Options is making several very dramatic and significant changes in both our services and our facility. These changes are very exciting for the Board, the staff, and especially for the people with disabilities we serve.

The Personal Care Services (PCS) Program started in 2010 has experienced steady growth. People with physical disabilities are using this service to take full control over their personal care needs. They have greater flexibility and independence. Several have used Options PCS Program as a stepping stone for moving to IRIS. The PCS Program is still relatively new, but the positive impact on individuals is very significant.

Options facility is undergoing major updates this spring, technologically and aesthetically. When we carried out fundraising for the Capital Campaign to build this facility, we promised our donors we would always be “state-of-the-art” with technology. We have done that with all Assistive Technology throughout the facility. We are now in the process of making extensive capital improvements to the David L. Hall Showcase Model Home & Office Complex. We have already painted the entire interior of the building and are in the process of changing all bathroom fixtures. We have received a very generous donation of new bathroom fixtures from the Kohler Company and will soon be displaying Kohler’s “Elevance-Rising Wall Bath, Essentials Performing Showering Package, and C3 Toilet Seat with Bidet Functionality.” Along with painting and new technology, Options will also install new carpeting throughout.

All of these changes, whether capital improvements or funding to start the PSC Program, could not have been possible without very generous donations from our community. From the original capital campaign to build the facility to our Endowment Campaign to those who contribute to Options Annual Giving fundraising effort, none of the above would have been possible without our community partners making donations to Options. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I extend my deepest thanks to all.  

Thomas Diedrick, Executive Director
Don’t Forget to Visit Options Website

Check out Options expanded website at www.optionsil.com. The website is updated frequently and features information on Options services, area events, helpful links, and assistive technology for sale. We hope you will find our website informative, up to date, and easy to use. Visit us at:

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Options 2011 Daytona 500 Fundraiser a Success!

By Sandy Popp

Despite a predicted blizzard, approximately 150 people gathered at the Stadium View in Green Bay on Sunday, February 20, to enjoy the Daytona 500 on 4 giant 10 foot screens, while supporting Options for Independent Living.

For a $20 ticket participants received a lunch buffet, snacks, beer, soda, and dessert. Participants had almost 50 silent auction items to bid on, along with tickets being sold for a 50/50 raffle, 30 bucket raffle items, a wheelbarrow of booze, a basket of wine, and beer and soda pyramids. Roughly $13,000 was raised to assist with Options for Independent Living’s service provision. Fun was had by all, and the majority of the snow held off until the race was over. It ended up being the blizzard predicted, so we were fortunate.

Event sponsors included: Schneider National Foundation, Inc.; Oconto Falls Community Memorial Hospital – Gift Shop; Auto Select; Exhaust Pros Automotive Repair Center; Oneida Nation; Potts Transport; Petersen Plumbing; Zepnick Solutions, Inc.; Independent Mobility Plus, Inc.; Beverly Gardens; Animalz Outlet LLC – Pet Supplies, Kaukauna; Animal Hospital of Howard, Inc.

Participants enjoying the event.  Silent auction and bucket raffle tables.

Options would like to thank everyone involved...sponsors, volunteers, and participants for making our yearly fundraiser an exciting, entertaining, and successful event. We could not done it without you! Thank you!
Disability and Employment Network of Brown County (DEN)

By Vicky Lasch

DEN of Brown County is a committee of professionals who work with people with disabilities. We are designed to network with each other. Our mission is to collaborate, educate, and connect with professionals in the community to provide information related to services and employment resources for persons with disabilities. The DEN meetings are bi-monthly on the fourth Thursday of the month.

DEN was formed with a Medicaid Infrastructure Grant from the WI Department of Health Services and Pathways for Independence. The vision for this grant was to bring many organizations together to network. Since the committee was formed four years ago, the group has grown steadily. DEN has also organized an annual “Speed Networking” Meet & Greet event. Last year the event was held at the Holiday Inn on Ramada Way and around 50 people attended. It was so successful people who attended, highly recommended it to their colleagues for this year’s Meet & Greet.

If you would like get involved with DEN, please contact me, Vicky Lasch, at vickyl@optionsil.org or (920) 490-8270 ext. 113. It would be delightful to meet you in person. We will help you understand the referral process and you will achieve greater knowledge of other agencies. Come and network with agency staff and other job seekers.

