40th Anniversary Update

CIL of Northwest Florida has been so excited and proud during our month-long celebration! We thank you for all of your participation in activities so far. It is because of your support that we have already raised about $15,000 of our $40,000 goal! Continue to keep a look out on our online platforms for more fun videos and events to participate in. We have loved everyone's input.

40th Anniversary Calendar
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40th Anniversary Campaign

On behalf of the consumers we serve, and all people with disabilities, the CIL of Northwest Florida would be honored if you would join us to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the CIL of Northwest Florida “Honoring Our Past, Planning Our Future” through our online campaign that will be located on our Facebook page for the full month of July!

Learn More

Weekly Giveaways!

Congratulations to our winners so far: Dawn Shumaker Smith, John Collins, and Robin Steed! We hope you enjoy your prizes!

But don’t worry we still have a wonderful grand prize which is a $100 Visa gift card! The winner will be announced on July 31st! Remember Every time you participate in our campaign you will be entered to win.

Forms of Participation include: Commenting on posts/participating in the discussion, Making a donation, Sharing our posts/page, Bidding on an auction item, Attending online events, and Following our social media platforms.

Participation will be reset each week!

Daily Fun Events

We have an exciting schedule planned of fun and entertaining videos that will be in the style of TikTok, an online auction, educational pieces, thought provoking stories, quick sign language tutorials, interactive activities, music, and more.

Throughout the rest of the month we will also be hosting online events. There will be an online Sheriff Candidates’ Forum on their views about the Disability Community on July 29, 2020 at 5:00 PM.
Please share this information with anyone who may be interested or can support!

CIL of Northwest Florida is Excited to Announce Our Keynote Speaker:

Deidre Davis Butler

Deidre is an attorney, advocate and disability rights expert. For forty years, she has been working for equal access with and for persons with disabilities. Deidre has helped craft, implement and enforce disability rights and equal employment laws. Her areas of expertise include the Air Carrier Access Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and the Fair Housing Act. A recognized national and global leader, Deidre has one unique story and perspective on the dynamics of disability.

Deidre's eclectic career includes County, State, Federal, International, and Corporate service. Positions held include: Chief of the Federal Independent Living Program (U.S. Dept. of Education), Director of ADA Technical Assistance (U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission), Deputy Assistant Secretary for Equal Employment and Civil Rights (U.S. Department of State). She also served in President Clinton's White House Office of Presidential Personnel. There will also be time for a question and answer session.

Event Agenda: Welcome Ceremony, Thank you to our Sponsors, Board and Staff Appreciation, County Proclamations, Keynote: Deidre Davis Butler, Award Presentation, Happy Anniversary CIL

JOIN US FOR THE PREMIERE!
Where: Our Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/CILNWF
Date: July 31, 2020
Time: 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM

CIL of Northwest Florida is excited to celebrate our 40th Anniversary with you and such a renowned advocate for disability rights such as Deidre Davis Butler

Flyer Transcript
Thank You to our Sponsors!

CILNWF Updates:

Our team has returned to the office and we continue to practice CDC guidelines and physical distancing by providing services by appointment only. We ask that when an appointment is made, if you have any COVID-19 symptoms or are not feeling well that you stay home and contact us via phone. For all who come to the office for your appointment you will have an infrared temperature taken, you will need to wear masks and gloves and you will be asked some screening questions in order to enter our building.

The CIL Team continues to also reach out by telephone to assess and fulfill consumer unmet needs. We have been able to assist many individuals with connection to food, equipment and/or a listening ear. We know new challenges of COVID-19 occur everyday. If you are experiencing new urgent or ongoing matters that you want to attend to, please contact us ASAP. You can reply to this email or call us at 850-595-5566. We will do what we can to help support you in the direction(s) you wish to navigate for solution(s).

As a reminder, the newsletters are being sent out bi-weekly, but don’t worry! You can always stay in touch by visiting the website or by following us on Facebook and our new social media platforms. Every new follower that follows our social media accounts by July 31, 2020 will be entered to win a bottle of wine!
Moves to Make Now To Age in Place

Many individuals who are homeowners want to age comfortably in their own home. Find out how to do so in an efficient manner that will give you the best chances to do so as affordable and independently as possible.

Learn More

The World Institute on Disability: (WID) is looking for usability testers from 18 states and DC for a study on tele-health. We are excited to be working with a client on evaluating the accessibility of a tele-health system with a cross-disability group. The study will be over the course of 45 days and will evaluate an online medical service.

During the study you will receive:
A complementary phone that you will keep at the end of the study.
Phone service for the duration of the study for the complementary phone.
Paid membership to an online medical service. Compensation for participation and completion of the study.

Requirements of the study:
You must be a person with a disability. You must be willing to activate your phone and service online with your real information. You must be willing to register for the online medical service with your real information. You must participate in before and after interviews via Zoom. You must participate in weekly assignments and complete an online questionnaire after each assignment

You must live in one of the following states to be eligible: Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Tennessee & Washington DC

ADA30
Americans with Disabilities Act
Celebrate the ADA! July 26, 2020

Celebrate 30 years with the ADA!
On July 24th celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the ADA by participating in:

Stroll in Support of the ADA:
At 8:00 AM traverse around your block with friends and family to show support. Let CILNWF know if there are accessibility issues in your neighborhood by emailing info@cilnwf.org.

