

COALITION for COMMUNITY CHOICE

The Coalition for Community Choice (CCC) is a national grassroots alliance of individuals with disabilities, their families and friends, disability rights advocates, professionals, educators, and housing and service providers which aims to advance policy that increases options and decreases barriers to housing and employment choices for those with intellectual/developmental disabilities.

Our Principles:

- Every person defines home and community differently. Individuals with I/DD have the right to define “Home and Community” for themselves. Federal or state policy should not include language which restricts settings or narrowly defines what is considered a “Home and Community”.
- Individuals with I/DD should not be restricted from living in any setting based on the diagnosis of its residents, desired lifestyle or location, concentration of individuals with disability, or any assessment of the least restrictive environment that is not based on a person-centered, individual evaluation.
- Individuals with I/DD have the right to choose from a full range of support service options to meet their needs and reach their full potential.
- Individuals with I/DD have the right to choose their support service provider to provide services in their voluntarily chosen setting, including options such as farmsteads, intentional communities, campus settings, live-work-play, and other pedestrian-oriented developments.
- No government official should have the power to override or restrict one’s choice in his or her desired home and community options.
- The government should decrease barriers to residential options and not restrict innovation of affordable and accessible housing.
- The government should provide more incentives to local community development of housing and support services to meet the specific needs for those with I/DD in that community.

If you share these principles, want to join the growing list of supporters, connect with other advocates in your state, and sign up for email action alerts, email the CCC National Coordinator:

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For more information and materials to share, visit the CCC website:

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