Creating Supportive Housing is Deceptively Simple

The Source for Housing Solutions



CSH: What We Do

CSH is a touchstone for new ideas and best practices and an influential advocate for supportive housing.





Improving Lives



"We want Illinois to create a disability service system where supports and services are controlled by us — the individuals who receive them. We want opportunities. We want freedom. We want choices."

Illinois Self-Advocacy Alliance, Position Statement



Welcome to Edwardsville!

The May building was created through many efforts and collaboration of self advocates, families, Division of Developmental Disabilities, State Housing Coordinator Lore Baker, Madison County Housing Authority, Trinity Inc., Ligas Family Advocate Program and Developmental Disabilities Services Metro East!



Let's watch a video!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v =DnSif-y-YqU



The "Olmstead Case"



The Olmstead lawsuit started with two women from Georgia named Lois Curtis and Elaine Wilson who both had diagnoses of mental health conditions and intellectual disabilities.









Defining Supportive Housing

Targets
households
with barriers

Is Affordable

Provides tenants with leases

Engages tenants in voluntary services

Coordinates among key partners

Connects tenants with community



Variety of Supportive Housing Types

Scattered Site

- Single Family Homes
- Apartments

Small Scale Single Site

- Rehab or New Construction
 - 4 units total

Mixed-Tenancy

Rehab or New Construction









Supportive Housing is NOT:



Supportive Housing is NOT

Treatment

Transitional

Licensed community care



Determining the Model

• The Goal is:

- To put the person in charge of making as many decisions as possible
- Maximize choices
- Decrease to the greatest extent possible the segregation between people who have disabilities and the rest of the community
- Separate but equal is no longer our goal.



Dimensions of Quality





Adapted for Persons with IDD and their Audiences





Supportive housing is affordable and has services that help people live with stability, independence, choice, and dignity.





This can be supportive housing







A Quick Summary

Supportive Housing is a long term home.

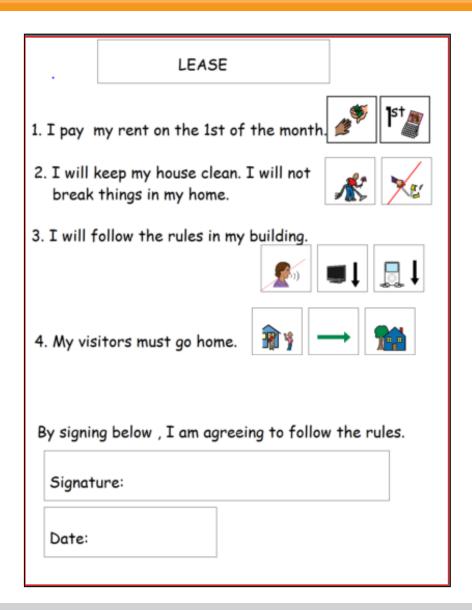
- Must have a lease and be affordable
- In a neighborhood like anyone else
- Live alone or with a roommate they choose
- Must have services

Supportive Housing is **NOT**

 Residential Program, Group Home, Institution or Nursing Home



Supportive Housing



Must have a lease

- Self-Advocate signs a lease and must follow rules
- Can live there for a long time
- Self-Advocate can live alone or with a roommate they choose



Supportive Housing





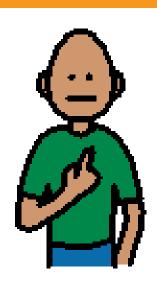


- Doesn't cost all of someone's money
- People in Supportive Housing pay 30% of their income in rent
- Example: someone has \$733 from SSI. Their rent would be about \$220 per month



Supportive Housing

Must have Services



- Sometimes people need help with reminders, bills, medication, daily activities, or following rules of the lease
- Supportive Housing is for anyone who needs some help in their housing



Supportive Housing Services

1. Self advocates have choices in what services they want. Services are Person-Centered and flexible.



2. The self-advocate, their family, their staff, and the landlord all talk to each other. Staff can help talk to the landlord.

3. Self-Advocates live in neighborhoods and go places just like everyone else!



Types of Support

- 1. Agency hires support people
- 2. Parents hire support people
- 3. Self Advocate hires support people



What have we used for the William's Case as the intervention and how has it worked?