Volunteer Spotlight

Options would like to introduce you to Jim Klenke, our LEND Closet Coordinator, computer techie, and jack of all trades. Jim has been volunteering his time at Options for almost 10 years. His hard work and dedication is a tremendous value in keeping our LEND closet, our computers, and just about anything else at Options running smoothly.

Jim, thank you for all you do. We appreciate it!!
Grassroots Advocacy Groups start in Brown, Manitowoc, and Sheboygan Counties

By Byia Martin

*Options* for Independent Living has formed three grassroots advocacy groups, one in Brown, Manitowoc, and Sheboygan counties. People with disabilities, family members, and interested parties are invited to attend monthly meetings in each County to discuss issues, barriers to independence, and advocacy for change. Grassroots advocates commit to learning about issues important to the advocates and addressing those issues using skills and methods determined by the groups. Issues like:

- Educating police/fire/ER staff on disability sensitivity.
- Curb cut issues.
- Encouraging public facilities to get safety lights for bathrooms for back-up when the power goes out.
- Offering free public speaking/training, especially for schools regarding lessening isolation issues for people with disabilities.

The Brown County group “Routes for Change” is currently working with the City of Green Bay to making the “Foxy Lady” cruise yacht accessible for people with disabilities. The group is optimistic it will happen in the very near future.


If you have a disability or are a loved one of a person with a disability, this is a great way to get involved, make your voice heard, and make a difference in your community. The meetings are free and light refreshments will be served.

Registration is encouraged, but not required. For more information or to register, please contact Byia, *Options* for Independent Living Grassroots Advocacy Coordinator, at 920-490-8270 ext. 108, toll free 1-888-1515 or, email Byia at byiam@optionsil.org. Any person wishing to attend, who because of a disability requires special accommodation, please contact Byia.

*The Independent Living Council of Wisconsin provides funding and technical assistance to develop the statewide Grassroots Advocacy Network.*
***New Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Management System for Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus Members Starting July 1, 2011***

On July 1, 2011, ForwardHealth will begin using a new non-emergency medical transportation manager (LogistiCare Solutions, LLC) to arrange all rides to covered appointments. All rides to your covered medical appointments will no longer be arranged through the County or through an individual transportation provider. All rides will now be handled by LogistiCare.

You may begin calling LogistiCare on June 17, 2011, to arrange all your rides to your medical appointments that are scheduled for July 1, 2011 or after. Please use LogistiCare’s toll-free telephone number (1-866-907-1493) to arrange all your medical rides. You must call LogistiCare starting on June 17, 2011, even if you already have scheduled rides for July or after.

This change in transportation services does NOT affect your eligibility, enrollment or benefits for Wisconsin Medicaid or BadgerCare Plus (ForwardHealth). Also, this does not affect emergency ambulance services. You should call 911 if you have an emergency.

If you have no other way to get a ride, you can get a ride through LogistiCare to services covered for the ForwardHealth program you are enrolled in. If neighbors, friends, relatives, or voluntary organizations can give you a ride to your appointment, you are not eligible for a ride through LogistiCare.

This change applies to individuals enrolled in any of the following: Wisconsin Medicaid; the BadgerCare Plus Standard Plan; the BadgerCare Plus Benchmark Plan; Family Planning Only Services; Tuberculosis-Related Services-Only Benefit; BadgerCare Plus Express Enrollment for Pregnant Women.

This change does not apply to the following individuals and you can receive rides as you do now: Individuals who are enrolled in an HMO in Milwaukee, Waukesha, Washington, Ozaukeee, Kenosha, Racine counties and have Wisconsin Medicaid or BadgerCare Plus. Also excluded are individuals who live in a nursing home and individuals enrolled in Family Care.

If you are enrolled in one of the following programs, non-emergency rides remain an un-covered service: The BadgerCare Plus Core Plan; the BadgerCare Plus Basic Plan; or SeniorCare.
If you are enrolled in the Core Plan or the Basic Plan and Family Planning Only Services, you can get a ride only to services covered under Family Planning Only Services.

