

State Fund Program Ending - Help Out by Getting Involved

Are you or is anyone you know a person with a disability? Chances are, the answer is yes. Fifty-four million Americans report experiencing some form of a disability – effecting over 70% of the population either directly or indirectly through a loved one, relative, friend, or co-worker. In fact, people with disabilities represent the second largest minority group in the nation.

The Center for Independent Living (CIL) Opportunities, a private, non-profit agency, promotes equal opportunity, economic self-sufficiency, dignity, and justice for people with diverse disabilities in York, Franklin, and Adams counties. Founded in 1992, the agency helps

people with disabilities live as independently as they can and want to in our communities. We strive to develop innovative collaborations in an effort to eliminate the physical, social, architectural, and economic barriers.

Recently, one of our state programs has ended which provides home modifications for persons who cannot get out of their home or live independently within their home. Currently, we have 40+ people on the waiting list who will not be served with the monies remaining. In order to help serve these remaining individuals - and hopefully more - we are hosting a golf tournament (*see below*) and will also take donations

from outside sources who would like to support this program or any of our programs.

At the CIL, we also provide people with disabilities independent living skills training, individual advocacy, peer support/mentoring, and information referral along with providing employers disability awareness trainings and ADA/UCC assessments/assistance on accessibility requirements. To find out more about the CIL please visit our website at www.cilopportunities.org. Or call us at 717.849.0991 or toll-free at 800.956.0099.

Calling All Golfers

The Center for Independent Living Opportunities will be hosting its 1st Annual Par For Life golf tournament at the new Royal Manchester Golf Links golf course in Mount Wolf on Thursday, June 24. We are looking for golfers, sponsors, and supporters to help us raise funds to build more ramps for our consumers. Please contact Hillary Hasson, Executive Director of the Center for Independent Living at hhillary@cilopportunities.org or 717-849-0991 to pledge your support today and get involved!

