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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Financial. I am on a limited income due to disability and can't afford rentals or qualify for a small home loan because my debt to income ratio is too high.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More low income housing so people don't have to wait 2-8 years.

Q3 Information and Referral

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

More income based housing options.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Section 8 vouchers need to be open or have more funding.

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Page 1: Introduction

## Q1 Respondent skipped this question

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like to see more awareness, screening and coordinated care for persons with brain injury.

Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Transition services with legal system; online resource hubs

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Transportation

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Easier county wide transportation that is not age related.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

None

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Anything better than Kent county provides.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

The lack of centers on the west side of the state.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Unable to afford hearing aids, income just over the line [use transcribe phone] Without the phone I cannot hold basic conversations. The hearing aids are @\$2,000 and word recognition is worsening.

Multiple medical bills, partner has some health insurance now for a temporary in duration job but has gone without for many years and could return to that status. I am insured but money often determines level of care.

Too many stairs and inaccessible buildings, some places better than others.

Worries about Covid, upset it is endemic [have lung disorders from before] Wear masks but very isolated, outside of marriage/few friends. Hard to judge safety or risks to return to society.

Future worries about husband's health and aging, as he is caretaker. I was turned down for help for an aide a few years ago, told we "make too much", there is no extra money to hire an aide or house cleaners. He went on a business trip and I hired a friend for that short time in 2018 for 2 weeks. Wish I could afford more help with household stuff. Husband will do laundry, dishes, vacuum, take me on errands etc but has health problems of his own.

Our immediate town lacks decent senior housing, I have heard about bed bugs in one, again being over income line by just a bit, cuts us off from options. No moderate income housing for seniors or cheaper subsidized. I considered going to smaller towns with good housing for seniors, but then I can't afford 40 mile/80 mile round trips to see multiple medical specialists so here I stay and the rent is rising. [have lived in same apt building for over 15 years, but fear being price out of here. Most housing is NOT accessible to me, here I am on first floor with ramp, it is not wheelchair accessible, but I can walk some and with walker.

Dial a Ride took so long to show up, I gave up using it.

Mental health counseling is non affordable. I am okay now, and used a peer group for years that is now defunct, but it's a reality. Even with insurance would be 200 a month or more.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Add some senior housing that is cheaper, for low and mod income seniors, not just single disabled or elderly who qualify for very low income. Lots of people are just over the line. Rent is increasing too.

Add some social or community groups [in person]

ones, only young and healthy can use.

Begin more treatment options for Covid, air cleaning.

More availability for senior/disabled cleaning and help, help if spouse was to get sick even temporarily

Dial A Ride that doesn't take an hour and half to show up. We have car but used to go places alone where husband didn't have to drive me

Allow disabled middle ageds over 50 to be part of the senior center and their programs or disabled spouse married to over 60. More scooters, downtown announced they were getting scooters, and I got excited and it was just these crummy abled bodied one leg

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive? Other (please specify):

Autism group on Zoom

### **Q4**

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I need some counseling with aging issues and someone to talk to me about PACE, and what it entails and if I qualify. I know I am at risk of nursing home and qualify age wise next year 55. Some illnesses are progressive.

Husband and I are worried about aging issues, do not have family support. Area on Aging, some stuff is complicated who to go to first. My local CIL has HELPED me on many issues and glad they are there.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

It looks good.

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## Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Insufficient support in workplace for autistic employees. Lack of knowledge of how to implement accommodations for autistic employees.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More education for employers on how to support autistic individuals.

Q3 Peer Support

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Disability inclusion education geared toward employers.

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Transportation and housing

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More public transportation or even private transportation! More affordable housing options

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

MRS, CMH but there are no CLS workers

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Housing support, maybe roommate matching or a housing directory for younger adults

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

There are too few services geared toward young adults. There are lots when you are in high school and lots for seniors, but almost nothing for young adults.

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Nonr

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

None

Q3 Advocacy

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

All the bedr

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

None

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## Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

I have a hard time walking and bending .I'm always in pain .I forger things and can't hold a conversation driving painfully walking the yard I'd very pinfull

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I'd like my life to go back to normal

Q3 Peer Support

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I need help around the house my home is getting old and every thing needs redone. Rides weight loss

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I don't no the answer

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of ease in finding resources and places that are based on income not in an apartment community.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More independent income based housing separate from apartment living. Having Autism and social anxiety isn't great in those communities.

None

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

All of the above

## Q5

Q4

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

If community housing is appropriate or comfortable for my disability.

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Watching TV and Playing Video Games.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Study and get a job a cloth.

Q3 School to Work Transition

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Internet, etc.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

My game skills.

### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

This summer we tried a residential home for my son, the home was unable to support the social and activity level he was accustomed to at home. We believe this was due to staffing and limited training of staff. He is now back at home and he is happy, while we have no support for respite.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like to see more services for those with disabilities outside of school. As individuals age, there is no help for their guardians/parents.

Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

none currently.

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Anything to alleviate the burden on parents/guardians.

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Transportation is the biggest problem. When the special needs person lives independently, there is rarely a driver available to drive to and from work. Busses do not work late enough. Private drivers that qualify for drivers to and from work, aren't available. Can Uber and Lyft drivers qualify for reimbursement from work plans.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Easier ways to use transportation money in Individual Plans of Service to be used for Lyft or Uber drivers.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently aide in the home for CLS

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Transportation

Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Emergency plan preparedness.

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Page 1: Introduction

Q1 Respondent skipped this question

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Q2 Respondent skipped this question

What would you like to see change in your community?

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive? help with paperwork and dog therapy when my ILS worker can bring hers in.

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

outreach to patient's homes that need in home help with daily tasks of living like color coding files so they can find them, advocacy and help filling out and explaining insurance forms and finding appropriate docs, weekly scheduled fun activities with peers like A2 CIL does, helping with financial empowerment that takes clients interests and unique situation into consideration, a special program for disabled and chronically ill folks who are their only caretaker perhaps having a safety center specifically for those individuals

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Is my local CIL offering me programs that are inclusive and empowering on a regular basis, if not why not?

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

We moved to Michigan about 6 months ago and we are still not sure what services are available here.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

To have some opportunity to meet other families with disability children to exchange some information.

## Q3 School to Work Transition

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I'd like to use respite service if there is such thing available.

So that the person with disabilities can go out and have some fun even both parents are busy working full time.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I think it is important to support the parents as well as the individuals with special needs.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Full time staff

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More events with the general public interacting with people with disabilities

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently

receive?

Respondent skipped this question

**Peer Support** 

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

### Q5

Q4

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

How can we help a person towards living on their own? How can we help them see what it will be like on their own. Practice housing etc....

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Using a cell phone. I cannot use a smart phone and need a phone that is voice activated and not a smart phone. The phone companies are not looking at the disabled and elderly.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Make transportation more accessible.

Also, education concerning financing.

Q3 School to Work Transition,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

**Transition to Community Based Living** 

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

more school to work transition

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

barriers I'm experiencing right now to live indepently are people not being understanding of my services and why I get the home care help I need it's been a issue since I've lived in my community

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

being able to go out into the community and not have others wondering who's helping me and being able to give my former CIL a chance without having problems

Q3 Information and Referral,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

**IL Skills Support** 

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I'd like to have my CIL services to better when people call in and I'd like my services from another CIL

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

cils needs to be better with their clients and the desicions they make in giving former cils a chance

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

lack of housing. expectation that will always live with parents. bad or no public transportation. lack of 24 hour care.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

more housing, better public transit, instructions on how to get a better services plan, why do we have to fight for getting needs met

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently

no services

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

i don't think there is a CIL in my county

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Being able to physically reach things that are placed on a high shelf

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More activities for the Physically Disabled

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently Information and Referral, receive?

IL Skills Support

Peer Support,

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Poor memory, impulsivity that mismanages priorities, difficulty applying today's learnings broadly and using information in multiple settings, not able to cook, need lists for everything but can't make them alone.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Being accepted, even when bad behavior occurs as it is a symptom of disability, not a choice. Having safe places to go, educating law enforcement, reducing negativity.

Q3 Information and Referral

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

One on one support, caring discussion and tempered redirection.

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Our son is capable onmany levels but when meltdowns occur which they always do, he needs to be safe to get through it, not punished.

