



STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCILS

U.S. and Territories

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Disclaimer: The information contained in this directory is based on responses to a NASILC survey conducted in 2025. While contact information has been updated as it has been provided, all other details reflect the responses submitted during that survey period.

The National Association of Statewide Independent Living Councils (NASILC) was established to provide education and promote peer-to-peer learning about the roles and responsibilities of Statewide Independent Living Councils (SILCs). NASILC also provides resources to SILCs and fosters collaboration with national partners to advance the Independent Living philosophy and values, while encouraging networking opportunities across the Independent Living network.

This directory was developed using responses from a survey distributed through email, social media, and the NASILC website. The survey information was collected in **2025**. While contact information has been updated as new details have been provided, the remaining information reflects responses gathered at that time. The directory includes each state and territory, along with their website and contact information for individuals who completed the survey. In addition, SILC strengths are listed for states that chose to share this information.

The goal of this directory is to encourage peer-to-peer support among SILCs. If a council has a question or is facing challenges related to a particular topic—such as emergency preparedness, council diversity, SPIL evaluation, or other areas—it can identify and connect with another state that has identified that topic as a strength. Through this collaborative approach, states are encouraged to reach out to one another to share ideas, strategies, and promising practices.

For states that did not complete the survey, their website has still been included for reference and convenience. NASILC hopes this directory will continue to grow and evolve as more SILCs share their information and areas of expertise.

NASILC will make every effort to update the directory as new contact information is provided by each Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC). However, information may change over time. For the most accurate and current details, users are encouraged to contact individual SILCs directly.

If you want to submit, change, or correct your state's information, please contact gloria.garton@nc-silc.org.

We grow stronger together

Alabama

Name of SILC: State of Alabama Independent Living Council

Contact Person: Roshaine Byfield, Executive Director

Contact Information:

- **Phone:** 334-240-2520
- **Email:** roshaine@independentrandr.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 2-5
- **Website:** [SILC Alabama – Statewide Independent Living Council of Alabama](#)

Legal Status: 501(c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Alabama Department of Senior Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 21

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: None

Funding Sources: Part B- more than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$0 - \$50,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Council, Governor's Office on Disability, Alabama Department of Public Health

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Emergency Preparedness, SPIL Evaluation and General Operations

Willing to be Contacted: Maybe

Alaska

Name of SILC: Statewide Independent Living Council of Alaska

Contact Information: Michael Christian

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- **Email:** michael@alaskasilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council \(SILC\) Helping Alaskans With Disabilities | Anchorage, Alaska](#)

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

American Samoa

Name of SILC: Information Not Available

Contact Information:

- **Phone:**
- **Email:**
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:**

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

- Part B

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

Arizona

Name of SILC: Arizona Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Mellie Adu, Chief Executive of Strategy and Innovation

- **Phone:** 602-262-2900
- **Email:** mellie@azsilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 10-15
- **Website:** [AZSILC – Promoting equity, inclusion, and choice for people who have disabilities.](#)

Legal Status: 501(c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Arizona Rehabilitation Services Administration

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 15

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 4 full-time and 4 part-time

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$200,000 - \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: AZ Council of the Blind, AZ DD Council, AZ Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, AZ Governor's Council on Spinal and Head Injuries

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Partnership building/collaborations, Emergency and Disaster Preparedness, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility, IL Network and DSE relations, nonprofit governance, SPIL Development, SPIL Evaluation, Strategic and Innovative Initiatives, Youth engagement

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Arkansas

Name of SILC: Arkansas State Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Dr. FranSha Anderson, SILC Executive Director

- **Phone:** 501-580-9417
- **Email:** arsilcdirector@arsilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 10-15
- **Website:** [ARSILC - Arkansas State Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: 501(c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Arkansas Rehabilitation Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 21

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 full-time and 1 part-time

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

Over \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes - majority
- Other partners: Arkansas DD Council, Disability Rights Arkansas

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: SPIL Evaluation, Financial Management, Community Engagement, and Involvement

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

California

Name of SILC: California State Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Carrie England, SILC Executive Director

- **Phone:** 916-957-6655
- **Email:** Carrie@calsilc.ca.gov
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 2-5
- **Website:** [California State Independent Living Council | To create policy and systems change for independent living.](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501(c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Department of Rehabilitation Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 18

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 3 full-time and 3 part-time

Funding Sources: Part B more than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$50,001- \$100,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: CA DD Council, CA Committee on Employment for People with Disabilities, State Rehab Council, Assistive Technology Advisory Committee, CA Commission on Disability Access, CA Commission on Aging

