## What to Do if You Get Arrested

## What can a person be arrested for?

Sometimes police officers arrest people who break a law. Some examples of breaking the law are:

- Taking something without paying for it
- Taking, selling, or having illegal drugs
- Being drunk or having alcohol in public
- Urinating or defecating outside in a public area
- Going into a person's house or car without the person's permission
- Committing a crime or helping someone commit a crime
- Harassing or bullying someone
- Touching a person without asking
- Pushing, shoving, or hitting a person
- Threatening to hurt a person
- Having a weapon (a gun, knife, or any object that can hurt someone)
- Hurting an animal

## What should I do if I am arrested?

It can be helpful to tell the police officer or anyone who asks you questions that you have a disability and what that disability is.

Tell the officer that you would like to call someone to tell them where you are.

Ask for a lawyer to be with you while you answer questions. Let the lawyer know that you have a disability.

## What should I do if I am questioned?

Give your name, address, and phone number. Also give the name and contact information for a adult you trust who can help you.

Try to remain as calm as possible.

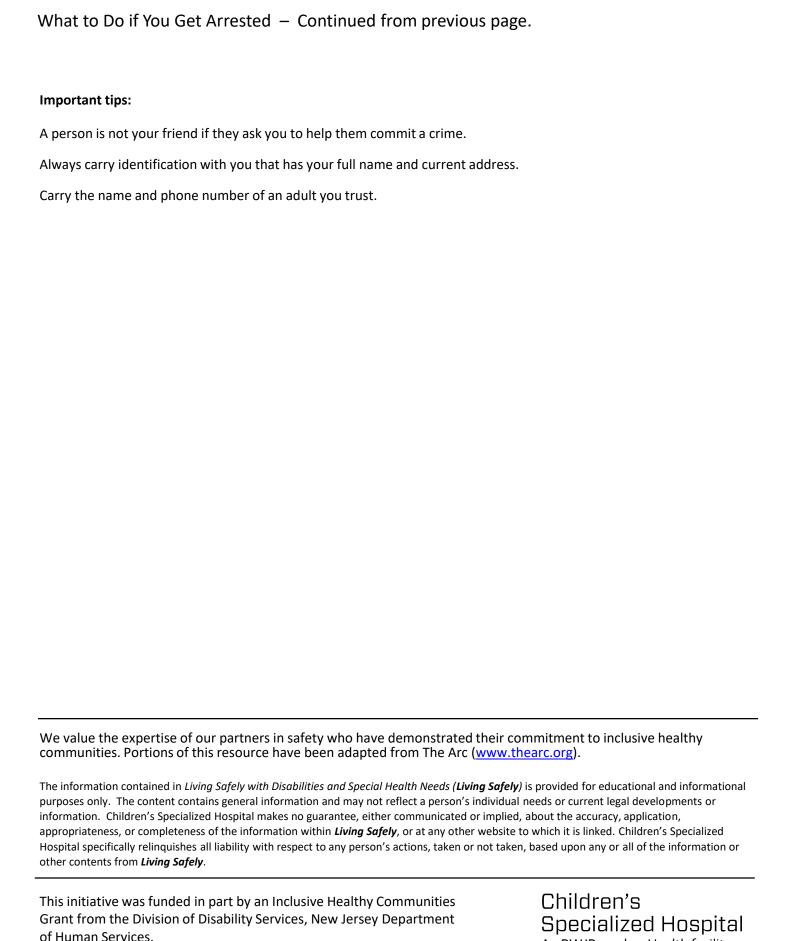
Be respectful when interacting with a police officer or other safety official.

Tell the truth.

Do not give information or sign any papers until your lawyer reads it first.

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