

# PROGRESS REPORT

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*Our Brand New Logo, Ready to Go!*

## A NEW LOOK FOR TRPIL

As you can probably tell, TRPIL is changing up the way it looks with a bold new color scheme, name, and logo. It represents the best of us: our willingness to preserve what has brought us to where we are and a fresh direction in an exciting future full of possibilities.

Our new name stands for **TR**ansitional **P**aths to **I**ndependent **L**iving.

As we make a major transition of our own, we'd like to share our success, accomplishments, and future with **you!**

### ABOUT TRPIL

TRPIL advocates for the civil rights of people with disabilities and promotes independent living in our Western Pennsylvania communities. TRPIL provides a wide range of services that assist people with disabilities in leading independent, and productive lives. These services include peer support, in house services by direct care workers, independent living skills training, information & referral, and transitions (from nursing home situations to one's own home in the community, or for youth leaving high school for college or to a career). TRPIL provides information and experience to people with disabilities regarding the challenges that they may face in schooling, housing, transportation, civil rights, employment, and professional and personal interactions.

**For more information about TRPIL and its services, please call 724-223-5115 or visit our website at [www.tripil.com](http://www.tripil.com).**

## RENOVATION PHASES

### **Phase I**

Phase I of the major renovation project is underway. This will focus on the construction of the *porte-cochere* addition and internal renovation of the building from the main stairway forward and upward to the different floors. The entire lower level will also be renovated to include the training center, a conference room, and staff offices. The training center is an essential element to TRPIL: as you may know, we have approximately 600 direct care workers who work with our 600 consumers to provide daily assistance such as getting out of bed, showered, fed, and ready for their day. New hire's training regarding safety and health issues is required for all new workers, in addition to mandatory annual training.

The construction of our specially designed, accessible elevator will also occur in Phase I. These immediate renovations will enable us to begin working inside of the building, allowing accessible entrance to the front, side in addition to a space on all four floors to work. The bids were advertised on January 6th and 9th. A meeting was held on January 26 with potential construction bidders.

After the bids were opened on February 28th, we came to the conclusion that the proposed costs were higher than anticipated. A portion of the work in Phase I was scheduled for Phase II but, for convenience, was placed in the Phase I bid. Therefore, there will be a re-bidding process that will take about two months. Construction should start early summer. We believe construction will take 14 months with our move in date scheduled for August 1st, 2018...the first step towards a newer, brighter future for TRPIL.

### **Phase II**

After TRPIL staff takes up residence in the new facility, **Phase II** will begin. **Phase II** will focus on what **Phase I** does not cover: renovation of the remaining back part of the building, including the expansive gymnasium, and the addition of a back elevator for accessibility and safety.

### **Phase III**

**Phase III** will focus on construction of a brand-new glass-enclosed conservatory and common area on the third floor. TRPIL will be seeking private funds to move this phase forward.

## A TRPIL SUCCESS STORY...

Haley is 15 and has physical challenges due to her disability. Because she has difficulty walking, Accessible Dreams created a bigger bathroom entrance and installed a shower area large enough to accommodate Haley's wheelchair.

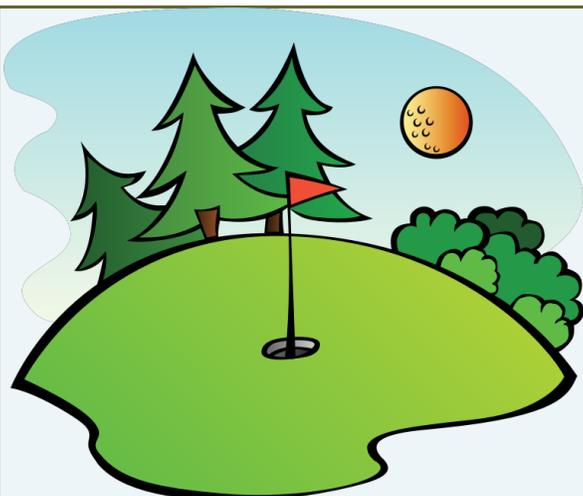
Her mother was thrilled. "It is life-changing for us," she says. "We so appreciate working with the Accessible Dreams program."

## 2017 WALK, RUN, ROLL 5K THIS APRIL 29TH!

TRPIL will host its second annual **Capital Campaign Walk \* Run \* Roll** at South Strabane Community Park, 750 Floral Hill Drive, on Saturday, April 29th.

*If you'd like to come out and help us raise funds for our new headquarters and community center, there is a \$20 donation fee to participate (which also includes a goodie bag!).*

*Interested in sponsorship?* We've got plenty of opportunities including getting your logo on an official website, course signage, t-shirts and even getting onto the main pavilion—contact [jnaser@tripil.com](mailto:jnaser@tripil.com) for more information.



## SAVE THE DATE

*Mark your calendars!*

*TRPIL's 2017 Golf Outing will take place on*  
**Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017.**

*Come to* **Lone Pine Country Club,**  
 2755 Park Avenue, Washington, PA 15301  
*to play.*



## PHASE I RENOVATION SUPPORTERS

TRPIL has been fortunate to have generous supporters. Among these are:

- **Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP):** \$1,500,000
- **Washington County Local Share Account (LSA):** \$500,000 (in 2014); \$400,000 (in 2016, specifically for the elevator)
- **Anonymous:** \$100,000
- **FISA Foundation:** \$25,000
- **Allegheny Foundation:** \$50,000
- **PNC Charitable Trust:** \$12,500 (for equipment)
- **Washington Financial Bank:** \$10,000
- **Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania:** \$2,500 (for the life safety area)

Since the RACP and LSA funds were state and county funding (respectively), TRPIL is providing a match of \$1,100,000 for securing support. In an effort to recoup TRPIL funding with private donations, we have solicited staff, board members and community members to support the Capital Campaign. Thus far, we have raised over \$120,000, bringing the total donations for Phase I to \$3,607,500, the estimated construction cost of **Phase I**.

The capital campaign continues to raise funds for **Phases II** and **III**, and TRPIL will continue to host fundraising events and seek private support in order to complete all three phases.

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