AccesSolutions Distribution Committee Guidelines

1. Projects shall be selected in accordance with donor-imposed restrictions and grantor requirements.

2. To comply with IRS prohibitions against private inurement, no project shall be approved that provides a private benefit to any CIL insider, including board members, staff and their immediate families.

3. Eligible applicants will be at or below 80% of Area Median Income, adjusted for extraordinary and on-going medical expenses.

4. Projects shall be performed for the benefit of persons with physical or intellectual disabilities.

5. Length of time on the Waiting List shall be a consideration. With identical projects and circumstances, priority should be given to the requestor who has waited longer.

6. Projects shall be considered after the requestor had applied for and determined ineligible for other, currently available sources of funding. Applicants who are eligible, but decline other sources of funding due to program requirements such as liens, shall not be considered for service through unrestricted AccesSolutions funds.

7. Projects should be meaningful, provide lasting improvements in accessibility and independence and be essential for daily living.

8. Projects must be conducted for applicants living in Connecticut.

9. Applicants shall be served only once with unrestricted funds unless: a. a repair is required within one year of installation; or b. the recipient changes residence and requires relocation of moveable accommodations; or c. a ramp has been installed as an interim accommodation.

10. Applications shall be divided in to Small (under $5,000 estimated cost and all ramps) and Large (between $5,000 and $25,000 estimated cost) projects. With each Distribution process, up to 50% of available funds shall be designated for Small projects, with the balance applied to Large projects.