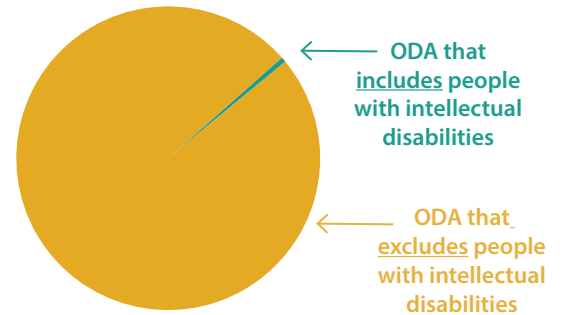


No One Left Behind?

Exclusion of People with Intellectual Disabilities in Official Development Assistance

Funders have made commitments to ensuring “no one left behind,” but Official Development Assistance (ODA) data reveals that from 2014 through 2018, people with intellectual disabilities were excluded in 99.98% of ODA funding. People with intellectual disabilities are among the most marginalized in the already marginalized disability community, yet they continue to be excluded from Official Development Assistance.



For every \$1,000 spent on official development assistance, only 20¢ includes people with intellectual disabilities.

36% of the ODA projects that included people with intellectual disabilities in 2018 violated the CRPD, contributing to segregation and other human rights violations.

Only 2% of aid relevant to people with intellectual disabilities and their families was delivered through OPDs.

Key Recommendations

for Funders

For people with intellectual disabilities to be meaningfully included and for donor agencies and governments to meet their commitments to ensuring no one left behind, funders must take immediate action to:

1. **Fund** projects that seek to build communities that are inclusive of people with intellectual disabilities.
2. **Ensure** that all projects being funded explicitly include people with intellectual disabilities in their project design.
3. **Assess** projects for CRPD-compliance, and commit to only funding projects that promote inclusion.
4. **Prioritize** opportunities for OPDs to participate in ODA delivery channels, both shaping and delivering ODA projects.
5. **Collect and report** data on the inclusion of people with disabilities and people with intellectual disabilities their families (and other marginalized groups) in ODA.

The data cited on this fact sheet is sourced from the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Development Assistance Committee (DAC)'s Creditor Reporting System (CRS), 2014-2018. A detailed methodology and the full data analysis and recommendations are available in Inclusion International's report [“Excluded from the Excluded: People with Intellectual Disabilities in \(and out of\) Official Development Assistance”](#).

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