How Do I Schedule a Ride?
- Call LogistiCare at 1-866-907-1493 (or TTY 1-866-907-1497) for covered rides needed on or after July 1, 2011. LogistiCare phone lines will be open between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday starting June 17th.
- All rides, except for hospital discharges and urgent trips, must be scheduled two business days in advance.
- If your ride is late picking you up or dropping you off call the “Where’s My Ride” telephone number at (866) 907-1494.

How to Make Complaints, Grievances, and Appeals to LogistiCare
Individuals and providers should take the following steps when making complaints and grievances to LogistiCare:
1. Call or contact LogistiCare via phone or e-mail to make a formal complaint or grievance. Transportation providers are required to submit any complaints received by individuals to LogistiCare within 24 hours.

2. LogistiCare will provide an initial response within 10 business days and a final response within 30 business days of receiving a complaint or grievance. If LogistiCare is unable to resolve the complaint or grievance during this time period the process may be extended by 14 business days from receipt of the complaint or grievance.

3. If the individual or provider is not satisfied with the decision provided by LogistiCare, providers and individuals have the right to appeal that decision to LogistiCare. The appeal process will not exceed 45 days from the date of receipt.

4. If the appeal decision from LogistiCare does not resolve the issue, the individual may appeal the decision through LogistiCare directly to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

5. The Department’s Medicaid transportation analyst will review the complaint or grievance information and render a decision. This decision will be final and will conclude the complaint and grievance process.

Please note that LogistiCare has an ombudsman on staff to act as an advocate and help resolve any complaints received. LogistiCare’s ombuds staff is available through LogistiCare’s toll-free telephone line. LogistiCare has translation and TTY services available to receive and process any complaint.
Did you know...*Options* for Independent Living Has a Medicaid Personal Care Program

*Options* offers a Personal Care Program for people with disabilities who are:

- Medicaid beneficiaries,
- require personal care services,
- and have identified an individual to provide personal care.

The program is consumer directed and includes personal care assistance with: bathing, dressing/undressing, prosthetics, grooming, eating, mobility in home, toileting, transferring, and incidental services (laundry, light housekeeping, meal prep).

The consumer must agree to responsibly use personal care services and have back-up support available as needed. *Options* does not provide emergency or back-up personal care services.

Consumers utilizing *Options* Personal Care Program must have chosen an individual who they are interested in hiring. The Personal Care Worker (PCW) candidate must be at least 18 years old and, ideally, be trained in the skill(s) necessary to provide cares to the consumer. The PCW can not be a parent/guardian of a minor child or a spouse.

If you have a referral or would like more information on *Options* Personal Care Program please contact Lynn Smits, HR Manager/Personal Care Coordinator, at (920) 490-8270 ext. 114 or toll-free at 888-465-1515, ext. 114 or e-mail at lynns@optionsil.org.

**Wisconsin Wisloan Program**

Wisloan is a state-wide alternative loan program helping Wisconsin’s residents with a disability to purchase assistive technology that assists them in living more independently and productively. Any Wisconsin resident with a disability over the age of 18 in need of assistive technology or home modifications is eligible to apply for a loan.  

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Some examples of assistive technology include wheelchairs, hearing aids, CCTV’s, and vehicles with modifications. In addition, loans have been approved for home modifications such as ramp construction and roll-in showers. Loan amounts range from $500.00 to $50,000.00, but the actual loan amount will depend on the items purchased and your ability to repay.

Current interest rate on a WisLoan is 6.5%. If you have bad credit, including bankruptcy, your application will still be considered. The focus is on the ability to make monthly payments to pay back the loan. Reasons for bad credit are taken into consideration. For more information or to apply for WisLoan call Options at 920-490-8270 ext 179 or 888-465-1515.

WisLoan is a federally-funded project of the National Institute for Disability and Rehabilitation, and a cooperative service of the WI Department of Health and Family Services, IndependenceFirst, and M & I Marshall and Ilsley Bank.

Wisconsin Wisloan Program Cont...

"I am neither an optimist nor pessimist, but a possibilist."
～Max Lerner～

Options Welcomes New Staff

Dawn Tietyen, RN, is working in the MA Personal Care Program. She assists Medical Assistance beneficiaries who require personal care services to manage their consumer directed personal care.

Calvin Richtig has accepted the Assistive Technology Specialist position. In this role, he will assist consumers in determining their adaptive equipment needs and identifying appropriate resources.

