## National Disability Institute to host Second Annual National Convening of Entrepreneurs and Small Business Owners with Disabilities

We invite you to support National Disability Institute's (NDI) mission of empowering entrepreneurs and small business owners with disabilities by becoming a sponsor of the national virtual **Disability Owned Convening, Oct. 31 to Nov. 2, 2023**. This event brings together a vibrant community of individuals with disabilities, including entrepreneurial support organizations, to exchange information, resources and innovative ideas.

The virtual convening features a dynamic program consisting of keynote speeches, plenaries and informational sessions. These sessions will cover a wide range of topics including pathways to financial resources, technology tools, business organization and management and other exciting subjects. Inspiring stories and experiences of small business owners with disabilities will also be showcased, serving as a source of education and inspiration for others. <u>Access content from</u> <u>the 2022 Disability Owned Convening.</u>

In line with our commitment to accessibility, the event will be fully inclusive. We will provide downloadable materials, American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters and captioning for online presentations. Furthermore, NDI is dedicated to ensuring representation and inclusivity by intentionally highlighting small businesses owned by individuals at intersecting identities.

By sponsoring the Disability Owned Convening, you will not only support the entrepreneurial aspirations of individuals with disabilities, but you will also gain access to a motivated community of entrepreneurs. *This presents an opportunity to forge valuable connections, expand your network and promote your organization's commitment to inclusivity and diversity.*  We offer various sponsorship levels: Bronze – Up to \$24,999 Silver – \$25,000 to \$49,999 Gold –\$50,000 to \$74,999 Platinum – \$75,000 +

To learn more about sponsorship opportunities, speaking engagements and other ways to get involved, please contact Thomas Foley, NDI Executive Director, at <u>tfoley@ndi-inc.org</u> or Nikki Powis, Director, Small Business Programs, at **npowis@ndi-inc.org**.

Thank you for considering our request. Together, we can create a future where entrepreneurs and small business owners with disabilities have equal access to financial and economic opportunities that match their ambitions, talents and potential.