



## News Release

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**Kim Keprios to Leave CEO Position at The Arc Minnesota**  
*Keprios served as CEO of The Arc since 1986*

**St. Paul, MN** (June 13, 2018) - Kim Keprios, with the support of The Arc Minnesota Board of Directors, has announced her resignation as CEO of The Arc Minnesota, effective June 15.

"After 36 rewarding, humbling, joyful and challenging years with The Arc Greater Twin Cities and The Arc Minnesota, and with the support of the Board of Directors, I have decided it is time to step aside," said Kim Keprios, CEO, The Arc Minnesota. "With the merger of seven independent chapters to become The Arc Minnesota, a dedicated and knowledgeable team of staff and a newly elected Board of Directors to advance the mission of The Arc, this is a good time for all, including me, to start a new chapter. I am proud of what we have accomplished together and am eager to see what the next generation of leaders will bring to the vital work of The Arc."

Kim Keprios joined The Arc Hennepin County in 1982 and became Executive Director in 1986. She became Chief Executive Officer of The Arc Greater Twin Cities in 2006 as metro chapters merged and was named CEO of The Arc Minnesota following the merger of statewide chapters on January 1, 2018. Keprios was a recognized leader at the local, state and national level, both within The Arc and in her community engagement with partner agencies, public and private sectors. She initiated innovative programs and services that have been vital to people with disabilities and their families.

The Arc Minnesota Board is grateful for Kim Keprios' commitment to the mission of The Arc. She has advanced many initiatives to improve the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families, and has been a vocal advocate for community inclusion.

"We are grateful for the many contributions that Kim has made throughout her career with The Arc," said Shawn Monaghan, Co-Chair, The Arc Minnesota. "Her dedication to protecting basic human rights and ensuring community inclusion of all people with disabilities will have a lasting impact."



The Arc Minnesota Board and staff will continue to lead merger activities and deliver critical programs to ensure the impact of the new statewide organization to support more people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

“Kim’s tireless efforts the last three years were instrumental in forming a statewide organization of The Arc,” said Neil Helgeson, Board Co-Chair, The Arc Minnesota. “As a result, more people with disabilities and their families across the state will have access to critical information and assistance.”

The Arc Minnesota Board of Directors will initiate an external search for a new CEO. The Arc Minnesota Board has asked Rich Stoebe to serve as Interim CEO. Stoebe is currently The Arc’s Chief Marketing Officer.

### **About The Arc Minnesota**

Individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families trust The Arc Minnesota for information and assistance, personal advocacy, and public policy leadership to support a good life. Disabilities may include autism, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, fetal alcohol spectrum disorder, fragile X, Williams syndrome, and other disabilities. For more information, please visit [arcminnesota.org](http://arcminnesota.org).

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