Disability Needs in Livingston County

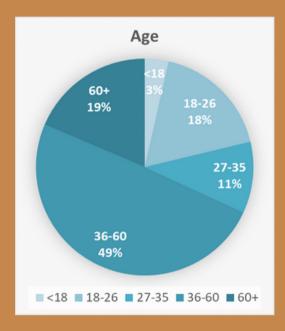
2022 Survey Results

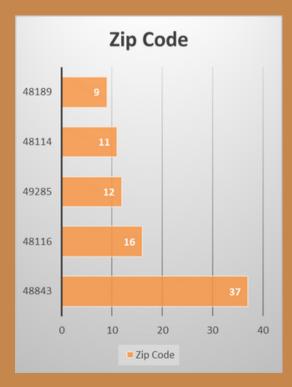


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Survey Overview





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.

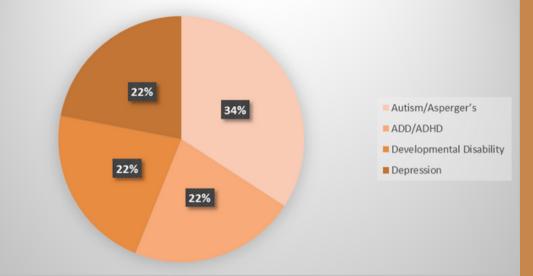
The survey was open to any Livingston County community member with a disability. Support persons, caregivers, parents, or providers were encouraged to help the individuals complete the survey. **The survey was open from January 24 to March 18, 2022.**

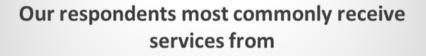
The 2022 survey included **102 responses from Livingston County residents.** This is an increase from the 2019 survey and 85 responses.

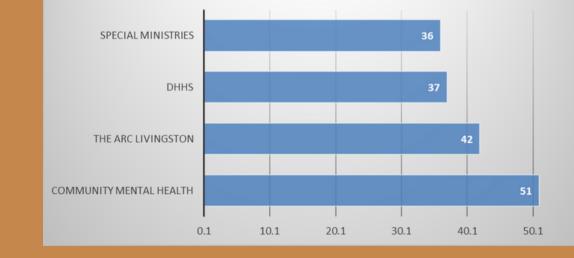
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Results

The most common disabilities

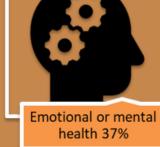






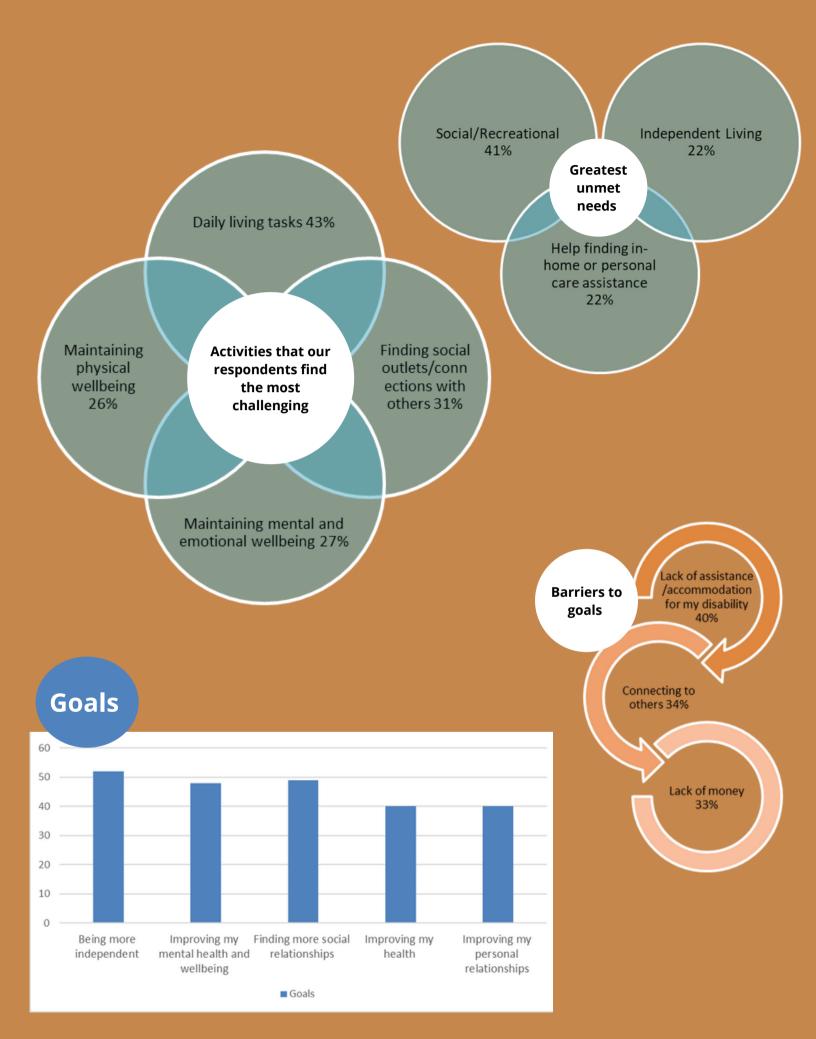
The most common services











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Employment

- 37% of our respondents have a job that they get paid for and 42% are happy with their job.
- Of the respondents who are not employed, almost twothirds wish to be employed (61%).
- Those looking for employment need help to find a unique niche where they can contribute (52%).

Social Connections

- Almost two-thirds of the respondents wish they had more to do (64%).
- 71% wish they had more friends or people to connect with.
- Most of our respondents have someone in their life that they can talk to about their feelings (90%).

COVID

- Many people experienced social and physical isolation due to COVID (73%).
- Almost all of our respondents had access to the COVID vaccine (98%).
- For those who experienced barriers to the vaccine, they reported scheduling difficulty, transportation, and fear as the barriers.



Next Steps Learn. Join. Advocate.

Abilities Alliance is a coalition of disability service organizations that strive to provide the most effective services for people of ALL ABILITIES in the Livingston County community. For more information on the coalition check out the website: <u>livgov.com/hscb/Pages/Abilities-</u> <u>Alliance</u>

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: <u>https://www.livgov.com/hscb/Pa</u> <u>ges/Abilities-Alliance.aspx.</u>

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