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

I live independently

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More awareness and education

Q3 Peer Support

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

#### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

I live in HUD bldg in one of two handicap accessible apts. Neither the bath rm or kitchen are fully useful. There is tub not a shower. The kitchen cubbards are so low none of the general appliances will fit under them without being a fire hazzard. Front entrance requires going thru 2 sets of double doors that have glass in them. 2 optional entrances does have a lower push bar accessible from sitting position. None of the entrances have automatic doors. The trash containers are outside with only top of container lids. They are not at a level where u can open from sitting position. I the winter there is lot of ice where u have to stand to get trash in containers. Only other option is to put in hallway/apt entrance door 1x per week which is then disposed of by maintenance.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Connection of sidewalks to b able to walk to stores. The garden group suggested I could not rent a garden plot because my walkers width might damage other gardeners plants. There are grow boxes on my apt bldgs property. However, u have to be able to walk on grass down a hill. With walker and balance problems...not accessible. I wa ted to rent srt space to be with other artists and be able to use materials not appropriate in apt. But thete are stairs. Same thing to attend monthly art evaluation group. Many places to eat have steps.

#### Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

None. I help others as an advocate for myself and their needs to be able to fully live independently. I have slso done research on universal design, State and Federal land use an cooperative ownership.land use an coops

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Assist in developing housing models that promotes life long independent options.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

How to connect people with similar interts so we can work together to achieve shared goals.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

How long it takes to get ssi or ssdi. Lack of transportation. Being made aware of services (or lack of). Awareness of cognitive disabilities needing additional services in community when they are not as obvious as physical.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Assistance with transitioning into the community out of high school if college is not the plan. Additional transportation options. Assisting parents with knowledge of what now.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Some sought out from MRS and dis. Network

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

She does not have a CIL. Not sure I know what the c stands for.

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Most info I have found out from other parents who are not always sure either. :(

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## Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

There isn't any housing

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More shared housing with aides.

## Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Caregiving support in an independent living

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Rural Uber support for getting to appointments that is wheel chair compatible.

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

None

Affordability

Q2 Respondent skipped this question

What would you like to see change in your community?

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently

receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Affordability

Transportation

Social events

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

None

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Temporary income while waiting for ssdi approval. How are people supposed to pay bills for a year with no income?

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Affordable housing options.

Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Local systems change opportunities for citizens

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of staff and affordable housing.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Caregiver guardians getting paid to provide services when paid staff is unavailable. Quality care and training of staff.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Not sure which agency is our CIL.

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

More advocacy to CMH/PIHP's to provide services mandated by contractual requirements. CMH/PIHP's follow technical requirements and policies.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Hopefully resources will be utilized appropriately to provide appropriate Home and Community Based Services.

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of supportive housing options for persons with mild cognitive impairment, too "high functioning".

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More housing options; more social / recreational programs for young adults with mild cognitive impairments (maybe through the local Y center?); increased awareness of the effects of drinking alcohol while pregnant which results in FASD

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

None currently

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Opportunities for 'community', in addition to housing.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Thank you

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Sunday city bus schedule only runs once an hour. This is insufficient for getting to and from work. There is a shortage of affordable housing.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More frequent weekend city bus service. More options for affordable rental apartments or condos in the city of Grand Rapids.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Hope Network job coach services, trying to set up MiABLE

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

What is CIL?

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

The MiABLE account has been difficult to set up.

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Resources to build ramps.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Increased outreach for inclusive accessible community events.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently

Employment

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Expand support group topics.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Medical practitioners that provide services via Medicare and/or Medicaid. Also mental health therapists who 'get' living with disabilities!

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Transportation and accessible side walks

## Q2

Q4

What would you like to see change in your community?

More local amenities. I have to travel 2 miles to the nearest grocery store.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Respondent skipped this question

None at this time

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Gathering is more complicated, but needed.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Affordable housing is beyond needed.

Q3 Information and Referral,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

**Peer Support** 

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Employment services like coaching, independent living services like finding housing that's affordable.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

CILs are the only independent, flexible, support organizations, especially in truly rural areas of Michigan and that is north of M55. This is the only provider of assistance in many of these areas. More funding is needed, less bureaucratic red tape and barriers. Especially with MRS.

#### COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Inability to find and keep quality staff.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Amount that is allowable to pay caregivers

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Clare hours

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Frank information about money for COmmunity Living Support funding. Resources to find train and retain staff.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

How can individual families be helped to achieve successful staffing if they need government support but are able to provide some financial support. It would be helpful to a lot of middle income families with some reasources to find a balance between total government support and not being able to get any government ie CLS support.

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

mental disability

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

more affordable housing for people with disabilities, not just seniors

## Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Information and Referral,

Other (please specify): community mental health support

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

advocacy for low cost disability housing

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

nothing

# COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

# Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Daily functions, can't shower with landlord won't fix plumbing over ten years. No social security or jobs or MRS to cooperate in order to pay bills. Poverty. Bullies and worse always get away with destroying victims lives they target and rapist cops let them get away with it. No viable transportation for: laundry, post office, grocery, Dr appts, free food box days and free meals and dhhs soc sec other appts. No one helps with chores or supportiveness or kndness, or going out in cruel inhumane heartless inconsiderate selfish public.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

There is such a long list that needs to improve that it won't even fit here.

### Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

All the above and much more.

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Not sure what to answer here.

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## Page 1: Introduction

# Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Affordable housing

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Accessibility

Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Advocacy,

Information and Referral,

School to Work Transition,

Peer Support,

IL Skills Support,

**Transition to Community Based Living** 

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

More supports

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

# COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

# Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Schizophrenia prevents me from getting a job. I cannot drive. Also ,it would affect my disability status.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More fun events for shut-in like me giving more social opportunities

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Live Right program in Macomb County. Group housing. Disability status.

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Transportation to apts and fun events, like swimming with a group in summer, and other outings in the fall and winter. Maybe? parties

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

How to increase social opportunities, including transportation

## COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Access to safe, affordable housing. Especially barrier free/ wheelchair accessible housing

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Increased access to section 8 vouchers (or other methods of subsidized housing) for people with disabilities. More understanding, especially in Wayne County, DWIHN, that people with disabilities should have tenancy rights and the ability to control their own front door, regardless of their physical needs or intellectual level of care.

# Q3

Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Education with a focus on DWIHN Residential Department staff (there is a bias / preference for segregated, congregate care - licensed group homes in Wayne County.

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Please research how many section 8 vouchers in Michigan go toward people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I suspect the percentage is low). Put pressure on the state to change that, even a class action lawsuit if needed as people with the higher levels of need are still entitled to tenancy rights and it isn't happening. The priority population (those with the highest intensity of need) should be getting the first preference for housing support and subsidies.

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

accessible and affordable housing,

# Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More affordable transportation

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Information and Referral

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

More help with getting on section 8 and getting more affordable and barrier free housing in the community.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Proving more money. Many CIL's are funded through grants and when the grants dry up, many of the talented or competent staff lose their jobs. It's frustrating when you go in for help and have to almost start all over with a different staff person who may not always know how to help you - in other words maybe you need help with ssa forms but get from the community organizer

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### Page 1: Introduction

# Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

rents to high and i got approved for the home i jst movedin i was homless and domestically abused to the point i can hardly have a life our home now thank God he got us a place i washomless and beaten and traumatized and he thretened to rape my son and i think something happend im trying to involve the police hes personality changed he now needs a 504 progam he went from a nd bs to all fs plus this other house is big n i wont hit corners on it with my wheel chair and it has a handicappped setting on some major things i need 5k down can i some how apppply and if u talk to her and promise her the money maybe shell let me move i n next wee i i hate it here my son and i want to be alone no guests no loud upstairs neighbor we came here to heal

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

id like for to stop being harrasset constantly by the police because of my dissabillities please if u cant please help me talk to her id only need 2 months and id have enuff to move in my abuser and captor stold all our clothes furniture everything but some nice places in town helped us get some things plus i havent had that low of rent ever not even while homless i had to pay to stay at ppls homes this house is light and airy beauriful private perfect for our cptsd 9893400258 ty

### Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Information and Referral,

Peer Support,

Other (please specify):

deliveries rides to dr n grocery but we need to move like now one more month and im stuck inside untilsummer again n its big enuff to have more than my bedroom n living room

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

idk what that means i brokemy skull five years ago lost my career most of my body movement i knw my son and i would be happiest on the sable st home in alpena instead of 3rf and its quiet there and laundry mat next door

# Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

somedays the bad days with bad weather i get sever migrains and vomit cant get up to clean or get dressed i do need a in home nurse just 2 or 3 days a week my neice says shell help n i dont want anyone in my home idk ive had a very trumatic life im trying to salvage my son before his anger takes over and well have our own place with new good healthy happy memories if not ill be getting kicked out of here rents 1250 plus utilities idw waste on rent when if i bought the house now i can have it paid off right on time

# COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Transportation is a huge factor. Also finding affordable, accessible housing

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

updating the Canton transportation system.... offering rides beyond 5pm and potentially on some Saturdays. Transportation is very limited between seniors and disabled.