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Diversity, SPIL Development and Implementation, all things PPR, outreach, engaging council, roles and responsibilities in networks

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

CNMI (Northern Mariana Islands)

Name of SILC: CNMI Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Susan Satur, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 670-287-4304
- **Email:** ssatur@clcnmi.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** <https://www.ovrgov.net/ovr/statewide-independent-living-council>

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): MP

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1

Funding Sources: Part B less than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$0-\$50,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: unknown

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: We work with all agencies

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: We all work well together

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Colorado

Name of SILC: Colorado Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Evan Shockley, SILC Chairperson

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- **Email:** shockleyevan1993@gmail.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 2-5
- **Website:** [Colorado SILC Home Page - ColoradoSilc](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Division of Vocational Rehabilitation – Office of Independent Living

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 15

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: None

Funding Sources: Part B not more than 30%, Innovation and Expansion funds, State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-\$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: unsure

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: It's complicated
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: State Rehabilitation Council

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: SPIL Development, IL Network Development/3-legged stool sustainability

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Connecticut

Name of SILC: Connecticut Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Molly Cole, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 860-849-0686
- **Email:** Molly@ctsilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 2-5
- **Website:** [CTSILC](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): CT Department of Aging and Disability Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 21

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 2 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B-30%, Innovation and Expansion Funds, State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$200,001-\$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes - sometimes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: CT DD Council, UCEDD. Disability Rights CT, CT Arc, NAMI CT

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: ABLE accounts, Supported Decision making

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Delaware

Name of SILC: Delaware Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Kathryn Burritt, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 813-838-0606
- **Email:** Keliseburritt@gmail.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [Delaware Statewide Independent Living Council – \(SILC\)](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501(c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: unsure

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B-30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-\$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: Division for the Visually Impaired, Hearing Loss Association, DD Council, Division for the Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Delaware Healthcare Association, Brain Injury Association, Community Legal Aid, University of Delaware Center for Disability Studies

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Reinvigoration methods, transitioning youth to adult discover program, advocacy efforts, healthcare and emergency preparedness efforts

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

District of Columbia

Name of SILC: District of Columbia Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Darnise Bush

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- **Email:** darnise.bush@yahoo.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council | dds](#)

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

Florida

Name of SILC: Florida Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Elizabeth “Beth” Meyer, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 904-327-6409
- **Email:** beth@floridasilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [Florida Independent Living Council – Empowering Florida people with disabilities](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 11

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 2 Full-time and 1 Part-time

Funding Sources: innovation and Expansion funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100.000-200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: APD, FFAST, ABLE Trust, Division of Blind Services, Florida Coordinating Council of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, ABLE United, Florida Rehabilitation Council

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Emergency Preparedness, Youth Leadership and data collection

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Georgia

Name of SILC: Statewide Independent Living Council of Georgia

Contact Information and Title: Rebecca-Rammage Tuttle, Executive Director

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- **Email:** rrtuttle@silcga.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council of Georgia](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 13

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 3 Full-time and 1 part-time

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion Funds (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

Over \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: unsure

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: Georgia Advocacy Office, Georgia DD Council, GA State Rehab Council

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted: Maybe

Guam

Name of SILC: Guam Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Evita Lujan-Espinosa, SILC Chair

- **Phone:**
- **Email:** onlyvi@yahoo.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:**

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

Hawaii

Name of SILC: Statewide Independent Living Council of Hawaii

Contact Information and Title: Amanda Cardwell, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 808-585-7452
- **Email:** info@HawaiiSILC.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council of Hawaii](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 15

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: None

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001 - \$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: No
- Other partners: State Rehabilitation Council, Hawaii Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, State DD Council, State Council on Mental Health, Hawaii Association of People Supporting Employment First

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be contacted: Yes

Idaho

Name of SILC: Idaho State Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Mel Leviton, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 208-334-3800
- **Email:** mel.leviton@silc.idaho.gov
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [Welcome to State Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: NOT a 501(c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 24

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 4 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B-30%, Innovation and Expansion (I/E), State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

Over \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: DD Council, Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Intermountain Fair Housing Council, Parent Training Center, NAMI, Northwest ADA Technical Assistance Center, ID Office of Emergency Management, Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster, ID Housing and Finance Association, State and Local Public Health, United Way, ID Caregiver Alliance, Commission on Aging, ID Anti-trafficking Coalition

