



UNLOCKING POTENTIAL: TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH INDEPENDENCE

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Welcome to our 2022 Annual Report, "Unleashing Potential: Empowering Lives through Independence." Here, we proudly highlight Center for Independent Futures' (CIF) profound impact on individuals with disabilities in our community. You'll dive into success stories and impactful metrics that showcase the transformative power of empowering individuals with disabilities.

At CIF, we're all about person-centered planning, supporting hundreds of individuals daily in Chicagoland and nationwide. Our mission is simple yet powerful: enabling individuals with disabilities to access life's full spectrum, from life skills development to employment and housing. Through My Full Life™, our Life Skills Coaches and educators guide individuals in realizing their dreams.

We're deeply grateful to our supporters, volunteers, and partners who make this transformation possible. Together, we reshape lives and make dreams real. Thank you for being part of the Center for Independent Futures family and helping unlock potential.

Sincerely,

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WILLIAM'S STORY

A BRIGHT FUTURE FILLED WITH INDEPENDENCE AND PERSONAL GROWTH

In a world where there is already a shortage government housing and financial support remains stagnant, people with disabilities and their families are on the hunt for inventive independent community housing options that break away from the traditional group living or institutional norms. The shining beacon on this path is the Community Living Options lovingly crafted by Center for Independent Futures. These residences are more than just places to live; they're vibrant hubs of community engagement and the stepping stones to brighter, more independent futures.

Now, let's dive into a heartwarming story from 2022, where Jeffrey Taylor and Elizabeth Hurley took a step towards making their son William's dreams come true. They found themselves at a crossroads, searching for the missing piece that would help William live life on his own terms. Traditional options didn't quite fit the bill - either too stifling or not supportive enough. It was during this quest that they found Center for Independent Futures and its Community Living Options.

Their journey with CIF began with William participating in community activities, thanks to some wise advice from the staff. Jeffrey shared, "The staff suggested that William start by joining in on activities. After that, he put his name on the waiting list for apartments. Last spring, we got the call - 'There's going to be an opening at the Evanston Harrison Street apartments in May. Would William be interested?' We asked William, and he said yes!"

Living independently has been a dream of William's for over eight years. Now the time had finally come. The moment of transition was a mix of excitement and trepidation for



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William. He admitted, "It was the scariest night of my life, but I felt like I was born again. Now, I'm an adult."

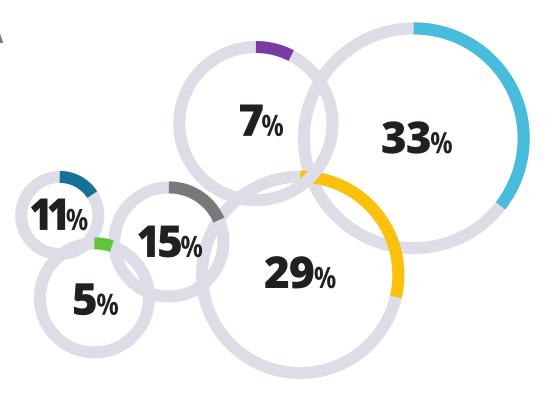
With the invaluable support of his Life-Skills Coaches, Kevin and Mia, and Community Builder, Aby, William is finding his groove with his newfound independence. William reflected, "Aby and Kevin taught me how to be kind to myself and think before I say or do something. Living independently has given me more freedom. I'm away from my parents, and I get to live with people closer to my age. It's the first time I've ever experienced this kind of life, and I'm loving every moment of it." Here's to a bright future filled with independence, growth, and happiness for William and others like him, thanks to Center for Independent Futures.



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Fundraising & Marketing

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Revenue	2022
Grants	\$111,000
Special Events	\$239,412
Contributions (temporarily restricted)	\$178,398
Contributions (unrestricted)	\$448,712
Consultation & Training	\$73,243
Service & Support	\$517,789
Total	\$1,568,554

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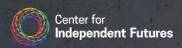
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