Q3 Peer Support,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

**IL Skills Support** 

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

it would be so helpful if the AACIL was able to slowly reopen so that we could have more services provided in house - able to reconnect in person with other disabled individuals... provide services face to face. It would be great to see a plan in place for reopening of this facility.

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I'm sure there are so many other agencies and services that are available in my area, but there is no 'convergence of information' whether it be through the AACIL or local doctors, other agencies. It seems like often we find out information by accident by someone else who has run across something that can be of benefit to myself and others. I'm hopeful that more and more communities will determine to provide more disability housing that's not just designated for seniors. I'm not sure what that would look like but I'm sure it would involved financial incentive to builders to make these accommodations. Also, the Section 8 option waiting list is so long it takes years to get on a list. And if you're lucky to get on the list it takes years before anything is available. How can this be restructured both for potential renters and streamlined for landlords etc. Also better partnering with local Housing Commissions to coordinate services.

## COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

# Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

My father lost his driver's license due to a health concern. He's still mobile and active but feels like he's held hostage at his home

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like to see a senior center with programs to help our seniors stay engaged.

Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Support groups for families.

### COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

The rebirth of in-person meetings has caused me some problems with crowds and noises.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Continuing the hybrid attendance options for meetings and conferences.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

I don't receive them any longer

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

A platform for building a natural supports community for each person that allows personal autonomy and a universe of chocies for a turly free life.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Independent Living has certainly expanded from its birth. But, it reamins more abstract thant the hopes for it over the last few decades. Also, although the services vs. advocacy question has softened and become less binary, it is still there, and it still needs to be expanded into concreate reality. It remains the cutting edge of the best that Independent Living offers.

# COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Confusing jumble of services, or a lack of services, for just out of high school.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

One agency that is responsible for coordinating the others. Every ship needs an experienced captain. Also, more for social interaction. Benefits are also confusing as heck.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

I don't know that we get any.

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

One agency that is responsible for coordinating the others. Every ship needs an experienced captain. Also, more for social interaction. And help with finding benefits and understanding how to apply.

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Why isn't someone actually doing something instead of just talking about it.

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of direct care staff

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More public transportation and more staff

Q3 Advocacy

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Money

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Safe

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Disability

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Living options

# Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Knowledge

## COMPLETE

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# Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

The ability to use my front door due to the lack of a handrail to assist with the steps. Frequent Ice and snow at the back/garage entrance, which keeps me from leaving the house or collecting my mail most of the winter

Q2 What would you like to see change in your community?	Respondent skipped this question
Q3 What Independent Living services do you currently receive?	Other (please specify): Meals from OCCOA
Q4 What services would you like your CIL to provide?	Respondent skipped this question
Q5 What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?	Respondent skipped this question

### COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

The barriers I am currently experiencing involved but are not limited to the following: not enough resources in the community that would allow me to modify my home at a reasonable cost that would allow me to Remain residing safely in my home.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like to see changes within the Health insurance industry for example, the health insurance industry often will tell a person with the disability what they need and not allow the person with the disability to obtain what they themselves feel is best for them. Example: if an individual needed A mobile scooter because it is safer for them and it will also allow them to get around more independently. However, the insurance may deny their request or their need for a mobile scooter but might suggest or be willing to pay for a manual wheelchair.

# Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

# Respondent skipped this question

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

To see is pushing the narrative that everyone with a disability needs to live in Community based living opposed to Advocating for individuals with the disability to have their homes modified so that they can reside in their single homes.

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Advocating for individuals with the disability to have their homes modified so that they can reside in their single homes.

# COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

The high cost of rent and waiting list

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More affordable housing a cap put on homeowners that rent. They should have a cap on how much a 1 bedroom should be compared to 3 ,bedroom home. Or by square footage going on that counties cost of living assessments. Not fair paying 600 for a 1 bedroom and a 2 bedroom is 550. Something needs done. My friends landlord raised her rent \$200 because they could because they either Want her out or recover from drilling a well totally unfair

Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

Nine

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Advocate. Skills peer, transition to community based living

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I have no one to ask or help me out

## COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

There are not enough sidewalks or crosswalks in Fort Gratiot, MI. It is dangerous for me to walk to nearby stores and restaurants.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Sidewalks and crosswalks installed on M-25 between Cherry Hill Dr. and Carrigan Rd. in Fort Gratiot, MI.

Q3 Information and Referral

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Our community needs child advocates to help families navigating the IEP process with the schools

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

The cost, knowing how to pay bills, knowing how to use public transportation, the ability to cook more meals without help, etc

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

A house or 2 specifically for FASD adults, with a good staff, inexpensive room & board.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Help with living skills, but not like talking to people like we don't know things. Talk to FAS adults like regular people. Life skills in school was not good and they talked to us like we didn't have a brain. And, help finding a part time job.

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## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

It would be nice not to live with my parents all the time.

### COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of transportation, lack of affordable housing, lack of independent living supports, peer support

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More public transportation- further and more hours available, more affordable housing options, more independent living supports, peer support for young adults, more young adult services- not children or seniors- young adults, benefits counseling and coordination

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently

Home help services

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

**Q4** 

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

housing counseling/assistance, benefits counseling, social opportunities

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

the lack of coordination, the trap of agencies= get support but not enough to be independent or if you are too independent you lose necessary supports

### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

I need 24 hour suppport. I get confused easily and also need reminders to do important tasks. I need help for all my daily self care and basic needs. I cannot drive myself nor can I use public transportation alone. I am minimally verbal so I need a trusted caregiver to help me when I'm out in the community.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Written and picture communication boards for ordering at restaurants, ticket counters and training so staff know how to offer them to non verbal individuals.

### Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

Full caregiver at home and on outings by a family member.

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Job support, hobby and leisure activities for my peers and I that are geared to our abilities and interests.

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

It should be required for local Police, Sherifs, Fire and EMT to yearly meet several non verbal individuals as well as other individuals with other disabilities so they can learn how to serve these types of people. The state should develop and require trainings on how to identify that a person is mentally disabled not on drugs I order to protect these individuals from Police escalation due to lack of response to commands and also lack of verbal communication.

## COMPLETE

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# Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Not finding full-time or regular homecare person for days and afternoons for bathing, changing, feeding, cleaning.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More Homecare Agency for Seniors.

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Information and Referral

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Many.

# Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Bathing, washing, changing, feeding.

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Transportation, employment, and financial, equal opportunity for Medical services in the communities.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More dependable transportation, trainers for driver's license. Better opportunities for employment, equal pay for the employment. Savings plans for the future, and equal Medical Services for the disabled in the community.

## Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

Have used MRS in the past but was unable to successfully get help with my needs.

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

More Accessible housing options.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Improved transportation and travel needs.

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## Page 1: Introduction

# Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

LACK OF FREE SNOW REMOVAL AND MY STEP BROKE INTO THIS WEEK AND I CAN'T FIND ANY HELP. I AM A DISABLED SENIOR CITIZEN I HAVE LIVED IN MY HOME FOR OVER 36 YEARS.

# Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES FOR DISABLED SENIOR CITIZENS.

Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

HOME REPAIR GRANT

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

SUPPORT FINDING RESOURCES FOR HOME REPAIR AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

HOW CAN YOU ASSIST SENIORS WITH REMAINING IN INDEPENT LIVING IN THEIR OWN HOME?

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## Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

People with no disabilities living in apartments.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Not be allowed to speak to you direspect to make you ashame.

Q3

Other (please specify):

senior housing

What Independent Living services do you currently

receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

find suitable home for rent.

# Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

have a seperate housing booklet with vacancy.

