

Statewide Independent Living Council

What is the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC)?

Mission of the SILC

To lead the North Dakota Centers for Independent Living (CILs) by developing resources and advocating for full community participation of North Dakotans with disabilities.

What is the Independent Living Philosophy?

CILs believe that every person, whether they have a disability or not, has the right to make decisions about their own life. They should be able to take risks, design their destinies, be allowed to succeed or fail, and have the right to choose how they want to live.

The SILC Council

The SILC has 16 positions. Voting members and non-voting members are appointed by the Governor's Office.

12 Voting Members

2 Non-Voting Members

2 CIL Directors

Purpose of the SILC



Spread the Word

Provide input on Independent Living (IL) needs of people with disabilities in ND.



Collaboration

Work with agencies and community partners to address the needs of specific disability populations and issues.



Development

Guide the development of the IL Network in ND, through active engagement of people with disabilities.



Building Inclusive Communities

Foster inclusivity, diversity, and equity through the use of needs assessments, training, advocacy, research, etc.

Independent Living Services

Information and Referral

Provide information about disability-related issues and community resources.

Independent Living Skills Training

Assist with skills that help people live more independently.

Peer Mentoring

Provide one-on-one or group discussions between people in similar situations.

Advocacy

Support advocacy services to ensure people have equal access to education, jobs, housing, healthcare, and public facilities.

Transition

Help youth and others build successful lives beyond school and institutionalized care.

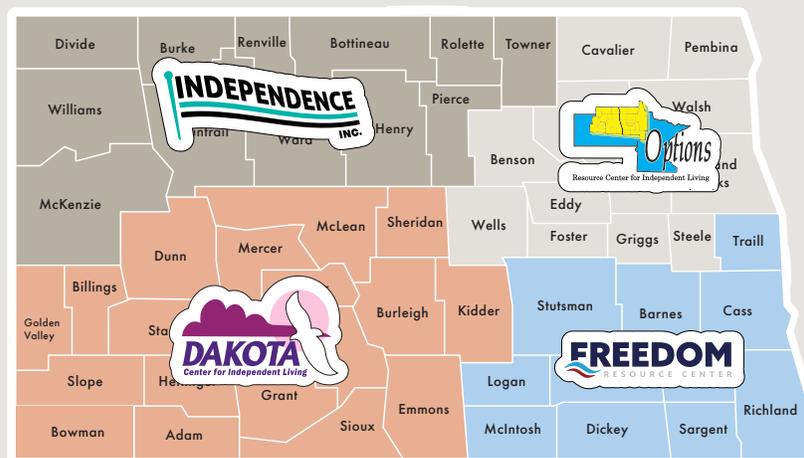


For more information on Centers for Independent Living
hhs.nd.gov/vr/councils-partners/silc



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The Centers for Independent Living



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