

Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities Southern Illinois Transition Project

CTF ILLINOIS

Background: CTF Illinois is an innovative, CQL-accredited agency with vast experiences in the spectrum of services for people with I/DD. In addition to managing multiple large grants from a variety of sources, CTF has opened a full-time advocacy centers and continually seeks community-based opportunities for people served. CTF staff are dedicated to providing the best possible outcomes for individuals with I/DD.

CTF ILLINOIS's performance target for this project states: By September 30, 2021, fifty transition aged people will gain access to successful post-secondary outcomes in the areas of education and training, advocacy, employment, and/or independent living by building system networks through Transition Planning Committees and new Self-Advocacy groups/activities in Southern Illinois which increases people's knowledge and ability to navigate the DD system to obtain positive outcomes.

Key features of CTF Illinois Southern Illinois Transition Project:

- Service delivery for this project covers the following 11 counties: Clark, Clay, Coles, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Effingham, Jasper, Moultrie, Richland and Shelby
- CTF will partner with the Eastern Illinois Association for Special Education (EIASE) cooperative, the Illinois Association of Microboards and Cooperatives, Family Matters Parent Training and Information Center, the Department of Rehabilitation Services (DRS), Prairieland Service Coordination, the Illinois Self-Advocacy Alliance, the ARC of Illinois, and Eastern Illinois University (EIU) Special Education
- The AIR Self-Determination Scale will be used to capture baseline data and show growth in self-determination skills over the life of the investment
- Key services include PATHWAYS person-centered planning and self-determination training
 - Trainers will provide personal care planning facilitator trainings to self-advocates, family members, and professionals. Planning Alternative Tomorrows with Hope (PATH) curriculum will also be provided.
 - Self-advocates will receive additional training and will be instrumental as paid mentors in this project to demonstrate the strength of self-advocacy
- Assistance in obtaining transportation and community employment

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