

## Let's Get Rid of the "R" Word ~ Resource Links

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**Offense Taken:** A documentary about how one community responded to the r word. You can see a clip from the video and get information on how to order the DVD. <http://rtc.umn.edu/rtcmedia/offensetaken/>



There is a bill in Congress, **Rosa's Law** to end the term 'Mentally R#tarded'. This link will take you to an ABC news story about the bill. After you read about S. 2781: Rosa's Law, consider contacting your US Senator and ask him or her to sponsor the bill. <http://abcnews.go.com/Health/rosas-law-asks-senate-kill-slur-mentally-retarded/story?id=9109319>



**Advocates in Action**, Rhode Island's Statewide Self-Advocacy organization, calls their campaign **War On Words**. They are conducting meetings and rallies about getting rid of negative language and labels. Click on this link to look at a powerpoint of their meeting agenda and find other links to videos, stickers and t-shirts to use in your campaign. <http://www.aina-ri.org/>



You can find out how to help **spread the word to end the word** at this website: <http://www.r-word.org/>

Special Olympics has created t-shirts, public service announcements, fact

sheets, talking points, a pledge sheet for you and media packets for your advocacy group to use to take action.



The NJ Developmental Disabilities Council's R-word Campaign is an ongoing effort to stop the use of the word retarded and the slur "r#tard." We are working with the New Jersey Self-Advocacy Project and other groups to officially use intellectual disability and to stop the informal use of the words that have become far too common as a "joking" put down. Go to: <http://www.njddc.org/> Scroll down and you will find links to organizing resources and videos.



SABE has created a useful brochure on People First language to download a copy to use for your campaign.

Go to:

[http://www.sabeusa.org/user\\_storage/File/sabeusa/People%2520First%2520Language%2520Manual.pdf](http://www.sabeusa.org/user_storage/File/sabeusa/People%2520First%2520Language%2520Manual.pdf)