Gail Herger and Cathy Gage, Wisconsin Certified Peer Specialists, provide peer link services to Optum Health members. The Peer Link Specialists promote wellness and recovery using an individualized and consumer directed peer support model.

Lynne Wichmann, is our newest IL Specialist. She will provide information and independent living services to residents of Waushara, Marquette and Green Lake, and Waupaca Counties. Lynne will work in Options’ Fox Valley branch office located in Appleton.
Vocational Futures Planning

By Vicky Lasch

Options for Independent Living can assist individuals with disabilities who face multiple and complex barriers to employment using the Vocational Futures Planning process. **Vocational Futures Planning (VFP)** is a consumer-directed, team-based, comprehensive employment service that supports participants to obtain, maintain or advance in employment. This model was developed by the staff of Employment Resources, Inc. (ERI) and further modified by the Department of Health Services.

VFP begins with in-depth conversations to explore an individual’s employment goal and the challenges that prevent progress toward that goal. The process also explores an individual’s skills, strengths, and assets. Barriers are identified which may include health issues, transportation, attendant care, work skills, education and benefits concerns. VFP will also help individuals with disabilities and service providers make informed choices about adaptive equipment, and find cost-effective ways to meet their adaptive equipment needs.

In addition, the VFP process will assist an individual in investigating potential career fields. Information will be gathered to help determine the career potential of the field. Career exploration may include informational interviews, job shadowing, job market analysis, and exploring self-employment options.

Another feature of VFP is developing a Resource Team. The Resource Team is composed of individuals who, either by themselves or through the agencies they represent can provide direction and assistance in managing, reducing or eliminating the barriers to employment. For more information about VFP, please contact Vicky Lasch, at 920-490-8270 ext. 113 or vickyl@optionsil.org.

Wheelchair Recycling Program Has a New Name: “Mobility Store”

The Mobility Store was previously known as the Wheelchair Recycling Program and as a result many people did not realize that they carry and accept donations of a wide variety of equipment. Equipment donations include: power and manual wheelchairs, scooters, walkers, rollators, hospital beds, commodes, bath equipment, pediatric equipment, canes, walkers and more. Continued on Page 11
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The Program still offers high quality, low cost, restored and sanitized mobility and medical equipment. All equipment is donated to WRP by individuals, businesses, and other nonprofit agencies. Every item is carefully sanitized and repaired by experienced workers at Badger State Industries. Every dollar collected for equipment is re-invested in the program and helps to sustain our services.

If someone you care about is in need, you can contact Mobility Store at their Madison location, 2554 Advance Road Madison, WI 53718 at 608-243-1785 or their new Greater Milwaukee area location at 12040 West Feerick Street Unit N, Wauwatosa, WI 53222 at 414-988-5333, or see a list of their inventory and pictures of available equipment on their website www.wrp.org. Please call ahead for hours of operation.

Summer/Fall Recreational Opportunities

Pine Forest Lodge offers retreats, rallies, and opportunities for people with disabilities at significant discounts from our regular rates. If you’d like, we usually can offer you the chance to come for extra days to enjoy all the resort has to offer.

- June 2 to 5. - ATV Rally (with Adaptive Sportsmen). Options of long or short, fast or slow rides through beautiful and (or) exciting northwoods.
- August 20 to 27. - Kayak/Resorting Week. Come all or part of the week. Kayak trips arranged daily, various lengths and waterways. If you’d rather, you can hang at the resort and enjoy other activities.
- September 9 to 11. - Spina Bifida - Northern Wisconsin annual retreat.
- September 23 to 25. - Musky Tournament (tentative). Saturday & Sunday fishing tournament on Spider Lake.

If your group would like to schedule an event some other time, let’s talk. Discounts are based on space we have available, but there are great possibilities any season. Activities are designed for people with disabilities, family and friends. We have made some accessibility improvements to 6 of our 9 cabins as well as to the accessibility of our grounds, docks, amenities. View our website at http://pineforestlodge.com to see our facilities, amenities, and programming. For questions, please call John or Cheri Stratte at 715-476-2241. Pine Forest Lodge is located at 2060 W Pine Forest Rd., Mercer, WI 54547.
Accessibility & General Home Improvement Loans Available through Options HOME

By Steve LaFrombois

Options for Independent Living, Inc. has once again received federal funding through the State of Wisconsin Bureau of Housing, Department of Commerce to administer the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME Program). The HOME Loan Program provides deferred no-payment and no interest loans to low or moderate income persons with a disability and the elderly for the purpose of making accessibility improvements and general home improvements or repairs to their single family home. The loan must be paid back when the property is sold, transferred, or ceases to be the borrower’s principal place of residence.

