

Wisconsin Integrated Transition Planning
Project (WITPP):
WI Transition Planning Coalition
July 17, 2023



Our Agenda



- I. WITPP Activities, Statewide Updates and Opportunities
- II. Bright Spot – Housing Counseling
- III. Breakout Discussion and Group Report Out
- IV. Wrap Up and Poll

Meeting Objectives



- Describe current WITPP activities, Statewide Updates and Opportunities
- Share information about housing counseling and community supported living support for young adults
- Discuss additional ways to connect more young adults to housing counseling and community supported living supports

Ways Coalition Members Can Contribute



1. Identify and invite families and youth you are connected with to join the coalition and community efforts
2. Share updates and opportunities at these meetings and in your communities
3. Continue to share and generate ideas at the Coalition meetings

Updates & Opportunities



WITPP Activities

What updates and new opportunities do you have to share?

Examples: Updated or newly accessible resources, current events or items people can take action or get involved in

Bright Spot



Housing Counseling & Community Supported Living

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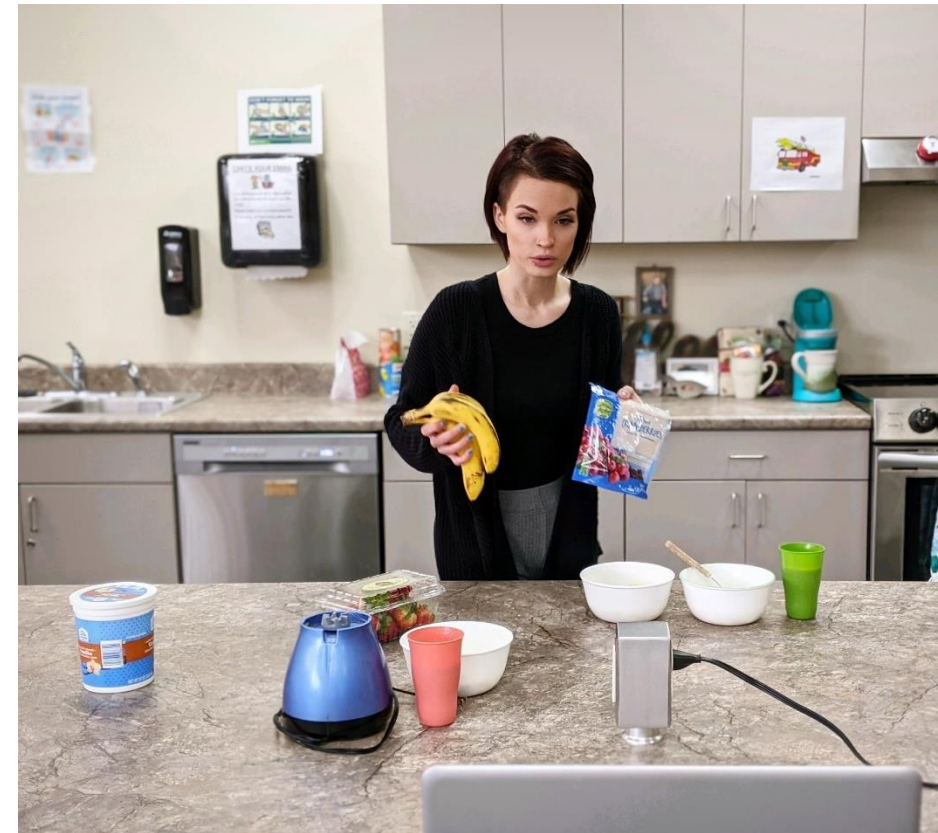
Community Services Programs and Services

- **Independent Living Support**

- Daily Living Skills Training
- Community Supported Living
- Housing Counseling
- Assistive Technology

- **Children & Youth Services**

- Daily Living Skills
- Community Integration Services
- After School & Summer Programs



Housing Counseling

ODC will provide assistance to individuals with the process of obtaining independent housing with their community. ODC will assist individuals with exploring both home ownership and rental options for both individual and shared options.

Supports include:

- Counseling and assistance in identifying housing options
- Identifying financial resources, budgeting, and determining affordability
- Determination of preferred location and type of housing
- Identifying accessibility and modification needs
- Application completion support
- Move in support

Daily Living Skills Training

Daily living skills will help identify the members specific skills and areas to increase their independence and self-sufficiency. The DLS program will provide flexible supports and services around the individuals unique needs, maximizing their independence, increasing their confidence, and fulfilling the members' established outcomes.



