

MOBILE
Center for Independent Living

MOBILE AT WORK

For over 35 years MOBILE Disability Resource Center, a Center for Independent Living, has worked to empower people with disabilities to live independently by offering various programs and services. For several years, Franklin County has been an important part of MOBILE realizing their mission, by increasing their capacity to provide more households with hearing enhancement equipment.

MOBILE has been in partnership with many local key stakeholders, and national, state and federal agencies. Most importantly has been their close collaboration with the disabled population in an effort toward "Making Changes". Many major improvements have come forth over the years, but there is still much to be done to ensure that people with disabilities are afforded the same rights and opportunities as others.

As this organization looks toward the future, they are urging local communities to promote "Disability Awareness" which has, and will continue to increase the quality of life for individuals with disabilities.

COUNTY IMPACT

\$125,000

COUNTY INVESTMENT
 OF FEDERAL FUNDS
 2010 - 2015



At least 70 households
 received hearing
 enhancement equipment

**MOBILE'S
 FIVE CORE
 SERVICES**

INFORMATION & REFERRAL INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS



ADVOCACY

PEER SUPPORT

TRANSITIONING



EMPOWERING DISABLED INDIVIDUALS



CLIENT HIGHLIGHTS

William Murphy: Using a Clarity AlertMaster

William Murphy has been an active consumer with MOBILE since 2008. He is deaf, and frequently attends MOBILE's monthly Peer Support and Independent Living Skill Classes. Once he enrolled in the Deaf Equipment Program he received a Clarity AlertMaster AL10 Signaling system, which is designed to alert anyone that is deaf or lives with a hearing impairment. This device notifies clients whenever the phone rings or during a smoke/carbon monoxide alarm.

The Deaf Equipment Program helps individuals living with a hearing impairment because it provides many devices that notify clients using flashing lights or vibration alarms. MOBILE has helped William through their supportive services.

Sandra Martin – Receiving a Personal Amplifier

Sandra Martin heard about the MOBILE Center for Independent Living, Deaf Equipment Program through another agency. She called MOBILE to learn about this program, and asked how it could help with her hearing loss.

Once she met the agency's eligibility criteria she received a Pocket Talker. This device uses a Personal Amplifier (with headset) to help people with hearing loss hear better in small group discussions, watching TV, and one-on-one conversations. Clients typically wear this device around their neck.

Aside from participating in the Deaf Equipment Program, Sandra also attends MOBILE'S monthly Peer Support and Independent Living Skill Classes.

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