Types of projects include (but not limited to) ramps construction, bathroom, kitchen and bedroom modifications, and general housing rehabilitation and repairs. The counties served by this program include Brown (outside Green Bay City limits), Calumet, Door, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Marquette, Menominee, Oconto, Outagamie, Shawano, Sheboygan, Waupaca, Waushara, and Winnebago Counties. Applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements to be considered for a loan:

1. Total household income must be within the established guidelines for your respective county.
2. Must own his/her own house or live with a family member who owns their own home. Homeownership is defined as any single-family property that serves as the household’s principal residence and is owned in fee simple title or a 99-year leasehold. Properties held in a trust or on a land contract are not eligible for the HOME Loan Program.
3. The house must pass a Section 8 Housing Quality Standards Inspection as established by HUD when the work is completed.
4. Property taxes, homeowner’s insurance, mortgage, and utilities must paid up to date. Persons who have judgments against their property due to delinquent debt will not qualify.

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Interested individuals are encouraged to submit an application. Applications are reviewed on a first come first serve basis having met all eligibility requirements. Each project must have a minimum cost of $1,000.00. The limit for each loan may not exceed $30,000 per household depending on availability. Due to the popularity of the program a waiting list has been established. To obtain an application or for more information contact Steve LaFrombois, HOME Program Coordinator at (920) 490-8270 extension 122 or toll-free at 888-465-1515 or by writing to Options for Independent Living, Inc., P.O. Box 11967, Green Bay, WI 54307-1967.

Annual Giving Campaign

Options for Independent Living is starting its Annual Giving Campaign this month. Your donation to the Annual Giving Campaign is vital in helping us meet the goals of people with disabilities for independence within their homes, workplaces, and communities. Your participation is an investment in their future at a time when everyone is tightening their budgets. Our Vision Statement is a simple one: Options for Independent Living empowers people with disabilities. Your participation is a powerful affirmation of the value of Options to individuals, their families and the communities in which they live and work.

Send your donation to: Options for Independent Living, PO Box 1967, Green Bay, WI 54307-1967

On behalf of all of us at Options, thank you so very much your support.

Note: Your donation is tax deductible.

Mary Ann Toma, President
Options Board of Directors

Tom Diedrick
Executive Director
For Sale Items

Vehicles/Vans/ Accessories

2003 Chrysler Town & Country Van - Asking $10,500—Ramp, swivel drivers seat, 80,000 miles. Contact: Chuck 920-846-2344 Ad updated 5/12/11 1/1

Bruno - Curbsider - $650.00 New cost was $2700. Contact: Rene Redman 920-834-3243 (before 6:00 pm) Ad updated 5/11

Hand Controls— $300.00 When new cost $1195. Contact: Rene Redman 920-834-3243 (before 6:00 pm) Ad updated 5/11

Mobility Aids

3 wheel scooter— $300.00 or Best Offer—275 # weight limit.—contact: John Hill 920-833-7193 (Seymour-Oneida area). Updated 5/11

Adult wheelchair—$150.00— Adult light weight wheelchair, like new. Contact: Rene Redman 920-834-3243 (before 6:00 pm) Updated 5/11

Excel Stair Glide— $800, Excellent condition. Rail is 12’ 3" long. Installed Nov 03. Contact : Mike Furstenberg 920-419-7755 Updated 5/11

Invacare TDXSC Power Chair—$2,500 or best offer— 2-3 years old, tilt seat, has foot pedals and single foot rest pad, battery charger included. Good condition. Charles Welter (715)-526-9386 Cell (715) 853-9387 Updated 5/11

Power Elevating Wheelchair- Invacare Storm TDX3—$1,000 or best offer—Four years old but used less than two years. Seat elevates up to eight inches. Suitable for tall person (built for a 6'2" man) MK5 electronics. Batteries not included. Original price $15,269.—Joelle Myers 920-286-0023 or e-mail online.myers@yahoo.com Updated 5/11

