

## IMPACT

of the North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities

# 600



NUMBER OF LOCAL & STATE LEGISLATORS, & POLICYMAKERS

reached every month on disability related issues.

# **1,000**s

#### **NUMBER OF PEOPLE**

engaged through NCCDD-funded initiatives



# **\$1** Million

YEARLY INVESTMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA-SPECIFIC GRANT INITIATIVES

which strengthen communities through targeted partnerships.
Sustainability is achieved though system-based solutions to identified needs and matching dollars.

### The Council:



- 40 Governor-appointed members convene from across the state
- 60% must include people with disabilities and family members
- Nonpartisan members with broad professional, policy and lived experience serve on behalf of over 180,000 people with intellectual and other developmental disabilities (I/DD) in all 100 counties of North Carolina.

### Five Year Plan:



People across the State actively participated in NCCDD's Five Year Plan which identified NC-specific

needs and corresponding efforts to increase independence, capacity, and leadership of people with I/DD:



#### Increase Financial Security

Financial asset development yields greater opportunities for independence, productivity, and self-determination when trainings and resources are designed with and for individuals with I/DD and their families.



#### Increase Community Living

Successful community living options across the lifespan promote independence for and inclusion of people with I/DD, strengthen urban and rural communities and support families.



#### Increase Advocacy

More individuals with I/DD will lead and sustain self-directed lives though effective participation and leadership in personal, community and systems-based change.

# Social Media

700,000



#### NUMBER OF PEOPLE REACHED

on Facebook & Twitter about disability related events, issues and policies.

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## **Supports Initiatives**

across the State that provide resources and training for community members and professionals in the field to become stronger advocates for services and supports for people with intellectual and other developmental disabilities (I/DD) in North Carolina.

- Over 350 health professionals and physicians received training for patients with disabilities.
- Launched the first comprehensive curriculum in the US for physicians in adult developmental medicine.
- Reached over 250 policymakers and advocates for strategies to improve delivery of primary healthcare to people with I/DD.
- Supported and developed the State's



first Inclusive Post-Secondary Education **program** for students with I/DD at **UNC-Greensboro** where 30 students enroll every year to Beyond Academics.

- Introduced the College of Direct Support training program to promote job retention and quality outcomes for Direct Support Professionals. Trained approximately 5,000 staff members in over 15 organizations across North Carolina.
- Leadership programs have trained over 500 people with disabilities, family members and other stakeholders. Advancing Strong Leaders supported cohorts of 25 emerging industry



leaders to advance I/DD issues and services.

- Seeing is Believing initiative moved 55 individuals with I/DD from congregate settings to homes in the community.
- Adult Care Home (ACH) Transitions identified 1.800 individuals who want to live in the community and transitioned 14 out of ACHs and into the community.

Funded the launch of Project **SEARCH** at 12 sites across the State to advance employment opportunities for young adults.

- Launched the Community-**Academic-Provider Consortium** with 25 members from 17 state organizations to support access for health and wellness services for people with I/DD.
- **NC Division of Emergency Management implemented** and maintains a program for people with I/DD and builds capacity for



disaster preparation and emergency response.

Developed inclusive Community

Emergency Response Training (CERT) Teams. Partnered with 47 agencies, organizations and programs to promote whole community emergency planning and response.

 With First in Families NC and National Sibling Leadership Network, NCCDD launched NC Sibs



to support the adult sibling relationships of people with I/DD. Partnered with 15 NC organizations to nurture a group of sibling leaders in NC.



 Launched NC Stakeholders Engagement **Group**, NC's only cross-disability group that consists of individuals receiving services and their family members to help shape NC DHHS policies on long-term support and services.



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