

Disability Commission Initiatives– November 10, 2004

Program	Original Disability Commission Recommendation	Appropriation FY 2004	2004 FY Budget	Program Summary
Personal Assistance Services (PAS)	\$1,500,000	\$2,612,937	\$2,595,472	<p>The PAS program provides consumer-directed personal assistance services to persons with significant physical disabilities who need assistance in performing non-medical daily living activities related to employment or living independently in the community. Many would be at risk of nursing home placement and/or unemployment without these services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 239 consumers currently receiving services (37 are employed) ▪ 37 individuals approved and on waiting list: ▪ 60-75: Estimated additional eligible individuals, 5 of whom are employed and at risk of losing employment without PAS services.
Centers for Independent Living (CILs)	\$ 479,000	\$1,395,000 ((\$770,000 for New CILs and \$625,000 for Youth Transition) (State funds for the 16 CILs is \$4,561,488) (Federal funds for CILs is \$1,385,000)	\$1,252,248 (\$4,232,000 in GF)	<p>CILs are non-residential centers where persons with disabilities learn independence and develop the skills necessary to live and work in the community. CILs receive both state and federal funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 16 CILs and two satellite CILs serve over 7800 people with disabilities, and provided 19,000 hours of community support services. ▪ Six CILs, remain funded below the recommended minimum funding base for Centers (\$250,000.) ▪ The CIL philosophy does not allow for “waiting lists”, so lack of funding affects ability to provide the highest level of service as well as ability to hire staff. ▪ Youth served: In 2002, the CILs collectively served 1100 young people between the ages of 6 and 22. <p>Four Planning Districts (PD 13, 14, 17, & 18, which includes the Northern Neck and Southside Virginia) remain unserved by a CIL.</p>
Long-Term Rehabilitative Case Management	\$ 669,900	\$500,000	\$473,758	LTRCM matches rehabilitative needs with appropriate services. The program assists individuals with severe

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Program (LTRCM)				<p>physical and sensory disabilities to work, to establish self-esteem, and to prevent, eliminate or reduce economic and personal dependency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 375 individuals who have neurological and other severe physical disabilities receive intensive service support and coordination. ▪ 187 individuals and families not in “active” status receive technical assistance. ▪ 185 individuals on a waiting list: Central: 72 Northern: 20 Southwest: 7 Eastern: 13 Tidewater: 63
Consumer Service Fund (CSF)	\$2,900,000	\$600,000	\$473,394	<p>This “fund of last resort” is a special state fund designed to help individuals with physical or sensory disabilities living in Virginia access services that cannot be funded through existing programs. Funds are used to purchase assistive technology devices and services, home accessibility modifications, vehicle modifications and vehicle purchases.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 146 applications received ▪ 46 applications funded ▪ Administration of program was transferred to ATLFA
Disability Services Boards (DSBs)	\$ 354,960	\$550,000	\$467,500	<p>DSBs boards consist of consumers, local government representatives, and businesses working to increase access and develop consumer-oriented, community-based services for persons with physical and sensory disabilities.</p> <p>DSBs administer the Rehabilitative Services Incentive Fund (RSIF), provide information and referral sources to the local governments on the <i>ADA</i>, provide technical</p>

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				<p>assistance regarding the needs of consumers with disabilities, conduct needs assessments and serve as catalysts for the development of public and private funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ There are 40 DSBs serving their communities ▪ They conduct surveys of the needs of people with disabilities
<p>Brain Injury Direct Services (BIDS) Fund (formerly called Cognitive Rehabilitation Program) and WWRC Brain Injury Services (BIS) Program</p>	<p>\$ 1,179,479 (\$200,000 BIDS and \$979,479 WWRC)</p>	<p>\$ 375,000 (\$200,000 BIDS and \$175,000 WWRC)</p>	<p>\$366,250 (\$26,250 restored by the 2003 GA to BIDS Fund)</p>	<p>The Brain Injury Direct Services (BIDS) Fund (total: \$191,250 after reductions) consists of General Assembly appropriated dollars to provide short-term specialized treatment, rehabilitation, and other assistance to people with brain injury.</p> <p>During FY 2004:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialized rehabilitation services provided to 15 individuals; 30 people with brain injury served by The Mill House, (\$25,000); and \$60,000: used as state match for DRS federal TBI Act grant (“Project START”) totaling \$200,000 in federal dollars to establish 3 Regional Brain Injury Resource Centers. • 127 persons served by The WWRC Brain Injury Services (BIS) Program total \$175,000) <p>The average waiting period for BIS Program services was three months and one month for BIS Outpatient Evaluation Clinic.</p>
<p>Rehabilitative Services Incentive Fund (RSIF)</p>	<p>\$3,000,000</p>	<p>\$912,500</p>	<p>\$182,530</p>	<p>RSIF grants are awarded to address unmet or underserved needs identified by local Disability Services Boards and to develop community programs for people with physical and/or sensory disabilities.</p>

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Virginia Assistive Technology System (VATS)		\$200,000	\$124,000).	VATS provides information and technical assistance on devices, services and funding resources. There are three Assistive Technology Regional Sites that provide local contact points throughout Virginia for information and resources across designated regions. These Regional Sites provide training, public awareness, and general technical assistance for consumers in need of assistive technology.