

Endependence Center (ECI)

aims to assist people with

disabilities in obtaining or

maintaining their desired level

of independence with the

use of services, supports, and

advocacy and advocates for

the integration and inclusion

of people with disabilities

in all aspects of society.



**ENDEPENDENCE CENTER, INC.**

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**Endependence**

**Center**



**“Opening Doors to Opportunities”**

Endependence Center, Inc., (ECI)

is a non-residential, community-

based Center for Independent

Living that is directed by and assists

people with disabilities to lead

independent, productive lives.

**THIS MEANS EXERCISING**

**THE RIGHT AND**

**OPPORTUNITY TO CHOOSE . . .**

● A LIFESTYLE

● AN EDUCATION

● A CAREER

The individual, the community, and the Center work together to create expanded opportunities

for people with disabilities.

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**CORE SERVICES**

**Peer Mentoring**

Connecting with other people with disabilities for support and opportunities to share valuable life experiences.

**Information and Referral**

Gain an understanding of information and

community resources available to you.

**Independent Living Skills Training**

Receive guidance and training to enhance your knowledge and develop skills to lead a more independent life.

**Transition**

Receive transition assistance with:

Prevention of institutionalization;

Youth transition to post-secondary life; and

Relocating from a nursing facility into the community.

**Individual and Systems Advocacy**

Assistance is provided to individuals with disabilities to resolve discrimination complaints in areas such as housing, education, public accommodations, employment, transportation,

and community/government programs.

Participates in policy development, regulatory processes, and program implementation in response to invitation on complaint on local,

state, and national levels.





**Assistive Technology for Deaf or Hard of Hearing**

Technical assistance, equipment distribution and training, and disability awareness services for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing.

**Career Supports**

Receive guidance and training on how to remove barriers to employment and support

so you can remain successfully employed. Receive information on work incentives

and Ticket To Work.

**Community Education\***

ECI organizes and conducts workshops on disability-related topics.

**Technical Assistance\***

ECI surveys public and private facilities to determine economical and efficient accessibility. Technical training programs

are developed for private and public agencies on compliance with disability related laws.

**Accessible & Affordable Housing Information**

ECI provides resource information on affordable and accessible housing in our service area.

\*Fees may be associated with some of these services.