



STATE PLAN ACTIVITIES

December 2016

Goal #1.1

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- BARO Staff, on 12.19.16 and 12.20.16, in San Leandro, led efforts in interviewing candidates for the RCEB Self-Determination Advisory Committee, along with RCEB's Director of Client Services and the Committee Chair. This small team is working to narrowing 15 candidates down to two candidates to be appointed to this committee. . (Performance Measure 2.2.2 1 SA/ 6 FA/ 4 OTH)
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- BARO: On 12.3.2016, at Stanford University in Palo Alto, staff joined Central Coast regional staff in presenting at the SF Autism Society Annual Conference, on Self-Determination. Presentation included a PowerPoint overview, and then a panel discussion including a parent and a self-advocate. The audience was made of professionals and parents, of varying baseline knowledge of Self-Determination. Two people from the audience followed up after the event regarding Self-Determination efforts in the region, and one member applied for an open committee seat with the RCEB Self-Determination Advisory Committee. Materials were brought in 4 languages. (Performance Measure 1.4.1 18 Members of Public Reached)
- BARO: Staff participated and led some discussions at the RCEB Self-Determination Advisory Committee on 12.5.16 in Concord. Staff provided a report on the recruitment of committee members and the process thus far. Staff continues to work with RCEB's ED, Dir. of Community Services and the committee chair to interview candidates and to prepare for a selection of two new members in January. (Performance Measure 1.1 3 SA)
- CCRO: At the Annual Conference sponsored by the San Francisco Bay Area Autism Society held at Stanford Medical Center in Palo Alto, staff lead an outreach training on Self Determination. This training was done in collaboration with the local Self Determination Advisory Committee. SCDD staff led a panel discussion that included the perspectives of a professional, a parent, and a self-advocate. (People Trained in Leadership 14 FA – People Trained in Subject 14 FA)
- HQ: SSAN Self-Determination Workgroup (PM 1.1 – 5 SA/2 OTH)
- LARO staff collaborated with the ASLA Board member as well as the UCLA DD

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Study Instructor to jointly promote and empower self-advocacy & self-determination for individuals with I/DD and their families. In addition, the discussion included approaches to help develop future workforce working with individuals with I/DD and their families. For example, the students taking DD study in UCLA will be invited to actively participate in various projects to help enhance self-advocacy and self-determination and reduce service disparities for people with I/DD. SCDD LA Regional Manager provided handout materials after the meeting to enhance future collaboration with all meeting attendees. Handouts include "SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office: What We Do/Training & Event Calendar", "Self Determination Information Sheet" in English/Chinese/Spanish, "Self-Advocacy Board of Los Angeles County" brochure, and "AIDD Fact Sheet". (ORGS 3 OTH)

- LARO staff continued collaborating with the Inclusion Institute on planning for an all-day conference to be held on March 2, 2017. Titled "Changes and Choices: Leading the Charge," it will focus on upcoming changes to the developmental services system including self-determination, self-advocacy, Person-Centered Planning, HCBS rule, and WIOA. The detailed registration flyer was finalized and translated into Spanish. Staff wrote an article for the L.A. office's newsletter about the conference and including the registration materials in English and Spanish. The materials were also distributed at various presentations and meetings that staff attended. Staff had discussions with 2 of the speakers to help focus the presentation and finalize other conference details. Regional center vendorization was updated to enable regional centers to fund families to attend. (Members of Public Reached 500 SA/ 500 FA/ 1000 OTH)
- LARO staff participated in a phone conference with USC UCEDD and Inclusion Institute representatives to assist in planning efforts for the UCEDD's Down Syndrome conference on May 19, 2017. SCDD staff offered to help promote the event through its newsletter, mailings, and distribution at trainings, and also provided leads for interpreters, reasonably priced hotels for speakers, and other potential collaborators. (Orgs 3 OTH)
- NCRO staff coordinated and supported travel expense claims submitted by council members who attended: Leadership Institute Training, Self-Advocate Advisory Committee, and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities meetings. (People Active 7 SA/ 3 FA/ 5 OTH)
- NCRO: The Redwood Coast Regional Center and SCDD - North Coast Self-

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Determination Advisory Committee held their last regularly scheduled meeting of 2016. SCDD staff provided facilitation support to the vice chair in the preparation of the RCRC North Coast Report to report back to the group following the Statewide Self Determination Advisory Committee meeting that he attended on behalf of the committee because the chair was unable to attend. The local brochure has been delayed because the committee is waiting for photos and in the process of gathering photos it was determined that the current photo release form needed to be updated. SCDD staff provided samples that will be used to develop a combined RCRC/SCDD form that can be used by the local SDAC as the project outreach moves forward. Additional topics discussed by the committee were: there was discussion regarding Del Norte County Representation on the Advisory Committee position which is still vacant and the 2016 meeting planning. Individuals present included DRC-Redwood Coast OCRA, designated county/community representatives Redwood Coast Regional Center staff, and SCDD - NC staff. (People Active 3 SA/ 3 FA/ 2 OTH – ORGS 3 OTH)

- NSRO staff provided support to Statewide Self-Advocacy Network Representative(SSAN) on 12-6-16 to present the Strengthening Self-Advocacy training to 25 self-advocates and 6 staff that attend the Arc of Butte County Program in Paradise, Ca. Support included reviewing the PowerPoint several times and practicing to staff to strengthen public speaking skills and strategies when providing training to an audience, role playing questions that may be asked, practicing answers, and reviewing the handouts prepared for the audience. On the day of the training, support included reminders to SSAN Representative about handing out surveys before the training and surveys after the training to determine if knowledge was increased by the training information. SSAN Representative presented well with only minor verbal prompts and was well received by the audience. Through more experience and practice, her training and presentation skills will increase. (People Trained in Leadership 25 SA/ 6 OTH)
- SACRO staff attended Alta California Regional Center's Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) meeting at Alta Regional Center on December 14, 2016. 4 committee members and 7 members of the public were present. Lisa Cooley, self-advocate, and Chair of the SDAC facilitated the meeting today. Jason Lindo, Alta Regional Center (ACRC) and SCDD staff provided an update on the status of the resubmission of the waiver by Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and DHCS. The waiver has not been resubmitted, conversations

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are still happening between DDS, DHCS, and CMS before a final resubmission is completed. Mr. Lindo, ACRC, reported that there are now 2,083 individuals on the "SDP Interested List". Of these, 1,120 are under 18. Sacramento county has 796, Yolo county 707, and Placer county 271 on the list. All Service Coordinators have been briefly informed of Self-Determination and are encouraged to discuss it as an option at each IPP meeting, and to distribute SDP flyers. There is an emphasis to reach rural and diverse communities. Outreach activities to take place in early 2017 were discussed. Committee members were encouraged to sign up to be involved with community presentations. The Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee meeting held in October was discussed. The next meeting is scheduled for March 8th. Mr. Lindo reported that the DDS SDP Training Materials for Regional Centers has not been distributed yet. Joe Hernandez, Premier Healthcare, provided a presentation on the role of the Financial Management Service (FMS). There was discussion about how the election results and possible changes in politics at the Federal level could affect the HCBS and the Self-Determination waivers. (People Active 2 SA/ 2 FA/ 7 OTH – ORGS 4 OTH)

- SACRO staff hosted the Down Syndrome 16-25 year old support group for their holiday party and planning meeting on December 17, 2016 in our office. 7 teens and young adults with Down Syndrome and 9 family members attended. They enjoyed dinner and music and then planned their events for 2017. SCDD staff gave a brief presentation on the new role and mission of SCDD and a brief presentation on the Self-Determination Program and CalABLE. (People Active 7 SA/ 9 FA/ 1 OTH – ORGS 2 OTH)
- SEQRO met with Elisa Elasco, CVRC Self-Determination Program Manager to coordinate the upcoming trainings that will take place in 2017. Both agencies will continue to work together to get the word out on self-determination and are currently working on a Self-Determination Update Social. The social will provide updates and it will keep families abreast of the latest news. (People Trained 1 OTH)
- SEQRO staff attended and provided feedback on the CVRC SDAC meeting in Fresno. Six committee members were present. SCDD provided update, the new Self-Determination Program Manager talked about all the new dates for the upcoming information sessions. Additionally, a discussion took place regarding updating the interested parties on what is going on with Self-Determination. The SCDD gave an update on the work being done in the community as well as.