Pride Sonic Three-wheel Scooter with Trunk Lift - Make an offer - can be sold separately. Pride Sonic Three wheel scooter plus Bruno lift for car or van. Both work well. M. Whitcomb 920-469-1648 home or 920-713-0130 cell Updated 5/11

Rascal Scooter— $750.00 or best offer—5 years old - good condition Contact: Charles Welter 715-526-9386 Cell 715-853-9387 Update- Updated 5/11

Manual Wheelchair—$1,200—Wheelchair, good condition. Contact: Tammy Borowitz 920-371-2401 Updated 5/11

Miscellaneous Items

Bed Assist Bar— $35.00 - Basically new. Retails for $50.00 or best offer. Karen Hilt 920-993-5530 or jkjhilt@aol.com Updated 5/11

Canadian Crutches—$50.00—Janet Hill 920-833-7193 (Seymour-Oneida area) Updated 5/11

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Commode—$50.00—Portable commode with arm rest. Contact: Rene Redman 920-834-3243 (before 6:00 pm) Updated 5/11

Drive Shower Chair and Transfer Bench - $50.00 or best offer. — Basically new. Retails for $100.00. Karen Hilt 920-993-5530 or jkjhilt@aol.com Updated 5/11

Drive Toilet Chair— $70.00—Basically new, deluxe all in one welded steel commode. Retails for $115.00. Asking $70.00 or best offer. Contact: Karen Hilt 920-993-5530 or jkjhilt@aol.com Posted 1/5/11

4 Fore-arm Crutches—$100.00 for all 4 - Contact: Rene Redman 920-834-3243 (before 6:00 pm) Updated 5/11

Hoyer lift—$300.00—Good condition Contact: Tammy Borowitz 920-371-2401 Updated 5/11

Invacare Toilet Seat with Bar—$30.00 or best offer.— Retails for $60.00. Karen Hilt 920-993-5530 or jkjhilt@aol.com Updated 5/11

Lift - Pool - $200 or best offer— Pool lift with sling and floating device for adult. Ann 920-467-3344 Updated 5/11

Pedal Exerciser— $15.00 or best offer - Contact: Karen Hilt 920-993-5530 or jkjhilt@aol.com Updated 5/11

Shower Chair—Best offer - Tammy Borowitz 920-371-2401— Updated 5-11

Shower Chair - $20.00 or best offer — Adjustable legs. Retail for $50.00. Contact: Karen Hilt 920-993-5530 or jkjhilt@aol.com Updated 5/11

Shower Chair—$15.00—fAdjustable, (for tub only) contact: Rene Redman 920-834-3243 (before 6:00 pm) Updated 5/11

Toilet Riser - $15.00 or best offer. Retails for $30.00 Karen Hilt 920-993-5530 or jkjhilt@aol.com Updated 5/11

Traction units - Lower Lumbar traction $200 or best offer. Neck Traction $100 or best offer. Janet Hill 920-833-7193 (Seymour-Oneida area). Updated 5/11

Accessible Home - $239,900.00—For sale by owner. N2368 Hwy 55, Kaukauna WI. Four bedroom ranch, 1st floor laundry, 3 baths, roll-in shower, undercut sink, large kitchen, fireplace, study, living dining and family room. Attached plus extra garage. Ramp to front door. 2500 sq feet, 42 years old. Contact: 920-788-4429 Updated 5/11

Other Used Medical Equipment Resources


UsedHME.com: a free listing service where people can buy, sell, or donate "Used Home Medical Equipment". We are zipcode driven so usedHME.com is local for everyone. Equipment that can be found: mobility scooters, powerc hairs, stair lifts, lift chairs, wheelchair accessible vans and much more.
Options for Independent Living Inc.
Vision and Mission Statements

VISION STATEMENT
Options for Independent Living empowers people with disabilities.

MISSION STATEMENT
Options for Independent Living, serving people with disabilities in 17 counties of Northeast Wisconsin, is the pre-eminent non-profit organization of choice to empower people with disabilities. Options provides opportunities, through advocacy and education, for individuals with all disabilities and ages, to actively access their communities, maximize their independence, and connect with the resources and funding available to them.