OUR MISSION
The Ocean State Center for Independent Living’s mission is to provide a range of Independent Living Services to enhance, through self-direction, the quality of life of persons with disability and to promote integration into the community.

YOUR RESOURCE CENTER
OSCIL is a designated location for “The Point,” RI’s Aging & Disability Resource Center offering information on disability resources as well as being a satellite walk-in site offering one-to-one services for persons seeking disability related information.

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL & REQUESTING SERVICES
OSCIL’s Information and Referral program provides consumers and their families, service providers, and the general public with information on a wide array of community resources and disability services. Information can be obtained via phone, e-mail, fax or in person. OSCIL’s Signs of Independence quarterly newsletter provides information on disability issues to consumers and service providers.

DISABILITY SENSITIVITY/AWARENESS TRAINING & OUTREACH
OSCIL conducts disability awareness training sessions throughout the state in a variety of settings, focusing on providing information to address barriers to effective communication.

OSCIL staff also participates in senior citizen and disability-related events throughout RI, conducting AT demonstrations, formal and informal group presentations and hosting informational exhibits and displays. Anyone wishing sensitivity training for their group is encouraged to contact us.

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1944 Warwick Ave
Warwick, RI 02889
Hours: 9 am - 4 pm

175 Main Street
Pawtucket, RI 02860
Hours: 10 am - 4 pm
Open M-F / Closed Holidays

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401-738-1013
1-866-857-1161 (Toll Free)
401-244-7792 (VP)
Email: info@oscil.org
Website: oscil.org
**YOUTH TRANSITION**

Assists young adults (ages 17–23) who are self-directed to transition to community independence by providing:

- Independent Living Skills Workshops
- Peer support and advocacy
- Job readiness training/organizing
- Transportation—public and private
- Finding accessible housing
- Self advocacy/social skills
- Managing benefits and employment

**ADVOCACY SERVICES**

OSCIL provides individual and systems advocacy services. Consumers are provided information and support to become self-advocates and are encouraged to contact OSCIL to become involved in system advocacy efforts.

**PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANT (PCA) Program**

OSCIL operates a small state funded PCA program for consumers who are not eligible for this service through any other source.

**HOUSING ASSISTANCE**

OSCIL provides assistance with locating and applying for housing suitable for the consumer’s situation and also provides housing advocacy as needed (i.e. reasonable accommodations, etc.) as well as appropriate community resources.

**DEAF SERVICES**

OSCIL offers a variety of services to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community, including advocacy services, citizenship training, driver’s education, housing assistance, general assistance with accessing benefits, i.e. Social Security, medical, SNAP benefits, and interpreter education. OSCIL also offers training in communication access (Videophone, Captel, Relay Services and related apps) and assists consumers with related resources such as ATEL.

**GIFT OF HEARING**

OSCIL joined in a collaborative effort with the University of Rhode Island (URI) Speech & Hearing Center to bring digital hearing aids at a lower cost to individuals who qualify. OSCIL can assist with the acquisition of these hearing aids at an affordable price and through a self-pay option.

**INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS TRAINING**

OSCIL staff work with self-directed consumers to set goals that will enable the consumers to be self-sufficient and independent in their home and community. Basic life skills training may include budgeting, meal preparation, arranging transportation, and/or self-advocacy. Life skills training is goal-directed and does not involve long-term case management or therapeutic intervention.