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N/A			

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
E	Inquiry from CA on how to join local SDAC	0	0	1
T	Provided information on SPD to 2 FA, 1 SA and 1 CA	1	2	1
E	Provided information Alternatives to Conservatorship fact sheet regarding supported decision making and resource/referral to DRC OCRA RCRC to discuss informed consent.	0	0	1
T	Parent called about child being denied services through CVRC. Staff spoke with parent about appeals process and also provided info for DRC	0	1	0
T	Staff was contacted by constituent regarding the current status of the Self-Determination program implementation. Staff provided links to the Regional Center, SCDD and DDS resource links to receive notifications of updates and highlighted current information that is available to review.	0	1	0
T	RC staff wanted to know if it’s legally allowable for a third-party advocate who provided a signed consent from a grandmother/conservator, to take over all communication about the RC client for the conservator, without the court and client being involved. Ref’d to DRC/OCRA for legal advice.	0	0	1
E	VMRC Self Determination Advisory chair contacted SCDD staff for a copy of the updated flyer SCDD/NVH office completed as well as other updated document. Items	0	1	0

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- BARO staff met with GGRC's Client Rights Advocate and People First's Advisor for North Alameda County to plan a rights training for People First. Covered the scope and depth desired for the training, and plans some tentative next steps, post training. (Performance Measure 2.2.3 1 SA/ 1 OTH)
- BARO staff partnered with GGRC's Client Rights Advocate and People First's Advisor for North Alameda County to execute a rights training for People First. Topics covered: Lanterman Act, RC system development, IPP process, IPP rights, conservatorship and supported decision making. The presentation was followed by an extensive Q&A session, and then discussions regarding next step legislative involvement to protect rights and to protect benefits, such as SSP dollars. Printed material, such as the Consumer guide to the Lanterman Act and info about IPP rights, was provided in English and Spanish. . (Performance Measure 2.2.2 1 FA/ 1 OTH)
- CCRO staff, in collaboration with Imagine Services of Santa Cruz, held the monthly meetings of the Self Determination Facilitation Learning Community. Marketing strategies were discussed. (People Trained in Leadership 1 FA/ 3 OTH)
- HQ: Hotel logistics for December meeting. (PM 2.2.3 – 21 SA/7 OTH)
- HQ: Manager assigned to assist the SSAN- staff provided technical support to the SSAN members and the SCDD Self-Advocacy Coordinator. Provided a ride to the Self-Advocacy Coordinator along with all the supplies and equipment. Set up all the items for the meeting as well as all of the signage for the meeting. Provided captioning during the two day meeting as well as recording the Motions made throughout the meeting. Assisted members as requested and provided facilitation to the member from North Bay on his speeches for running for office. (People Trained in Leadership 21 SA/ 2 FA/ 13 OTH)
- HQ: Members of SSAN received a briefing and update on the Memorandum of Understanding between SCDD and SSAN. Members were asked to approve the MOU in order for it to be included on the agenda for the January Council Meeting. The MOU was approved with one member abstaining from the vote. (PM 1.5.1 – 22 SA/12 OTH/7 ORG)
- HQ: Members of the Statewide Self-Advocacy Network discussed the term limits of the SSAN Officers as defined by the current bylaws and whether or not they needed to be revised. Currently, an officer is limited to one (1) consecutive term of two (2) years in a single position. A suggestion was made to allow officers to run

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for a second term, following the completion of their first term. A vote was taken and it was decided to leave the term limit to one (1) term in order to allow for more people to have a chance to serve in a leadership role. (PM 2.2.3 – 22 SA/12 OTH/7 ORG)

- HQ: Members of the Statewide Self-Advocacy Network received a training on Bagley Keen in order to help them understand the proper procedures that state agencies and projects must follow in order to keep the public informed about their activities. This training allowed members to understand why agendas have to be posted 10 days prior to a meeting. There are several types of communication that is prohibited by Bagley Keen, including: chain communications, hub and spoke communication and communication made through intermediaries. (PM 1.3.4 – 22 SA/12 OTH/7 ORG)
- HQ: Phone call with Cheryl Hewitt regarding hotel accommodations for December SSAN Meeting. (PM 2.2. – 1 SA/1 OTH)
- HQ: SCDD DAC (PM 1.3.2 – 3 SA/4 OTH)
- HQ: SSAN ABLE Act PowerPoint (PM 2.2.3 – 3 SA/2 OTH)
- HQ: SSAN Annual Report (PM 2.2.3 – 21 SA/3 OTH)
- HQ: SSAN Executive Office Meeting 1 (PM 2.2.3 – 3 SA/3 OTH)
- HQ: SSAN Executive Office Meeting 2 (PM 2.2.3 – 3 SA/2 OTH)
- HQ: SSAN Legislative Workgroup (PM 2.2.3 – 4 SA/3 OTH)
- HQ: SSAN Recruitment Process (PM 1.3.2 – 13 OTH)
- HQ: Staff coordinated with the hotel staff at the Crowne Plaza Northeast to provide logistical support for the Statewide Self-Advocacy Network Meeting. The Meeting was held at the Crowne Plaza North East on December 6 and 7 2016. SSAN addressed a wide range of topics at their December meeting including emergency preparedness, civic engagement, the ABLE Act, Bylaws and held their elections. (PM 2.2.3 – 21 SA/3 OTH)
- HQ: The Statewide Self-Advocacy Network held elections for the positions of Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary. The results of the election can be found in the meeting minutes. (PM 2.2.3 – 22 SA/12 OTH/7 ORG)
- NBRO staff met with self-advocates, on 12-12-2016, and provided training on meeting etiquette, expectation, and rules. This included understanding what a meeting agenda is and the process of conducting, leading, and/or attending a

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public meeting. Self-advocates were provided with information on and encouraged to attend SSAN, SDAC, RAC meetings. Each participant was provided with a sample agenda and ground rules. (People Trained in Leadership 17 SA/ 5 OTH)

- NCRO staff met with the North Coast appointed a representative to the Statewide Self-Advocacy Network (SSAN) who is on temporary leave of absence to review any questions they may have regarding participating in their meeting with the group and assisted with future travel planning and logistics. Staff reviewed the recent meeting packet and assignment and provided facilitation support to the member in order to prepare their report. (People Trained in Leadership 1 SA)
- NSRO staff provided facilitation to North State Office Statewide Self-Advocacy Network (SSAN) Representative for the December 7-8, 2016 SSAN Meeting in Sacramento. NSRO Staff provided assistance to review the SSAN meeting packet and answer questions, provided support to complete the SSAN Member Report that is required of the members for every meeting, assisted in coordination of travel planning with SCDD staff that is assigned to coordinate travel advances for SSAN members including meals, transportation, hotel, etc. Facilitation included providing support and answering any questions about the meeting materials before and after the meeting each day, supported North State SSAN Representative in preparing her speech when she was nominated to run for Secretary. NSRO staff review the assignments with the SSAN Representative and support her plan on carrying out the assignments before the next SSAN meeting in March 2017. (People Trained in Leadership 1 SA)
- NSRO staff supported the North State Council member by answering questions and assisting with preparing reports that will be presented at the January RAC meeting. The work covered a report from the November Council meeting and a verbal presentation. (People Trained in Leadership 1 SA)
- NSRO staff supported the North State Council member by answering questions and providing facilitation in reviewing the Executive Committee Packet to be properly prepared for the meeting. (People Trained in Leadership 1 SA)
- NVHRO provided technical assistance to the chair of the SSAN Newsletter Work Group on the completion of their 7th volume of their Newsletter. The chair provided input on the arraignment of the articles and picture for the completed Draft. The Chair then sent it to SCDD Executive Director for approval and posting.

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(People Trained in Leadership 1 SA)

- NVHRO staff attended the SSAN Meeting on December 7, 2016. Staff prepared a Travel Cheat Sheet to assist the SSAN members with understanding Travel Policies and fiscal responsibility. Staff was able to meet the SSAN members face to face, explain as well as answer any questions. Staff prepared stamped envelopes for members to return the needed receipt to process their travel claims after the meeting. Staff brought her business cards for members to reach her regarding any travel issue/comments/concerns. (People Trained in Leadership 10 SA/ 5 OTH)
- NVHRO staff facilitated on behalf of a SSAN member for his first SSAN summary. Staff supported member in asking questions about what the objective for the call is, what should take place on these calls and what his role is during the call. Since SSAN member is now Chairperson for the SSAN, he is working to understand more about his new position so that he can be an effective chairperson and support the entire committee in doing their very best. (People Active 1 SA/ People Trained 1 SA)
- NVHRO staff met with SSAN member prior to meeting to go over packet materials, prepare member report, and coordinate travel arrangements to and from SSAN meeting. Staff provided facilitation for SSAN member during 2-day meeting. Staff supported member with reading materials related to SSAN packet. SSAN member finalized CAL-ABLE power-point (PP) presentation. Along with another SSAN member, he presented to the full SSAN committee for approval. Staff facilitated for member during presentation. The power-point was voted on, and approved by the full SSAN committee. The PP will now go to the SCDD Executive Director for approval to use in the community. SSAN member was also nominated and chosen as SSAN chairperson. Staff supported member in preparing speech and understanding what his new role would entail. (People Active 1 SA/ People Trained 1 SA)
- NVHRO staff participated in a meeting of the Self Advocacy Council 6. Staff shared information on upcoming the CHOICES conference, the ABL Act and a proposal for SAC 6 to partner with SCDD NVHO office to provide training for participants at the Supported Life Conference this spring on the role and function of facilitation. (People Active 15 SA/ 9 OTH)
- NVHRO staff provided facilitation to SSAN member to participate on the SSAN

