Your Path To Independence

Mission Statement:
The ILCSC is dedicated to providing the services which will offer persons with disabilities, older adults, and veterans the opportunity to seek an individual path towards independence...while educating the community.

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From the Executive Director…

The year 2021 continued to present a series of challenges, not only for us at the Independent Living Center of Southern California (ILCSC), but for society at large. Despite this, our organization remained steadfast in the support of our community, leaning on compassion and creativity to move forward.

I am proud to say that our team was able to innovate, and to develop ways to safely and effectively serve our consumers. The Training House Staff utilized Zoom online services, in addition to in-person instruction for classes when it was safe. Consumers were able to keep moving forward with their goals and dreams of independent living. Several obtained employment during this time, which was a major accomplishment during this time.

The ILCSC developed a video (which may be viewed on the ILCSC website), highlighting the testimonies of consumers on the services they received from our staff. In the video, a consumer said, "They (ILCSC) Gave Me Hope." Another consumer added, "If it had not been for them (the ILCSC), I don't think I would have made it."

Our Service Offices in Van Nuys and Lancaster provided services during the pandemic: Housing Assistance, Emergency Services, and Assistive Technology. We monitored our consumers to ensure their wellbeing, and found affordable, accessible housing for those who had been waiting for years. We also provided information on COVID-19, including vaccine and booster events, arranged transport, and set appointments for vaccinations at-home and in the community.

The ILCSC website provides information on City and County of Los Angeles resources, Cal OES Emergency Preparedness, Food Distribution Events, Hot/Cold Weather Emergency Shelters, and more. Information is posted via social media and through our weekly newsletter, "ILCSC News & Information."

The ILCSC provides the services which offer persons with disabilities the opportunity to seek an individual path towards independence, while educating the community.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, Staff, and Consumers, I would like to thank each of you for your support, which allows us to continue these essential services.

Christopher Wells,
Executive Director
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Total Funding
All Sources
$1,600,770

Expenditures: $1,597,031
Fundraising Income: $64,383
ILCSC Programs and Services

TRAINING HOUSE IMMERSION SERVICES

INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS
Strengthening the ability of the client to live independently. Classes on meal planning and preparation; money management; mobility, and safety in the community and at home; self-care, compensatory strategies and social skills.

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY
Provides clients with options for referrals to obtain evaluations in high/low technology, leading toward independent living.

JOB PLACEMENT/COACHING SERVICES
Providing pre-employment preparation and job placement/coaching assistance services, utilizing an extensive employer network throughout the ILCSC service area. Eligibility is required through referral from the Department of Rehabilitation.

YOUTH TRANSITIONS
Services to assist in transitioning from school to community.
ILCSC Programs and Services

Van Nuys & Lancaster Service Offices -
Providing Referrals to Affordable, Accessible Housing; Benefits Counseling; Self-Advocacy Guidance; Peer Support; Personal Assistant Referrals; Resources; Emergency Services in Obtaining Shelter, Food/Clothing.

Traumatic Brain Injury Services -
Providing services for persons with Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), Outreach, and Community Education.

Systems Advocacy -
Efforts to affect policies and laws for changes in the system, through a partnership with the consumer and the community. Comprehensive Trainings on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Fair Housing, Transportation, Americans with Disabilities Act Guidelines (ADAAG), Disability Rights Overview, Service Animals & Emotional Support Animals (ESA) and other State and Federal laws.

Community Living Transitions -
Assisting persons with disabilities to successfully transition to a community living arrangement. This is to implement the U.S. Supreme Court ruling, the Olmstead Decision, which affirms the right of individuals with disabilities to live in their own community.
More Highlights...

**ILCSC HOLIDAY SMILES**

Our Consumers and Staff would like to thank the following for their assistance in making the 2021 ILCSC Holiday Special Events possible...

- Toys for Tots - United States Marine Corps.
- L.A. City Councilman Paul Krekorian & Staff
- Shelter Partnership

The ILCSC TRAINING HOUSE GARDEN is designated as a certified Wildlife Habitat by the National Wildlife Federation. The area attracts many species of birds and contains flowers which also attract various species of butterflies.

The ILCSC Independent Living Skills Training Program includes instruction on Meal Preparation/Meal Planning virtually.

Our Horticulture Program consumers gained gardening skills this year virtually, utilizing information from Training House Zoom classes to create their own garden!
Consumers Served in 2021 – 1,786

Consumer Gender

MALE – 836
FEMALE – 950

Consumer Ages

Under 14 | 14 thru 24 | 25 thru 59 | 60 & Over
0 | 273 | 865 | 648
2021 Consumers Served - 1,786

Consumer Race / Ethnicity

Native American - 11
Hispanic/Latino - 577
Pac. Islander/Asian - 68
Caucasian - 496
African American - 634
2021 Consumers Served – 1,786

Consumer Income (at Intake)

- Poverty Line: 1%
- Below Poverty: 57%
- No Income: 42%