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# Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

No good public transportation

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More transportation options

Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Financial services

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

I have been nothing but treated unfairly and without my wishes I would like to Explore.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Fair treatment as a member of my community regardless of disability.

# Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

None at the moment. Actually I just started seeking for information

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Financial aid for independent living especially if you are ward of the state.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I was kicked out immediately effective Same day because I had a guardian and conservator. Not just a conservator.

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### Page 1: Introduction

# Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of Door to door transportation for those who cannot drive.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Better access to transportation for those of us with a disability that prevents us from driving ourselves.

# Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I would gladly accept any of the above services.

# Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Nothing I can think of at the moment but if I think of anything I will call you.

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## Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Housing.

# Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More housing assistance. Would like a designated agent or place to help review options and get into a place.

Q3 Peer Support

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

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## Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Need rides to and from the grocery store that's not a transportation bus.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Free rides for the disabled to wherever we need to go.

Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

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## Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of Direct Care Workers

Q2 Respondent skipped this question

What would you like to see change in your community?

Q3 Peer Support,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Access to legal advocacy

I'm seeking help in regards to my home. I'm in fear of losing my home. Upon review of my title work on file at the Berrien County Register office I became aware of several fraudulent titles. The grand total is over \$500k. No one in their right mind would extend a legal mortgage to me:

- 1. Property value is not even \$200k
- 2. I'm permanently disabled with out any cash infusion on the horizon.
- 3. My husband died so I'm with out a second source of income to pay down loan.
- 4. My current housing circumstances have created an very tenuous environment that threatens my health.
- 5. I'm financially and physically unable to advocate for myself. I have approached this matter from numerous directions. I stuttered which impacts my communication skills. I have tremors causing access to computers almost funny. I have three areas found on my brain making it difficult to recall, remember, and endure constant migraines.
- 6. I'm mocked on a regular basis if I need to explain why I can't just do it myself.

I'm beg you upon considering my request that if not in your area to refer my request to an area more appropriate.

Sincerely in Christ, Andrea L Struble 661 Tucker Drive St Joseph Michigan 49085

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Easier access to problem solving help

Q3 Information and Referral

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Legal advocacy

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# Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

What has been your least helpful experience

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### Page 1: Introduction

# Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

There are still accessibility issues around the state. One of them is wheelchair van parking. There are often only one or two wheelchair van accessible parking spaces at most locations I visit, and they are often taken by a car with a placard. More wheelchair van parking spaces would be nice, or a message on the parking sign of one space that says, "accessible van parking only."

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like to see communities around the state embrace accessibility for their disabled neighbors. More businesses and recreational opportunities for people with all types of disabilities. Many areas are doing a great job of this around the state.

### Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Advocacy,

Information and Referral,

Peer Support,

**IL Skills Support** 

#### 04

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I appreciate peer support offered at my local CIL. Recreational opportunities are great to have.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I believe that CIL's should offer services that enrich the lives of their consumers. Recreational and social services are a great addition to my local CIL.

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### Page 1: Introduction

### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Homeless since June 2022

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Access to Mental Health services and programs that help with being homeless

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

None

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Help

# Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Basic needs met.... my disability is Relapsing -Remitting Multiple Sclerosis, Seizure Disorder, Bi Polar/ Dual Diagnosis Disorder

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### Page 1: Introduction

# Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Not enough CLS hours. The expectation that family will fill in the gaps. Lack of qualified caregivers, low compensation.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Nicer people. A lot of old people don't speak directly to anyone with a disability.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

None

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

There is no CIL in my county.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Video library on how to get a better PCP and what to do if it's not being followed. Microbusiness support

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Affordable housing

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Better service at local cil

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Na

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Employment support

Community advocacy

One on one help working on my goals.

Help with technology

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Program cuts and lack of staff that understand. Not peer related

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

I've been to vocational rehab twice with no results. I can work I have in the past I just need help and reasonable accommodations

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More help for disabled former business owners. There is literally none and some of us are best suited to our own small biz. Voc rehab says they help with it but have no idea how to do so with someone on SSI, not SSDI on SSI. We have different rules and somehow no one seems able to understand them and help people like me

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently

none other than ssi

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Anything that actually helps. My CIL center is disability network. They just tell me go to voc rehab again. I can google that myself.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

You haven't asked how people survive if they have no family or suppport system to help them. You don't ask specifically about people on SSI which again is very different from the other program. We have a much harder time with literally everything and it;s beyond frustrating that the people who are supposed to help you know less about SSI and it's rules than I do

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Unscrupulous landlords towards disabled, elder long term tenants.

Food, utilities, Caregivers

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More places to submit unscrupulous landlords; with Attorney General Office, FTC complaints, changes to laws against Bullying disabled tenants

@StopBullyingCoalition.org chapter is coming to Michigan

#### Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Information and Referral,

Other (please specify):

Fair Housing

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Advocacy, change in stronger Housing laws against bullying disabled residents

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Connecting with peers, Invisible disabilities, Education public,

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

barriers that impact daily living are trying to get the support services I want to have

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

changes I'd like to see are more companies

## Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Advocacy,

Information and Referral,

Peer Support,

IL Skills Support,

Transition to Community Based Living,

Other (please specify):

I'd like to have IL skills peer support

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

home care support services, information and referral

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I think I should be able to have the support services that I need and want

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

This is for my son who has survived a cancerous brain tumor. It is really hard to find and understand what services are available to him. Local colleges disabilities centers are a joke. A waste of time.

NA

## Q2

Q4

What would you like to see change in your community?

Everyone's basic needs being met.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Information in a manner that is easy to understand and accessible

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

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Page 1: Introduction

Q1 Respondent skipped this question

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Q2 Respondent skipped this question

What would you like to see change in your community?

Q3 Information and Referral,

What Independent Living services do you currently school to Work Transition receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Transportation. My community only services the immediate jurisdiction. I would love to use the transportation services to get to my college classes.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Accessibility and Transportation

Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

#### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Cauda Equina Syndrome: Neuropathy right lower portion of the body and chronic pain

TBI: Brain injury

Complex trauma/mental health concerns

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

People knowing each other more and shifting focus from isolation to community focus. Improved infrastructure for mental health. Wellness incentives. Community classes for differently abled persons (professional coaching, public speaking, cooking, driving)

Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

Husband is my primary caregiver

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Professional support reentering the workforce after a cognitive change. Public speaking support. Driving support. Specialized psychological support. After discharge from services (PT,OT,Speech, vision ect) more wrap around support is needed to coordinate ongoing care at home/work.

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Complete immobility. Need assistance (lift) to move anywhere.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Would like an evaluation of my needs in person and referrals for where to get help.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently

Meals for moms

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Bathing. Cleaning.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

How can I assist my sibling with these needs from 500 miles away?

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

i havecombinedtypeadhd/anxiety

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

i want to move

Q3 Information and Referral

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

help woth remt

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

yes

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

I was not able to complete the paperwork required to keep my disability payments and I am afraid of losing Medicaid

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like someone to help me with all the paperwork I need to fill out .

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

None

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Help with all the paperwork, it is too stressful for me.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

It is hard for me to keep appointments and managing them is stressful.

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Eligibility for loan with no credit

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I want to feel more accepted as a member of my community.

Q3 Other (please specify):
What Independent Living services do you currently
None

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Im needing help with purchasing my own home.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Im just becoming aware of this program so im unable to answer right now.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Steps, yard maintenance, house maintenance

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Have People available to do yard and house maintenance

Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

Meals on Wheels

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

List of workers who have been vetted

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

As an advocate for person with disabilities, there are some Community Mental Health agencies not helping people with disabilities. They have deliberately turned away adults with high functioning autism because they can perform daily living tasks. Ridiculous.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like to see more resources available for families with children on the spectrum, the current incidence is now 1 in 36. Trained professionals and para professionals would a big improvement. Case management for adults who have credits to gradutate but are not ready. They need help over and above.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

I am an advocate and the system needs to be improved

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Data collection of the number of children and adults in Michigan each year. Data on what types of servicies are available in metro and rural area.ie evalutation and case management.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

There should be college certifications for direct care workers.

There are not enough activities for adults who are cognitively impaired. Bite my tongue but some low producting folks should get subminimum wage. They do not care about the money they want to got to "work" and visit their friends like the rest of us.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of community opportunities.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Ability to go places and be with peers.

