

Broadscope Disability Services Summary Report

Information about the Applicant

The mission of Broadscope Disability Services (Broadscope) is to advance opportunities for people with disabilities and their families. We foster inclusion and empower individuals with freedom of choice. Incorporated in 1970 as United Cerebral Palsy of Southeastern Wisconsin, our organization has been a recognized leader in promoting inclusion through individualized programming, ongoing collaboration with fellow disability service providers and niche service areas.

In 2021, 926 individuals in Southeastern Wisconsin were supported through our core programs:

- Respite Care Coordination provides parents a break for errands, quality time with siblings or spouse and a general recharge.
- Independent Living offers long-term support and coordination to meet the individual's daily needs and desires.
- Employment Services considers the unique qualities and abilities of each client to meet their assessed needs and expressed employment goals.
- Broadscope serves as Representative Payee for individuals deemed incapable of managing their Social Security or Supplemental Security Income payments due to a diagnosed disability.

Statement of Need

Last year, 87% of Independent Living Program referrals were through Milwaukee County funding sources – My Choice Wisconsin, IRIS, and Community Care. However, the maximum hour or billable amount restrictions placed on Broadscope by these government partners does not cover the breadth and depth of supports our clients require to maintain their stability at home, at work, and in community. In 2021, Broadscope provided more than 300 hours of unbillable support – valued at \$12,633 - to our clients (hours exceeding their approved funding budgets) and in the first six months of 2022, have exceeded those totals already. Broadscope prioritizes each client's desire to achieve their personal and professional goals even if government health and human service programs are unable to meet those needs. Broadscope has never wavered in providing the necessary hours of assistance and encouragement required to ensure our clients have access to food, medication, health care and safe housing, and the skills they need to survive and thrive – providing life skills-building opportunities and ensuring connections with friends, family and medical providers.

In 2021, the Broadscope Independent Living Program assisted 55 individuals with disabilities to live successfully in the community, which includes attending regular medical appointments, taking medications, living in a safe environment, having access to food, and participating in social programs as desired.

- 100% of our ILP clients are residents of Milwaukee County.
- 2% were age 18 – 24 years, 31% age 25 – 44, 46% age 45 – 64 and 42% age 65 and older
- 65% identified as Caucasian, 26% as African American, 6% Hispanic and 4% other minority
- 58% were male and 42% were female
- Diagnoses include cerebral palsy, autism, cognitive disabilities, intellectual disabilities, seizure disorders and others

Project Goals and Expected Benefits

The objective of the Independent Living Program is to diminish the isolation of individuals with disabilities while enhancing their overall quality of life through skill building and socialization. Working with the clients' natural supports, and abiding by funding restrictions, Broadscope Community Support Workers ensure clients can live safely and successfully in the community. Program goals for 2022:

- 100% of our clients will report being treated with dignity and respect
- 85% will indicate that they feel more confident in their environment because of the skills they have learned.
- 90% will respond that they feel more independent because they chose the events in which they participate

Project Implementation Plan

Longevity is important when working with the disabilities population; a strong, trusting, and respectful relationship between the staff person and client is vital to the support we provide. The Independent Living Program Manager has been involved with Broadscope for more than 25 years and supervises a staff of 2 full-time and 1 part-time Community Support Workers (CSWs), one of whom has been with Broadscope for 34 years. The CSWs utilize a client-centered approach to help ILP clients comfortably manage all the pieces of their lives. CSWs take the time to build a trusting relationship with the client, along with any family or natural supports, to respond to the client's individual concerns effectively. Based on each client's individual goals, staff empowers clients to make decisions regarding their safety and overall well-being, friendships and community interaction and life-skills achievements. These interactive strategies include coordinating community-based outings, providing one-on-one and group training opportunities to build and strengthen skills and helping clients feel safe and secure living independently.

Evaluation Plan

Each year, The ILP Program Manager sends a survey to Independent Living Program clients to provide them the opportunity to offer anonymous feedback regarding the quality of support and level of coordination Broadscope offers. Responses are shared with leadership and discussed with staff and used to guide programming, prompt staff development, and identify issues within the program.

In addition, client input helps to drive the various socialization and education programs to be offered. Comments on the survey or requests to their CSW often result in specific activities being planned or topics being addressed. Broadscope staff will monitor the frequency of activities and participation levels. This feedback also helps to better plan for future events.

Budget

In 2022, Broadscope has received funding to support the Independent Living Program from the Frank L. Weyenberg Charitable Trust (\$10,000), We Energies Foundation (\$1,000), and Gardner Foundation (\$2,500). Requests for renewed funding have been or will be submitted to the Hickory Fund (\$7,500), Forest County Potawatomi Foundation (\$5,000), and Pilot Club (\$750). New requests for support are pending with the Patrick and Anna M. Cudahy Fund (LOI submitted), Zonta Foundation (\$3,000) and Holz Family Foundation (\$2,500).

Revenue

Corporate/Foundation	\$7,600
My Choice WI	\$9,000
Community Care	\$35,000
IRIS	\$85,000
Private Pay	\$8,500
Misc.	\$1,200
<i>Total:</i>	<i>\$146,300</i>

Expenses

Salaries	\$176,815
Taxes & Benefits	\$26,067
Audit & Acctng Fees	\$15,345
Professional Fees	\$3028
Supplies & Materials	\$1165
Communications	\$2250
Printing & Postage	\$1841
Occupancy	\$10380
Maintenance/Utilities	\$6846
Insurance	\$2835
Equipment	\$1835
Depreciation	\$150
Staff Mileage	\$10,000
Marketing activities	\$511
Subscriptions	\$219
Staff Seminars/conferences	\$500
Specific Assistance	\$850
Misc	\$353
<i>Total:</i>	<i>\$260,990</i>

Staff Recommendation

The grant application can be approved with application toward a specific line item of the expenses detailed in the budget. The grant can applied to cover the cost of staff mileage that facilitates the beneficiaries receiving the care in the home. Transportation is an allowable initiative of the foundation and will directly support them. This would provide Broadscope \$10,000.00 to maintain their program and cover the gaps available in funding.