



The Washington State Developmental Disabilities Council is inviting non-profits, with a preference for or organizations run by and for people with developmental disabilities, to provide administrative support and technical assistance to Self-Advocates In Leadership (SAIL).

SAIL is a long-standing effort of the Washington State Developmental Disabilities Council to provide opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to develop leadership and advocacy skills through working on issues important to them in the legislature.

Organizations wishing to apply will meet the following qualifications:

Minimum qualifications include:

- Licensed to do business in the State of Washington or provide a commitment that it will become licensed in Washington within thirty (30) calendar days of being selected as the Apparently Successful Contractor.
- At least 5 years of experience with people with developmental disabilities and their families
- Experience with state and federal legislative processes.

Preferred Qualification:

- An organization run by and for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities focused on self-advocacy Proposals that do not clearly meet or exceed all minimum qualifications listed above are non-responsive and will not be evaluated.

Qualified organization will submit applications addressing how each of the following activities will be implemented and provide of budget of how the funds will be used:

- Explore and expand ways to engage people with I/DD at all ages in leadership roles in the disability movement. \
- Support advocacy activities/opportunities, sustain the involvement of those already active and expand participation.
- Increase the numbers of people from diverse populations participating in advocacy activities.



- Inform and educate policy makers about issues important to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- Draft and propose policy recommendations based on best practices that:
 - Increase the ability and power of people with I/DD to participate in local and statewide civic activities;
 - Maintain or expand the rights of people with I/DD;
 - Successfully make life transitions;
 - Increase access to programs designed to increase wealth and ensure self-sustainability; and
 - Represent emerging issues that are supported by research that directly impact the lives of people with I/DD.
- Support the participation of people with I/DD in the public policy process.
- Develop and sustain collaborations on policy issues both within and outside of the system providing services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities

Timeline

Question and Answer Period	August 12-19, 2022
Preproposal Conference (See link below for details)	August 29, 2022, 10 am
Application Deadline	September 9, 2022, 5 pm
Decision	September 14, 2022

For further information and instructions on applying please use the following link: [SAIL_RFP_2022.pdf \(wa.gov\)](#)