Q3 Advocacy

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Day programs for adults with disabilities that need assistance to participate. Mocha, spectrum won't provide the support and have excluded me.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I am lonely. I am a happy person who is able to sit and drink coffee and my caregivers are good. But I want to be able to go somewhere like school was - Lincoln to participate with my peers.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Illness that makes it difficult to function or utilize services, living alone with no support system, leading to loneliness and depression, costly private home care and insufficient "senior services" with long wait lists. While Grand Traverse County proudly boasts of how many seniors they serve they don't tell you about long long wait lists, how many never get served, and inadequate, limited services—like 1-4 hours a week of respite, housekeeping, personal care, and companionship.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Senior services to be actually available and affordable. But most important is affordable and high quality of life living that fosters interaction and companionship. There also needs to be financial support for caregiving by a relative who cannot earn an income with a 24/7 responsibility. See comments below.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Lawn mowing and window washing...

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Look into what some areas have done to develop shared ownership residences or communities (communes), where a group of older people buy a large home that they share, versus a commercial, expensive for profit assisted living residence. They are thus able to afford and enjoy independence with companionship and be in control of services like meals, maintenance, personal care, etc, at much lower cost and higher quality of care. There is a successful model for this in Toronto and also in the western US. There are also public services that screen for successful "roommate" home sharing especially in areas that face housing shortages, college towns, etc. I would be happy to discuss further.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Independent Living is overrated! It is lonely and isolating for those unable to get out of the house. Many seniors have no family and few supportive friends due to isolation. Commercial senior living facilities give notoriously poor care with untrained and underpaid caregivers. Since they are allowed to call themselves "independent living" even though they provide a la carte personal care at extra expense, they are unlicensed and unregulated. Healthy meals and social activities are a fallacy. All this at astronomical costs -\$5,000/month and up! There needs to be another, innovative solution for living, and it is critical, not only for the poor but for middle class. Please contact me for more info. 231-313-8866.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Many. I am unable to walk well even when using my walker to get from place to place. In my home I have small doorways that make it difficult to go from room to room. Many places I go have steps or stairs, although some have added wheelchair ramps to make them more handicap accessible. Even the ramps are difficult at times though because of the extra distance I must walk to access the buildings. Some stores and other public buildings have narrow aisles, which are difficult for those of us who are either larger (especially while accomidating a walker or other such necessity) or have difficulty dealing with small spaces for other reasons. During the summer, I would love to go swimming, but all public access to any nearby swimming areas in the lakes or rivers is impossible for me to use. The roads I used to drive to access a couple of these swimming areas are now gated by Consumers power and not accessible by vehicle. Other areas that are open for access have either steps, steep hills, or long walks to get anywhere near the water. There are some areas which are handicap accessible for fishing, but not where I can actually get into the water. My doctor has told me that one of the best exercises for me would be swimming, but even though I am completely surrounded by water, there is noplace I can swim without paying to go to a nearby pool. Although there is a limited amount of curbside shopping available, it often isn't worth the charge for curbside if I'm only buying one or two items. I usually do without until I have a list worth making the trip to walmart (an hour away) to pick up my groceries when I'm going to another appointment in that area. After I return, I have to have a helper to carry the groceries in and put them away for me.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like to see more easily available resources for those of us with handicaps. More curbside shopping without a lot of added expense would be great. A handicap access to any of the local swimming areas would be wonderful. I'd also like to see more activities available for socialization. I'm not sure, maybe this last one might be out there somewhere, but I haven't found it if there is. I know there are many of us who are basically shut-ins, barely leaving the house except for appointments. It would be nice to get out and socialize from time to time when my health permits.

#### Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

I am not involved with a CIL, but do have a helper come to my home 4 hrs per day to assist me with chores, cooking, etc. I also have an in-home nurse who visits 2x per week to help me with a medical condition.

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I'm really not sure since I have not worked with a CIL.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Nothing specific comes to mind that I haven't already mentioned above.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of accessible and affordable housing. Not just in apartments, but in rental properties and homes.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More inclusion and a stronger push for accessibility in Barry County. More identify of the IL Philosophy and services throughout Barry County.

Q3 Advocacy

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Stronger push for Competitive Integrated Employment and solidarity in the phase-out of 14c Sub-Minimum Wage laws. CIL provided de-escalation staff to accompany and "ride-along" with Law Enforcement. Employment placement and support, personalized education assistants to assist students who aren't receiving as much individualized time in mainstream education such as providing 1 on 1 time, or proper resources the student would need to feel most prepared.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

What should be done as accountability for public servants (such as law enforcement, judges, jails, government entities) that fail us with disabilities in access, decorum, disrespect, and denial of services. How do people feel they have a say in identifying and proving accountability? As of now it feels like there is no clear/concise way for someone to have their complaints heard and then action taken.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

n/a

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

higher focus on housing intertwined with other resources to maintain housing

## Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

better connections with housing resources and better communications

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I think we should shift focus on Interdependence Living, would that be a possibility? This would not be similar to Codependency

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Things and places that aren,t really accessable. Bathrooms are a big one for me.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More low cost events.

## Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Advocacy,

Information and Referral,

Peer Support,

Other (please specify):

Transportation.

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Outside doors that are automatic to enter, instead of locked.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

When a desk or whatever is changed, to see that it works for everyone.

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Transportation - do not drive and don't live near a bus route.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Bus stops expanded in Portage on Portage Rd

Local organizations like Disability Network offering more help with transportation

## Q3 Information and Referral,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

Support group

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Mental health support

Mental Health support groups

More online support groups

More funding for in person/hybrid support groups

Free transportation to support groups

Opportunities to volunteer with a group with transportation provided

Help with Medicare questions

Help with low income challenges

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I am in a local women's support group for those with disabilities but I am lonely.

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of physical accessibility /transportation

Q2 Respondent skipped this question

What would you like to see change in your community?

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently Information and Referral receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

My Cil is a great resource with lots of programs and projects.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Maybe more about how to work with caregivers if you live in the community

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Accessible housing

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More universal design in the community

Q3 Information and Referral

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Home modifications inside of one's home

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Access to accessible Documents

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Higher pay for home help workers, to get rid of 14C wavier in the state of Michigan, and more services for students in college trying to get accommodations.

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

**Peer Support** 

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Entry level jobs for Disabled people, computer class, art classes, and outdoor living activity classes/groups, more community events to be with others with disabilities.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

They do such great work! Kalamazoo Community Education team does great work.

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Wheelchair Accessible Transportation

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

WheelchairAccessible Transportation after 4p and on weekends and Events/activities and openings in day programs. More outreach to those who are severely, multiply disabled. These individuals are being left behind

None

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Programs to get those more involved out into the community via transition and offering of programs that meet their needs.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

The serious lack of outreach. Nothing coming out of MDHHS/CMH or state advocacy groups directly related to meeting the needs of those more severely involved - those who can't walk or talk or have greater DD.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

i cannot walk, bend, sit or stand for long periods due to chronic pain in my spine. i also have debilitating PTSD due to multiple rapes, psychosis, a phobia of the internet and multiple other mental illnesses that make it hard to access community programs without help.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

access to social workers, homes for the homeless, a liveable amount of funds for the disabled who don't have families to protect them

#### Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Advocacy,

Information and Referral,

Peer Support,

Other (please specify):

a source of mental security through peer groups with disabilities

#### 04

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

trauma programs and rehoming programs for those that are homeless, and people who are living in dangerous settings.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

it's important to know that social support is necessary. that a safe home is needed if someone is going to be a working part of society. we need ready access to medications (without my medicine my PTSD is debilitating to a point that i see all men as evil rapists and i'd rather die then be touched or seen).

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

living in a rural community, resources are harder to find and knowing who to reach out to is frustrating. Transportation is hard to come by if you can't drive or don't have a vehicle. Housing options are limited.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like to see government and agencies step up to make sure we are being heard and seen, that we are not forgotten because we live outside of the most populated areas.

Q3 Peer Support

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Rural outreach and services through community support and cultural understanding. Developing strategies for recognizing goals of each person with a disability in rural communities related to improving their independent living.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

We need to know what resources already exist and what are needed. What coalitions or committees are meeting in the community? Are there certain functional needs that keep coming up in a community? Are there community members, businesses, churches, etc. that will assist with rural planning for people with disabilities?

