



SB 475/HB 984 – DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADMINISTRATION – CRISIS RESOLUTION FUNDING

SB 475/HB 984 would ensure annual funding for people in the greatest priority of need on the Developmental Disabilities Administration's (DDA) Waiting List – \$3.5 Million State Funds for approximately 110 people each year.

Nearly 8,000 children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities are on the DDA Waiting List. The highest category is Crisis Resolution which includes people living with a caregiver unable to provide adequate care due to the caregiver's impaired health which may place the individual at risk of serious physical harm; at serious risk of physical harm or at serious risk of causing physical harm in the current environment; homeless or living in temporary housing with clear time-limited ability to continue to live in this setting with no viable non-DDA-funded alternative. There are 618 caregivers over age 71.

As of February 2017, the numbers of persons in each of the Waiting List Categories:

- Crisis Resolution: 73
- Crisis Prevention (anticipated to rise to level of need of Crisis Resolution within a year): 1,105
- Current Need: 6,644
- Total: 7,822

Future Need Registry (anticipated to need services within three years): 2,000. Note: This list has not been updated for several years to determine current needs.

SB 475/HB 984 starts a path toward independence and inclusive community lives. This legislation gives hope to individuals & their families when they most need the help of government.

**Support individuals with developmental disabilities & their families in crisis!
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DDA Waiting List by Age

Age of Person Waiting For Services

Under age 14

1,062

Ages 15-21

3,137

Ages 22—50

2,827

Ages 51-65

645

Over 65 years

151

Age of Caregiver

21-40 years

880

41-60 years

3,989 caregivers

61-70 years

901 caregivers

71-80 years: 366

366 caregivers

81 years & older

252 caregivers