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Quarterly SPIL Evaluation surveys, Statewide assessment, Emergency preparedness, ABLE, financial literacy education and outreach, collaboration and shared leadership

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Illinois

Name of SILC: Statewide Independent Living Council of Illinois

Contact Information and Title: Shelly Richardson, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 217-744-7777
- **Email:** shelly@silcofillinois.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council of Illinois | Since 1993](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Illinois Department of Human Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 23 (18 voting and 5 ex-officios)

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B less than 30%, Social Security Administration Reimbursement Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$200,001 - \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: State Rehab Council, AFN Advisory Committee

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Diverse composition, good collaboration

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Indiana

Name of SILC: Indiana Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Mike Foddrill, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 317-514-6145
- **Email:** mfoddrill@indianasilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [Indiana Statewide Independent Living Council - INSILC](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA)

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 23

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time, 1 Part-time

Funding Sources: Part B 30% and Innovation and Expansion (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$200,001-300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: Indiana Governor's Council, Arc of Indiana, Indiana Institute on Disability and Community, ADA Indiana

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Finances, strategic planning, relationship building

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Iowa

Name of SILC: Iowa Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Krys Purscell, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 515-282-0275
- **Email:** ed@iowasilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [The Iowa Statewide Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Iowa Health and Human Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: unsure

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B more than 30% and Innovation and Expansion (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Improving
- Other partners: Iowa DD Council, Olmstead Task Force, Heartland Disability Rights Work Group, Bridging Aging and Disability Network, Iowa Brain Injury Advisory Committee, NAMI Iowa, and Allies in Advocacy

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Kansas

Name of SILC: Statewide Independent Living Council of Kansas

Contact Information and Title: Malinda Barnett

- **Phone:** 785-234-6990
- **Email:** Director@SILCK.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [SILCK | Statewide Independent Living Council of Kansas](#)

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

Kentucky

Name of SILC: Kentucky Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Megan Kuhlwein, Executive Director

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- **Email:** megan@kysilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [SILC - KENTUCKY SILC](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Department of Aging and Independent Living

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 17

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full -time and 1 Part-time

Funding Sources: Part B less than 30% and Innovation and Expansion (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-\$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: State Rehab Council, DD Council

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: no answers

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Louisiana

Name of SILC: Louisiana Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Bambi Polotzola, Executive Director

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- **Email:** silcofla@gmail.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council of Louisiana | SILC of LA](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Louisiana Rehabilitation Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 24

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Part-time

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: Governor's Advisory Council on Disability Affairs, DD Council, Commission for the Deaf, Arc Louisiana, People First Louisiana, Louisiana Center for the Blind, Family Helping Families, Louisiana Association for the Deaf, Split Second Foundation, Lighthouse Louisiana, Councils on Aging, Trach Mommas of Louisiana, Disability Rights Louisiana, ABLE Advisory Council, Special Education Advisory Council, Human Development Center

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Emergency Preparedness, Coalition Building

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Maine

Name of SILC: Maine Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Brendan Williams, SILC Chair

- **Phone:** 888- 637-4523
- **Email:** bwilliams071488@gmail.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [NorthStarWorks: Maine SILC](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Department of Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 22

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 part-time

Funding Sources: Part B less than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$50,001-\$100,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: No
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: No
- Other partners: State Rehab Council

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: None

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Maryland

Name of SILC: Maryland Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Lorna-Mae Silcott, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 240-452-1952
- **Email:** executivedirector@marylandsilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [Home - Maryland Statewide Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Department of Rehabilitation Services (DORS)

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 17

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B 30%, Innovation and Expansion, Social Security Administration Reimbursement Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$0 - \$50,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: no answer
- Other partners: none listed

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Massachusetts

Name of SILC: Massachusetts Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Aliza Levine, Coordinator

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- **Email:** alevine@masilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [Home - MASILC](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501(c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): MassAbility (formerly MA Rehabilitation Commission)

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: no maximum number. Currently we have 20 voting and 3 non-voting members

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Part-time

Funding Sources: Part B 30%, Innovation and Expansion, State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$200,001-\$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: no answer

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: DD Council, MA Commission for the Blind, MA Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Disability Law Center, Disability Policy Consortium

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Statewide housing policy work, recruiting new members, active standing committees,

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Michigan

Name of SILC: Michigan Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Steve Locke, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 833-808-7452
- **Email:** steve@misilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [MISILC](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): State Vocational Rehabilitation Bureau -Michigan Rehabilitation Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 16 (11 voting and 5 non-voting ex-officios from State Departments)

