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## **Grant Opportunity: Nursing Home Transition Grants for Centers for Independent Living**

ACL's Paralysis Resource Center (PRC), operated by the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation, is announcing a [Nursing Home Transition grant program](#) for Centers for Independent Living (CILs)\* across the country. **Four grants up to \$40,000 each will be awarded to transition people living with paralysis in nursing homes back into their homes or a community-based setting of their choice.**

The PRC has focused on Nursing Home Transition as part of its mission to help older adults and individuals with disabilities live in their own homes and fully participate in their communities. The Nursing Home Transition grant expands on the shared mission of the ACL and the PRC to improve the quality of life for individuals with paralysis and other conditions that result in permanent mobility challenges.

For this grant purpose, the term paralysis includes anyone who sustains difficulty and/or inability to move their arms and/or legs due to a neurological condition such as spinal cord injury, traumatic brain injury, spina bifida, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, ALS, and many other chronic conditions that coexist with developmental, congenital, and acquired disabilities.

**CILs interested in applying for the NHT grant are invited to attend a webinar on Thursday, May 4 at 3 pm Eastern.** Participants will learn about the application process and have the opportunity to ask questions. [Register for the webinar.](#)

Grant applications must be submitted by 11:59 pm on May 15. Decisions will be announced May 31.

*\*The NHT grant is open to Centers for Independent Living as described in the 2014 reauthorization of the Rehabilitation Act. The term "center for independent living" means a consumer-controlled, community-based, cross-disability, nonresidential private nonprofit agency for individuals with significant disabilities (regardless of age or income) that (A) is designed and operated within a local community by individuals with disabilities; and (B) provides an array of independent living services, including, at a minimum, independent living core services as defined in section 705(17) as: information and referral, independent living skills training, peer counseling, individual systems and advocacy, and transition/diversion facilitation.*

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ACL funds the [Paralysis Resource Center](#) to provide comprehensive information for people living with spinal cord injury, paralysis and mobility-related disabilities and their families. Resources include information and referral by phone and email in multiple languages including English and Spanish; a peer and family support mentoring program; a military and veterans program; multicultural outreach services; free lending library; quality of life grants; and a national website.

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