

## SC Centers for Independent Living

Centers for Independent Living are not about “helping” people with disabilities but are built on the central concept of self-empowerment. They are consumer-controlled, community-based, cross-disability nonprofits that provide an array of independent living services.

### **What services does the program provide?**

Services vary by independent living center but can include:

- Independent Living Specialists who work one on one with individuals to create individual goals for independence and roadmaps for achieving them.
- Training programs such as communication skills, employment, budgeting, organization, housing search, adapting your home, and goal setting.
- Information and referral assistance for those who want to live independently.
- Peers supporters
- Assistance with searching for affordable housing, filling out rental applications, learning how to keep your home clean and safe, and learning budgeting skills to manage your monthly bills.

### **Who is eligible for services?**

Individuals with disabilities, who live in covered counties, are eligible for services.

### **How does someone apply for this program?**

Contact the Center for Independent Living Center that covers the appropriate county.

### **Some important things to know about this program:**

Program is that it is not needs based, individuals from any income level are eligible to apply.

### **Where can I go for more information?**

SC Able: [www.able-sc.org](http://www.able-sc.org)

**800-681-6805** (Serves: [Calhoun, Chester, Clarendon, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lee, Lexington, Newberry, Orangeburg, Richland, Saluda, Sumter and York Counties](#))

**800-681-7715** (Serves: [Abbeville, Anderson, Cherokee, Greenville, Greenwood, Laurens, Oconee, Pickens and Spartanburg Counties](#))

[Walton Options for Independent Living – North Augusta Office: www.waltonoptions.org](#)

**803-279-9611** (Serves: [Aiken, Barnwell, Edgefield and McCormick Counties](#))

**843-538-1600** (Serves: [Allendale, Bamberg, Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties](#))

[Access Ability](#)

[www.ability.sc.org](http://www.ability.sc.org)

**866-874-7730** (Serves: [Berkeley, Charleston, Dorchester, Orangeburg and Williamsburg Counties](#))

[Lancaster, Chesterfield, Darlington, Florence, Georgetown, Marlboro, Dillon, Marion, and Horry counties are not served.](#)