



WASHINGTON
State Independent Living Council

WASILC Quarterly Meeting

Public Forum & Panel Discussion

Date: October 12, 2017

Time: 1:00-3:30 pm

Location: The Heathman Lodge

7801 NE Greenwood Drive

Vancouver, WA

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The following questions will provide the framework for this discussion:

1. How do you connect with your community and how do you define your community?
2. Barriers: The three main barriers we consistently hear about are transportation, housing and employment. Have you been able to navigate these areas successfully? If so, how? If not, why?
3. Is having a local emergency planning advisory group a priority or interest to you/your organization?
4. How do you go about accessing information and assistance that you need?
5. What questions should the SILC be asking you/your community?
What do you want us to know?

The purpose of this forum is to gather information and advice from the disability community, service providers, and the public to identify what is working in Southwest Washington, as well as to identify gaps and barriers.

The Council will compile a written synopsis of the information shared. This information will be added to the next State Plan for Independent Living creation process and shared with participants, local government, and state representatives as part of WASILC's advocacy and education strategy.

The **Independent Living Philosophy** emphasizes consumer control, the idea that people with disabilities are the best experts on their own needs, deserving of equal opportunity to decide how to live, work, and take part in their communities.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!
This is a fragrance-free meeting.

For **Reasonable Accommodation Requests**, please contact WASILC staff at (800) 624-4105, at least two (2) weeks prior to the event.

Washington State Independent Living Council (WASILC) is a Governor appointed Council that empowers communities through advocacy, leadership, education and collaboration. WASILC strives to achieve positive and effective solutions by promoting the Independent Living Philosophy. We welcome your feedback concerning your experiences and concerns.