

# My Self-Directed Life



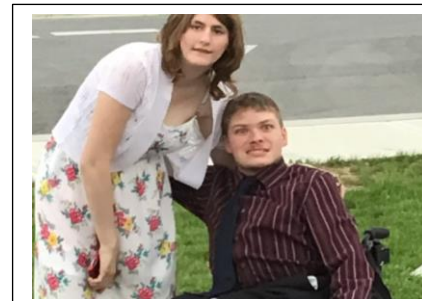
**Self-Direction** is important to me because it supports me to be as independent as possible.

**Self-Direction** has changed my life as I work in a childcare program and go to community college.

**Self-Direction** allows me to be out in the community going to trivia, playing in a bell choir, and being a member of a drama club.

Because of **Self-Direction** I can have reliable transportation to community activities.

*My family and I support the Self-Direction Act because Choice and Control make the "Good Life" possible.*



My family and I support the **Self-Direction Act** because it will:

- **C**reate a strong Advisory Council to re-establish the principles of self-direction and DDA accountability
- **A**llow participants to continue to include family members as support staff
- **R**estore the participants' right to choose a support broker as their professional advocate
- **E**nsure participant choice and control of all services
- **M**andate that *anyone* eligible for DDA services can self-direct

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