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legislative work-group call. Staff supported SSAN member with preparing feedback for discussion topics related to legislative policy. Staff supported SSAN member in reading materials and providing feedback and or input on direction the SSAN committee should go. (People Active 1 SA/ 1 OTH)

- NVHRO: The Self Advocacy Council 6 chair and coordinator contacted staff for technical assistance on their flyer for their February Area Meeting. Staff was also asked to disseminate and post the information. Staff revised the flyer per their specifications and sent back for approval. SAC6 approved it and staff e-mailed it out to e-mail list and also posted it on the SCDD Facebook page. (People Trained in Leadership 1 SA/ 1 OTH – Members of Public Reached 200 SA/ 50 FA/ 76 OTH)
- OCRO collaborated alongside the Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy for Orange County and the North Orange County Community College District Cypress College to offer a self-advocacy training for 21 students. This training comprised of breaking up the 21 students into 4 groups on (1) regional center eligibility, (2) housing/independent living skills, (3) IPP rights and basic services, and (4) Department of Rehabilitation and Employment. We facilitated for each group so that students were not only learning from us, but also learning from each other, as we facilitated for them to answer each other's questions and teach them how they can advocate for themselves and each other. (People Trained in Advocacy 17 SA – People Trained in Subject 17 SA – ORGS 3 OTH)
- OCRO staff coordinated and accompanied the Orange County SSAN Representative on a tour of Harbor House, a newly vendored clubhouse in South Orange County that is currently serving 10 members, but has capacity to serve 30 members. The Self-Advocate who provided the tour and helped educate the SSAN Representative on this new program that follows the mental health clubhouse model. Clubhouse members work in one of four areas within Harbor House including, Community Integration, Culinary Arts, Media Productions, and Maintenance. Each area serves a unique purpose and is essential to running the Clubhouse. According to the International Standards, "members have the opportunity to participate in all work of the clubhouse, including administration, research, enrollment, and orientation, reach out, hiring, training and evaluation of staff, public relations, advocacy and evaluation of Clubhouse effectiveness." (People Trained in Leadership 2 SA – ORGS 2 OTH)

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- OCRO staff facilitated a tour of Harbor House, a newly-vendored clubhouse, for the Orange County SSAN Representative by coordinating transportation and availability of the involved parties. The tour occurred on 12/13/2016. (People Active 2 SA – People Trained in Leadership 1 SA)
- SBRO staff met with the ESFRN manager regarding the project leadership training panel that SCDD staff participated in on 12/30/2016. SBRO staff wanted to collaborate on future 1-week workshops that train family advocates on individual advocacy supports in the community for persons with similar or related disabilities. ESFRN manager provided SCDD staff with information on a train-the-trainer workshop taking place in Los Angeles in January, which will provide SBRO staff with curriculum to provide these trainings to family advocates throughout the catchment area. SBRO staff would need to provide at least one workshop prior to December 2017. SBRO staff contacted family voices of California and registered for the workshop for January 30 and 31st of 2017, and will provide collaborative 1-week workshops throughout the catchment area to promote self-advocates in leadership roles in statewide networks as a peer advocate to other families in the community. (People Active 2 OTH)
- SDIRO staff attended the Client Advisory Committee of the San Diego Regional Center on December 13, 2016. As always, people were asked if they had any questions about the SDRC Board of Directors meeting that was held prior to this meeting. As is commonly the case, one self-advocate in particular stated that he is frustrated by not understanding the material as presented at the meeting. Once again, it was suggested by staff that perhaps the committee might want to meet BEFORE the meeting to review materials, but this idea was not discussed, as the SDRC Staff indicated that this particular individual has a facilitator that reviews the material with him in advance of the meeting. Hearing what people say was also brought up, so people were advised to ask to have things repeated if they cannot hear them. The Client Information Specialist (also SSAN Rep) provided people with the video he created to educate new service coordinators about self-advocacy. Regarding the HCBS Training plans, a brochure was developed by SDRC, and Laura Braken (from Mississippi, and had done a training on the New HCBS Rules for SDRC and Service Providers in August) will be back in San Diego after the holidays, so the SDRC will be contacting her to do another training in Imperial County this time, and possibly one for self-advocates. A question was

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raised regarding the situation with the door to door transportation, and how to obtain certification, but no one had followed up on this issue since the last meeting. Staff shared that when this happened in the Inland area, the regional center in that area worked with the transportation company to continue to be authorized to sign medical forms, thus saving the individual from going to their health care provider, having a phone and a face to face interview. (Members of Public Reached 6 SA/ 3 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
SCDD LA ENewsletter Vol 65: FAs in Regional Centers/School Districts: How to Give Testimony and Influence Public Policy	600	650	620
Notice and announcement: Save the dates for the Supported Life Institute's Self-Advocacy Conference titled "Self-Advocacy Round Up" – Submit application to be a session speaker.	800	539	300
Supported Life Institute Conference Information	23	56	130
State-Wide Self Advocacy Conference	13	477	511
Supported Decision Making Links	13	477	511
CalABLE Survey Closing Dec. 23!	11	21	273
January Workshops at Support for Families!	11	21	273
Autism and Romantic relationships	25	25	25
Voting Resources	25	25	25

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Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
E	Received information from Regional Center recruiting new board members.	0	0	1
F	Consultation with SSAN representative	1	0	0
T	Assisted RAC member with questions about Bagley Keene and Robert’s Rules of Order	1	0	0
E	Coordinate healthy relationships training on behalf of self-advocacy group	0	0	3
F	Met with the Director of Services at a local provider to provide leadership training materials and professional development materials to her, for their programs in Early Start, Therapy Clinic, Employment Services, Independent Living Skills, Community Integration Program, Day Program, After-School Program and Respite Program. Some of the materials would also be relevant for the agency's self-advocacy group. Discussed other resources available online or training options provided by SCDD staff.	0	0	1

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The Council will increase and promote culturally competent strategies and resources that facilitate competitive, integrated employment (CIE) of people with I/DD.

- BARO staff met via conference call with DGS Recruiter (Human Resources) and State DAC member, Jamari Robinson, as introduced by the DGC Business Developmental Program Manager, Tanya Little. Discussions included starting a local pilot project engaging state departments with local employment services agencies and training both parties on the value of diversity in hiring and how to navigate the LEAP program with the outcome of increasing hires with self-identified disabilities in state service. Discussion also included related projects taking place in the private sector with tech corporations, and how we could best leverage those relationships. Next step: Summarize plan, and present or co-present to DAC re this project, and reach out to the local provider industry to book a webinar or in-person trainings re, LEAP. (PM 1.5.1 2 OTH)
- BARO: On 12.12.16 staff met with the ED of a provider agency (East Bay Innovations), and a co-founder of a new collaborative (HireAble) around employment using new grant funding from the Long Foundation. Discussed legislation and new programs, such as the DDS funded internship opportunities within CA and the expansion of LEAP with SB644, and how to best leverage collaboration between government departments/agencies, corporations and non-profits. Staff shared other initiatives in process, and talked about the need for a stronger candidate pipeline of talent for interested employers, being that DOR is not able to provide the candidates for many employers interested in increasing diversity through hiring people with disabilities. Agreed to network and introduce this ED to other corporate parties and the ED of a similar project that focuses on veterans with a terrific model that would work for our population (PWD). (PM 1.3.2 2 OTH)
- CCRO staff offering vocational training for a Workability student. Student is working at the office completing work on a website for the disability coalition support is offered the student through a job coach from the Workability Program. (ORGS 1 SA/ 2 OTH)
- CCRO continued planning for Service Provider Advisory Committee and SCDD CC collaboration to host a Best Practices in Day and Employment Seminar for providers. Time, date, and presentation details are being worked discussed. From two provider groups, two staff have joined in on the planning committee. (ORGS 7 OTH)
- LARO staff provided technical assistance, supported, and participated in a meeting of Westside Regional Center's Employment First Committee (WRC EFC).