Daily Living Skills Training

Included supports:

- Education and skill development
 - Skill development in independent living including but not limited to:
 - Laundry
 - Cooking/cleaning
 - Money management
 - Personal hygiene
 - Medication management
 - Health and wellness management
 - Meal planning and grocery shopping
 - Housing counseling
 - 24/7 on call crisis support
- Development of community connections



Community Supportive Living (CSL)

ODC will provide flexible supports to help provide the opportunity for individuals to live independently in their own homes along with support to become an active citizen within their local community.

ODC will utilize the strengths and resources of each individual to help them obtain their desired outcomes and gain independence.



Community Supportive Living (CSL)

Service examples (not limited to):

- Money management
- Assist with Independent Living Skills development
- Medication management
- Medical appointment support
- Meal prep and grocery shopping
- Nutrition and wellness education and support
- Support to encourage Community Inclusion
- 24/7 Crisis Support
- Use of assistive technology

Assistive Technology

Assistive technology will support individuals to increase their independence within their home and community to improve their quality of life.

Supports include:

- Technology exploration
- Technology consults
- Device/Remote Support-training and education
- Providing ongoing support and evaluation of other resources as needed.

Examples of Assistive Technology Tools



Ex App: Choice works

What it does: Choice works is a visual learning tool that can help you complete daily routines, understand feelings and improve waiting skills by creating a visual schedule using your own photos, videos and audio recordings. It's great for breaking down multi-step tasks and routines.

Better Together

- **Community Engagement**

- ✓ Paint with a purpose
- ✓ Community DIY classes
- ✓ Passport to the YMCA

- **Engaging Families**

- ✓ Family engagement nights

- **Building and Connecting Friends**

- ✓ Connecting volunteers with participants as a friend
- ✓ Supporting the connection into the community

Opportunity Inc.

Transitioning Program

Who are we?

OPPORTUNITY INC.
Making A Difference in Every Life We Touch

Options Support Community



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Opportunity Inc.

Opportunity Inc. has worked for more than 60 years to advance the independence, productivity, and full citizenship of children and adults with disabilities in North Central Wisconsin; Wood, Portage, & Marathon Counties.

Mission

To advance the independence, productivity, and full citizenship of children and adults with disabilities

Values

Integrity, Excellence, Teamwork, Professionalism

Vision

Making a Difference in Every Life We Touch

Creating Partnerships

Making sure that everyone is on the same page with the individual's goals

- ▶ The client's goals, focus and best interest must be a priority
- ▶ Communication
- ▶ Teamwork
- ▶ Resolution



Residential Beginning



- ▶ Assessments
- ▶ Individualized Planning
- ▶ Collaboration/Understanding
- ▶ Goal Orientated
- ▶ Housing Counseling

Residential to Independent Apartment

- ▶ Locating Housing
- ▶ Individualized Planning (Staffing)
- ▶ Transitioning
- ▶ CSL
- ▶ Goals



Family Home to Independent Apartment

- ▶ Locating Housing
- ▶ Individualized Planning (Staffing)
- ▶ Transitioning
- ▶ CSL
- ▶ Goals



Outside Residential to Independent Apartment



- ▶ Housing Counseling
- ▶ Transitioning
- ▶ Individual Planning (Staffing)
- ▶ CSL
- ▶ Goals

Opportunity Inc. Service Programs

- ▶ Adult Family Homes (4 bed)
- ▶ Community Supportive Living (CSL)
- ▶ Supported Apartments- 1-2bed individual apartment (CSL) 24/7 staff onsite
- ▶ Supported Apartment-Duplex Style, 2 bed apartment (CSL) 24/7 staff onsite



Breakout Questions



- What has been your experience supporting youth/young adults to plan community supported living options?
- How can we expand more opportunities for youth with disabilities to connect to housing counseling and community supported living resources?

Next Steps

- Draft Family Voices Housing Fact Sheet – send feedback to Nicole by July 24
- Next Leadership Meeting: August 2
- Next Coalition Meeting: September 19 at 10am
- Continue working with partnering communities, launch work with the two new partners

Thank you!

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