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 2 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B less than 30%, Innovation and Expansion (I/E), Social Security Administration Reimbursement Funds, State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level: Over \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: DD Council, Dept. of Special Education, Dept. of Civil Rights, Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Services for the Blind, State Vocational Rehabilitation, Disability Rights Michigan, Detroit Disability Power, Michigan Disability Rights Coalition, Disability Network Michigan (CIL state association)

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Relationship building with CILs and DSE, creating a defensible SILC Budget

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Minnesota

Name of SILC: Minnesota Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Jo Erbes, Coordinator

- **Phone:** 612-518-1497
- **Email:** mnsilc1215@gmail.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council \(SILC\) / Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 21

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B-30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

Over \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: no answer

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: MN Council on Disability, State Services for the Blind, MN Legal Aid Center, DD Council

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted: Maybe

Mississippi

Name of SILC: Mississippi Statewide Independent Living Council-Mississippi Dept. Rehabilitation Services

Contact Information and Title: Anita Naik, DSE Director

- **Phone:** 601-853-5230
- **Email:** anaik@mdrs.ms.gov
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 15-20
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council - Public Hearing | mdrs](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 10

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: None

Funding Sources: Part B less than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: no answer

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Missouri

Name of SILC: Missouri Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Karen Gridley, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 816-226-8877
- **Email:** mosilc.ed@gmail.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [Missouri Statewide Independent Living Council | \(MOSILC\)](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 17

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B 30%, Social Security Administration Reimbursement Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: DD Council, Office of Equal Opportunity, Governor's Council on Disabilities, Access and Functional Needs Committee

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Strong relationships with DSE and SILCs

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Montana

Name of SILC: Montana Statewide Independent Living Council (MTSILC)

Contact Information and Title: Julia Arnold

- **Phone:**
- **Email:** Julia.Arnold@mt.gov
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council | MTCIL](#)

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

Nebraska

Name of SILC: Information Not Available

Contact Information and Title: Information Not Available

- **Phone:** 402-438-7979
- **Email:**
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [Home | Nesilc](#)

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

Nevada

Name of SILC: Nevada Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Dawn Lyons, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 702-757-7990
- **Email:** dlyons@adsd.nv.gov
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [Nevada Statewide Independent Living Council | NVSILC](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Aging and Disability Services Division

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 19

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time and 1 Part-time

Funding Sources: Part B more than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$200,001-\$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: No
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Not really

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

New Hampshire

Name of SILC: New Hampshire Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Jennifer Beaulieu, Program Assistant

- **Phone:** 603-271- 2773
- **Email:** Jennifer.i.beaulieu@gcd.nh.gov
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** <https://silcnh.org>

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

New Jersey

Name of SILC: New Jersey Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Mary Neary

- **Phone:** Phone number not available
- **Email:** dinodoll@verizon.net
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [NEW JERSEY STATE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL - Home](#)

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE): Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

New Mexico

Name of SILC: New Mexico Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Kathy Cooper, Executive Director

- **Phone:**
- **Email:** kathy@disability-revolution.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council - NM Division of Vocational Rehab](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c) (3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 13

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B less than 30%, Innovation and Expansion (I/E), State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,0001-\$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: Disability Coalition, Arc, Governor's Commission on Disability, Health Care Authority

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Tribal and Pueblo relationship building, Network relationships, SPIL process and development, Bylaws and Policy Development

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

New York

Name of SILC: New York Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Laura Cardwell, Executive Director

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- **Email:** laurac@nysilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** <https://nysilc.org/>

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): ACCESS-VR

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 26

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 3 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B more than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

Over \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Recruitment, SPIL monitoring and evaluation, Public Policy

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

North Carolina

Name of SILC: North Carolina Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Gloria Garton, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 984-480-6328
- **Email:** gloria.garton@nc-silc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 2-5
- **Website:** [NC Statewide Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): NC Division of Employment and Independence of People with Disabilities (formerly Vocational Rehabilitation and IL Services)

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 20 voting members and 6 ex-officios

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time and 1 Part-time

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-\$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: DD Council, NC Division of Services for the Blind, NC Division of Deaf and Hard of Hearing, NC Disability Rights, NC Emergency Management, NC Brain Injury Association, NC Coalition on Aging, Youth Lead NC, State Rehab Council, No Wrong Door Governing Body

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Emergency Preparedness and response, nonprofit board governance, policy development

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

North Dakota

Name of SILC: North Dakota Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Aimee Volk, Vision and Independent Living Services Administrator

- **Phone:** 701-328-8954
- **Email:** alvolk@nd.gov
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council | Health and Human Services North Dakota](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: We do not have a maximum number, but we do have a minimum number.