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The conversation centered around the review of a document designed by WRC to encourage businesses to hire individuals with developmental disabilities. SCDD Los Angeles Office staff provided technical assistance. Other discussions were held regarding the future direction of the committee, future networking opportunities for providers, future presentations, and the Department of Rehabilitation's efforts regarding Employment First. SCDD Los Angeles staff also distributed flyers promoting a one day conference sponsored by the SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office and SCDD training opportunities for groups. (People Trained 1 FA/ 23 OTH – ORGS 7 OTH)

- NCRO staff is collaborating with Ukiah High School Career Technical Education (CTE) Programs & South Ukiah Rotary to provide presentations to the Rotary Clubs about the training and vocational education available at the High School and County Office of Education. Collaborators included 3 agencies and 32 Rotarians 5 vocational Ed Students and teachers as participants. CTE is vital to the 60% of students who do not seek further education at a 4-year university level. The Workability program is seen as a significant part of the Competitive Integrated Employment Blueprint. Ukiah High School is home to an outstanding collection of Career Technical Education Programs. The Rotary Clubs in Ukiah are filled with local business owners and managers who need good employees and may hire or train these students. The school's demographics make it important to provide as much education as possible to students wishing to enter the workforce directly after high school. CTE programs provide the experience and education to qualify for additional college level vocational courses. The Workability program has been vital to local students in learning job skills and developing a connection to local employers in competitive integrated settings. Students will have paid work experience. Mendocino County Office of Education provides Regional Occupational and Vocational Programs including training in business, computer, employment skills, health care, and related programs. Certificate programs are available in a variety of curriculum. In addition, the college has two new certificate courses under development which will be geared toward transitional and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. (People Active 3 FA/ 32 OTH – ORGS 4 OTH)
- NSRO staff participated in the 12-14-16 SCDD Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) and serves as Acting Chair for the committee. NSRO Staff provided update to committee on research conducted with SCDD Attorney to determine if Bagley

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Keene Open Meeting Act apply to the SCDD DAC. The legal consensus is that Bagley Keene does not apply to state departments DACs. The committee is working with CalHR to coordinate and complete an annual review and monitor SCDD's Annual Workforce Analysis and track the percentage of people with disabilities within the SCDD workforce. This is one of the SCDD DAC goals for 2016/17 and the make recommendations based on the annual review. The last time the Workforce Analysis was completed and tracked was 2017. It is Goal #1 of the current DAC to facilitate this process on an annual basis. The committee hopes to have this survey distributed in the next month. During the 12-14-16 meeting, the committee will be coordinating quarterly updates for all SCDD employees and inviting all SCDD employees to teleconference trainings on topics related to Goal #3: Empower staff with the information necessary to effectively include and support people with disabilities within the workforce. For example, staff should have information on the following: a. Recruitment outreach strategies b. Hiring process (e.g. LEAP) c. Reasonable Accommodations d. Disability Awareness & Training. These quarterly trainings will allow opportunities for education, provide SCDD employees updates on what SCDD DAC is working on and opportunities for recruitment to DAC. The committee will also provide updates to the SCDD Executive Director as well. The committee will be reaching out to the Statewide Disability Advisory Council to learn how the SCDD DAC can get involved in their meetings, network with the SDAC staff and build relationships with SDAC to help strengthen SCDD DAC and develop new ideas and resources. (People Active 2 SA/ 4 OTH)

- NSRO staff provided facilitation to self-advocate on 12-15-16 for the 22nd Annual Statewide Self-Advocacy Conference Speaker Application Form that was due 12-16-16. NSRO provided assistance to self-advocate to decide the topic and content of the presentation, including using a PowerPoint presentation, developing handouts and message of the breakout session. John decided that he wants to speak about employment and how to get a regular job. In fact, he decided to title his session "How To Get A Regular Job." He wants to share how he obtained his position and how he has maintained his job for 17 years. He plans to use a PowerPoint for his presentation that NSRO will assist with if he is selected by the conference planning committee, as one of the break out session speakers, as well as handouts on employment tips. NSRO Staff assisted self-advocate to complete the application, fax the application and follow up with his service coordinator to

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begin discussing a financial plan to pay for the conference in May of 2017 if selected. All conference speakers and helpers pay regular conference registration fees. (People Trained in Leadership 1 SA/ 2 OTH)

- NVHRO: In collaboration with VMRC and CLASP, staff contacted Michael Walling-Social Security Trainer about coming to our area for training on Employment and its effects on social security benefits. Michael responded with what he is available to do, date, time and cost. Staff shared this information with the VMRC rep and the CLASP rep to discuss. It was decided to bring this info to the full CLASP meeting for discussion in January. SCDD committed to helping facilitate this training should the group agree to move forward. (ORGS 3 OTH)
- NVHRO: The transition students were here labeling the Quality Assurance Project envelopes. Staff set the work area up for the students and their support person. Staff explained the task and organized the layout. (Members of Public Reached 2 SA/ 1 OTH)
- OCRO staff attended the Cycle 39 Grantee's presentation on "Benefits & Employment: Just the Facts," presented by Debra Marsteller from Project Independence; Julianna Beason, Community Work Incentive Coordinator; and Linda Seppala from Integrated Resources Institute. The presentation covered: work incentives planning and assistance (WIPA), benefits of having a job, barriers and misconceptions to employment, and information about the ABLE Act. SCDD staff provided an introduction about the agency and also provided information on the Employment First Committee and the State as a Model Employer Executive Orders. A post-test was completed for the 42 people in attendance. The grantee's did not utilize a pre/post-test using a Likert scale to ascertain level of knowledge gained, but it will be implemented the next time. (People Trained 7 SA/ 32 FA/3 OTH)
- SACRO staff attended and participated in a networking meeting with the Sacramento Regional Inclusion & Diversity Council (SACTOID). The purpose of this meeting is to identify business' employment needs and inform business diversity outreach coordinators about the SCDD's mission and vision to increase competitive integrated employment (CIE) for people with I/DD. Outreach coordinators from the following businesses were in attendance: Sacramento Municipal Utilities District (SMUD); UC Davis Campus outreach staff, InAlliance, CalPERS, Golden 1 Credit Union, Comcast, Progressive Employment, and Aerotek. Other organizations within the greater Sacramento area including Vision

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Service Plan (VSP), Kaiser Sacramento, Esurance, Sacramento Regional Transit, City of Roseville, the American Red Cross, and Microsoft are also partners. SACTOID is working hard to bring attention to inclusion and diversity initiatives within our organizations and throughout the region of Sacramento. They aspire to creating and sharing workplace best practices around inclusion and diversity that works for everyone. SCDD staff distributed the SCDD flyer, Employment First information and spoke about SCDD's goal to increase and promote culturally competent strategies and resources that facilitate CIE for people with I/DD. We plan to meet on a monthly basis and include other business partners in the meantime. Throughout the year, together we will support and host inclusion & diversity awareness conferences, workshops, activities, events. (Members of Public Reached 4 OTH – ORGS 8 OTH)

- SACRO staff attended and participated in the Advanced Manufacturing Cluster Convening on December 2, 2016. Purpose of meeting was to obtain employer feedback: 1) for the regional Advanced Manufacturing Strong Workforce Program Proposal, a state-funded initiative to support career technical education (CTE) within the community college system 2) the Next Economy Workforce cluster action plan in advancing manufacturing. Representatives from manufacturing businesses and associations as well as representative from most Northern California community colleges were present. SCDD staff was able to explain what the SCDD does and promote the concept of increasing educational and trade skill-building opportunities and ultimately competitive, integrated employment opportunities for individuals with ID/DD. There is a shortage of skilled technical labor for local manufacturing jobs, many of which are in very small businesses. Some community colleges have excellent certificate programs but they have difficulty recruiting students for Career and Technical Education. Challenges of students coming out of high school prepared to college or careers were discussed. (ORGS 40 OTH)
- SBRO collaborated with OPARC Summit Services Work Activity Program staff to facilitate a training presentation at their facility located in San Bernardino. The training presentation was provided to the facility case managers so that they can have a better understanding of how social security benefits are affected by wages. This will allow them to assist self-advocates with answering questions of how employment incentives can help individuals obtain competitive integrated (CIE) employment without the fear of losing public benefits. SBRO presented in plain

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language on social security and work incentives to increase and promote culturally competent strategies and resources that facilitate competitive integrated employment for individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities. (People Trained 13 OTH)

- SBRO collaborated with the Colton Redlands Yucaipa Regional Occupational Program (CRY-ROP) to provide training to the Redland High School Work Ability Program classes regarding "Soft Skills" and What they are and Why there are needed. The presentation was designed to assist the students with identifying their own person gifts and personality traits and how to transfer those into valuable Soft Skills that employers are looking for within new hire employees. Redlands High School is located in San Bernardino County. All with the goal to increase and promote culturally competent strategies and resources that facilitate competitive integrated employment (CIE) of individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities. Both classroom teachers received the following materials; copies of the power point presentation of "Soft Skills; What are they and Why are they Important" and (2) U.S. Department of Labor Office of Disability Employment Policies "Talent Has No Boundaries" poster in both English and Spanish. (People Trained 29 SA/ 3 FA/ 8 OTH)
- SBRO staff had a collaborative meeting with staff at Molina Healthcare in regards to collaborating on a Summit on 3/25/2017. The summit would educate self-advocates, families, employers, and the community with information to obtain information and see demonstrations of assistive technology and its supports for obtaining and retaining employment. SBRO and Braille have collaborated with , Inland Regional Center (IRC), the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR), the SELPA and other stakeholders on the venue, topics of discussion, and outcomes for the event. Molina will participate in the planning committee, who will meet on January 3, 2017 at the braille institute; it consists of not only professionals, but also self-advocates in support of strengthening self-advocacy and supporting them in becoming leaders in this partnership. Molina Healthcare also offered to leverage funds for the event in support of educating and supporting the I/DD self-advocates and their families on competitive integrated employment (CIE) and how assistive technology can help them attain their employment goal. (People Active 3 OTH)
- SBRO staff had a collaborative meeting with staff at the Braille institute of Rancho Mirage in regards to hosting a Summit on 3/25/2017. The summit would educate self-advocates, families, employers, and the community with information to obtain

