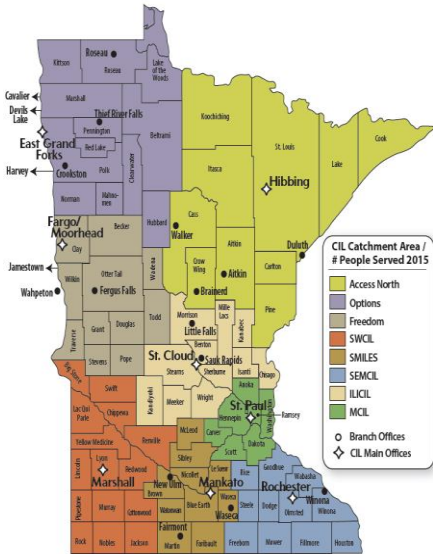


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In this year of the legislative session MACIL is seeking \$9,000,000 in additional state support to be added to the base funding for Centers for Independent Living. MACIL’s goal is to achieve a minimum funding level of

\$1.2 million for each CIL and a total of \$18.5 million to fully serve all Minnesotans with disabilities in every county of the State. MACIL’s \$9 million funding request is the first step in achieving our goals.

For the past thirty years Centers for Independent Living (CIL’s) have been direly underfunded. Yet each year CIL’s save the State of Minnesota Millions in State Medicaid dollars.

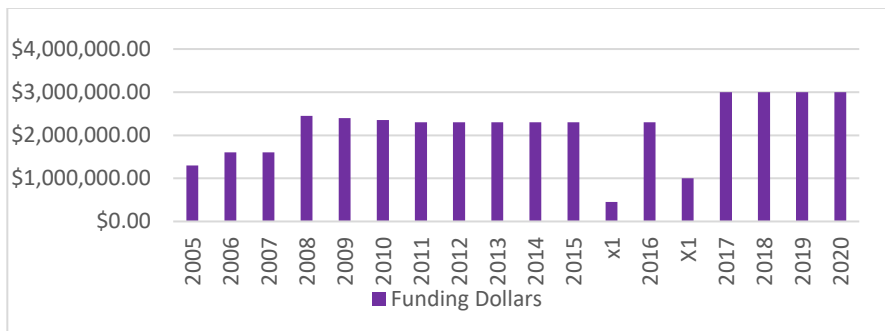
The Return on Investment is greater than any other model. We need to stop pouring money into group homes, foster care, and institutions, and invest in the model that truly works and saves taxpayer dollars by the Millions. Centers for Independent Living.

We serve every type of disability and all ages from birth to death. Our services are consumer controlled and allow people with disabilities to live with dignity and choice.

It is time to invest in what is effective, and what saves taxpayer dollars. Centers for Independent Living.

Together the eight CIL’s in MN are trying to serve the entire State with only 3 million dollars or less for years. Help us achieve an effective statewide network.

History of State Funding for MN Center for Independent Living



The eight Minnesota Centers for Independent Living (CILs) provide the types of services and supports that make it possible for Minnesotans with a disability to live an independent life. CIL services are consumer controlled, community based, cross-disability and nonresidential and are designed and operated within local communities. We serve people of all ages and all types of disabilities. CILs are committed to self-determination, choice, autonomy, and full participation of all Minnesotans with disabilities.

Minnesota's Olmstead Plan has moved the "person centered planning" approach to the forefront as the method used to ensure that people with disabilities have control and choice over their services and life. Consumer (person) directed service delivery is the foundation upon which Centers for Independent Living were built and have operated under since the early 1970s.

Relocation from nursing homes or prevention of placement in institutions for people with disabilities has been a priority for the eight Minnesota Centers for Independent Living for more than a decade.



Annual Cost of Nursing Home Stay in Minnesota (Funded by Medical Assistance)

The average daily Medical Assistance rate for a nursing home stay in Minnesota averages \$107,854 per year, while a semi-primate room costs \$98,094 per year. (Based on 365 days of care).

Source: Genworth Cost of Care Survey 2015 www.genworth.com

The annual cost of maintaining the 32 individuals in a nursing home is \$3,451,328.

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Number of People with Disabilities Relocated from Nursing Homes by CILs 10/01/17 – 09/30/18

CILs assisted **32** people with disabilities living in a nursing home to relocate to an independent living situation by providing all the necessary services and supports to create and maintain independent living in the community.

2017

Number of People with Disabilities Prevented from Nursing Home Placement (Diversion)

10/01/17 – 09/30/18

CILs prevented the placement of **2,017** people with disabilities in a nursing home or other skilled facility and provided instrumental services and supports to help the individual with a disability preserve maximum possible independence in their home

State Medicaid Savings

The 8 MN CILs received a combined total of \$3,011,000 in State funding in FFY 2020 and provided goal based independent living services to nearly **7,000** people with disabilities throughout Minnesota. The cost of institutionalized care for the 32 consumers represent a savings in state Medicaid dollars of \$3,451,328.

If we were to also factor in a small percentage -- 25% of the 2,017 individuals diverted from nursing home placement through CIL services that would be 505 consumers which represents a savings in state Medicaid dollars of \$54,466,270.



It is clear that Minnesota Centers for Independent Living provide a highly cost-effective, valuable, and important set of services and supports to assist Minnesotans with disabilities create and maintain an independent life.

*Note: Tying a specific cost amount to the 32 individuals relocated from nursing homes and to the 2,017 individuals who avoided being placed in an institution is difficult to calculate accurately because shared financial data for this calculation is not available for the 8 CILs.