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: None

Funding Sources: We do not receive Part B funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$0 - \$50,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: Transportation, Brain Injury Council, National Council on Aging, Olmstead Commission, State Rehabilitation Council, Money Follows the Person, CAP/P&A, ND Assistive

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Good representation of agencies and consumers. Commitment and diversity of membership. Collaboration with other agencies and legislators. Our meetings are very productive, and a lot of thought is put into the presenters.

Willing to be Contacted: Maybe

Ohio

Name of SILC: Ohio Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Jeremy Morris, Director

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- **Email:** jmorris@ohiosilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [Home - Ohio Statewide Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501(c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 19

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 3 Full-time and 1 Part

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion (I/E), State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

Over \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: DD Council, State Olmstead Task Force, Protection and Advocacy Agency, UCEDD's

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Oklahoma

Name of SILC: Oklahoma Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Sidna Trimmell, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 405-684-7223
- **Email:** sidna10@att.net
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 10-15
- **Website:** [Oklahoma Statewide Independent Living Council – Creating Opportunities to Independence](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: No maximum number, minimum number of 11.

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B 30%, Innovation and Expansion (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-\$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: State Rehab Council, Veteran's Groups, Tribal VR, Department of Rehabilitation, Department of Human Services, Development Disabilities Services

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Emergency Preparedness

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Oregon

Name of SILC: Oregon Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Brooke Wilson, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 971-719-6785
- **Email:** brooke.wilson@odhs.oregon.gov
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 5-10
- **Website:** [Oregon Department of Human Services : Statewide Independent Living Council : Agency Information : State of Oregon](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 23

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 2 Full-time

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion (I/E), State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

Over \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: State Rehab Council, Disability Emergency Management, Oregon Disability Commission

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Financial Management, SPIL Development and Evaluation, Bylaws-Policies and Procedures, Networking, Collaboration, and relationship building

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Pennsylvania

Name of SILC: Pennsylvania Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Matthew Seeley, Esq., Executive Director

Phone: 717-364-1732

- **Email:**
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [Pennsylvania Statewide Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

Puerto Rico

Name of SILC: Puerto Rico Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Gabriela Joglar Burrowes, Executive Director

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- **Email:** director@cevipr.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** <https://cevipr.org/>

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Vocational Rehabilitation Administration

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: unsure

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 2 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B more than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-\$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: no answer

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: no answer

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Rhode Island

Name of SILC: Rhode Island Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Laurie DiOrio, Administrator

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- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 2-5
- **Website:** [About RISILC – Rhode Island Statewide Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Governor’s Commission on Disabilities (GCD)

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 9

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time

Funding Sources: State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$0-\$50,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: State Rehab Council, DD Council, State Advisory Council for the Blind

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Collaborating with other disability focused entities

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

South Carolina

Name of SILC: South Carolina Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Rebecca Thompson, Chair

- **Phone:** 803-217-3209
- **Email:** scsilc@scsilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 2-5
- **Website:** [Home | South Carolina Statewide Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): SC Department of Health and Human Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 19

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: None

Funding Sources: Part B more than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$50,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: none listed

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: no response

Willing to be Contacted: Maybe

South Dakota

Name of SILC: South Dakota Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Colette Wagoner, Project Coordinator

- **Phone:** 605-494-3613
- **Email:** cwagoner@bhssc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 2-5
- **Website:** [Division of Rehabilitation Services Boards and Councils](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): South Dakota Department of Human Services-Division of Rehabilitation Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: No maximum number set

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Part-time

Funding Sources: Part B less than 30%, Innovation and Expansion (I/E), State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$0 - \$50,00

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: Board of Service to the Blind and Visually Impaired, State Rehab Council, DD Council

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: SILC is growing in Diversity

Willing to be Contacted: Maybe

Tennessee

Name of SILC: Tennessee Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Edward Mitchell, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 615-255-0283
- **Email:** SILCDirector@silctn.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [Statewide Independent Living Council of Tennessee - Home](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Tennessee Department of Human Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 12

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time and 2 part-time

Funding Sources: Part B more than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-\$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: DD Council, Tennessee Technology Access Program Council, State Rehab Council, Tennessee Council for the Deaf Deaf-Blind and Hard of Hearing

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: ABLE accounts, Emergency Preparedness, Assistive Technology, Research Studies

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Texas

Name of SILC: Texas Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Janet Sharkis, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 512-371-7353
- **Email:** Janet@txsilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 0-2
- **Website:** [Texas State Independent Living Council - Empowering people with disabilities to live independently](http://www.txsilc.org)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Health and Human Services Commission

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: not listed.

