

## RESOURCE CENTER

OSCIL is a designated location for "The Point," RI's Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC), offering information on disability resources as well as being a satellite walk-in site offering one-to-one services for persons seeking disability related information.



## INFORMATION & REFERRAL

OSCIL's Information and Referral program provides consumers and their families, service providers, and the general public with information on a wide array of community resources and disability services. Information can be obtained via telephone, e-mail, fax or in person. OSCIL's *Signs of Independence* newsletter provides information on disability issues to consumers and service providers.

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## Ocean State Center for Independent Living

*(2 Locations)*

**1944 Warwick Ave  
Warwick, RI 02889**

**Hours: 9 am-4 pm**

**175 Main Street  
Pawtucket, RI 02860**

**Hours: 10 am—4 pm**



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*Open M-F/Closed Holidays*



1944 Warwick Avenue, Warwick, RI

OSCIL has two convenient & accessible locations.  
Both locations are on bus routes and have  
handicapped parking.



# **Our Services**

## **ADVOCACY SERVICES**

OSCIL provides individual and systems advocacy services. Consumers are provided information and support to become self-advocates.

## **ASSESSMENT SERVICES**

OSCIL assists other agencies in finding the best solutions for increased independence for their consumers by offering comprehensive assessment services in the areas of independent living, assistive technology and home modifications. These services are provided on a fee for service basis.

## **ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY**

As a partner in the Assistive Technology Access Partnership (ATAP), OSCIL provides individuals with disabilities with information about how low tech equipment and assistive devices may enhance their independence. To offer consumer choice, OSCIL offers assistive devices for tryout or to loan to ensure that the right device will work for the consumer and in their home.

## **DEAF SERVICES**

Highlights for this program include advocacy services, citizenship training, driver education to prepare for the written exam, and education on the use of the video phone, CapTel phone and Relay Service.

## **DISABILITY SENSITIVITY/ AWARENESS TRAINING**

OSCIL conducts disability awareness trainings including Deaf Culture Sensitivity training in a variety of settings. In addition, OSCIL staff participates in senior citizen and disability-related events throughout RI, conducting AT demonstrations, formal and informal group presentations and hosting informational exhibits and displays.

## **GIFT OF HEARING**

OSCIL joined in a collaborative effort with the University of Rhode Island (URI) Speech & Hearing Center to bring low cost hearing aids to individuals who qualify. OSCIL can assist with the acquisition of low-cost hearing aids at an affordable price and through a self-pay option.

## **HOME ACCESSIBILITY & ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT**

OSCIL helps consumers with home modifications and the acquisition of adaptive equipment as part of their independent living goal to remove barriers to independence. Individuals must meet income and eligibility requirements.

## **HOUSING ASSISTANCE**

OSCIL provides assistance to locate affordable and/or accessible housing, complete the application process, and

assists consumers to connect to community resources. OSCIL also helps consumers to acquire assistive devices to support independence in the home.

## **INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS TRAINING**

OSCIL staff work with self-directed consumers to set goals that will enable the consumers to be self-sufficient and independent in their home and community. Basic life skills training may include budgeting, meal preparation, arranging transportation, and/or self-advocacy. Life skills training is goal-directed and does not involve long-term case management or therapeutic intervention.

## **LUNCH & LEARN WORKSHOPS**

As part of OSCIL's outreach and community education initiative, OSCIL offers free "Lunch and Learn" workshops highlighting various solutions that can increase access in the home and community. Workshops are held at OSCIL locations in both Warwick and Pawtucket from 12—2 pm. Check [oscil.org](http://oscil.org) or call the office for specific dates and/or more information.

## **PEER SUPPORT**

OSCIL offers opportunities for persons with disabilities to share similar interests and concerns and gain greater awareness for opportunities for independence.

## **PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANT (PCA) Program**

OSCIL operates a small state funded PCA program for consumers who are not eligible for this service through any other source.

## **TRANSITION PROGRAMS** **Nursing Home Transition/Diversion**

OSCIL works with individuals having significant disability who are living in nursing homes and wish to move from the nursing home to a less restrictive environment. OSCIL's experienced staff will assist the consumer with community connections for a safe transition.

### **Youth Transition**

Assists young adults (ages 18-24) who are self-directed to transition to community independence. OSCIL provides basic independent living skills training, peer support, and information on disability and community resources.

### **YMCA Connection**

OSCIL, in partnership with the Greater Providence YMCA, is offering a program that provides persons having significant disability the opportunity to address independent living goals related to recreation, socialization, peer support and increased health and wellness. Contact the OSCIL office for more information.