**State Plan for Independent Living Committee Meeting**

September 15, 2025

DRAFT Minutes

Action Items:

* Ms. Viramontes-Nhan will continue working with Robert Jeromin to schedule a Funding Formula demonstration.
* Ms. England will put together information for the next SPIL meeting about the timeline and planning for the 2027-2029 SPIL.
* Ms. Harris will send her notes to Ms. Hess to aid in accurate notetaking.

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions

Brandi Bluel – Executive Director, Resources for Independent Living (RIL) and SILC ILC Representative

Jose Solorzano – SPIL Vice-Chair

Alan Cruz – SILC Member/SPIL Member

Susan Rotchy – SILC Chair/SPIL Member/Executive Director, Independent Living Center of Solano and Contra Costa County (ILCSCC)

Roque Alas Bucton – SILC Member

Sarah Harris – Chief, Independent Living, Assistive Technology, and Traumatic Brain Injury Section (ILATS), Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)

Ligia Andrade Zuniga – Executive Director, Center for Independence of Individuals with Disabilities (CID)

Sheri Burns – Executive Director, Silicon Valley Independent Living Center (SVILC)

Russell Dawson Rawlings – Community Organizing Manager, California Foundation for Independent Living Centers (CFILC)

Larry Grable – Executive Director, Service Center for Independent Life (SCIL)

Kristy Madden – Communities Actively Living Independent & Free (CALIF)

Keith Miller – Executive Director, CALIF

Tink Miller – SPIL Chair/Executive Director, Placer Independence Resource Services (PIRS)

Lily Sanchez – CALIF

Carrie England – SILC Executive Director

Allison Viramontes-Nhan – SILC Legislative Specialist

Danielle Hess – SILC Office Manager

1. Public Comment

None

1. SILC Member Updates

None

1. Approval of Minutes from August 18, 2025, SPIL Committee Meeting

Mr. Cruz motioned for approval of the Draft Minutes from August 18, 2025, and Mr. Solorzano seconded the motion. This passed unanimously through a roll call vote.

1. 2025-2027 SPIL Updates

Brandi Bluel, Executive Director of Resources for Independent Living (RIL), has been chosen as the ILC representative on the SILC by her peers. The Governor’s Office is in the process of officially appointing her.

* 1. SPIL Funding Formula and Equity Work Group

Ms. Viramontes-Nhan has been working with Robert Jeromin to find a new date to schedule either a live demonstration or to record the funding formula explanation. If they are not able to connect before the October SPIL meeting, there may be a need to amend the 2025-2027 SPIL.

Ms. England stated that it’s time to start thinking of the 2027-2029 SPIL. At the next meeting, she will bring more information about the needs assessment and timelines.

* 1. DOR Updates
     1. Transition and Diversion

There was $94,971.04 invoiced out of the $238,943 authorized for this grant. There are 70 grants for this fund executed, with 67 standard diversions, one youth diversion, one standard transition, and one youth transition. There are 33 people on the waitlist.

* + 1. Systems Change

The Systems Change Grant Award to Marin Center for Independent Living (MCIL) is for a total of $233,333.00, with $76,308.57 spent to date. Ms. Harris also shared that the CFILC Systems Change Grant has $24,515.70 remaining. That number should be final in January, and the SILC will be able to allocate it to other SPIL activities.

* + 1. Tier Augmentation

Six grants, with amounts ranging from $43,000 to $291,000, have been awarded to Community Resources for Independent Living, Inc. (CRIL), Disabled Resource Center, Inc. (DRC), FREED Center for Independent Living, Marin Center for Independent Living (MCIL), Service Center for Independent Life (SCIL), and Tri-County Independent Living, Inc. (TCIL). $619,508.61 has been spent to date out of a total of $920,000. Reported priorities include housing, transition and diversion, and youth services.

* + 1. Other DOR Updates

None

1. Summary of Activities Requiring Follow-Up at Next Meeting
   1. Next Meeting October 15, 2025
2. Adjourn