Virtual ADA Event:
Join the ADA at 10:00 AM for our virtual event. Please register in advance.
CIL of Northwest Florida Events

ADA Everyday: What's in Your Toolbox?

July 27, 2020 at 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Register

ASL Training with Di Tift

July 29, 2020 at 12:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Register
Social Conversations

July 30, 2020 at 12:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Register

Coming Soon in August!

Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc Overview
With Karen Jackson

August 4, 2020 at 1:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Register
Are you a person with a disability looking for a career opportunity or internship? The August 5, 2020 Virtual Career Fair is FREE for career seekers with disabilities to attend. Experienced professionals, recent college graduates and college students with disabilities meet online with employers across the nation to discuss competitive career opportunities! Candidates are invited to interact with employers via chat sessions.

Learn More

FAAST 101: AT to Promote Independence

August 18, 2020 at 1:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Register
Online Auction

Visit our online auction! We have some exciting products, stays, and experiences through July 26, 2020. Best part, during the online auction if you are out bid on any of our items you will receive a text. You then have the best chance to raise your bid to secure the item is yours. All bids are final and all proceeds help the Center to meet its mission. Bidding ends on July 26th at 11:59 PM.

Start Bidding!

Support the Cause with a T-shirt!

We are selling T-shirts! Show your support for our organization by sporting our apparel.

Visit Our Store
Upcoming Community Events

- **Crip Camp Impact Campaign**: Have community building right in your own home. Every Sunday at 4:00 PM through August 30, 2020 for one and a half hours each. Register or find out more information at [Crip Camp](#).

- **NAMI Mental Health Peer Support Groups** - On ZOOM. For dates and times visit this link to register or find out more about this free event.

- **Online Group Psychological Health Promotion Program for Women with Spinal Cord Injury**. Find out if you are eligible today!

- **ADA 30 Lead On**: Celebrate Disability Arts, Culture, Education & Pride as they present this two hour, 15 minute entertaining, educational and empowering journey through the five titles of the Americans with Disabilities Act, landmark civil rights legislation on **Thursday, July 23, 2020 from 7:00 - 9:15 PM EST on YouTube and Facebook Live**.

- You're invited to the DISABLED AND PROUD social on July 26, 2020! Join CIL Jacksonville as we celebrate the 30th year anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act on Zoom! All are welcome! [Click here](#) to RSVP on Facebook.

- Join the Harkin Institute 30th Anniversary ADA Virtual Rally on July 26, 2020 by [Registering](#) now!

- Join the U.S. Access Board for a Virtual Celebration of the ADA on July 29, 2020 1:30 – 3:00 (EST). Join the conversation by [viewing the zoom](#) or by dialing into (669) 254-5252 or (646) 828-7666, Session ID: 160 988 6567.

- The ADA at 50: [Register](#) for the event on July 30, 2020 as speakers explore what the ADA’s implication will be 50 years later - what will it take for all communities to be more disability friendly?

- Research Opportunity: To understand how young people with disabilities experience the transition to adulthood. [Find out if you are eligible today](#)!
We need your help completing an important survey about your experience during the Covid-19 pandemic.

The survey is completely anonymous and should take about 15 – 30 minutes to complete. The purpose of this study is to investigate issues related to quality of life, stress, healthcare access, and community access during the Covid-19 pandemic for individuals with a disability.

This research is IRB/ethics approved through Stockton University in NJ. We anticipate the results of this study will be published. Thank you for your assistance!

If you have any questions about this survey, please contact Kerri Sowers at Kerri.Sowers@stockton.edu or (609) 652-4418.

Take Our Survey

Notice From Santa Rosa County:
There are three ways to vote in Florida: by mail, early, or on Election Day. The last day to request a vote by mail ballot to be mailed is Aug. 8. Early voting begins Aug. 3 in Santa Rosa County.

Information regarding COVID-19:

- For in-person voting options including early voting and Election Day, voters are encouraged to follow the latest CDC guidelines and be mindful of others. Masks are also encouraged.
- Voters may bring a black or blue ball point pen if preferred.
- The number of occupants in the polling room may be limited. Polling rooms will be spaced for social distancing. Voters are encouraged to maintain social distancing.
- Due to increased safety measures, in-person voting may take longer than usual. Voters are encouraged to be prepared in order to minimize time spent in the polling place.

If you have any questions, contact the Santa Rosa County Elections Office at (850) 983-1900.

We encourage individuals who live outside Santa Rosa County to look up their own voter information.
Updated information about COVID-19 by county is available by clicking a graphic below.

Want to help people with disabilities live fuller, more meaningful lives in the community? Funding is presently needed to purchase wheelchairs, bath benches, walkers and other durable medical equipment.

YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE!
DONATE TODAY!

You may contribute online by clicking the "Donate" button below or you may mail a check to:
CIL of Northwest Florida
3600 North Pace Boulevard
Pensacola, FL 32505
Center for Independent Living of Northwest Florida, Inc. (FEIN: 59-2288751) dba CIL Disability Resource Center, is a registered charity in the State of Florida, Registration Number CH130. A copy of the Official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll-free within the state. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the state. 1-800-HELP-FLA (435-7352), www.FloridaConsumerHelp.com

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