



Center for Independent Living of Northwest Florida, Inc.

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Message from Executive Director Carolyn Grawi

Hi, I'm Carolyn Grawi with the Center for Independent Living Disability Resource Center.

As you can see I am not at the office right now. We are working remotely to make sure we are still meeting all the service needs of people with disabilities in our community view this message in it's entirety here:

[Link to Video here](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tgg6wKGgsbw>



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*Offer assistance, listen for response,
and follow any specific directions.*

Disability Awareness: People First

When: May 14, 2020 01:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Please join a few minutes early so that we may begin on time.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#) by app on your phone, tablet, or computer:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85685899157>

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ZOOM App Updates

Zoom 5.0 is live! Beginning May 30, 2020, Zoom will be enabling GCM encryption across the entire Zoom platform, providing increased protection for meeting data. [Update now, visit \(https://zoom.us/download\)](https://zoom.us/download).

CILDRC Updates:

Our telephone outreach and assessments continue. We have spoken to multiple individuals in our community. Many times we encounter people who are battling loneliness from social isolation. Our CIL team member, Susan, reported how proud she was after speaking to an individual yesterday. The individual shared how happy she was that we called her because it made her feel cared for and connected. Others are facing food insecurity and we have linked them to programs that are distributing food. We are reminded daily of the need for various resources that are in short supply. (If we haven't reached you yet and you don't feel you need to connect with CILDRC directly, please reply in an email info@cil-drc.org and type "I AM OKAY" in the body.)

Please contact us if you need information, assistance, or someone to talk to for support. Staff will continue to be available by phone and email, managing day to day activities by appointment and remotely during our normal business hours 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. You can reach us by calling 850-595-5566 or by emailing info@cil-drc.org.



Updates from the IRS

Millions of Americans have already received their Economic Impact Payments (Payments) authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) continues to calculate and automatically send the Payments to most eligible individuals, however some individuals may have to provide additional information to the IRS to get their Payments. For the most recent updates about Economic Impact Payments, visit the [IRS Website Economic Impact Payment Information Center](#).



[Water and COVID-19 FAQs](#)

Information about Drinking Water, Treated Recreational Water, and Wastewater

Updated CDC guidance based on recent research findings for the following questions:

- Can the virus that causes COVID-19 spread through drinking water?
- Can the virus that causes COVID-19 spread pools, hot tubs, spas and water play areas?
- Can the virus that causes COVID-19 spread through sewerage systems?

[Find answers to these questions and more at:](#)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/water.html>

Upcoming Community Events

- Move it with CHS will be held on Sunday, May 17th - please see event details and registration by [following this link:](https://www.facebook.com/events/1003383460058610/)
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1003383460058610/>
- Faith Health Network Stroke Awareness Call online ZOOM call, May 21st - To register, call 850.469.PRAY(7729) or [link to](https://bit.ly/3bbQCSI) (<https://bit.ly/3bbQCSI>).
- NAMI Mental Health Peer Support Groups - On ZOOM. [For dates and times visit](http://www.NAMIsupportgroups.org) (www.NAMIsupportgroups.org) to register or find out more.

Up to date information about COVID-19 specific to your County is available

[Escambia County](#)
[Okaloosa County](#)
[Walton County](#)
[Santa Rosa County](#)



Visit: 2020CENSUS.GOV



CIL Disability Resource Center Invites you to Community Conversations for Social Engagement via Zoom

When: May 20, 2020 at 12:00 noon Central Time (US and Canada). Please join a few minutes early so that we may begin on time.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#) by app on your phone, tablet, or computer:

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The Social Engagement Activity will occur each Wednesday at 12:00 noon. Please watch for updated information posted on our website on how you can connect. We will also send out emails with instructions on how to participate.

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Funding is presently needed to purchase
wheelchairs, bath benches, walkers and other
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