

# **Our Positions on: Community Integration & Employment**



**We believe that our siblings and others with disabilities have the right to integration within their community systems in Illinois, including those with high medical and behavioral/mental support needs. We support the phasing out of institutional living in Illinois.**

**We support appropriation of funding in Illinois to ensure the community system reflects the capacity, quality of service, and staffing necessary to support our siblings and others with disabilities.**

**We support the improvement of public transportation systems in Illinois to ensure accessible and safe travel for individuals with disabilities.**

**We believe in the access to individual and systemic supports that allow our adult siblings and others with disabilities to succeed within fair employment opportunities.**

**We support competitive, living wages for all.**

**We support the ongoing training of employers to expand employment opportunities and to foster a culture of inclusion and disability competency within workplaces.**

**We support legislation that allots individuals with disabilities their fair share of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing resources.**

**We believe that adults with disabilities, their families, and their Sibs should be provided understandable information related to community choices and employment.**

**We believe adults with disabilities have the right to seek employment and living communities of their choosing and may elect their Sib to support their decision-making.**

**We believe Sibs are uniquely positioned to see and communicate our siblings' preferences, interests, and strengths in order to inform decision-making for future planning.**