The Intervention

Affordable,
Portable
Bridge
Subsidies

A Regular Lease – Full Unit

Money for Furniture

Wrap-Around Voluntary Services in the Home

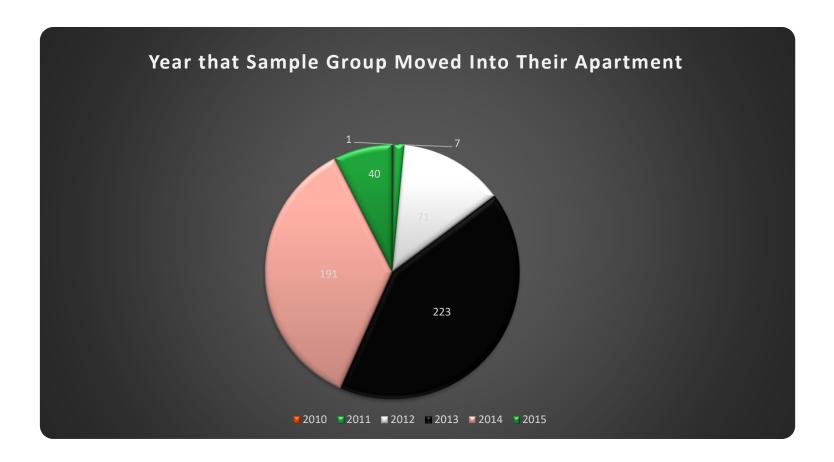
A Place to Meet Friends and Plan Home- Not Transitioning to Home



Dimensions of Quality

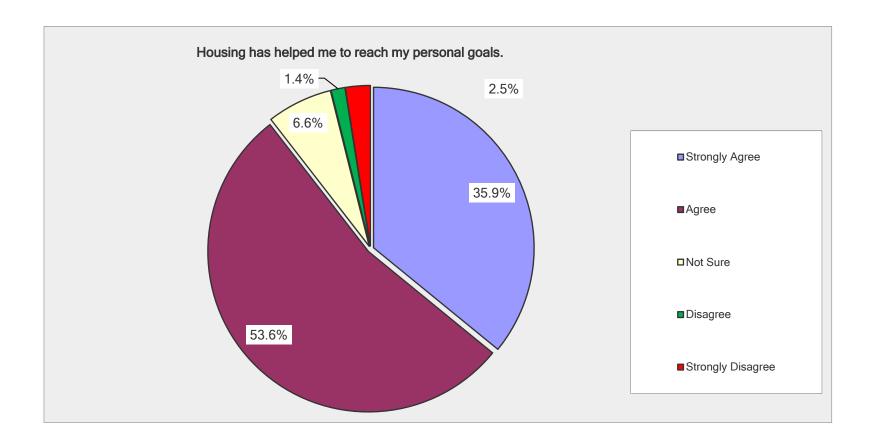




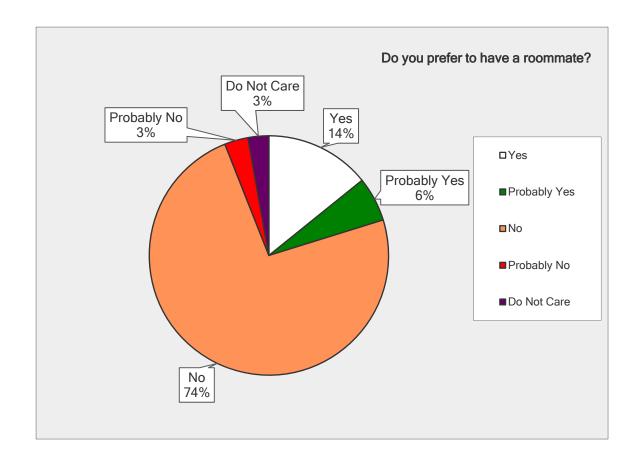


533 of the first 817 people returned the sample (72%).



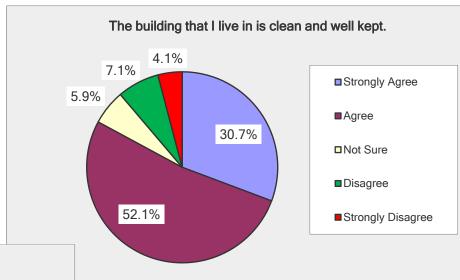


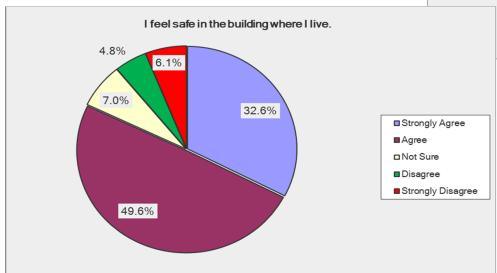
89.5% of tenants said that the Bridge Subsidy Program and supports helped them to reach their goals.