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Respondent skipped this question

## Q2

Q1

What would you like to see change in your community?

More housing options, better wrap around services for those with mental health and brain injury conditions

Q3 Peer Support

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

peer support connections for caregivers; help for transitioning out of incarceration; earlier intervention for supports, education, coaching on self-advocacy with students and families (prenatal/infant/toddler/preschool/kindergarten/elementary and middle school ages) - including peer supports for families who are grieving, are dealing with mental health, IDD, brain injury.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Peer support seems to be underfunded and de-emphasized when it comes to funding through State funds - competing for dollars with community mental health and medical models. This is frustrating as many DD and post injury groups do not fit the CMH guidelines for service and medical model will discharge a person from further helps once short-term goals/benchmarks have been met.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

I have a fragrance-reactive disability. Every business of 'public accommodation' uses fragranced cleaning products and/or essential oils in its building management, INCLUDING healthcare. Approximately 30% of Americans have some degree of fragrance reaction, including to the extent that it is a disability for MANY. We are disabled people who are everywhere but allowed to be nowhere in society.

The presence of fragrances/essential oils makes every grocery store, every building, every government agency, AND all healthcare inaccessible. That one thing, the use of fragrances/essential oils in building management, has completely ruined my life and my health.

My family can do the errands and the grocery shopping for me. Not ideal to not have that independence, but at least that can be adjusted for on my end. But my family CANNOT do my healthcare for me.

I haven't had a neurologist for my chronic neurologic condition for 11 years as a result. I have no access to any healthcare since 2012, including no health maintenance. I have had no dental care for six years and have active dental infections that are untreated because I am refused treatment when I ask for the dental clinics to remove the fragrance barrier so that I can have care. I'm told if I want care, I have to self-accommodate by wearing a mask, which is impossible when what I need is dental care.

I cannot sustain my life when I have acute healthcare needs that are being refused care. All businesses, especially HEALTHCARE, must be accessible at baseline to ALL disabilities, even the 'unpopular' ones.

Fragrance barriers are physical barriers that are no different to me than steps are to a wheelchair user.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

All entities doing business with the public MUST operate accessibly at baseline, including fragrance-free building management. Going fragrance free is one of the easiest changes that can be made to improve baseline accessibility; it is not a burden and even saves the entities money.

I want to see all entities doing business with the public operate accessibly, including being fragrance free at baseline.

The only exception I would grant is when going fragrance free is antithetical to their core business operation. For example, I would never ask Bath & Body Works to be fragrance free, because their entire business is fragranced at baseline as that is the product that are selling. But that excuse cannot be used for a dental office as fragrance is not a key component of dental care. Let's face it, people with fragrance-reactive disabilities are NOT asking to enter fragrance stores.

## Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

I don't receive services. I do educate our CIL about my particular disability.

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

We need legal support through our CIL.

I've been talking to our CIL for four years and have made no progress toward getting me healthcare (my focus for life-sustaining reasons). The discrimination that I face for having a disability is grotesque and eugenic at its core. The only way that it will change is for the discriminating entities to have legal exposure or face monetary consequences. When I asked for help to find a lawyer, I was refused that support. I later learned that I was refused that support because the laws surrounding disability rights amount to structured begging and that there aren't really any lawyers who are even practicing in the Title III ADA realm.

It is imperative that the most difficult cases like mine have full support, including legal direction. Leaving me to fend for myself is NOT a sustainable plan.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

The education side of my CIL is fantastic. They have learned the functionality of my disability and educate others about how invisible barriers, just like nonapparent disabilities, are still impacting us so that we are no longer invisible. We are included on the education side.

On the advocacy side though, that has been a very different story. As I'm watching my health deteriorate due to lack of care, I've been told some abhorrent things from the advocacy side of my local CIL, including:

- 1. I should try harder, as if six years of constant work for a dental cleaning isn't trying hard enough.
- 2. I should travel further if I truly want care. I need care in my community, but care outside of my community also isn't accessible, so location doesn't matter.
- 3. I should explain my situation better if I want care. When I explain my situation better and am still refused care, I'm told by an CIL employee that I'm 'off-putting' because I educate about my disability. This is gaslighting.
- 4. When I asked what do I do if I break a leg, I was told to go to the ER. If it isn't accessible, go home, contact the hospital, explain, ask for accommodation, and then try again in three weeks. As if anyone has THREE WEEKS notice of an emergency!
- 5. Toxic positivity, inspiration porn, and gaslighting is rampant in the advocacy side of my local CIL. That any discrimination boils down to our perception of the discrimination and we have to choose how we feel about it, with the right answer being to care less about the discrimination. This solves nothing. And it is only happening in the advocacy side of things. Again, the educational side of our CIL understands how damaging this gaslighting is and works to learn and educate, yet the damage is being done by the other side of their own coin.
- 6. There is no 'other' category. If what the CIL normally does doesn't help in my situation, then that's it, there is no other mechanism to escalate. When I tried to talk to the CEO, I was shoved back down to an employee who gaslights me. I get that we use protocols because most people fall neatly into those categories, but there MUST be a protocol for those whose needs aren't met by the 'typical' methods.

Everything about the structure of CILs appears to be based in accepting the status quo and working within the broken system. There seems to be no structure for reporting emerging disabilities like mine so that the systems can be modified and changed to reflect the reality of the disabled at the local level.

Our voices are critical to full inclusion, and yet they are being squandered by the local-level CILs.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Transportation- limiting transportation so you cannot go outside city limits unless it's for medical appointments. Who can have all their needs met within the constraints of their city? When you are able to find accessible transportation that goes outside your city and maybe travels throughout your County we're still unable to cross County lines.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More transportation. Buses that go in both on directions without having to walk a long distance get to the bus stop that's going in the direction you need to go. More Sidewalks.

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Information and Referral

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

More leadership opportunities for youth. Collaboration with local school districts to teach IL skills and Pre-employment skills.

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Transportation. Lack of public transportation.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Extended routes and hours for pubic transit. Accessible walkways and outdoor areas. Affordable and ACCESSIBLE Housing.

## Q3 Transition to Community Based Living

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Shortage of DCW, limiting my kids ability to go out in the community

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Finding and supporting housing needs. More vocational training options, MRS does a terrible job here is Washtenaw county and we need more vocational training and job coaching/support opportunities.

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

taxi fare too expensive; but is very limited and all too often cannot ride due to one of my disabilities, unable to access home help via county or the state; only able to get 2 of my vital supports met out of 8 here.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

inclusion in every area for people with invisible disabilities especially; the county and state should work together with community resources to provide private rides for folks in special needs categories like sensory processing disorders and trauma disorders for example. Also would love to have access to free or sliding fee scale regularly planned social activities; a regular home nurse visit and an in home mental health support for those who are their only caretakers. The community needs to be better educated on invisible disabilities so it can pool it's resources from the area on aging(which needs to drop it's age to at least 55), to disability network, womens resource center, along with county and state non profits or agencies including DHHS should all be able to work together in an efficient way to provide much needed supports for it's most vulnerable disabled population. I would love it if the local DHHS could assign me an individual caseworker that could set up a team of supports for people like me.

### Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

no regular ILS has been available for me in my homestate at this year, they have a new executive director and are moving to a location that I will be unable to get to

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Advocacy, peer support, getting on supportive housing waitlists, brain injury support, financial assistance/supports, individualized vocational rehabilitation, help with setting/reaching goals as in service dogs or access to animal therapy.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Team support for those of us with high maintenance and special needs disabilities who have no family or friends able to offer any type of regular support or assistance. Minnesota is the role model state here for this type of care to keep disabled folks like myself in our homes as long as possible. I lived in Minnesota throughout the pandemic so please feel free to reach out to me for more information or details in this area, I would be happy to share.

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

shortage of weekly activities

Q2 Respondent skipped this question

What would you like to see change in your community?

Q3 Information and Referral,

What Independent Living services do you currently Peer Support,

receive?

IL Skills Support

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Discrimination among peers and other individuals taking advantage of the resources available to them. There are many people taking advantage of programs and incentives or finding a loop in the system that's actually making it more difficult for people that need these very barriers removed not only for themselves to become independent but for their children. I have teenage children 17 and 14 to be exact. It's not a matter of education although I support education and knowledge I just feel as if the system has been abused and it's easy for peers young and old to manipulate a group of people if they have the right influence and insentive to do so. What about the individuals that aren't able or have the right groups to compete or fight for their lives or children's best interest? Our children our our future and my ability to live independently in my community comes down to discrimination among a wide range of people in more then one rural community.

