

Dear Supporters of MILC:

As the year draws to a close, the team at Midstate Independent Living Choices (MILC) is filled with gratitude for the incredible support we've received from individuals and organizations throughout 2023. Your support has been instrumental in allowing us to continue advocating for and providing essential services to individuals with disabilities in our communities. As we approach the end of the year, we invite you to join us in our Year-End Giving campaign to make a lasting impact on the lives of those we serve.

Midstate Independent Living Choices has been at the forefront of advocating for and providing essential services to individuals with disabilities in our community for over 20 years. We serve any age, any income, and any disability in an 11-county area in Northcentral Wisconsin. Our mission is to empower people to lead independent, fulfilling lives while promoting inclusivity and equality. We believe that everyone deserves the opportunity to live life to the fullest, regardless of their abilities or circumstances.

Your support is vital in helping us continue our work, and will directly contribute to the following initiatives:

- **Access to Assistive Technology:** Many individuals with disabilities rely on assistive technology to enhance their independence. Donations can provide funding to help expand our library of essential equipment and technology, to help make living in the community more accessible.
 - \$100 allows us to purchase a walker or wheelchair to be loaned free of charge to community members.
 - \$250 provides 1-month of storage fees for our Assistive Technology equipment.
- **Accessibility Initiatives:** We work to improve accessibility in public spaces, education institutions, and workplaces and advocate for inclusive policies that benefit everyone.
 - \$100 provides a community member with a home modification assessment to support continued living in their own home.
- **Peer Support:** Navigating life transitions can be emotionally challenging. Donations can help fund mental health services to provide emotional support, guidance, and coping strategies during these critical periods.
 - \$50 allows center members to access their community through educational and recreational opportunities, including trips, and events.
 - \$100 provides access to cooking skills classes and hot meals to members at our mental health recovery centers for a week.

- **Empowering Independence:** Our programs help individuals develop the skills and confidence needed to lead more independent lives. By donating, you enable them to acquire the tools and knowledge to succeed in various aspects of life, from education and employment to daily living skills.
 - \$75 covers the cost of a Self-Empowerment class.
 - \$100 provides support to teach independent living skills to one community member.

Your contribution, no matter the amount, makes a significant difference in the lives of those we serve. To make your Year-End donation, please visit our website <https://milc-inc.org/donate/> or contact us at 715-344-4217 to discuss other donation options. Checks may also be made payable and sent to Midstate Independent Living Choices, 3262 Church St, Stevens Point 54481.

We also extend a heartfelt invitation for you to visit our center and witness firsthand the impact your support has on the lives of individuals with disabilities. Please reach out to us if you would like to arrange a visit or if you have any questions about our organization.

As we aim to create a more inclusive and accessible world for everyone, your Year-End Giving donation will play a crucial role in realizing this vision. Thank you for your continued support of Midstate Independent Living Choices. Your generosity and partnership mean the world to us, and we are profoundly grateful for your commitment to our cause.

Wishing you a wonderful holiday season, filled with joy, love, and the knowledge that you are making a positive difference in our community.

Sincerely,



Don Wigington
Executive Director