Budget Unit Brief



Independent Living

Program Overview

The purpose of the Independent Living Program is to maximize the leadership, empowerment, independence, and productivity of individuals with disabilities and to integrate the individuals into society. Independent living programs provide financial assistance to expand and improve independent living services; and to develop and support statewide networks of centers for independent living and improve working relationships among state independent living rehabilitation programs, centers for independent living, Statewide Independent Living Councils (SILC), Rehabilitation Act programs outside of <u>Title VII</u>, and other relevant federal and non-federal programs.

Funding

Independent living has received a General Fund appropriation of approximately \$89,000 since FY 2015. Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services (IVRS) uses each \$1 in state appropriations or in-kind resources for independent living to match \$9 in federal funds (10/90 ratio).

Related Statutes and Administrative Rules

Iowa Code chapter <u>259</u> <u>281</u> Iowa Administrative Code chapter <u>56</u>

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More Information

Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services: http://www.ivrs.iowa.gov/index.html

Rehabilitation Services Administration: <u>http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/rsa/index.html</u>

Iowa General Assembly: http://www.legis.iowa.gov/index.aspx

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