

# Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities 2019 IMPACT



OVER

**11,000** volunteer hours

contributed resulting in \$225,725 in volunteer support to make WI communities better places for people with disabilities.



BPDD invested more than **70%** of its **\$1.3 million** federal grant directly into WI communities: more than **\$910,000**.

Creation or improvement of **25 local and state policies** that positively impact the lives of people with disabilities.

**16 state laws passed** or improved to positively impact the lives of people with disabilities.



Equipped **3,500** people to make improvements in their own lives and in the lives of those with disabilities.

Supported **13** provider agencies to increase the number of people they are supporting in the community, resulting in over **280** community-based jobs.

**\$375,125,167**

leveraged in 2019, including millions in the state budget that support and improve WI disability programs.



The Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities (BPDD) mission is to help people with developmental disabilities become independent, productive, and included in all facets of community life.

**27** people with disabilities

and family members, trained by BPDD, joined a board or coalition, bringing the voice of people with disabilities to the table.



As a result of Partners in Policymaking, **100% of participants** stated that they will definitely be a **stronger advocate** and more **actively involved** in issues that affect people with disabilities.

I've been participating in the Youth Leadership Forum since 2011..it's forever changed my life.



“Leadership through the Partners in Policymaking has **changed my life**. My daughter is **changing positively** in front of my eyes as a result of her education and interaction with other advocates and opportunities to speak and self-advocate.”

“Building Full Live’s **“community connections”** helped me explore jobs, resources and gave me **confidence** to look for a job. **I now speak up for what’s important to me**. I volunteer during the week and work 5 days a week. Staying busy keeps me healthy and happy.”



“**It’s changed my life**. Becoming a Partner in Policymaking now I know **I have a choice**. I can either sit on my butt and watch others pass laws that I don’t agree with, or I can talk to my legislator and fellow Partners of WI about what we can do to change it.”

For more information, visit <https://wi-bpdd.org/> or call 608-266-7826.