Washington Statewide Independent Living Council



We champion equity and accessibility for people with disabilities across Washington state

WASILC is a council made up of volunteers who are appointed by the governor and supported by a small staff team. We work on behalf of people with disabilities across the state and tribal lands. We also promote the philosophy that people with disabilities should have the choice to live as independently as they choose.



1 in 5 people in Washington has a disability

What we do:

- **Advocacy:** We advocate for systems change on behalf of and together with people with disabilities in Washington state.
- **Collaboration:** We partner with state agencies, nonprofits and community members to improve the lives of people with disabilities.
- **Planning:** We are charged with drafting a three-year state plan to address the needs of people with disabilities in our state and monitoring its implementation.
- **Education:** We provide resources on disability, accessibility and inclusion and share our expertise as people with lived experience having disabilities.



The Centers for Independent Living Network:

WASILC is a partner alongside the statewide network of nonprofits that are providing services free for people with disabilities in communities across Washington state. These non-governmental, non-residential centers are places where people can find the resources they need in a welcoming and empowering setting.

Find a Center for Independent Living near you: wasilc.org/centers-for-independent-living



Coalition on Inclusive Emergency Planning (CIEP):

CIEP is a statewide group led by WASILC that advises on how to help people with disabilities prepare for and respond to emergencies. CIEP provides resources and expertise to individuals, government agencies, emergency management, nonprofit organizations and businesses.

Get involved:

- Become a council member
- Join a committee
- Attend a quarterly meeting
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