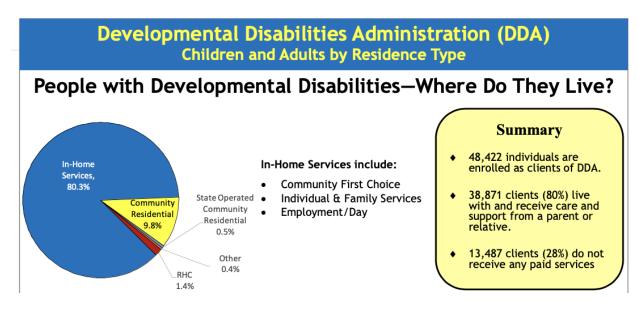
EMAIL TEMPLATE FOR USE IN COMMUNICATING WITH LEGISLATORS- MODIFY THIS TO MAKE IT FIT FOR YOU

June 8, 2020

<u>Dear, Representative (or Senator)</u> (click to look up email address if you don't know it)

My name is _____ and I live in the ____ district (look up your district here if you don't know which one you live in.) (The legislator(s) you call should be the ones who represent you in your district).

I am writing because I am very concerned about the proposed budget cuts to people with disabilities in our community. As a parent, I deliver the bulk of care to my child(ren), saving the state thousands of dollars every year. In fact, over 80% of people with developmental disabilities live with their parents.



Cutting services to people with disabilities, no matter where they live, is not fiscally prudent because it has a greater risk of sending people to higher cost delivery models such as hospitals and institutions.

Average Annual Waiver Expenditure Per Client *					
Waiver Type	2017	2018	2019		
Basic Plus	\$6,900	\$7,224	\$8,388		
Core	\$101,676	\$105,132	\$124,512		
Community Protection	\$141,864	\$153,036	\$152,828		
CIIBS	\$35,928	\$28,488	\$31,428		
IFS	\$672	\$852	\$1,308		

Average Annual RHC Expenditure Per Client				
RHC	2017	2018	2019	
Fircrest	\$228,855	\$259,150	\$302,585	
Rainier	\$225,935	\$264,990	\$346,385	
Lakeland	\$255,135	\$332,150	\$357,700	
Yakima	\$243,090	\$328,865	\$363,540	

Could you please let me know how I can help to ensure that people with disabilities and their families do not experience devastating budget cuts such as the ones that happened in 2010? While I applaud the proposal to close at least one institution and move people into the community, people with developmental disabilities and their families cannot sustain a 15% cut to programs and services we desperately rely upon to keep our loved ones safe.

Sincerely,

Your name

Your email

Your phone number