



# SHELBI'S STORY OF SELF-ADVOCACY



Join the **Regional Centers for Workforce Transformation** for this free workshop! Shelbi Davenport. was blessed with being told “NO” early on in her education. Doctors, counselors, and well-meaning teachers set the stage for Shelbi to overcome any obstacle in her path. Due to that simple word, Shelbi was determined to become who she dreamed of being, and fight to fulfill those dreams. After many struggles and victories, Shelbi graduated from Texas A&M University. Her degree is University Studies with an emphasis in Ag Leadership. Shelbi also minored in Communication and Youth Development.

Being awarded the first Peer-to-Peer training certification in Texas on February 5th of 2017 was one of Shelbi's greatest achievements. Her passion is to change lives by teaching others to advocate for themselves and to dream big! Shelbi also desires to advocate for others, and be a voice when they cannot be. Envisioning a world where many more can feel safe, secure, and important keeps Shelbi striving toward her new goals.

Since graduating, Shelbi's leadership skills have been used in many areas and opportunities are arising right before her eyes. Her first full time employment was one of those areas. Shelbi was hired as a Program Assistant for the HOPS (Horticulture Options in Plant Sciences) Program. HOPS is a one-year certification program that allows adults with disabilities the opportunity to be trained, educated and employed in the horticulture industry. Another major opportunity was when she debuted my very own “Shelbi Show” in early May 2022. This show is a dream of hers, to be able to provide encouragement, support and hope to any and every one that faces difficulties. As the show continues, Shelbi will share her story, as well others. Shelbi will also be interviewing and showcasing people from all over the nation that are involved in supporting and advocating for those with lived experiences.



**Presenter:**  
**Shelbi Davenport**



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