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- SBRO staff met with the new President of the Inland Empire Autism Society and the Employment Coordinator to discuss the development of a new curriculum for self-advocates for employment. The curriculum would be a series of topics that could be presented as a series to assist with providing self-advocates increased information to obtain competitive integrated employment (CIE). In order to develop this curriculum, ASIE will collaborate with Inland Regional Center (IRC), the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR), the SELPA and SCDD on the components. Monthly, this Taskforce will meet to monitor CIE related activities and outcomes, collect data on CIE related issues, and support each other in educating self-advocates in the community on how to obtain CIE. The first meeting of this taskforce is on January 12, 2017 and will be hosted by SCDD at the San Bernardino Regional Office. (People Active 3 OTH)

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Benefits of Employment Workshop Announcement (Cycle 39 Grant)	317	814	230
DOR, DRC, RCOC Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE) Clinics	317	814	230
East Bay Times Article: Launch of HireAble	11	21	273
Fight Goes On	30	68	129
Provider Transformation Webinar Think Work	25	25	100
Provider Transformation Webinar Think Work! on 1/5/17 at 11 AM PST	600	650	620
"MadeIT" Film and Media Program information	5	370	0

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CECY Webinar CIE Blueprint	30	68	129
"AFWD Employer Resource & Recognition Fair"	35	135	250
"Benefits and Employment in 2017" upcoming Southern California Workshop Availability	5	387	100
UCP Update on job postings	5	25	25
Eblast "SSDI SSI Workshops - January - from Mike Walling".	150	200	250

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
E	Informed SA about Employment 4 All employment conference	4	0	0
T	Technical assistance provided about day programming and employment options	0	1	0
T	Parent called about employment for her son. Referred her to Alta Regional Center and emailed her Employment First and WIOA information.	0	1	0
E	Emailed information on Employment and WIOA to the following County SELPA Directors: Colusa, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba counties.	0	0	7
T	Spoke to Goodwill to gather information regarding a SA who wanted to work for them.	0	0	1
E	Provided information on CIE blueprint to FA	0	1	0
E	Provided information on OCEAN Collaborative to FA	0	1	0
E	Coordinated employment related events with community partners	0	0	2
E	Assisted FA with questions about employment and day programs	0	1	0
E	Emailed M. E. with CAPC to collaborate on getting information to the public on inclusive community. CAPC Inc. empowers individuals with disabilities and works with them to gain employment, assisted living arrangements, and connects them to the community by providing access to transportation, improve their communication and help them pursue higher education and strong relationships.	0	0	1
E	Answered questions about Employment First policy	0	1	0
T	Assisted 3 SA with employment-related questions	3	0	0

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- CCRO staff reviewed and scored two proposals requested by Tri County Regional Center. The proposals were for Community Integrated Day Programs serving people with moderated to extensive behavior needs. Based on the scores accumulated by the reviewers, TCRC will award startup funding for one of these programs. (ORGS 2 OTH)
- LARO staff met with the Program Director and the Communications Director of NDI via teleconference to provide the needed support & seek collaboration to help enhance Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE) and promote financial capability for individuals with disabilities. NDI is seeking the opportunity to host a Financial Inclusion Summit in Los Angeles in 2017. The event is fully funded by Morgan Chase and had the following 3 summits in 2016. NDI is considering LA to be one of the hosting cities in 2017, and is seeking possible collaboration with SCDD to jointly support the I/DD community in LA County. The contact information has been forwarded to SCDD HQs for a follow-up. The NDI Directors will also update the selection process for 2017 Financial Summit hosting cities. (ORGS 2 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Public Input Request CIE	100	100	200
CIE Final Draft Public Hearing Announcement	600	650	620
"PUBLIC INPUT REQUEST: California Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE) Blueprint"	35	135	250
Staff shared information in regard to Competitive, Integrated Employment blueprint tele-conference.	0	0	78
Provider Transformation Webinar Think Work	13	477	511
Competitive Integrated Employment for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities	600	650	620
Eblast "CDCAN REPORT (DEC 23 2016)	150	200	250
Webinar-CA's Blueprint for Competitive Integrated Employment for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities	5	220	204
SCDD CIE Feedback	5	10	25

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T	Contracted Attorney called on behalf of local employment provider agency looking to expand their services in area of federal and state placements. ROM provided several fed and state resources, legislation and reports that fit this need. Asked for follow up once the material is reviewed.	0	0	1
T	Provided information on WIOA to local service provider (other) and encouraged them to connect with Department of Rehabilitation for more resources.	0	0	1
T/E	Received a call from an advocate who stated that the San Diego Regional Center was preventing one of her clients from working because they advised the support agency to NOT send a job coach for only one person if the other two individuals were out sick, or on vacation. This did not sound like something the SDRC would do, and upon further questioning, the SDRC staff said they had NOT told the agency to do that, but that for reasons of ratios, etc., that was in fact what the agency was doing. In discussing this with the advocate, several other options, such as a natural support providing the service during those times (which only happen 1 or 2 times in a three month period), discussing the issue with the employer to see if they have jobs on site that the individual is competent in doing without support on those days, etc. Questioned why DOR was not involved, etc., but it seems that the advocate is the one that located this job and is now making demands of the day program, that are in excess of what the program is supposed to be doing. A different day program was suggested, as were other transportation options, etc.	0	0	1

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The Council will work with housing entities to increase the development and/or provision of community housing for people with I/DD.

- LARO staff attended a meeting hosted by SCANPH on what has occurred in the past year with respect to housing initiatives locally, particularly in LA County, and what may be on the horizon. A great deal of concern was expressed about the incoming administration and the impact on federal housing subsidies. However, both the city and county of LA have approved additional funding for affordable housing development. (ORGS 1 OTH)
- NBRO staff discussed with Independent Living Center Staff, on 12-07-2016, housing access, option, and status and update of HUD Section 8 rental assistance for Non Elderly Persons with Disabilities that transition into the community from SDC. Research and information was conducted on the HUD website. (ORGS 1 OTH)
- NBRO staff met with North Bay Housing Coalition, on 12-20-2016, to discuss ways to provide support and information to self-advocates and family-advocates on learning, sharing, and creating housing plans that meet one's needs and desires. A link to the SCDD web page was added to the Housing Coalition portal. (ORGS 1 OTH)
- NCRO staff is reported to the Behavioral Health and Recovery Board housing committee on the progress of the HUD low income housing projects in the county. There were 15 board members, 3 family advocates, 3 self-advocates and 6 community members at the board meeting in December. The board took a tour of the controversial completed 8 units at the Manzanita House complex at the Old Coast Hotel. There have been no issues sited since habitation of the units. Redwood Children's Services "RCS" Tiny House project that received 1.014 million and had moved forward through the County Planning Zoning and Building Department approval process has been canceled. RCS is the lead agency for the Tiny House project and brought the proposal to the Behavioral Health and Recovery Board to get support and funding for the project. They are now in the process of buying a piece of property in South Ukiah where a new homeless shelter has opened with a temporary permit for four months. RCS wants to buy and renovate this property for permanent homeless housing. They will now have to go back through the planning and approval process. The Rural Community Housing Development Corp. (HUD) contracted with the County and was funded with 1.3 million to build or renovate housing for the disabled & clients with mental illness. Staff will report on the progress of the HUD and RCS housing projects for 2017 as part of the housing committee. North Coast staff is assisting MHSAs housing committee to advocate for more accessible housing and watching

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NIMBYISM issues as they arise. There are 10 formidable agencies that took months of coordinated work to bring about the temporary shelter and will continue to work on the long-term issue to improve the homeless situation in Mendocino County. (People Active 5 SA/ 12 FA/ 10 OTH – ORGS 12 OTH)

