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*ILADD continued to grow at a rapid pace in the first six months of 2023. We now offer even more programs and social options for the sharply rising number of adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) that we serve. In addition, ILADD entered into an agreement with Old Town Companies for the donation of land by Old Town which will become ILADD's Crossbridge Point community. ILADD's first Development Director also joined our team earlier this year. It was a busy and exciting first half of 2023.*

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## **First Half of 2023 Sees Enhanced Program Offerings and Growth in Number of Adults Served**

ILADD enhanced its programs and social options in the first half of 2023 and the number of adults with IDD that ILADD serves grew significantly. ILADD started a second Book Club, which meets every other Tuesday in Lebanon at Mental Health America RISE. A second Game Night, which meets on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at Arni's in Lebanon, also began this Spring. A new Fit Club was started too (in partnership with Special Olympics of Boone County and the ARC of Boone County).

ILADD added more independent living classes in the first half of 2023, including Banking Basics (in partnership with BMO) and a Cooperative Living Class. ILADD also partnered with Down Syndrome Indiana to hold a Relationships Class at their office in Indianapolis as well as sessions at the ILADD Sunshine Barn in Zionsville.

Additional "Monday Mingle" dinners at area restaurants joined ILADD's schedule of social options, along with indoor rock climbing in May and an Indianapolis Indians game in June. ILADD's Community Service Club increased its outreach assisting at more charitable events in the first six months of 2023 than in the same period last year.

There continues to be an ever-growing need for programs, activities, and services for adults with IDD in Central Indiana. ILADD now serves about 115 adults with IDD through our independent living classes, clubs, social options and informational seminars, an increase of over 40% from one year ago. The expanded offerings outlined above allow us to serve more adults with IDD and help address those growing needs in our communities.

## **ILADD Announces Land Donation and Will Begin First Housing Development**

In March, ILADD announced that it had entered into an agreement with Old Town Companies for the donation of land by Old Town for ILADD's Crossbridge Point residential community. Crossbridge Point will be a unique neighborhood integrated within Old Town's 260-acre master planned Wild Air development on Marysville Road in Zionsville. The Wild Air development received approval from the Zionsville Town Council in June.

Crossbridge Point, the first neighborhood developed by ILADD for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD), will feature up to 20 homes, with about 75% of those homes set aside for adults with IDD. The remaining homes would be for adults without disabilities who choose to live as intentional neighbors and provide natural supports to the residents of Crossbridge Point. An intentional neighborhood designed for adults with IDD and including adults without IDD would be new to the Indianapolis metro area and would represent a substantial step toward inclusion and independence for adults with IDD.

Crossbridge Point is planned to include beautifully designed homes for 1, 2, or 3 adults, with attractive landscaping and common greenspaces. The final number of homes and adults with and without IDD living there will be determined by the mix of home configurations. Additionally, Crossbridge Point will feature a 2,000 to 3,000 square foot clubhouse/learning center which ILADD will use to provide quality programming to those we serve. While not all of ILADD's programs will take place there, it will be another convenient option for our self-advocates, especially those living in Crossbridge Point. Although we are excited to begin development of Crossbridge Point, we do not intend to stop there. We continue to search for additional property and intend to build more independent living opportunities for adults with IDD. The need is great, and ILADD is leading the way in creating new and unique housing options for adults with IDD in Central Indiana.

## **ILADD Hires First Development Director**

ILADD hired its first Development Director, Bailee Reynolds, in February of 2023. Bailee brings over a decade of experience working in nonprofit development to her new role. She also has experience working with adults with IDD, including service as a nonprofit executive in the IDD field. Bailee will help lead ILADD's fundraising, development, and public awareness efforts toward accomplishing its mission of providing housing, enrichment/educational programs, and social options that enable adults with IDD to live in homes of their own and enjoy fulfilling and meaningful lives in their communities.

Bailee served for over three years as the Development Director for Morning Dove Therapeutic Riding, Inc., a Zionsville nonprofit serving individuals with IDD, before being appointed as its Executive Director in November 2021. Prior to her work at Morning Dove, she was a Manager at LIDS Foundation, Inc., a grant-making organization. Bailee holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Communications, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Relations, with a Marketing concentration, both from Indiana State University. Additionally, she has a Certificate in Fundraising Management from the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy at Indiana University.

## **Thank you for Your Support of ILADD**

Thank you for your support of ILADD and its mission. We have included a brief infographic summarizing ILADD's progress in the first half of 2023, and encourage you to visit ILADD's website ([www.iladdinc.org](http://www.iladdinc.org)) or follow us on Facebook or Instagram to track ILADD's progress and see the positive impact you are helping to make in the lives of adults with IDD.

If you have any questions about ILADD, please feel free to contact us ([mfultz@iladdinc.org](mailto:mfultz@iladdinc.org) or [teasterday@iladdinc.org](mailto:teasterday@iladdinc.org)). Moreover, we are always looking for volunteers to help with our programs. If you would like to become an ILADD volunteer, email ILADD's Program Manager, Michele Gray ([program.manager@iladdinc.org](mailto:program.manager@iladdinc.org)).

Very truly yours,



Tom Easterday  
President



Matt Fultz  
Executive Director

## MID-YEAR REPORT - 2023




**115**

### **115 Self-Advocates Served**


115 self-advocates have participated in ILADD programs. That is an increase of 44% over one year ago.

### **166 Program Hours**




Self-Advocates participated in 166 hours of ILADD Programs, including Hiking Club, Book Club, Community Service Club, Self-Advocates Group, Game Nights, Social Outings, Informational Seminars, Fit Club and Independent Living Skills Classes; an increase of 69% compared to the first half of 2022.

### **567 Volunteer Hours for Programs**



ILADD volunteers contributed 567 hours in providing programs; an increase of 29% compared to the first half of 2022.

### **41 Program Volunteers**



41 ILADD volunteers assisted in providing programs in the first half of 2023, an increase of nearly 21% compared to the first half of 2022.



## **ILADD Set to Begin First Development**

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**Game Night**



**Independent Living Skills Class**



**Book Club**



**Community Service Club**



**Monday Mingle**



**Game Night**



**Hiking Club**



**Hiking Club**



**Self-Advocates Group**