#### 02

What would you like to see change in your community?

Discrimination and groups of individuals being paid to influence individuals towards something that's only beneficial to themselves.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

None any services I receive or received have been unclear receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Essentially living with our fear or without control.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

If I understand Indepentend Living, what being Independent means to me and how I might feel that the social community impacts or I should say influences our rights. Although I guess I have expressed some on what I feel is important without being asked and in my experience having a voice to be free to express yourself is part of being independent free of discrimination free of fear that you won't have a place to sleep a meal or even a voice to parent your children.

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Having a wheelchair entrance to where I live.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More low income housing with wheelchair friendly entrances- showers, pocket doors, doorways, electrical outlets up higher from the ground, being able to wash dishes while seated in a wheelchair.

Q3 Information and Referral

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Computer classes

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

It's hard to maneuver your website

### COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Access to apartments, etc. in "walkable" cities as transportation is limited. Also, finding a good match for roommates.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like a community for people living with FASD or other cognitive and social disabilities living with neurotypical people in the community but are aware of and interested in supporting the residents.

#### Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

School to Work Transition,

Peer Support,

Transition to Community Based Living,

Other (please specify):
Community living support

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Help with drivers education for neuro divergence and/or support in finding affordable and accessible transportation. Help with executive functioning coaching and adaptive life skills improvement that are measured more regularly.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

This needs to be affordable and not work against the governmental assistance that they may be receiving.

### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Physical Barriers to were I can not access a business without embarrassing manual help by associates or others. Very tight quarters in restrooms and parking lots.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

The awareness that it isn't just a mandatory item to check off a list for having an accessible business or not but think what makes sense to the disabled and how they access and function in these spaces.

Q3 Information and Referral

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I would like to have a voice in ow our state enforces or educates businesses to accommodate accessibility. Give more support to those with disabilities who are trying to live and active life in the community, especially those who are trying to work and not seek government assistance for routine compensation.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Why do physically or mentally challenged families have to sacrifice more money, time and effort without assistance than others that are not? Why doesn't the State or Federal Government assist more?

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Memory

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Ignorance towards people from different upbringings

## Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

Searching boo by

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Whatever you offer within regulations

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

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## COMPLETE

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Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

I have a disability due to building a family and acquired it from a Hospital's lack of care and failure to treat my pregnancy as high-risk, although they claimed they were a High Risk Pregnancy Specialist I didn't receive the basic care outlined in the ADA's Standard of Care for Maternal Medical care. As a result, I acquired panhypopituitarism and it took 10 years before I went to a teaching Hospital just to see if they would know what I was suffering from. They diagnosed me the same day as suffering from irreversal panhypothyroidism so advanced from a neglected hemorrhage caused by lack of adequate standard of care as dictated by the AMA Owhile giving birth, commenly known as Sheehan's Syndrome. They lied on the autopsy of my twins and gave a false reason as to why they came too early even though I had begged for a cervical stitch that my following perinatologist begged them to place to prevent my loss and subsequent death four hours later of my twin son's who were, at 22 weeks, born alive but too early to attempt to save them. Now I have a lifelong incurable desease that will end at my earlier than natural demise. After having had the twins, I was able to finally conceive with the aid of donor egg from my fertility clinic, and I had a son, whom we later found out acquired a genetic disability from the fertility clinic's donor pool. After giving up my career to stay at home to care for my son to try and give him the best shot at reaching the highest goals despite his genetic disability, my husband of 23 years out of the blue tried to kill me through strangulation and the City decided to press charges of two counts of DV, one a Felony, mine, and one misdemeanor for doing it in full view of my son. He pled guilty to the Felony on a deal as his work is funded through the government. The Judge, nevertheless, was harsh - he gave me full custody untill his probation was over, with no visitation or challenge of custody untill he fulfilled his probation. However, unbeknownst to that judge, he went behind his back and filed for custody three weeks later, in family court with a Judge who claimed 'she could find no criminal record on my husband on file, so she wasn't going to use it as one of the factors when determining the best interest of the child, then switched my full custody decree to my husband, my son and mines abuser. She then dragged the proceedings out for a year, and awarded him full custody the day his probation was over, claiming my disability prevented me from being a good parent (even though I had had it longer than my son has been alive. I have no quality of life without my child, and I lost the last living member of my family, my Father, who died in the middle of the custody trial. I still don't understand how that could have happened that way. My son, who was really doing well in public school before this happened, has been sent to a different school for less functioning children as he refused to speak after the events and winding up with his abuser after witnessing it. He has regressed at least six years in cognitive and processing day to day life since he was taken from me.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Justice.

## Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Advocacy,

Information and Referral,

Other (please specify):

No support

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I am without money, and I can't get any support emotionally or with Justice and I don't know how long I can stand by and watch my son regress cognitively and emotionally. It's too hard for him to bare, yet I can't find any hope to get him home. I feel like I 'm just made to watch this living nightmare happen to my boy, and even he's given up on me, ashe was there, he saw it all. He seems to have lost respect for my role as a'can do' parent. I feel like I'm stuck with this life powerless.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

It's not independent living that's the issue; it's having to live through this at all.

## COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Accessible playground even at school.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Accessible playgrounds at schools. Accessibility at ALL metro parks

## Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Advocacy,

Information and Referral,

School to Work Transition,

Peer Support,

IL Skills Support,

Transition to Community Based Living,

Other (please specify):

My daughter is 5, she is cervical spinal cord injury

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Idk what is out there. Shortage of nurses, no job, I cannot get on my feet

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

## Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

An individual not seeing it my disability.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Neighbors offering help to disabled and welcoming individuals, conversations offering a helping hand if needed.

# Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

I have not been offered to any services to because no one will contact me

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Advocating for people with mental illnesses along with people who live with disabilities.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

If my caretaker needs a course on what helping someone like me means. I don't think he knows.

#### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

General support group

Avenue to meet other young adults with disabilities

Possible income supplement along with my wages so I could afford housing

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Support group with other young adults that have similar disabilities as me, Asperger's.

## Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

I don't receive any because it is difficult to access. One group wants verification of my disability because I don't have a recent verification but I can't find an agency that can provide testing to verify. It is very difficult for me to deal with this so my mom tries to help but she runs into a lot of dead ends. I work full time so I don't have a lot of time to devote to hunting down services that can help me.

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Testing services for adults for disabilities such as autism

## Q5

Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Nine

Almost no programs or support in finding jobs, job coaching, or socializing.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

A single person or entity to coordinate services (assuming there are any). Almost total failures here.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

What is a CIL?

Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

How to get started. I'm adrift with almost no help. Kalamazoo area.

#### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

I live alone and I can't keep up on my doctors appointments, medicines and refills, cleaning my house and outside maintenance and home repairs. I have so many health issues it is crazy and I can't find anyone to help with this stuff. If I had help I could live life again but if I am required to continue doing it all I am just going to hang it up and die. Every time I go to a doctor I get referred to 3 others and each is a 3 month wait. Nothing ever gets accomplished. Just scheduling my appointments, keeping my medicines comingand following up on all the unreturned medicals is at least 10-20 hours every week. Man I am sick! I can't do that and go to all the appointments too.

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Someone who really gives a damn about me instead of just getting my messages off their desks. "Professionals" just don't follow anything through to the end anymore.

#### Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

last month I finally started getting 8 hours a month help in the house. Thats it. These so called social workers and help agencies just give me a list of more phone calls to make and more info to read. I always end up with 10 x more work and in the end zero results.

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Actual help arranging my medical appointments and medication supplies, 20 hours a week house/yard Maintenace help and a TRUE advocate to navigate the system and cut through the BS.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

A few of my health issues; Lung cancer in remission, kidney transplant with new kidney failing due to malpractice, surgery needed on my back, hip issues plus arthritis in knees, hips, back and hands, Long covid causing brain fog, CPAP, breathing issues, serious diabetes, bad teeth, need eye exam and new glasses, poor hearing, neuropathy and so much more.

#### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Multiple disabilities - unable to live alone.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More resources for post-secondary education, therapists, caregivers and staff, and maybe recreational activities for people like my daughter.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Attends adult transition program in the district.

