



Inclusion Ireland

The National Association for People
with an Intellectual Disability.

Budget 2027 Key Asks

Budget 2027 is an opportunity for Government to make real progress on the rights of people with intellectual disabilities and their families. People should be able to live ordinary lives – with choice, independence, the right support and equal opportunities to participate in their communities.

Inclusion Ireland is calling for targeted investment and action across **four key areas: housing and supported living, the cost of disability, supports for children and families, and inclusive education.**



Listen to my voice and not just those who are supporting me - we are often not saying the same thing but my voice gets overruled.

Adult with an intellectual disability



We need... respite day care, we are broke... only one of us can work we are on our knees financially.

Parent of a child with an intellectual disability



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OUR KEY ASKS



Housing and Supported Living

- Fund supports for independent living and personal assistance to help move 300 people into their own homes.
- Fund a national future-planning system with local housing coordinators.
- Help 200 people move out of residential homes and 100 out of nursing homes.



Tackling the Cost of Disability

- Introduce a permanent Cost of Disability payment to help cover extra costs, like higher energy bills, medicine, and transport.
- Set a clear timeline to abolish the Carer's Allowance means test and the 18.5-hour work limit.



Supports for Children and Families

- Invest in recruiting additional family support workers across all CDNTs nationwide.
- Ensure that every CAMHS-ID team across the country is fully resourced and staffed at 11 posts for each team.



Inclusive Education

- Fund more therapists in schools and move towards smaller class sizes so teachers can better support students.
- Invest €1 million to deliver disability and human rights training for teachers delivered by Disabled Persons' Organisations.