

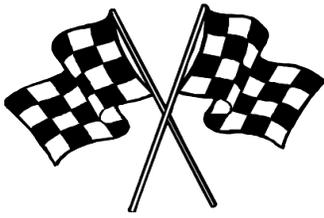


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Real Lives, Real Work, Real Smart, Wisconsin Investing in People with Disabilities

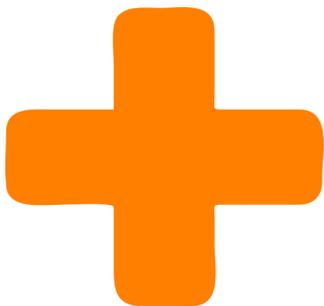


Goal in sight! **100%** of eligible children receive help.

Thank you for voting to end the wait list for children and families needing long-term supports and services.

ASK

Please make this commitment to all newly eligible children by including CLTS (Children's Long-Term Support) funding in the base Medicaid budget.



25% of people with disabilities live in poverty

People with disabilities rely on key public assistance programs (public housing, Medicaid, FoodShare) to live their daily lives. Even small changes to public assistance programs can have a big impact on their lives.

ASK

Create a Public Assistance Advisory Committee so that people with disabilities can have a say about planned changes to these programs.

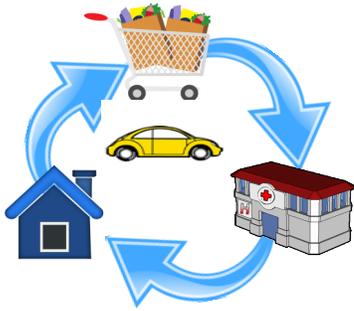


49 of Wisconsin's **72** counties are designated as "Mental Health Professional Shortage Areas".

People with mental illness face significant challenges to receiving the mental health services they need because there are too few of mental health professionals in the state.

ASK

Bring together a Legislative Council Study Committee to explore the barriers and challenges to the advancement of a strong mental health and substance use professional workforce in the State.



Rides from different funding sources can be combined to make trips easier for the user and less expensive for both programs.

ASK

Support coordinating the transportation resources and options that *do* exist which will create more access and save money.

“I am not able to drive and cannot afford transportation. Without transportation, I cannot be healthy, work, and live in the community.”



48%

of parents surveyed have experienced a reduction of supports and resources in the past 2 years.

ASK

Families blame continued sparse (low) special education funding for the poor quality of education for students with disabilities in Wisconsin. There are not enough resources to meet the educational needs of their children.

Families of children with disabilities ask the Blue Ribbon Commission on School Funding to address special education funding which has not increased in over 10 years and report on how it has impacted the quality of special education supports.

“My son cannot get what he needs at school and staff tell me they just don’t have enough resources and support. They are doing the best they can.”



95% of people with disabilities want to live in the community.

ASK

People with disabilities sometimes need support to live, work and thrive in their home communities. Lots of attention has been paid to the worker shortages in nursing homes and hospitals, but similar investments are needed in the community.

Invest in growing the community-based direct care workforce so that people have the personal care, employment and home supports they need.



Survival Coalition thanks the Legislature and the Governor for supporting employment legislation.

ASK

Survival encourages the Legislature to continue monitoring state departments to ensure employment outcomes continue to improve for people with disabilities.