

For people with intellectual and developmental disabilities



IDENTITY GUIDELINES

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TOPICS



What is a brand?

A brand is your logo, your website and your tagline. A brand is your color scheme and your brand usage booklet. It's your building, your employees, your management team and your culture. It's your products or services. It's your pricing model and it's the way you do business. A brand is all of those things.

A brand is all of those things and then some. A brand is what makes your company your company. When it's done well, a brand changes the way consumers think about and interact with your business.

Important factors in a brand:

- Fonts
- Colors
- Photography
- Website
- Style



The Arc's brand

For people with intellectual and developmental disabilities

The Arc is driven by opportunity. The opportunity for hope, for growth, for change; the opportunity for everyone to be a valued, contributing member of their community.

We empower people with disabilities, their parents and family members, and dedicated professionals by connecting them across our national network of community-based chapters. Our collective voice strengthens our entire movement and provides the opportunity for all of us to make a difference.

The Arc fosters respect and access for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families, giving them the tools to achieve a full and satisfying life.





The Arc name

The Arc is not an acronym

Do not create acronyms from The Arc (i.e. Advocacy Resource Center)

Do not use ARC in all caps in any circumstances

In writing, use The Arc, not The ARC and not ARC

- Think of The Arc as a title or a phrase;
 it must be used as a whole
- Always refer to us as "The Arc";do not say simply "Arc" or "Arc Chapters"
- The correct plural use, when referring to more than one chapter is "...chapters of The Arc"; do not say Arcs, or ARCs, or Arc chapters







The fonts and placement of the *Catalyst* and *Logotype* are NOT TO BE MOVED, SEPARATED OR ALTERED.



The logo is provided as ONE picture, not separate graphic elements - and as such, it should be treated as one static picture, not separate elements to be adjusted or independently altered.

The Arc brand should have a registered mark, please check your chapter lock up to see if you have a TM at the base of the c in The Arc logotype. If so please email **branding@thearc.org** so that we can get yot updated artwork.

CATALYST ICON

LOGOTYPE

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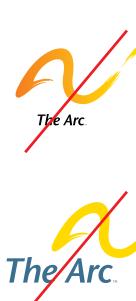


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The logo is not up to interpratation! Please use exactly as it is given.























Examples of how to use logos properly

Dark backgrounds









Light backgrounds









Textured backgrounds









Co-branding or updating your logo

Branding can get tricky sometimes!

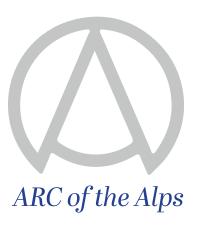
Some common issues that arise when using or adapting the brand:

- Current brand is well known in the community
- Program or event has separate branding
- Partnering with another organization
- Spatial issues
- Chapter recently merged with another chapter or organization

Current brand is well known in the community

The transition into the new brand doesn't have to be dramatic. While in the intermediate stages of rebranding, you can co-brand your old logo and your new chapter lockup to introduce people to your changing appearance, and start familiarizing them with The Arc logo. Start by alerting your community that you are transitioning. Please put you chapter lock up before the old logo. If you need any further help with this, or assistance in creating an affordable plan of action then we are here to help. Just send an email to branding@thearc.org.





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Program or event has separate branding

A lot of chapters have specific programs, initiatives, and events that have different branding than the chapters' lock up. Similar to the slide before, you can simply co-brand it with your chapter lockup. If you need any further help with this just send an email to **branding@thearc.org**.





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Partnering with another organization

Partnership is nothing new. If your chapter is creating the artwork, please put The Arc logo separate or first in the order of organization. Similar to the slide before, you can simply cobrand it with your chapter lockup. If possible, please brand the program/event logo in The Arc's colors. If you need any further help with this or assistance in creating an affordable plan of action then we are here to help. Just send an email to branding@thearc.org.







Spatial Issues

Sometimes the shape of the logo makes it hard to fit into cramped spaces. However, there is no horitontal version of the chapter lockup. Please do not create one. Consider putting an even square of space around the logo. Or try using **The Arc** logo without your chapter name and displaying the name of your chapter name else where on your piece. The chapter name is important, but it is also important to display the brand you are representing. If you need any further help with this or assistance in creating an affordable plan of action, we are here to help. Just send an email to **branding@thearc.org**.



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Merging with another chapter

In some cases chapters have merged to make a new chapter under a new name. When you do this, it requires you to get a new chapter lockup with your agreed-upon name. If the new name does not include the name of either of the previous chapters, you can temporarily add a line beneath the new chapter lock up. Just make sure it is a **T space** under the new logo. If you need any further help with this we are here to help. Just send an email to **branding@thearc.org**.



Merged chapters The Arc Benton County and Barren County

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Color Palette



Fonts

ITC STONE SANS

ITC Stone Sans Medium ITC Stone Sans Medium Italic **ITC Stone Sans Semi Bold** ITC Stone Sans Semi Bold Italic

ABRIL

Abril Titling Abril Titling Italic **Abril Titling SemiBold** Abril Titling SemiBold Italic

TREBUCHET

Trebuchet Trebuchet Italic **Trebuchet Bold** Trebuchet Bold Italic

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The Elements

Although we have said bye bye to the beloved brushstroke, we have added new elements to help refresh and update our brand. Feel free to be creative with these this while staying with in the guidelines. They are especially helpful with social media posts and banners if you don't have photography readily available. These can be located and downloaded on our website. The elements are available in all of our colors. EPS files: high resolution, good for printing large designs like shirts or signage JPG and PNG: great for web use PNG: transparent background. If you need any more tips or tricks in using these elements please reach out to branding@thearc.org.

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Web Examples

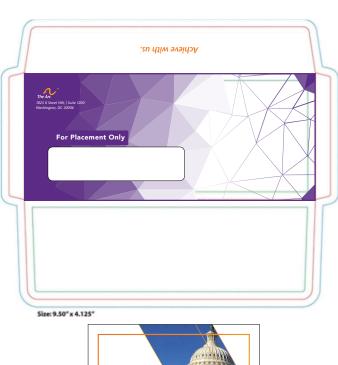






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Print Examples









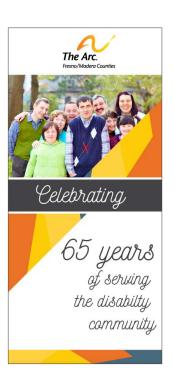
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Examples from our chapters









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Go to the national website **thearc.org**. Log into the website (if you are locked out or need help accessing your account, email Solomon Lissanu at lissanu@thearc. org). It will redirect you back to the homepage once successfully logged in. At the top of the page next to Logout, it will be a button that says **For Chapters**. Click **Marketing**, on the left-hand menu. Everything you need should be in there.

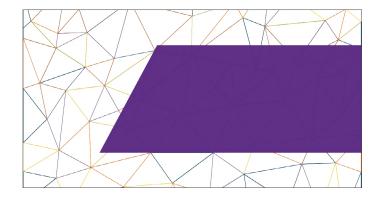




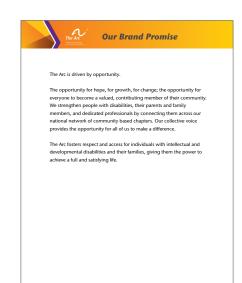
If you need more personalized assistance or graphics designed for you please email branding@thearc.org or dupont@thearc.org.

Templates











What are you waiting for?

If you have not rebranded yet, let's get started. It is simple! For more information please email branding@thearc.org.