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

She can not and will never be able to "live independently". So unless CIL has resources that focus beyond that... really not sure how they can help.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

You neglect to ask if it's even possible. Not all reach that level of the spectrum where they can live independently, work a job, make the best possible decisions, etc.

### COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

No independent living facilities available with resources for those with intellectual disabilities

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

SIL community built for those with developmental disabilities to be able to be more independent

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

CLS

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Programs that actually provide peer support, activities and continuous educational opportunities and life skills to those with disabilities

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

You say you support it but you don't. Not enough resources and you don't understand our needs. Our needs aren't always to be shoved in the community where we can't function or have severe anxiety. Some are more disabled and not able to participate so they are segregated at home. Talk to parents and caregivers about what is needed, they know more than your reports and articles you base your programs off.

#### COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Health insurance barriers

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More inclusive communities, workplace supports, and supportive groups

Q3 Advocacy

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

More inclusive and long term supportive employment options which are currently being taken away

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Supportive employment services such as crew work through agencies with job coaches and advocates on site are crucial to independent living for many individuals. The way things are currently going, those opportunities are slowly being ripped away.

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Limited jobs, no social gatherings

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More access to help

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

None

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Social gathering places, places to volunteer or work to have a purpose

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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Page 1: Introduction

Q1 Respondent skipped this question

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your

community?

Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More safe, low-income housing for seniors.

Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Affordable technology, transportation, microwaves

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Needs being met

Q3 Information and Referral

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Training

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

# COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Equitable employment opportunities are lacking. Public transportation is good where it exists, but is very limited geographically. Access barriers are everywhere.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More job opportunities for people with neurodiversity. More accessible restaurants and downtowns. Affordable and accessible housing available in and relative to every neighborhood.

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Information and Referral

Q4 Respondent skipped this question

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Would like to see more people with disabilities in leadership and decision-making roles

### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

not having access to affordable and reliable transit for seniors and disabled

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

the ablism, complex trauma training is needed and the one size fits all approach for disabled and chronilly ill needs to go. I would like to see disabled folks get a caretaker and an individualized voc rehab support person like they do in MN and MA, I would like to see a complex trauma training and treatment center here for many reasons, support services are desperately needed for those who are disabled and elderly.

#### Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

zero both my therapist and I do not trust my former ILS worker

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

help with affordable housing stabilization and planning a move to an area where I can get more than 1 of my 8 vital support needs met.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

The lack of supports in my homestate for me. My main professional supports are out of state and my out of state supports are horrified at how I am just left to do everything on my own here and how I am beyond burntout and it's not fair to the out of state supports either.

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

My ability to work and make enough money to get my license back. I want to work and be a contributing member of society

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Easier access to information and help to figure out how to utilize and apply for services

Q3 Information and Referral,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

**Transition to Community Based Living** 

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Help with explaining the services and how they can be applied for and understand

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Being able to reconnect with my family

## COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

1/Lack of public funding for technology, 2/lack of transportation

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

I would like to see Developmental Disabilities not under Mental Health in the MDHHS. It should be its own department. MDDC is not an adequate oversight body. I would like to see more and better services for the I/DD community, more consistently applied throughout the state.

Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Advocacy,

Information and Referral,

Other (please specify):

MRS

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Financing for technology to support independent living, including remote support.

### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Acknowledging the DCW workforce shortage is critical.

## COMPLETE

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### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Affordable/accessible housing, transportation, lack of qualified Direct Support Care workers, Loneliness.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Training for direct support care providers, community awareness of disabilities.

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Information and Referral

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Co-train support staff alongside of individuals and tailor the training to the individual needs.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Being lonely is a huge factor in quality of life. While I can have the independence and choices through independent living and self determination, I can still be lonely and that is a barrier for me.

## COMPLETE

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

No inclusive activities, no education after I aged out, hard to get adult care, hard to find workers, and Workers needing more pay

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More facilities for individuals with intellectual and development disabilities.

Higher pay for staff

Guardians able to be paid caregivers

Q3 School to Work Transition

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Work aides

Adult Day center

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

Why don't the government offer more help for people with disabilities.

#### COMPLETE

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

- 1. No public restroom's that include an adult changing table and a ceiling lift system ("Changing Places" all access restrooms).
- 2. Lack of wheelchair accessible public transportation.
- 3. Low pay for home health aids makes it impossible to hire and keep the support people needed
- 4. Public opinion and discrimination against people with disabilities
- 5. General lack of accessibility for wheelchair users

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

- 1. Better approach and attitude to people who are different
- 2. Changing Places restrooms in all public venues
- 3. More inclusive programming for all public venues and organizations
- 4. More universal design and accessibility

Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

Cls workers only

### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Access to better assistive technology Social networking and opportunities Support in advocacy and activism

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

The disability network office in our area seems to be anything but helpful... Very disappointing...

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Lack of respite providers, lack of home help providers, lack of day centers for disabled adults that support individuals that need support with all Activities of Daily Living (feeding, transferring, toileting, administration of medication)

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More home care and day center care for adults with severe disabilities so that their family members can receive much needed respite and allow for them to continue to work and be productive members of society.

## Q3

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Other (please specify):

Qualifies for respite services through local community mental health but there are no providers available for those with high level of needs.

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

An adult day center that operates Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 5:30 pm, that provides care for those with high level needs, offers community engagement opportunities and other meaningful social opportunities.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

I feel we don't have adequate services that promote independent living for the vast majority of disabled adults in the Thumb of Michigan. We have wonderful special needs schools but after the individuals with high level needs graduate there are no options available that provide similar care and engagement. Those adults often end up in group homes, or in their family home where family members are forced to leave the workforce to care for the disabled adult. It forces those families into the "system", no longer able to work, reducing their way of life, and relying on government benefits to support the family. If a day center were available that could care for multiple disabled adults, their families could remain in the workforce, providing a quality standard of life for the family, and be productive members of society. The disabled adults would still have stimulating, meaningful, social connections which helps to maintain their mental health which directly affects their physical health.

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#### Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

Not enough to do. My son is high functioning but language impaired.

### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Some type of skill building and day center to give him a purpose. Making soaps or candles or something that they could sell as well as gain experience. Similar to Dutton Farms in Pontiac but bigger and more accessible Also a place for exercises not just limited to Special Olympics

### Q3 Respondent skipped this question

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

#### Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Some type of supportive care that is consistent and for higher functioning. A place where he can go for a few days a week.

#### Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

We need more accessible places for adults to go - whether it's a day care for respite for their care givers or a safe place to live once their guardians have passed

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## Page 1: Introduction

## Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

No help after graduation at 26

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

More help for our adult children with disabilities.

## Q3 School to Work Transition

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Something after graduation.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

We need to know that we can trust people working with our children.

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

The need for a respite care would surely help

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Activities for older special needs or disabled adults

Q3 Peer Support

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

Services for guardians to drop there clients or young adults for a few days so we can regenerate ourselves

Q5 Respondent skipped this question

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#### Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

There is little help finding people to plow snow, mow lawns, fix serious breakdowns in emergency situations (furnace, electrical, etc.)

#### Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

Cities, townships, counties, and the state should create discounts on taxes, trash PU, utility taxes, essentials like food, internet, etc.

Q3 Advocacy,

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

Information and Referral,

Peer Support

## Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I am not poor, but major expenses like bathroom safety upgrades can be exhorbitantly prohibitive. I have fallen in my bathtub twice, but the cost to change to a walk in shower is \$12k to \$19k. I can't shovel snow but not even the local senior center can tell me who might shovel my walks, even if I pay them. The same goes for mowing my lawn.

# Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

That you work with cities to at least not fine us if we can't shovel our snow or if the grass gets longer than we like.

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## Page 1: Introduction

#### Q1

What barriers have you experienced (or are experiencing now) that impact your ability to live independently in your community?

none.

## Q2

What would you like to see change in your community?

This community seems to be entirely white people. I would like to see more diversity.

Q3 Other (please specify):

What Independent Living services do you currently receive?

none

# Q4

What services would you like your CIL to provide?

I imagine that there are places which need an entrance which is wheelchair accessible and elevators to supplement stairs, Although I haven't checked this and don't need them myself.

## Q5

What have we not asked about your experience with Independent Living that you feel is important?

You might ask if I have any difficulty in paying everyday expenses. I don't, but I imagine some people in this neighborhood do.