Advocates rallying for the ADA, including stalwart member Dan Harris at disability rights rally.

The Boston Center for Independent Living (BCIL) ON THE FRONTLINES!

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Donations & Dues
A donation to BCIL helps us to annually provide services to over 4,000 people with disabilities and advocate on housing, health care, care, PCA services, ADA compliance, unemployment and more. As a non-profit organization that works with anyone who identifies with a disability and charge fees, BCIL relies on the generosity of members, corporations, foundations, and individuals to support the independence of people with disabilities in Greater Boston.

YES! We welcome all donations to BCIL.

YES! Here are my $20 dues to become a member.

Name
Address
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State
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BCIL Financial Statement
June 30, 2018

ASSETS
Current Assets
Cash and Cash Equivalents $803,985
Investments $547,387
Accounts Receivable – Third Parties $479,039
Accounts Receivable – Contracts $111,820
Accounts Receivable – Other $239,798
Prepaid Expenses & Deposits $61,147
Property and Equipment, Net $275,861

TOTAL ASSETS $2,159,682

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS
Accounts Payable $239,089
Accrued Expenses $216,849

TOTAL LIABILITIES $455,938

Net Assets
Unrestricted
Available for Operations $1,253,803
Board Designated $340,779
Net Investment in Property & Equipment $217,020

TOTAL UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS $1,811,602

TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED
Prepaid Expenses & Deposits $61,147
Accounts Receivable – Other $3,300
Investments $547,387
Cash and Cash Equivalents $803,985

TOTAL TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED $1,487,832

TOTAL NET ASSETS $2,159,682

BCIL on the Frontlines of the United Way.

Supporting the independence of people with disabilities
No fees, BCIL relies on the generosity of members, corporations, foundations, and individuals to
work with any disability organization

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Yes, please charge my:

Visa
Mastercard
American Express

Card number
Exp. date
Signature

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The Boston Center for Independent Living gratefully acknowledges the support of the United Way.

Providing quality IL services, engaging in spirited frontline advocacy, and organizing a series for disability rights and equality highlighted BCIL’s work in 2018 and will shape our efforts in 2019.

Housing is a gigantic concern for BCIL consumers because there’s way too little that’s affordable and accessible. To attack this, we again successfully campaigned for increased funding for the Affordable Housing Voucher Program (AHVP) for people with disabilities, which earned a $1.75 million increase in the state budget. In the last five years, our AHVP advocacy with the Disability Policy Consortium (DPC) and Citizens Housing and Planning Association (CHAPA) has increased AHVP funds by over 70%, helping bring the total number of vouchers to over 700. Thanks go to our legislative champions, Representative Karrie Hopkins of Boston, Senator Daffal, of Cambridge, and State Senator of Easton, and Senator Jim Rleck of Acton. BCIL also assisted 140 individuals to obtain affordable housing in recent years. Another 290 people attended the housing workshops we ran twice a month.

BCIL’s ability to provide essential independent living services received a great boost this past July with the awarding of new monies by the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission (MRC) and our governmental partners. These funds will enable BCIL to address concerns in Boston and other communities in a comprehensive manner, enabling us to work in concert with assistance in housing challenges, the need for healthy care needs, and better youth services.

In the past year, BCIL’s consumer-directed personal care attendants program served over 1,200 people, who used PCAs for activities such as dressing, bathing, and eating, which helped many individuals to avoid a nursing home, go to work, go to school, and live a full life. One of our

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Over 60% of BCIL’s staff and board members are persons with disabilities.

BCIL Management Team

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STATEMENT

BCIL MISSION

To enhance the independence and quality of life for individuals with disabilities through education, training, peer support, skills advocates to eliminate isolation, and equality.

Our partners:

Access to MBTA services

We also worked with the Disability Law Center (DLC) and Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) to support use of accessible diagnostic medical equipment in medical facilities, and one major success is the planned appropriation by MassHealth of $8 million to support purchase of, among other things, accessible scales, OBGYN equipment, and mammography equipment by facilities.

Information and referral services also assisted over 2,000 people, while our coordination of long-term services and supports for people in One Care and ACOn touched approximately 400 people. We also had another great year with our Transition Internship Program, which placed over 30 students with significant disabilities in paid internships.

Immigration remains a hot topic in the United States. BCIL will offer that as of the publication of this annual report, eight dedicated members of our staff were born outside the United States and the enrichment we offer by bringing many folks here to speak about a number of languages, including Spanish, Cape Verdean Creole, Swahili, and Haitian Creole. Additionally, for 2018-2019 BCIL is hosting an internee from Japan.

In the coming year a continued major BCIL fiscal focus will be health care and long-term services and supports. We expect to rally the disability community and Medicaid recipients to speak up on accountable care organizations (ACOs), One Care, and PCal services.

In 2018 Disability Advocates Advancing Our Healthcare Rights (DAAHR), which we coordinate with the DPC, organized forums that gave voice to the need to raise the quality of care for Commonwealth Care Alliance, 1199SEIU, the National Council on Disabilities, and PCAs to support use of diagnostic medical equipment in medical facilities, and one major success is the planned appropriation by MassHealth of $8 million to support purchase of, among other things, accessible scales, OBGYN equipment, and mammography equipment by facilities.

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