# Disability Needs in Livingston County

2024 Survey Results

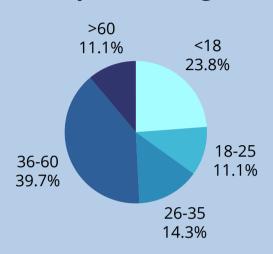


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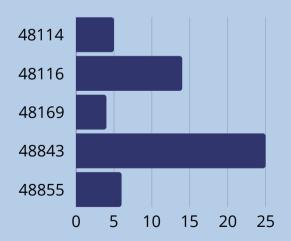


## **Survey Overview**

### **Respondent Ages**



### **Respondent Zip Codes**



These are the top five zip codes.

Abilities Alliance is a coalition of disability service organizations that strive to provide the most effective services for ALL ABILITIES in our community.

Abilities Alliance sends out a **survey every other year** to understand needs, identify service gaps and gather information from Livingston County community members who identify as having a disability.

The survey was open to any Livingston County community member with a disability. Support persons, caregivers, parents, or providers were encouraged to help the individuals complete the survey. The survey was open from February 1 to May 31, 2024.

The 2024 survey included **63** responses from Livingston County residents.

For more information on the Abilities Alliance Workgroup check out the it's website:

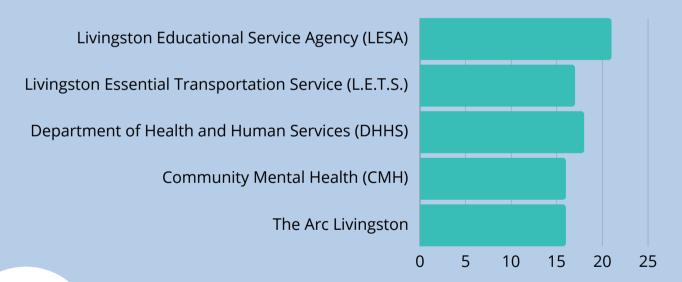
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### Results

#### **Most Common Disabilities**



### Our respondents most commonly receive services from:



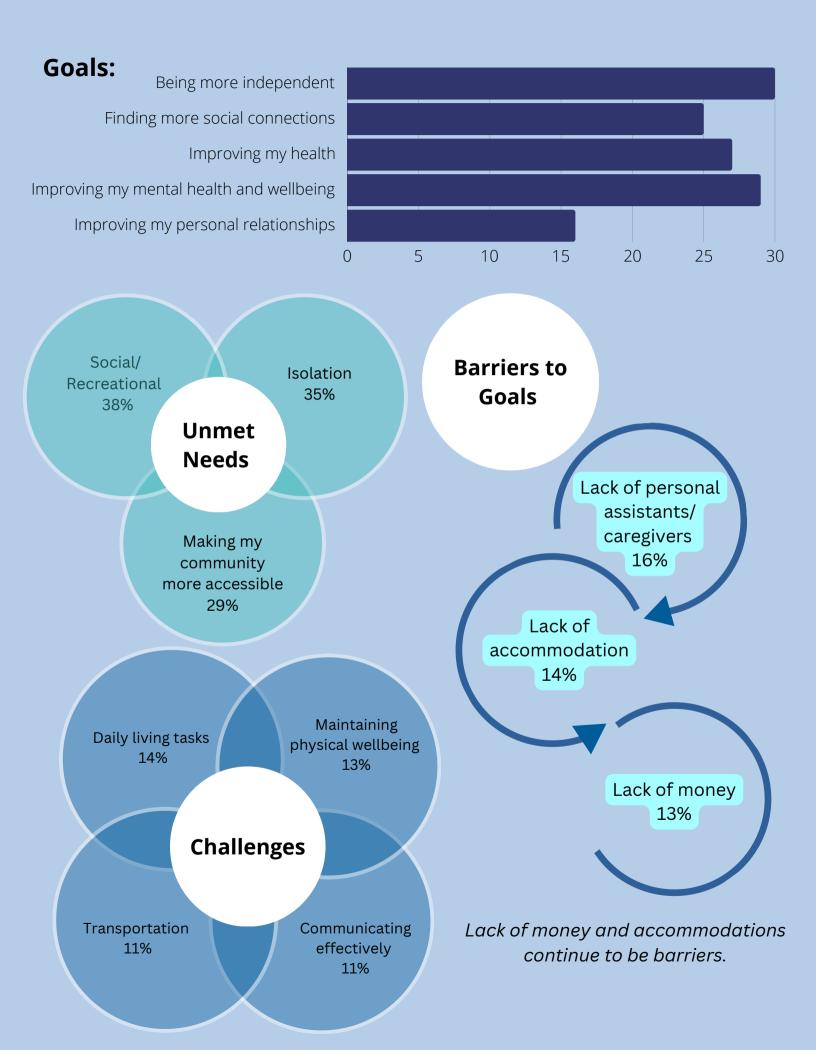
The most common services







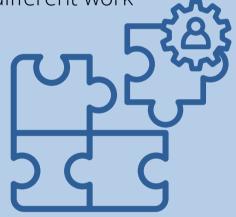
Help with emotional or mental health 29%



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### **Employment**

- 32% of our respondents have a job they get paid for but only
   35% are happy with their job
- Of those who work for pay:
  - 20% need more hours
  - 20% need fewer hours
  - 40% need higher pay
  - 25% need more advanced or different work



- Of the respondents who are not employed, only 33% wish to be employed, compared with 61% in the last survey.
- Those looking for employment need help finding a unique niche where they can contribute (47%).

# Social Connections

- Almost two-thirds of the respondents wish they had more to do (65%).
- 81% wish they had more friends or people to connect with - a 10% increase from last survey.
- Most of our respondents have someone in their life that they can talk to about their feelings (89%).



### **Next Steps**

Learn. Join. Advocate.

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#### Learn.

Work to understand how to be inclusive and what this means.

#### Join.

For more information on joining the workgroup email Amy at ajohnston@cmhliv.org.

#### Advocate.

Work with your school, work, church, and local businesses to be more accessible and inclusive. Small adaptations can make a big difference.

Check out the workgroup's Resource Directory found online here: LINK



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