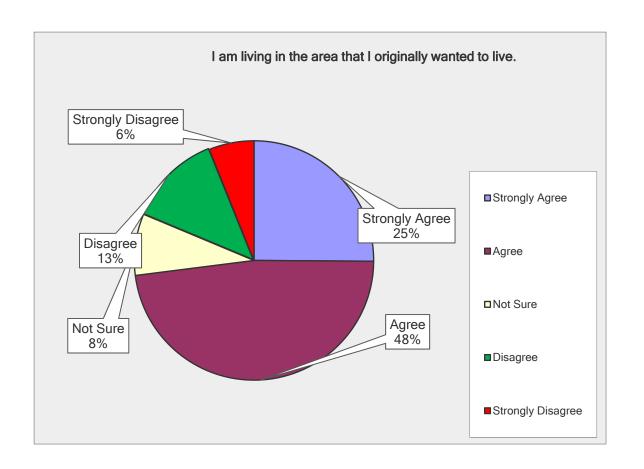
75% of tenants prefer their own apartment and to live alone.



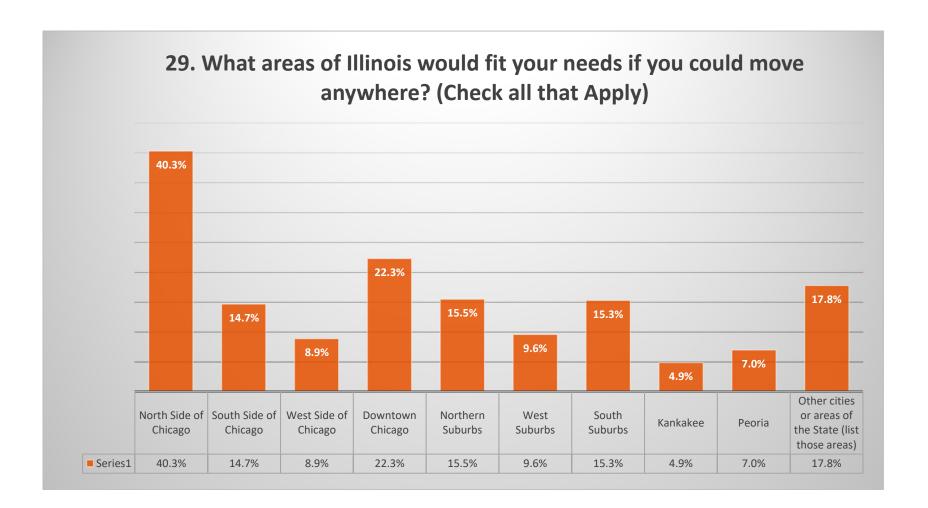








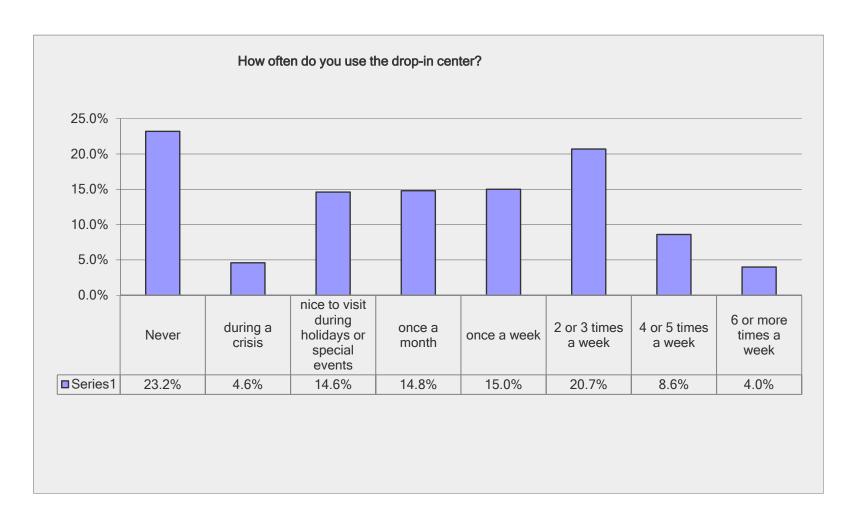




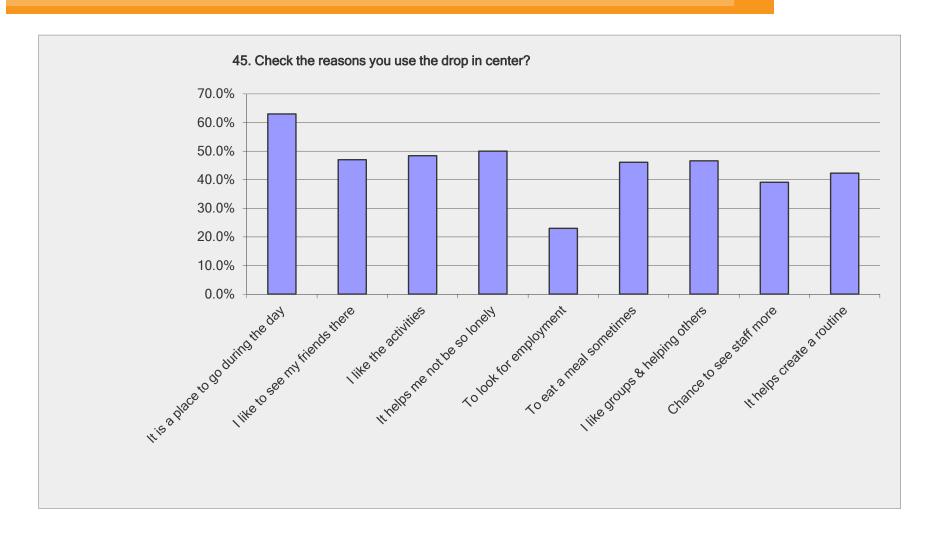


- 1. People like their apartment, their caseworker, their agency.
- The service amounts requested are the service amounts delivered.
- People like their furnishings.



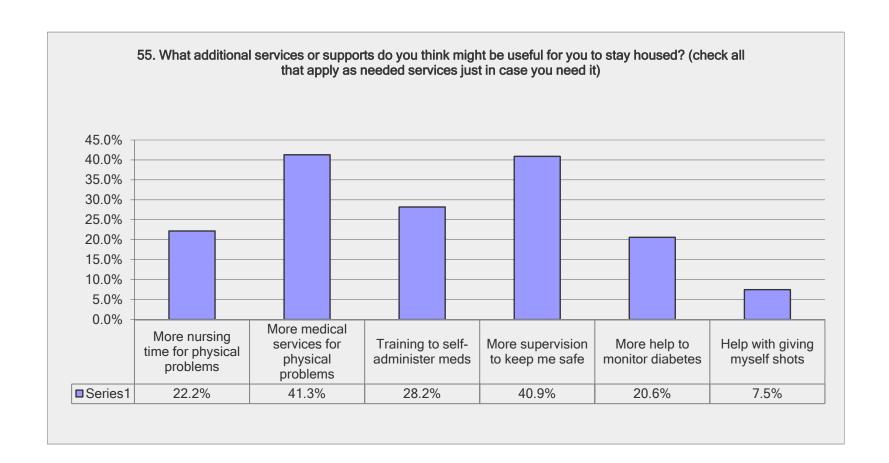








Are Consumers Satisfied?





What have we used for the William's Case as the intervention and how has it worked?



What have we used for the Ligas Case as the intervention and how has it worked?



The Source for Housing Solutions



Supportive Housing is not a single intervention.

It is the combination of:

- 1. Affordable Housing
- 2. Individualized On-Site Support Services



Supportive Housing is not a single intervention.

Coordination of those services and the housing is key and difficult to achieve.

- 1. Individual's expectations vary
- 2. Family and Community Expectations vary
- 3. Service providers competence, training, and expectations vary
- 4. Community and Individual Propert's tolerance for learning and supporting people vary.



Affordable Housing Takes a Long Time to Develop for Individuals on SSI that need deeply safe, affordable housing.

- 1. Often needs Physical Features that Allow Accessibility.
 - a. Choice becomes limited by what is reasonable
 - b. Moving locations becomes more difficult because of resources to move and new modifications
 - c. Choice is limited by access to regular support services



Affordable Housing Takes a Long Time and has compromises because of neighborhood resistance to new buildings (NIMBY)

Affordable Housing has lots of competing constituencies for a limited resource.

Affordable Housing saves money in the long run but requires money now.

Affordable Housing financing generally needs to build large buildings because of the methods of Federal Financing and the complications.

