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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:**                                      Members, Utah State Board of Education

**FROM:**                                  Brad C. Smith  
Chief Executive Officer

**DATE:**                                  June 18-19, 2015

**INFORMATION:**                      Independent Living Centers in Utah

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### **Background:**

Pursuant to a request for approval in May 2015 of five yearly contracts to be granted to Independent Living Centers by USOR, the Board asked that additional information about Independent Living Centers be provided to the Board in the June 2015 meeting.

### **Key Points:**

USOR acts as a pass-through funding agency for Independent Living Centers in Utah. Independent Living Centers provide services to individuals with disabilities with the goal of increasing their independence.

Independent Living Centers provide a variety of services to individuals statewide as outlined in federal statute and described in a state plan approved by the federal funding agency. Currently there are six main Independent Living Centers in Utah.

Independent Living Centers receive some federal funds and some funding from the Utah State Legislature.

### **Anticipated Action:**

USOR will provide additional information to Board members about the activities, funding, and location of Independent Living Centers as requested.

**Contact:**                              Stacey Cummings, Interim USOR Executive Director, 801-538-7781

## INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTERS

Independent Living is funded with state dollars in the amount of \$3,199,118 and federal dollars in the amount of \$618,280. Funding for Independent Living originated through the Rehabilitation Act and USOR is the Designated State Agency for both state and federal pass-through funding. In addition to the pass-through funding, Centers also receive direct federal reimbursement dollars in the amount of \$812,532.

Independent Living Centers promote a philosophy of independent living, self-determination and consumer control, through peer support, self-help and equal access. Services are provided to maximize the empowerment, independence and productivity of individuals with disabilities.

Utah is served by six Independent Living Centers, with eight additional branch offices for a total of fourteen locations, serving all 29 counties. Centers are non-residential and serve individuals of all ages with all disabilities.

Individuals with significant disabilities need community supports and services to live in community based settings which foster independence and productivity. Each Center is a unique, nonprofit service agency that assists individuals of all ages, with all types of disabilities to increase or maintain their independence in their own home and community. Though each CIL is unique based on location and need, all provide the following core services:

- IL Skills Instruction – through classes, individual services, support groups and activities
- Information & Referral
- Individual & Systems Advocacy
- Peer Support – 51% of staff are individuals with a disability
- Transition Services
  - Facilitate the transition of individuals with significant disabilities from nursing homes & other institutions to home and community based residences AND provide assistance to individuals who are at risk of entering institutions.
  - Facilitate the transition of Youth (ages 14-24) who are individuals with significant disabilities, who were eligible for individualized education programs under IDEA.

In addition to the IL core services, each Center operates a loan bank providing assistive technology and equipment short term (i.e. wheelchairs, shower benches, walkers, etc.). For individuals needed equipment long term, centers provide assessment, service coordination to help individuals acquire needed equipment.

# Statewide Programs for Independent Living in Utah

## Roads to Independence

### Andy Curry, Director

3355 Washington Blvd  
Ogden, UT 84401  
(801) 612-3215 1-866-734-5678  
www.RoadstoInd.org  
Serving: Morgan, Weber and Davis Counties.

## OPTIONS for Independence

### Cheryl Atwood, Director

106 East 1120 North  
Logan, Utah 84341  
(435) 753-5353  
1-800-753-2344  
www.optionsind.org  
Serving: Box Elder, Cache, and Rich

### OPTIONS – Box Elder Satellite

1080 N Main, Suite 105-A  
Brigham City, UT 84302  
(435) 723-2171

## Ability 1st Utah

### Sandra Curcio, Director

491 North Freedom Blvd.  
Provo, UT 84601  
(801) 373-5044 1-877-421-4500  
www.abilityfirstutah.org  
Serving: Utah, Wasatch, Juab, and Sanpete Counties.

### Ability 1st - Ephraim Satellite

85 N. 100 W  
Ephraim, UT 84642  
(435) 283-4949

## Active Re-Entry

### Nancy Bentley, Director

10 South Fairgrounds Road  
Price, Utah 84501  
(435) 637-4950  
www.arecil.org  
Serving: Daggett, Duchesne, Uintah, Carbon, Emery, Grand, and San Juan Counties.

### Satellite Offices

#### Uintah Basin Satellite

PO Box 580  
Vernal, Utah 84078  
(435) 789-4021  
(435) 789-4020

#### Moab Satellite

182 North 500 West  
PO Box 122  
Moab, Utah 84532  
(435) 259-0245

## Utah Independent Living Center (UILC)

### Debra Mair, Director

3445 South Main Street  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84115  
(801) 466-5565  
1-800-355-2195  
www.uilc.org  
Serving: Salt Lake, Summit, and Tooele Counties.

### UILC - Tooele Satellite

42 S Main St  
Tooele, UT 84074  
(435) 843-7353



## Red Rock Center for Independence

### Barbara Lefler, Director

168 North 100 East, Suite 101  
St. George, Utah 84770-4555  
(435) 673-7501  
1-800-649-2340  
www.rrci.org  
Serving: Millard, Sevier, Beaver, Piute, Wayne, Iron, Garfield, Washington, and Kane Counties.

### Iron/Garfield Satellite

427 So. Main St.  
Suite #305  
Cedar City, UT 84720  
(435) 704-4798

### Beaver/Millard Outstation

(435) 691-0567

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635 N. Main St. Suite 685  
Richfield, UT 84701  
(435) 979-6416