' 2006
 Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.
- We will support specific programmes that promote equal opportunities for communities of people with disabilities, bringing attention to them within the City Council and forging alliances with different NGOs.
- We will focus especially on children with disabilities, promoting their social inclusion and moving towards full human rights.
- We will take into account the various forms of discrimination suffered by women and girls with disabilities, considering the gender perspective in everything we do.
- Our municipality will work towards **universal accessibility**, removing physical, visual, auditory, cognitive, psychosocial and mental barriers.

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- We will work to ensure that communication in the municipality is inclusive, using sign language in public events, alternative communication systems and other measures like hearing loops for deaf people.
- We will promote effective communication with people with intellectual or developmental disabilities, using approaches such as easy read, inclusive signs or other ways to promote inclusion.
- We will push for the removal of physical barriers in the municipality, so that people with **physical disabilities** can move freely and benefit from services under equal conditions.
- We will work to raise social awareness so that the municipality welcomes people with mental health conditions.
- We will work to **break down stereotypes** that are so harmful to people with disabilities, promoting peaceful coexistence and the value of diversity.

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