



# **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 overall value and the 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.

### **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. The 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 least two weeks prior to the next scheduled Committee meeting. The Request Letter must include the vendor's name, contract term including renewals, and contract value, as well as a description of the goods or services to be provided. Upon request by the State Use Coordinator, the proposed vendor must provide a Certificate of Assurance (COA), which includes a narrative outlining the specifics of the contract and the estimated number of persons with disabilities who 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