- SBRO created an accessible housing flyer in collaboration with the Coachella Valley Housing Coalition (CVHC). The flyer reflects accessible units, which also have on-site support staff at the location for persons with disabilities. Currently, there are four special needs housing developments that are accessible in the community as follows: 39 units in Cathedral City - 45 units in Riverside - 36 units in Indio - 40 units in Blythe. SBRO staff and CVHC agreed to collaborate on future trainings and outreach to the community for existing housing resources, financial literacy, and other trainings in the future, and this flyer will be included as part of our outreach efforts throughout Riverside county. (People Active 5 OTH)
- SBRO staff participated in a collaborative meeting with the Coachella Valley Housing Coalition (CVHC). This meeting was held to discuss collaborative trainings and outreach on new developments throughout Riverside county. The Executive Director of CVHC provided updates on existing housing development projects, and explained new housing development opportunities in the community. Currently, there are four special needs housing developments that are accessible in the community as follows: 39 units in Cathedral City - 45 units in Riverside - 36 units in Indio - 40 units in Blythe. SBRO staff emphasized the need for input on future development opportunities and the need for outreach to the I/DD community as more housing is needed as persons transition into the community. SBRO staff and CVHC agreed to collaborate on future trainings and outreach to the community for existing housing resources, financial literacy, and other trainings in the future. SBRO staff invited our local SCDD council member to participate in the meeting, and CVHC agreed to look at future development for outlying areas in the county for future 'youth build' and other projects that will serve persons with disabilities in the community. SBRO is also working on a collaborative one-pager to provide listings of the 'special needs' housing offered by CVHC and waiting CVHC approval. (People Active 5 OTH)

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Title of Eblast		Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	“Other”
“The Woodlands Referral Form”		35	135	250
Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T	FM, calling on behalf of SA whom is an IRC consumer. Having some issues with IRC and services provided. Stated that they have contacted OCRA, but was told OCRA is too busy to assist him. Referred to DRC, OAH Inland Legal.	0	1	0
T	Professional referred by another SCDD office manager. Professional is a vendor for San Diego Regional Center, is currently applying for vendorization though IRC, had some questions regarding the services that IRC isn’t offering to consumers and SDRC is. Referred to Manager.	0	0	1
T/E	FM of SA whom is an IRC consumer. Wanted to know how to obtain a 4731 compliant form. Email 4731 complaint form, 4725-4731 WIC code description & PPT Fair Hearings and Complaints Regional Center.	0	1	0

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- BARO: On 12.1.16, staff conference called with the Orange County Region and the Central Coast Region to discuss trends around HUD in respective counties, and if they are counting IHSS income (caring for in-home family members) as reportable income. Also discussed the Lanterman Housing alliance and what projects are in the works here in the Bay Area. Lastly, discussed the recently passed Marin County ordinance protecting against discrimination against voucher holders. Follow up: Bay Area staff will follow up for the second time with DRC to see if anyone from their team, across the state, is tracking various HUD offices and the variance in how they are handling IHSS income. Followed up with Lanterman Housing Coalition. (PM 2.2.2 4 OTH)
- BARO: On 12/13/2016 staff participated in an RFP interview at the RCEB in San Leandro. RCEB is interviewing an applicant to provide services for one Specialized Residential Facility Community Crisis Home in Alameda County. The home will have a maximum capacity of 4 beds. This home will be expected to provided services to individuals who have challenging and complex needs, and would otherwise be at risk for admission to an acute and locked settings. (PM 2.1 7 OTH/ 2 ORGS)
- CCRO staff followed up stakeholder regarding our November meeting with the Department of Developmental Services Direct Service Provider staff person regarding having added to the DSP curricula content on staff management of stress, anxiety, and anger. DDS staff responded by email to inform us of their intent to add to the curricula such material. They are unsure when they may be able to do so. Suggestions were offered to stakeholder on strategies to have material added via possible minor revisions in the coming spring. (Programs/Policies Created/Improved 1 FA/ 1 OTH)
- CCRO staff reviewed and scored two proposals requested by Tri County Regional Center. The proposals were for a Independent Living Services serving adults with developmental disability. Based on the scores accumulated by the reviewers, TCRC will award startup funding for one of these programs. (ORGS 2 OTH)
- CCRO: Upon review of SCDD State Plan Housing Goal with Bay Area Regional Manager two areas of need were identified. 1.) Are local housing authorities calculating IHSS payments as income? 2.) At the local level advocate with policy makers to prohibit landlords from using Section 8 to exclude housing applicants being considered for rentals. SCDD CC staff discussed this issue with staff from Housing Choices Coalition who reports that on the first issue the local housing advocate organization Project Sentinel, states there is “no push” on this matter In

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San Jose, such an ordinance is “on hold until a lawsuit in Santa Monica plays out.” In regards to the second matter, there is no indication of any “generic exclusions” for IHSS income. It appears based on the voucher, IHSS payments are being accounted for to maximize the housing opportunity. (People Trained 3 OTH – Programs/Policies Created/Improved 4 FA)

- OCRO created a one-pager or basics on affordable housing in response to the several community requests for such information, especially as it relates to Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Properties and what income exclusions apply for Section 8 housing choice voucher holders. This one-pager contains information on the 4 housing authorities in Orange County; the Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) program in Orange County; information on LIHTC and other types of affordable housing communities, etc. This one-pager was sent to the entire SCDD Orange County mailing list and will be used at outreach events. (Members of Public Reached 317 SA/ 810 FA/ 230 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	“Other”
Notice and Announcement: To notify all that the CalABLE Survey of Potential Participants will be closed at 5:00pm Pacific Time on December 23, 2016. If you haven't taken the Survey yet, please do so at your earliest convenience.	200	1200	215

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	Type of Technical Assistance	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T/F	Provided information about Section 8 housing information and contact number for Housing Authority to 1 SA	1	0	0

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T	Spoke with agency regarding update on housing needs for two clients.	0	0	1
F	Technical assistance to FA on LIHTC properties and deed-restricted properties in Orange County	0	1	0
T	N.J. requested help with a complicated housing/drug/eviction situation. She and her friend, Leland are both RC clients. Not getting help from them. Referred her to B.G., OCRA – she said B.G. won't help her. Referred her to DDS.	1	0	0
T	Assisted FA on housing options	0	1	0
F	Assisted FA on PHA reimbursement for incorrectly calculating TTP	0	1	0
E	Provided technical assistance regarding affordable and accessible housing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	0	1
T	Provided TA to parent of adult child served by SGPRC regarding denial of mobility training request. Forwarded links to RULA and DRC Fair Hearing Packet.	0	1	0
F	Spoke with SA about plans for her new housing unit being built. SA inquired about a loan for furnishings.	1	0	0
T	Advised parent on how to arrange a visit from daughter during the holidays	0	1	0
T	Provided information to Vendor regarding housing options/access for local SA. Referred to OCRA, NBRC, DDS website.	0	0	1
T	VMRC consumer called to complain about service coordinator. Staff explained VMRC complaint process. Consumer requested phone number for DDS which was provided.	1	0	0

Goal #3.3

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- N/A

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	“Other”
N/A			

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T	Family Advocate contacted staff regarding her son moving to San Diego from North Los Angeles. This has been an on-going issue, over several years. Initially, the son was living in Fairview, and mother protested him moving out, but he did, and has been very successful in a group home. Since both his twin brother and mother live in San Diego, she now wants him moved here. Suggested possible solutions – i.e. contacting the CRA in North LA, but she said she has, to no avail. Directly contacting the Program Manager because the SC is out on leave – claims they will not speak with her; contact the Supported Living program that was going to do an assessment on her son, claims they will not speak with her. There are a number of issues with this situation, and have had intermittent contact since 2008. Mother did attend the SDRC Board meeting on 12-13-16 and brought her issue to their attention.	0	1	0
T	Spoke with DSS regarding a SA who wants to participate in homeless committee & needs packet of information sent.	1	0	1
T	Spoke with SA regarding participation on homeless committee to make changes in Del Norte county & will get packet of information sent in mail.	1	0	0
T	Informed family of complaint process and regulations regarding mandated reporting	0	1	0

Goal #4.1

The Council and its federal partners will increase knowledge and awareness for people with I/DD and their families about the availability of and access to health and public safety-related services and supports.

- CCRO: With staff assistance SSAN chair held fourth Patient Advisory Subcommittee for Valley Medical Center and Stanford Health Care. Committee members began working on carry on the work of the committee. Assignments were given to committee members to research local hospital patient relationship policies and key contacts. Discussion continues on Confidentiality, Co present concerns to medical community, and continued work on consent to release information and patient confidentiality. (People Active 5 FA)
- HQ: Vance Taylor, Chief of Cal OES Access and Function Needs gave a presentation on the newly developed Active Shooter Awareness Guidance to help first responders assist people with Access and Functional Needs in emergency situations. There is a growing interest in applying the California guidance to other states. The Federal Emergency Management Institute is interested in including the Guidance into their curriculum. (PM 2.2.3 – 22 SA/16 OTH/3 ORG)
- LARO staff represented the SCDD Los Angeles Office on the Electro Convulsive Therapy (ECT) Review Committee for a client served by Westside Regional Center on November 9, 2016. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Division 2, Chapter 1, Subchapter 8, Section 5080(j) and Article 4, Section 50830-50835, a four member panel made up of two board-certified California licensed psychiatrists, a representative from the Department of Developmental Services who functions as a Clients' Rights Advocate, and a representative from the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Los Angeles Office must assemble for the purpose of approving or denying the proposed ECT treatment plan for the individual. On this date the ECT treatment plan was approved. (People Trained 5 OTH)
- NBRO staff and NB RAC presented an information table at the Vallejo CAC annual meet and greet, on 12-12-2016. Staff provided information intended to increase knowledge, awareness, and prevention of bullying. Family advocates and professionals were encouraged to discuss this topic with self-advocates/students. (Members of Public Reached 34 FA/ 16 OTH – ORGS 1 OTH)
- NVHRO serves as Co-chair for committee arranged meeting place for Brain Walk committee. Staff sent out meeting reminders and minutes from the prior meeting. Staff facilitated meeting and agenda topics. In addition staff suggested an outreach strategy to get more self-advocates involved with planning of and participation in the actual 5k walk/run event. (ORGS 1 SA/ 1 FA/ 5 OTH)
- OCRO staff helped organize, plan, and facilitate for the CalOptima Community

