

## TravelingWiki at Pittsburgh's Assoc. for Computing Machinery's UIST24 on Special Needs Resources in Travel & Employment

PITTSBURGH, PA, UNITED STATES, October 14, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- <u>TravelingWiki Foundation</u> announces engagement as part of a workshop and multiple conference research sessions at the Association for Computing Machinery's (ACM) User Interface Software & Technology (<u>UIST</u>) 2024 (in Pittsburgh, PA, at Carnegie Mellon University & beyond) to discuss collaborations across academic communities on augmentation of Special Needs resources. TravelingWiki first attended ACM's UIST in 2017.

TravelingWiki Foundation is the largest non-profit online resource globally to document resources for the non-visible disability community at US Airports. As part of that work, calls are referred to TravelingWiki Foundation from a variety of sources to serve the traveling public with information about free resources that are now offered in 11 languages. TravelingWiki Foundation is also a leader in job match facilitation for the Autism community. Recent engagement in lowa has included an interview

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broadcast across Iowa with the local ABC affiliate (<a href="http://alturl.com/5r4jd">http://alturl.com/5r4jd</a>).

The engagement of TravelingWiki Foundation with resources at UIST 2024 stems back multiple years via UIST engagement at numerous conferences. TravelingWiki Foundation's non-profit work in Pennsylvania expands upon prior work in Pennsylvania, including the recent addition of TravelingWiki Foundation's free resources in 11 languages to the Philadelphia Autism Project, in cooperation with Drexel University; and presenting at PNC Park with the Pittsburgh Pirates on June 22, 2024 and August 4, 2024 to promote Autism awareness and Special Needs awareness, respectively, via themed baseball games (coordinated via many organizations throughout Pennsylvania) that also raised money for local area charities. Recently, TravelingWiki Foundation announced three expanded lines offering free phone-based resources: (1) 641-7-AUTISM; (2)

224-NO-BULLY; and (3) 781-2-TRAVEL. In addition, services are offered via @TravelingWiki on YouTube.com. TravelingWiki Foundation has heard from stakeholders that engage our organization about the importance of work to augment access to travel resources and the need to recognize the realities of the communities served. TravelingWiki Foundation takes the offering of free services to Special Needs community members very seriously. The expanded phone lines are emblematic of the rapid growth of free services offered by TravelingWiki Foundation as well as the engagement from across the world as to our services offered in 11 languages.

The CEO of TravelingWiki Foundation, <u>Jonathan Sutter</u>, notes, "TravelingWiki is deeply committed to engaging academic stakeholders across the 50 US states as part of our non-profit work. We stand ready to assist with those community members in Pennsylvania, and throughout the US, in the areas we serve with free resources in 11 languages."

More information about the Pennsylvania engagement, and expansion of free resources nationwide, is available by contacting TravelingWiki Foundation at (641) 7-AUTISM or TravelingWiki.com.

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