



FY-2024 State Use Program Annual Report

July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

This report details the total number of contracts approved by the State Use Committee including the overall value and number of persons with a disability obtaining employment as a result of the contracts.

In accordance with 30 ILCS 500/45-35, the Illinois Department of Central Management Services submits the following report to The Honorable Governor Pritzker.

Raven A. DeVaughn
Director

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Overview of the Act

Pursuant to 30 ILCS 500/45-35 supplies or services may be procured without advertising or calling for bids from any qualified not-for-profit agency for persons with significant disabilities. To be eligible for qualification, a not-for-profit organization must (1) pay all employees performing work on their State of Illinois contracts the applicable local or Illinois minimum wage, whichever is higher; and (2) be a disability-serving organization that is accredited by a nationally-recognized accrediting organization or licensed by the Department of Human Services OR be a Center for Independent Living.

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In Fiscal Year 2024, the State Use Program accounted for more than \$74.5 million in contracts between not-for-profit agencies for persons with significant disabilities and state agencies for various products and services. The program helped provide training, employment, and greater independence for approximately 1,431 persons with a disability and supplied them with 810,218 hours of work. With continued support of this program, the number of disabled individuals with long-term employment opportunities and increased economic stability will be extremely beneficial.

Committee Membership

Ron Wilson – Chairman, Department of Central Management Services designee
Casey Burke – Member, Department of Human Services designee
George Indelli – Member, TRI Industries NFP
Christine Dickey – Member, Clay County Rehabilitation Center
Horacio Esparza – Member, Progress Center of Independent Living
Leigh Ann Stephens – Member, Achieving Independence and Mobility Center (AIM-CIL)
Felicia Rauls – Member, Mesirow Financial
Melissa Norman – Member, Illinois Network of CILs

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Meetings are open to the public and held in-person at two separate locations: 555 W Monroe, Ste 13N – Green Room, Chicago and 300 W Jefferson, Springfield. State Use Program Website <https://cms.illinois.gov/agency/stateuse/stuse-meetings.html> lists locations, dates, and times for each meeting. Future meeting dates are:

March 5, 2025
June 4, 2025
September 3, 2025
December 3, 2025

Procurement Procedures

State Use contracts are exempt from the competitive solicitation process. Any State agency wishing to establish a contract with a qualified State Use vendor must submit a State Use Request Letter to the State Use Coordinator at a minimum of two weeks prior to the next scheduled Committee meeting. The Request Letter must include the vendor's name, duration including renewals and value of the contract, as well as a description of the goods or services to be provided. Upon request by the State Use Coordinator, the proposed contracting vendor must provide a Certificate of Assurance (COA), which includes a narrative outlining the specifics of the contract and the number of persons with disabilities that could be provided employment. The Request Letter and COA are presented to the State Use Committee for review. If the proposed contract is approved by the Committee, the State agency receives an Authorization Letter from the Coordinator to proceed with the contract approval process.

State Use Program Vendors

Ada S. McKinley Community Services, Inc., Chicago
ARC Community Support Systems, Teutopolis
Arc of the Quad Cities Area, Rock Island
Aspire of Illinois, Hillside
Association for Individual Development (AID), Aurora
Bridgeway, Inc., Galesburg
CCAR Industries, Charleston
Centerstone of Illinois, West Frankfort
Challenge Unlimited, Inc., Alton
Chicago Lighthouse for People Who Are Blind/Visually Impaired, Chicago
Chicago Lighthouse Industries, Chicago
Clay County Rehabilitation Center, Inc., Flora
Coleman Tri-County Services, Inc., Shawnee Town
ComWell fka Human Service Center, Red Bud
Cornerstone Services, Inc., Joliet
Developmental Services Center, Champaign
Elm City Rehabilitation Center, Jacksonville
Envision Unlimited, Chicago
EP!C, Peoria
FAYCO Enterprises, Inc., Vandalia
Gateway Services, Inc., Princeton
Human Resources Center of Edgar & Clark Counties, Paris
Illinois Valley Development Corporation, Gillespie
Illinois Valley Industries, Inc., Morris
Jewish Child and Family Services, Chicago
Kaskaskia Workshop, Inc., Centralia
Land of Lincoln Goodwill Industries, Inc., Springfield
Macon Resources, Inc., Decatur
Malcolm Eaton Enterprises, Freeport
Mental Health Centers of Western Illinois, Mt. Sterling
New Star, Inc., Chicago Heights

Sertoma Star Inc., Alsip
Shelby County Community Services, Inc., Shelbyville
SPARC, Springfield
Specialized Training for Adult Rehabilitation dba START, Murphysboro
St. Clair Associated Vocational Enterprises, Inc. dba SAVE, Belleville
Streator Unlimited, Inc., Streator
Tazewell County Resource Centers, Inc dba TCRC, Tremont
The Workshop, Galena
TRADE Industries, McLeansboro
Transitions of Western Illinois, Inc., Quincy
Transitions, NFP dba The Printer's Mark, Rock Island
TRI Industries, NFP, Vernon Hills
Village of Progress, Inc., Oregon
Wabash Area Vocational Enterprises, Inc. dba WAVE, Mt. Carmel
WorkSource Enterprises, Danville