

How Centers are Funded?

Independent Living Centers in Washington



Alliance for People with disAbilities

Located in Seattle & Bellevue
www.disabilitypride.org

Central Washington Disability

Resources Located in Ellensburg
www.mycwdr.org

Center for Independence

Located in Lakewood & Marysville
www.centerforindependence.org

Disability Action Center - NW, Inc.

Located in Moscow & Lewiston, ID
www.dacnw.org

Spokane Center for Independent Living

Located in Spokane
www.scilwa.org

www.WASILC.org

360-725-3695

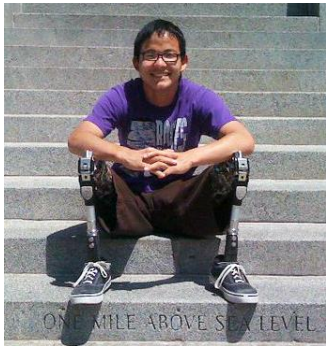
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Independent Living (IL) Centers are non-residential, community-based, non-profit organizations designed and operated by individuals with disabilities.

Independent Living Centers promotes community-based living by providing services for people with all disabilities in an effort to encourage and support independent living and increase opportunities for individuals to participate more fully in their communities.



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IL Centers coordinate and partner with local and statewide programs to maximize equal access to all services and encourage independence living for persons with disabilities to live in the community of their choice by providing:

- **Information and Referral**
- **Self and System Advocacy**
- **Peer Supports**
- **Independent Living and Skills Training**
- **Youth and Adult Transition Services**

Along with supporting independence, these community-based services move and keep individuals out of costly nursing facilities and institutions. The result is tremendous cost savings. These cost savings occur while enabling people with disabilities to become more independent, financially self-sufficient, and less reliant on long-term government supports.

Cost Benefits to Washington State:

Nursing home facilities and institutions are expensive for personal and state budgets. Supporting and enabling individuals to live on their own, become financially self-sufficient and less reliant on government benefits, ensures tremendous cost-saving to state budgets.



Independent Living:

IL philosophy - People with all disabilities have the right to self and system advocacy, self-determination and civil rights.

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