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 3 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B more than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$200,001-\$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: None listed

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

U.S. Virgin Islands

Name of SILC: U.S. Virgin Islands Statewide Independent Living Council

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- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:**

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

Utah

Name of SILC: Utah Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Tylee Harmon, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 435-512-2902
- **Email:** tylee@usilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [Utah Statewide Independent Living Council | Education & Resource](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Department of Workforce Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 15 voting members – 22 maximum

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 2 Full-time

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion (I/E), State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-\$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: DD Council

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Youth Engagement

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Vermont

Name of SILC: Vermont Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Tom Hamilton, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 802-560-8091
- **Email:** vtsilcdir@gmail.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [Welcome to the State Independent Living Council - Vermont SILC](#)

Legal Status:

Designated State Entity (DSE):

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC:

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC:

Funding Sources:

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR:

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE:
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs:
- Other partners:

Strengths and Areas of Expertise:

Willing to be Contacted:

Virginia

Name of SILC: Virginia Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Lauren Roche, Administrator to Council

- **Phone:** 804-663-7817
- **Email:** Lauren.roche@dars.virginia.gov
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 10-15
- **Website:** [Virginia Statewide Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 17

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL:

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: No

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$0-\$50,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: DD Council, Brain Injury, Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative, Council on Aging, VCU Partnership for People with Disabilities, Emergency Management, State Rehab Council, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Advisory Board, CIL Boards of Directors

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Mentoring, Emergency Management, SPIL Development, Implementation and Evaluation

Willing to be Contacted: Maybe

Washington

Name of SILC: Washington Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Courtney Williams, (360) 725-3695

- **Phone:** 360-725-3695
- **Email:** n/a
- **Number of Years with the SILC**
- **Website:** [WASILC | Washington State Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): DSHS

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 11

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 2 Full-time and 1 part-time

Funding Sources: Part B more than 30% and State General Funds

Total Annual Funding Level:

Over \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: Council on Aging

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Uplifting the Independent Living philosophy

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

West Virginia

Name of SILC: West Virginia Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Jerry Boyko, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 304-766-4624
- **Email:** jerry.boyko@wvsilc.org
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 10-15
- **Website:** [WV Statewide Independent Living Council - Home](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): West Virginia DRS

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 31

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: No

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 4 Full-time

Funding Sources: Innovation and Expansion (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

Over \$300,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: No answer

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Finances, Housing

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Wisconsin

Name of SILC: Independent Living Council of Wisconsin

Contact Information and Title: Tyler Wilcox, Executive Director

- **Phone:** 608-575-9293
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- **Number of Years with the SILC:**
- **Website:** [About The Council - Wisconsin Independent Living Network](#)

Legal Status: 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Department of Health Services, Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: 20 (including ex-officios)

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: 1 Full-time

Funding Sources: Part B less than 30%, Innovation and Expansion (I/E)

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$100,001-\$200,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: No

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: We work closely with 6 statutory disability focused/led councils which fall under the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: SPIL development, Networking and relationship building

Willing to be Contacted: Yes

Wyoming

Name of SILC: Wyoming Statewide Independent Living Council

Contact Information and Title: Amber Sparks, Chair

- **Phone:** 307-251-5018
- **Email:** atsparks0014@gmail.com
- **Number of Years with the SILC:** 2-5
- **Website:** [Wyoming Statewide Independent Living Council](#)

Legal Status: Not a 501 (c)(3)

Designated State Entity (DSE): Department of Vocational Rehabilitation

Council Members:

Maximum number of Council Members on the SILC: unsure

Coverage:

Are all the Counties in your state served by a CIL: Yes

Staffing:

Number of Staff employed by your SILC: no answer

Funding Sources: Part B less than 30%

Total Annual Funding Level:

\$0 - \$50,000

ILS PPR:

Does your state include any CILs on your ILS PPR: Yes

State Relationships:

- Does your state have a good relationship with your DSE: Yes
- Does your state have a good relationship with your CILs: Yes
- Other partners: VOS, Protection and Advocacy

Strengths and Areas of Expertise: Emergency Preparedness

Willing to be Contacted: Maybe