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Alliances Forum designed to develop, strengthen, and sustain positive relationships with community-based organizations that care about community health to ensure access to quality health care. This Forum held a panel presentation entitled "Orange County Community Indicators Report 2016: Addressing Orange County's Most Critical Issues" to discuss findings from the latest Community Health Assessment. Panelists included: Carla Vargas, Senior Vice President, Community Impact, Orange County United Way - Jeff Hittenberger, Ph.D., Chief Academic Officer, Orange County Department of Education - Heather Stratman, Chief Executive Officer, Association of California Cities, Orange County - Melinda Konoske, MA, Consultant, Children & Families Commission of Orange County - Michael Ruane, Executive Vice President, National Community Renaissance - Edwin Poon, Ph.D., Director of Behavioral Health Services, CalOptima. More than 175 people from the community attended to hear the data presented from the Community Indicators Report 2016 and ways in which the presenting agencies are addressing the identified issues. (People Trained 175 OTH)

- OCRO staff presented an overview of the SCDD Orange County Office to a group of 31 school readiness nurses arranged via collaboration with the Children & Families Commission of Orange County. The focus of the training was an overview of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities including a description of funding sources, federal and state contracts, trainings offered by the Orange County community, current local systemic issues, community partnerships and collaborations, and specific additional supports offered by SCDD Orange County directly to the local community. Also discussed was our Health Care Task Force and how SCDD Orange County is specifically advocating increasing knowledge and awareness for people with I/DD about the availability of health and public safety related services/supports. (People Trained 31 OTH)
- SDIRO staff met with the Education and Outreach Coordinator from Alzheimers San Diego, her manager, and staff from the Downs Syndrome Association to begin planning an outreach and information training for families and providers on the early signs and symptoms of Dementia and Alzheimers Disease, as well as services available, suggestions or managing behavior associated with this disease, techniques to reduce the chance of elopement, latest medical updates, etc. This training is a direct result of a training organized by the SCDD San Diego Imperial Office held in September primarily for residential, independent living and

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supported living personnel regarding this same subject matter. The training was so well received, it was discussed that more training on this subject needs to be done, and since people with Downs Syndrome are typically affected by this disease, staff thought it would be a good idea to involve them as well. The Downs Syndrome Association conducts a day long symposium each year, so in the course of the meeting, it was discussed that perhaps a strand could be dedicated to this topic for those families and service providers interested. The one possible glitch is that everything Alzheimers San Diego does is free of charge, so to ask people to pay for the Symposium (breakfast and lunch as well as the hotel are the costs) is out of keeping with their promise to the community. SCDD Staff began a conversation with the SDRC regarding funding those families interested, but SDRC does not approve funding for meals either, so this will be a topic for further discussion at our next meeting in January. (ORGS 3 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
NADD Dual Diagnosis Webinar Series	15	25	25
SJ BHS Newsletter "Did You Know"	25	25	25
Resource Guide for Sex Ed and DD/ID- could be both objective #	50	25	50
Disability Rights Pediatric Nursing Investigation Survey	0	390	12
Rady's Children Behavioral Health Urgent Care Clinic Opening	5	370	105
Mental Health Service Act Public Meeting Notice Solano County	150	500	150
Anxiety measure for children with autism information update	150	700	200
Helpful Tips for Talking about Sexuality	700	675	670
4 Important Reminders about DD/ID and Sexuality Ed	25	25	50
Resource Guide on Sexuality and Developmental Disabilities	155	587	350
"CalABLE January board meeting agenda is now posted". This email was sent to notify that the agenda for the California ABLE Act Board's January board meeting is now posted!	150	200	250

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Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T	Provided information to a FA regarding clinics available for treating a family member.	1	1	0
F	Spoke to constituent at the Behavioral Health Board meeting regarding North coast services and generic community resources. Individual needs help and resources to care for brother who has failing health and needs assistance to continue to live independently but lives out of town.	1	1	0
F	J.H. parent, asked for information about accessing Blue Cross for her son. She was told they don't serve her zip code. Referred her to call Blue Cross, or Covered California or Western Sierra Health Clinic in Auburn.	0	1	0
F	Provided FA with information/material on wandering emergency plan for child with Autism. Referred FA to local police and fire.	0	1	0
T	Provided technical assistance regarding conservatorships, alternatives to conservatorships. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
E	In response to sending a survey regarding the availability of nursing respite providers, I received an email from a former board member asking why this was only directed at children, as he supports an adult son, and has considerable issues with this same service. Referred him to Disability Rights CA, since it was a survey they had sent.	0	1	0
T	Coordinate school readiness nurse training	0	0	1
T	Provided referrals to South County Psychologists who specialize in I/DD	0	1	0
T	Woman called about alleged abuse of her son in an Emergency Foster Care placement. Caller has already reported to Community Care Licensing and Child Protective Services. Referred caller to Disability Rights of California and the local police department.	0	1	0
E	Inquiry on social skills and psychological resources for HFA	1	0	0
F	Spoke to a FA who asked about conservatorship of sister who he has limited power of attorney now. Sister's health has deteriorated to the point regional center suggested that she needs conservatorship soon as she is unable to make decisions.	1	1	0
T	A 15 year old with autism has been put in the hospital on a 51/50. Caller left messages with the Regional center caseworker, Regional Center Officer of the Day, and Patients Rights advocate. The young man is in the Emergency room since Friday	1	0	0

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	12/9 and is medicated. Emergency room is told there is no where to place him, so there is no place to discharge him. All places have declined because of the acuity. No psychiatric for adolescents at San Leandro Emergency. Advised to call Regional Center again and speak to the supervisor regarding placement and to call Office of Clients Rights to keep them involved in this case.			
T	Provided information to CASA advocates on regional center funding DME for consumer	0	0	2
T	Assisted FA to contact her sisters Regional Center case manager regarding a hospital issue.	0	1	0
T	Provided assistance to a service provider having concerns over dental care and coverage	0	0	1
T	Phone call with two attorneys from DRC regarding a potential Appointed Representative request for a person-served in Contra Costa County. Case involves advocacy for a life-saving medical procedure. Discussed details of the case and those involved, and as a follow up provided the SCDD AR form and continued phone and email follow up.	0	0	2
T, E	Informed parent about procedures for complaining about care at hospital.	0	1	0

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The Council, its federal partners, and self-advocates will increase information and training to law enforcement, court personnel, health care providers, and/or other care professionals about disability-related health and safety issues.

- BARO: On 12.15.16, staff invited Stanford psychologist and researcher, Dr. Gengoux, to the Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce Holiday Party and Networking Event. Goal: 1. To discuss current Pivotal Response Treatment (PRT) research outcomes and the expansion on that project (affecting children with autism in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties and demonstrating how treatment in an inclusive environment with typically developing children is successful and should be best practice) and, 2. To introduce Dr. Gengoux to local policy makers (city council members and members of the chamber) to expand influence in areas of awareness, health care access, and the latest therapies and treatments for school-aged children with autism. Dr. Gengoux's PRT research in inclusive settings has been running for two years now, with wonderful results, despite smaller sample numbers. There is a strong potential for her project to secure additional funding to expand for another year or longer, and to potentially add additional components to the research. Discussions also included recent work done by Stanford Autism Center, and SF Autism Society, and the related politics involved. Staff will stay in touch and will support this researcher as appropriate with recommendations for funding and for promotion of research results that support the expansion of inclusion for therapeutic treatments (v. segregated clinic environments). This was discussed with over 15 attendees of the event, as led by SCDD staff and with Dr. Gengoux. (PM 1.3.4 - 2 ORGS - 15 Members of Public)
- NCRO staff facilitated the introduction of the new First 5 Parent Kits to the Mendocino County Child Care Planning Council in December at the County Office of Education. The 12 Collaborators included: Child Care Planning Council, Head Start, State Preschool, Pre-K teachers, County Office of Education, North Coast Opportunities, Mendocino College Child Development, Family Resource Center, SCDD North coast and local child care programs. The Kit includes materials on parenting, health and safety, community resources, child development, poison prevention, safe sleeping for babies, breastfeeding and childhood illness. SCDD mentioned that there should be materials in the kit regarding Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder "FASD". They give the information kit to the parents at 7 months but it was suggested that they should have the FASD materials in the kit anyway in case they have a second child, otherwise they may never hear about FASD and the effects that prenatal drinking causes the to the fetus. (Members of Public Reached 15 OTH – ORGS 12 OTH)
- NCRO staff provided educational outreach to a local service provider requesting

