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BREAKING THE RESTRAINTS Following Bizchut's report & demand for action, a committee established by the Health Ministry recommended forbidding the use of restraints on patients in psychiatric hospitals. Thanks to Bizchut's pressure, the use of restraints decreased by 60% during the past year,

SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING IN, **GUARDIANSHIP OUT** Following Bizchut's legislative amendment, supported decisionmaking is beginning to replace guardianship appointments. Bizchut designed & delivered 3 groundbreaking courses on supported decision-making & represented a number of individuals, helping them to break free from guardianship.

THE 'MAKE ROOM' CAMPAIGN Carried out by Bizchut with Link 20 & the Ruderman Family Foundation, the campaign reached 1 million views, creating new public debate on the right to independent living & leading to open discussion with the Ministry of Social Affairs on our bill 'Independent Living and Personal Assistance'

ACCESS TO JUSTICE In the 1st course of its kind in the world, Bizchut trained 27 access to justice facilitators in conjunction with Tel Aviv University. Course graduates are already making police & court proceedings accessible to people with mental, intellectual & communication disabilities.

TRANSPORTATION FOR INCLUSION

The Supreme Court accepted Bizchut's request & ordered the Ministry of Education to recognize the right of pupils with disabilities in regular schools to receive transportation equal to that provided to pupils in special education schools.

ACCESSIBILITY FOR ALL? Following a petition filed by Bizchut, the Supreme Court ordered the Transportation Ministry & the Jerusalem Municipality to introduce & promote an accessibility plan for public transportation in East Jerusalem.

FIGHTING THE SETBACK A campaign promoted by Bizchut, together with 43 organization led the Minister of the Interior to backtrack on his intention to dissolve the requirement that public buildings in local municipalities be made accessible.

BIZCHUT AROUND THE WORLD Bizchut conducted training courses & delivered lectures on access to justice and legal capacity in the United States, India, Mexico, Kenya & Luxembourg. **EXPERTS IN YOUR LIVING ROOM** After a

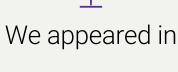
full year's work, we launched the "Talking Rights" website in collaboration with the Clinic for the Rights of People with Disabilities at Bar IIan University. The site brings lectures by innovative experts onto your personal screen.



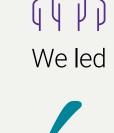
THE DAN ZEEVI PRECEDENT Dan has an intellectual disability & complex nursing needs that require close

supervision. The Ministry of Social Affairs offered Dan only 1 option: moving to an institution. After a 7 year struggle, led by Bizchut, Dan has been given the support he requires to live in the community – an unusual precedent as most persons with disabilities are still placed in institutions. (Pictured are Dan & his mother Susie).

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We provided assistance to

individuals



Knesset Committee meetings



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