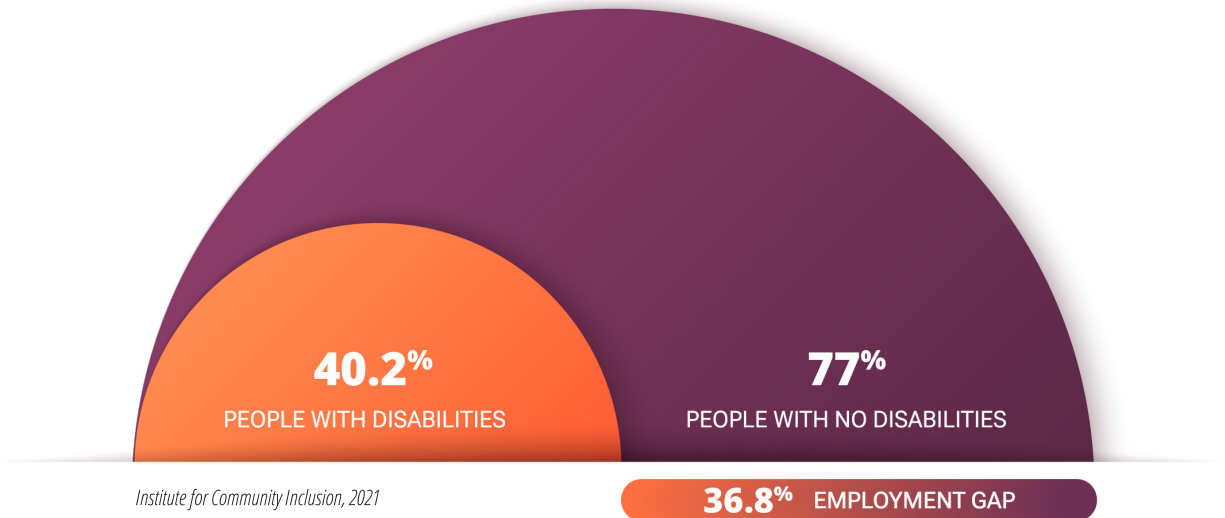


CLOSING THE TENNESSEE EMPLOYMENT GAP BETWEEN PEOPLE WITH AND WITHOUT DISABILITIES **BY 5% BY 2028**

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT GAP



WHAT HAVE WE DONE?

In 2012, the newly formed TennesseeWorks Partnership brought together people with disabilities, families, community agencies, state government, employers, and community leaders to build programs and develop policies promoting employment for people with disabilities. By Executive Order, the Governor's Employment First Task Force was established in 2013. Working together, members of TennesseeWorks and the Employment First Task Force have moved Tennessee forward in the following areas:

1. Formed statewide partnerships between **more than 40 organizations**.
2. Developed five task force subgroups focused on **service alignment, technology and innovation, employers, community awareness**, and **student transition**.
3. **Met our initial goal to close the employment gap by 5%** between 2018 and 2022.

WHAT ARE WE DOING TO CLOSE THE EMPLOYMENT GAP BY ANOTHER 5%?

To close the employment gap by an additional 5%, members of TennesseeWorks and the Employment First Task Force continue to work collaboratively to ensure services and supports are based on the needs of the disability community and that supports and services are comprehensive and consider the whole person.

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