Financing PSH: A 3-Legged Stool

3 key budgets that must be financed

Capital

The bricks and mortar

Operating

Day-to-Day operations of the building

Services

Providing the necessary supports





Services are not all equal

- 1. Most parts of the state have no expectation of delivering services in the home.
- 2. Most social service schools do not adequately train staff to do services in the home, train in the model, or set the expectation that this is where services are to be delivered.
 - a. It is about place based services.
 - b. People should be transported to me
- c. If people can't get to me, they need institutional care.



2014 Supportive Housing Institute Teams



- 1. Protected Tomorrows- Vernon Hills
- 2. Heroes of the Game Rockford
- 3. Ray Graham Association Naperville
- 4. Jewish Children's Services Skokie
- 5. Village of Progress Ogle County
- 6. Ass. for Individual Development Aurora
- 7. SouthSTAR/SW Com Part SW Suburbs
- 8. LSSI Dixon
- 9. MarcFirst Bloomington
- 10. The Autism Project Champaign
- 11. The "H" Group Marion, IL



2015 Agencies Interested in Supportive Housing So Far

- 1. Anixter Center Chicago
- 2. Envision Chicago
- 3. Caritas Family Solutions Belleville
- 4. Pioneer Center McHenry
- 5. Seguin Services Cicero
- 6. Trinity Services, INC Joliet
- 7. Little City Foundation Palatine
- 8. New Hope Center Dolton



CSH Systematically Creates Supportive Housing in Many Communities

Families

Training and awareness for Family Advocates

Developers and Agencies

Training for Teams to
Develop Projects
Funded by Government
Sources

Self-Advocates

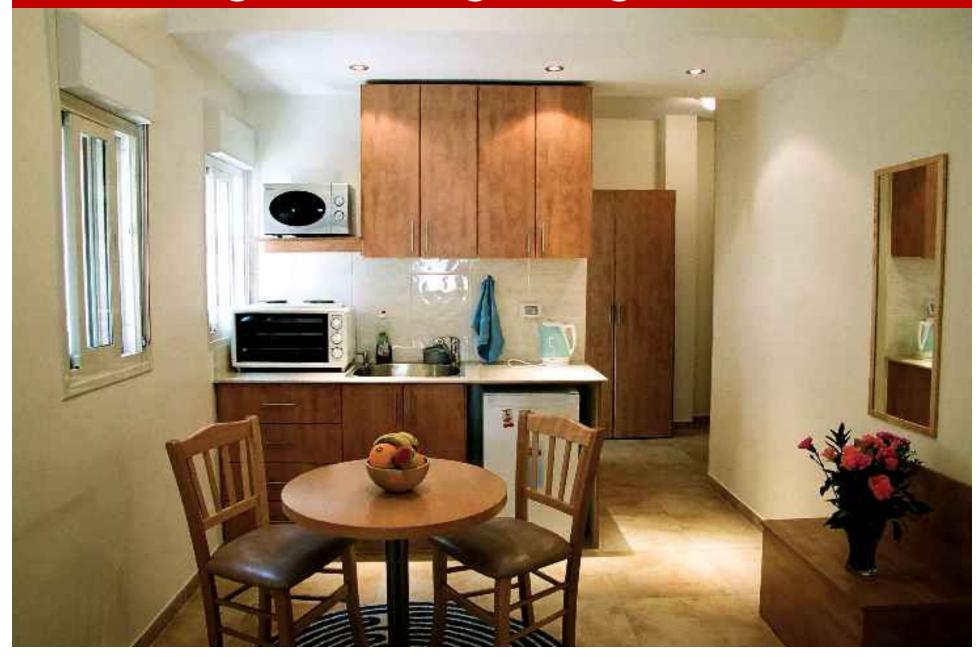
Encouraging
SelfAdvocates to
lead change

Legislative, Procedural, Implemenation and Systemic Change

Involving and creating systemic change through policy change as TA for Government, social service implementation & Housing Development



Housing is the beginning, not the end.



More Information

IDD Resources - http://www.csh.org/integration

DMH Surveys and Results -

http://www.csh.org/2017/10/do-illinois-residents-like-supportive-housing-yes/

Integrated Supportive Housing Toolkit -

http://www.csh.org/supportive-housing-integrated-models-toolkit/

CSH Videos - Utube- CSH Vidz

The Nami Task Force -

http://housingtaskforce.org/partners.html



Contact Information

- John Fallon, CSH Senior Program Manager
 - □ Phone: (312) 332-6690 ext. 2821
 - □ Cell: 773-719-4601
 - □ Email: john.fallon@csh.org

