



COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSION

APRIL 30, 2026

1:00 – 2:30 P.M. MOUNTAIN TIME (12:00 – 1:30 PACIFIC TIME)

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89555578322?pwd=fN9xG0lZXVnmaZgs6qDGAB5bU7fwOz.1>

AGENDA

- 1:00 p.m. (MT)** Introduction (please put your name & location in the chat)
12:00 p.m. (PT) Meeting logistics (how the meeting will be run)
What's the State Plan and Why we want to hear from you
- 1:15 p.m. (MT)** We want to hear from you:
12:15 p.m. (PT) What's been your biggest challenge related to your disability in the last year?
- If you were able to change something to improve the lives of Idahoans with disabilities, what would it be?
 - What changes could Centers for Independent Living or other disability programs make to better support people with disabilities?
- Help us understand how your community is serving people in regard to:
- Housing
 - Transportation, including sidewalks, curb cuts, bike routes
 - Medicaid Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)
 - Healthcare, including access to providers and health insurance (public or private)
 - Education, job training and employment
 - Recreation, community access, other areas impacting Idahoans with disabilities.
 - Other worries, concerns or issues?
- Help us determine where to direct Independent Living resources to improve opportunities for Idahoans with disabilities to live in and actively engage with their community with the support they need.
- 2:20 p.m. (MT)** Wrap up: We'll share information about the Centers, the SILC and the State Plan and how you can be more involved in the Independent Living movement.
1:20 p.m. (PT)
- 2:30 p.m. (MT)** Close meeting
1:30 p.m. (PT)

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The Idaho State Independent Living Council (SILC) and the Idaho Centers for Independent Living (CILs) are hosting public meetings across Idaho (virtually and in-person) to hear from Idahoans with disabilities.

The SILC and the CILs serve Idahoans across disabilities and lifespan. The SILC and the Centers are unique because they are governed and largely staffed by people with disabilities. Independent Living doesn't mean we don't need anyone – It means we need each other in our quest to live where we choose with the support and resources non-disabled people often take for granted.

The SILC and CILs are collecting information to develop a three-year (2028-2030) State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) that will help us address the Independent Living needs of Idahoans with disabilities. The information we collect will also guide our advocacy toward the issues that matter to you for the remainder of the 2025-2027 SPIL.

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To request disability accommodations

For virtual listening sessions: ASL will be provided. To request other disability accommodations, call the SILC at least 10 days in advance 208-334-3800; toll-free 1-800-487-4866 or email: janey.bruesch@silc.idaho.gov

For in-person events, please contact our office at least ten days in advance to request ASL and other disability accommodations - Call or email: 208-334-3800; toll-free 1-800-487-4866 or email: janey.bruesch@silc.idaho.gov