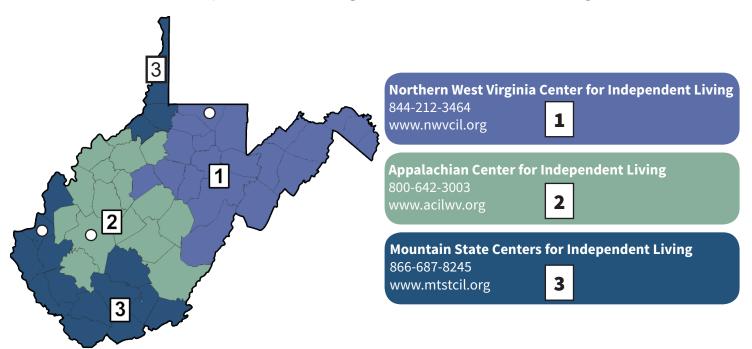
# Community Living Services Program FY 2021 Annual Report July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

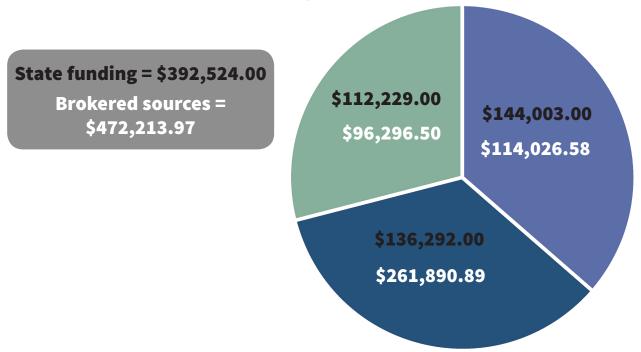
The Community Living Services Program (CLSP) is a statewide program managed by the West Virginia Centers for Independent Living through grants from the West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services. CLSP provides eligible West Virginians with disabilities services to help them return to or remain in their homes and communities by enabling them to function more independently. Services include home modifications, assistive devices and equipment, vehicle modifications and durable medical equipment.



CLSP services are provided by the three West Virginia center for independent living (CIL) corporations.



## **FY 2021 Funding for CLSP Services**



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### FY 2021 Performance Highlights

- 104 consumers completed CLSP services, which allowed them to successfully remain in their homes.
- \$6,486 was the average cost per consumer to complete their goals.
- 491 consumers were on the waiting list to receive services as of June 30, 2021.
- According to Genworth 2020 Cost of Care Survey, the cost for a semi-private room in a nursing home has
  a median annual rate of \$136,510 in the state of West Virginia. Therefore, the diversion or transition of 104
  consumers from nursing home care through CLSP is estimated to have created a net annual savings of
  nearly \$14,197,040 in FY 2021.

#### FY 2021 Services

#### Assistive Devices and Durable Medical Equipment = 91

- Hearing aids
- Amplified telephones
- Lift chairs
- Shower chairs
- Walkers
- Other durable medical equipment and related items

#### Rehabilitation Technology Services = 79

- Ramps for home access
- Accessible bathrooms
- Other modifications to make homes accessible
- Vehicle conversion lifts for wheelchairs and scooters
- Hand controls
- Other specialized modifications

#### Success = CLSP in Action

A 61-year-old male from Upshur County with partial paralysis received a lift track system and is now able to live independently in his own home.

An 83-year-old man from Wood County, who has severe osteoarthritis and dementia, received bathroom modifications enabling him to safely access his bathroom and remain independent in his own home.

A 72-year-old man from Hancock County, who has multiple sclerosis, received a stair lift and can now safely access his entire home.

# Community Living Services Program Supplemental Report Cares Act Funding

In late autumn of 2020, the Statewide Independent Living Council and the 3 Center for Independent Living Corporations, supported by the West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services under the West Virginia Department of Commerce, requested additional funding to reduce the waiting list for the Community Living Services Program. Realizing the importance of protecting individuals with disabilities from COVID-19, Governor Justice allocated \$350,000 of Cares Act funding to support the CLSP.

### **Cares Act Funding**

Total = \$350,000

Northern West Virginia Center for Independent Living = \$72,800

Appalachian Center for Independent Living = \$72,800

**Mountain State Centers for Independent Living = \$198,800** 

## Cares Act Funding – CLSP Performance Highlights

- **58** additional consumers completed CLSP services, which allowed them to successfully remain in their homes, out of congregate care and safer from COVID-19.
- \$5,966 was the average cost per consumer to complete their goals.
- 491 consumers were on the waiting list to receive services as of June 30, 2021.
- According to Genworth 2020 Cost of Care Survey, the cost for a semi-private room in a nursing home has
  a median annual rate of \$136,510 in the state of West Virginia. Therefore, the diversion or transition of 58
  consumers from nursing home care through CLSP is estimated to have created a net annual savings of
  nearly \$8 million in FY 2021.

### **CARES Act Funding – CLSP Services Provided by County**

Berkeley – stair lift

Hardy – travel wheelchair

Lewis – modular aluminum ramp

Marion – bariatric lift chair, lift chair

Mineral – modular aluminum ramp

Monongalia – bathroom modifications, power wheelchair

Randolph – lift/power chair, lift chair

Upshur – modular aluminum ramp

Braxton – adjustable electric hospital bed, hearing aids

Kanawha – wheelchair ramp and threshold ramp (2), blood pressure cuff and oxygen sensor, hearing aids, power wheelchair, roll-in shower, stair lift (2), walk-in shower, wheelchair carrier, wheelchair lift for porch, wheelchair ramp

Nicholas – stair lift, wheelchair ramp and threshold ramp

Putnam – roll-in shower

Roane – hearing aids

Cabell – bathroom modifications (5), hearing aids, wheelchair ramp

Clay – hearing aids

Fayette – modular aluminum wheelchair ramp, bathroom modifications (3)

Hancock - continuously charging stair lift

Lincoln – bathroom modifications (2)

Mercer – modular aluminum ramp

Mingo – bathroom modifications

Ohio – hearing aids

Raleigh – bathroom modifications and shower wheelchair (2), Zoom text program and laptop computer with 2-year warranty

Wayne – bathroom modifications (3), hearing aids, ramp and doorbell for hearing impaired, wheelchair ramp

## **CARES Act Funding – CLSP Services Consumer Comments**

"Oh, my goodness! I never thought this would ever happen, and it is amazing. This is so much easier than the ramp."

"This is great, and I thought I would have to wait a couple of years to get my inside stair lift, but I didn't thanks to ACILs staff and the CARES Act money. This has made an important impact on my life. Now I do not have the fear or anxiety of trying to figure out how I am going to get up my steps. I am so grateful."

"I can't believe I'm doing this; this is awesome!"

"The stairlift has worked out well; they did a great job installing it, and she loves it."

"The new shower is convenient, and he feels so much safer now."

"Thanks to NWVCIL and all individuals involved in assisting my mother and I to have a better quality of life. It is no longer such a chore to bathe, and dare I say, has become an enjoyable experience!"