



Persons with Developmental Disabilities (PDD) Program

The PDD program funds programs and services with the goal of helping persons with developmental disabilities be part of their communities and to live independently.

Services are provided to support individuals in their home, work, and social environments based on their needs. These services enhance the already existing support of family, friends, and people in community.

Types of Supports Funded by the PDD Program

Home Living Supports

Assists people in their homes with things such as meal planning and housekeeping

Employment Supports

Provides training, education and support to assist people in overcoming barriers to employment

Community Access Supports

Assists people with participating in their community

Specialized Community Supports

Short-term supports to help with special circumstances

Services are Provided in Three Ways

- **Family-Managed Services**
An individual, their family, or a person close to the individual can hire and manage PDD-funded supports either through a private citizen or an approved service provider.
- **Community Service Provider**
The PDD program funds individuals who then enter into a service agreement with agencies
- **Human Services**
Funding and case management services are provided directly to individuals and families (e.g. information services, needs identification, referrals, service monitoring, and risk assessment)

Community Service Providers

Provide the majority of direct delivery services funded by the PDD Program

Must be approved by the Human Services region in which they are operating

Must meet financial and legal requirements and maintain compliance with CET Accreditation standards approved by the Minister

People Receiving PDD Supports (as of 2014/15)

7650

Number of individuals receiving PDD-funded home living supports through contracts with community service providers

- The individual, their family/guardian, the service provider and PDD service coordinators work together to determine the type of living arrangement an individual requires and can afford.
- Individuals are responsible in all living situations for costs including rent, room and board, utilities, groceries and personal needs.
- AISH is the primary source of income for the majority of individuals to fund their housing expenses.

95%

Per cent of individuals receiving PDD-funded supports who rent or lease the homes they live in

- The signee for the rental/lease agreement may be the individual, their family/guardian, or a service provider.
- The majority of the homes where people receiving PDD supports live (includes people who are and who are not affected by the PDD Safety Standards Regulation) are similar to living accommodation accessed by other Albertans and include pre-existing single family dwellings, duplexes, fourplexes, apartment buildings, and secondary suites.