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assistance with completing In Case of Emergency Cards for clients that access services through their supported living service. SCDD staff facilitated the discussion which covered a variety of topics including people first language, supporting self-advocates and empowering self-advocates being able to express their medical need or concerns. SCDD proved tools to the organization's resource library for staff to reference. (Members of Public Reached 5 OTH)\

- NCRO staff provided self-advocates with customized In Case of Emergency (ICE) Cards. The ICE card is helpful if police, fire, or health personnel respond to an emergency and an individual is unable to tell them who they are or who to call. The front of the card has the person's photo and contact information. The back of the card lists any important information that emergency responders may need to know. Collaborators include: Mendocino County Sheriff's Department, Ukiah Valley Association for Habilitation (UVAH), and the Ukiah Police Department. (Members of Public Reached 2 SA – ORGS 4 OTH)
- NCRO staff received a request for assistance from a local supported living service (SLS) provider that serves a number of medically fragile non-conserved adults. Recently they have been experiencing a variety of barriers when they are supporting clients in the community to access dental and medical services. SCDD convened a meeting of DRC-OCRA RCRC, the Redwood Coast Regional Center Nurse Consultant and the supported living services staff to review the barriers and concerns and to discuss options to address the various scenarios they have encountered and possible strategies to address the situation. (ORGS 4 OTH)
- OCRO staff met with the law firm, McGonigle & Hunsaker, on December 27th, 2016. This meeting was intended to inform and educate the law firm about the SCDD Orange County and its work in the local area for those with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. The areas addressed were the overall role of the SCDD in California, our federal partners, funding source, state plan and the specific work the Orange County Regional Office conducts in the local community. (ORGS 2 OTH)

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Developmental Disabilities 2017 Conference Program		11	21	273

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T	C. A. said he is engaged in a law suit with the Sacramento Sheriff’s Department and part of the settlement is to be sure the officers have “disability” training. I informed him that our office does provide some training to officers around the state. Shared his phone number with Janet Fernandez.	0	0	1
E	Provided information to Board of Supervisors on changes within our agency composition and termination of Board of Supervisors appointed board	0	0	1
T	Contacted by Redwood Coast Regional Center regarding issue of 14 year old detained by County in juvenile hall.	0	0	1
E	Confirming Health Care Task Force with members	0	0	15

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- LARO staff participated in a meeting of local leaders to provide assistance to the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) Center for Health Policy Research. The Center issues white papers, obtains funding for research, and investigates issues that impact the public, including individuals with developmental disabilities. The Center sought assistance in the form of feedback from local leaders in order to guide them in their future projects and research agenda. Topics ranged from, but wasn't limited to, access to services, system redesign, disparities in the provision of services, health care plans, and caregiver resource centers. SCDD Los Angeles staff also distributed flyers promoting a one day conference sponsored by the SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office and SCDD training opportunities for groups. (People Active 8 OTH – ORGS 5 OTH)
- OCRO staff attended the CalOptima Member Advisory Committee Orientation Meeting on December 5th, 2016 as the representative for Persons with Special Needs (2 year term). The newest Board of Directors Members, Member Advisory Committee Members, Provider Advisory Committee Members, and OneCare Connect Member Advisory Committee Members received Background and Overview from the Chief Executive Officer; Medical Affairs Overview from the Chief Medical Officer; Network Management and Customer Service Highlights from the respective department directors; OneCare Connect Overview from the Executive Director of Program Implementation; and Governance/Brown Act by the Chief Counsel. At the request of the Chief Executive Officer, the SCDD Orange County staff was engaged in discussion related to those with I/DD and their experience with the CalOptima OneCare Connect Program. (People Attained Membership 15 OTH)

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"Medi-Cal 2020 News"	35	135	250

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DDS Safety Net	600	650	620
Information on ICI Provider Transformation Webinar	0	0	100
CalABLE Survey Request	5	387	100

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F	SA informed us that another SA was in the hospital.	2	0	0
E/T	Offered TA regarding medical care and confidentiality.	0	1	0
E	Provided some preliminary leads to Get Safe of law enforcement agencies who expressed interest in receiving specialized disability training, for LARO’s newly approved mini-grant.	0	0	1

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- BARO: On 12.20.16, via conference call, staff met with the Help Me Grow Administrator for Alameda County. Discussions included the value of the data coming out of the county and the best practices that this county is demonstrating in their data collection and distribution. Discussed the deficiencies in developmental milestones screening for CA children under 5, and the disparity in funding for Family Empowerment Centers across the counties, in partnership with Family Resource Center funding. Also discussed the school readiness data also collected, and what kind of collaborative teamwork is (and is not) taking place with RCs and other departments within county Public Health. Discussed how to better leverage the strong data from this county and scale those practices to provide statewide data for funding lobbying/advocacy. Next step: Meeting with the ED of the First Five Association, statewide, and the Help Me Grow Administrator for the county, to look at low hanging fruit in this area. (PM 1.5.1 – 3 ORGS)
- BARO: The Helping Hands East Bay was given a grant for \$20,000 from the State Council on Developmental Disabilities to do 3 conferences on assisting Asian families with accessing services through the regional center and other generic services. The committee, including SCDD staff, met on December 12, 2016 to discuss the success of the first conference and to start planning for the next conference. It was discussed combining the second conference with the Alameda County Transition Fair which will take place on March 25, 2017 at the College of Alameda since the second conference age group is the same the transition fair will target. After much discussion, it was decided by the committee that this conference will be separate from Alameda County because of the population this conference is designed for. The second Empowering Asian Families Conference will be in April 2017. We discussed the evaluation that was returned by the parents that attended the conference and ways for improvement for the second. It was suggested to have a childcare stipend available because many of the children were very restless after the morning session and some of the parents left early. Many of the parents like having childcare on site so both options will be available to them. The start time was confusing for the participants as well. We also discussed spending more time on outreach and making sure a lot of families are aware of the conference and are able to attend. We will also have more vendors at the conference for the vendor fair. It was suggested to have English session for other Asian groups like Filipinos and Indians. Our next meeting will be on January 10, 2017 at 3:30 at RCEB. (PM 1.2 – 1 FA – 7 OTH – 3 ORGS)

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- NBRO staff and North Bay Regional Advisory Committee presented an information table at the Vallejo CAC annual meet and greet, on 12-12-2016. Staff provided information intended to increase knowledge and awareness of developmental milestones and reasons for concern that a child may need special help. DDS English Version - Reasons for Concern brochure was given to meeting attendees. (Members of Public Reached 18 FA/ 9 OTH – ORGS 1 OTH)
- NBRO staff and North Bay Regional Advisory Committee presented an information table at the Vallejo CAC annual meet and greet, on 12-12-2016. Staff provided information intended to increase knowledge and awareness of developmental milestones and reasons for concern that a child may need special help. DDS Spanish Version - Reasons for Concern brochure was given to meeting attendees. (Members of Public Reached 7 FA/ 3 OTH – ORGS 1 OTH)
- NCRO staff facilitated the Mendocino County Child Care Planning Council meeting in December at the County Office of Education. The 14 Collaborators included: 2 Child Care Planning Council staff, First 5, Head Start, State Preschool, Pre-K teachers, County Office of Education, North Coast Opportunities, Mendocino College Child Development, Family Resource Center, Dept. of Social Services, SCDD North coast and 2 local child care programs. SCDD handed out the new SCDD brochure to participants and discussed the role of SCDD in early intervention, health, education, child care and other goal areas and how that pertains to the Child Care Council activities. SCDD staff discussed the importance of child care in early intervention and diagnosis of children with special needs and how the needs assessment of child care services is crucial in identifying gaps in child care services to children with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The group discussed the Parent Kit and materials within it and SCDD staff suggested to the group and First 5 that there should be materials in the kit regarding Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder "FASD" so that parents learn about FASD and the damage and the effects that prenatal drinking causes the fetus. (Members of Public Reached 15 OTH)
- NCRO staff joined community health partners at the training sponsored by the Health and Human Services Agency to review the most current data from the Maternal and Infant Health Assessment Survey that was compiled by the Regional Perinatal Social Work Consultant from Stanford University which covers the North Coast Region. Indicators that this region of the state is above the state average in the following areas: health before pregnancy, poor nutrition and weight, intimate

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partner violence, hardships and support during pregnancy, substance use, pregnancy intention and family planning, infant sleep. SCDD staff co-facilitated the discussion regarding staff reaction to the showing of the documentary: "The Dark Side of the Full Moon" which highlights Perinatal Mood Anxiety Disorders (PMADS) and attendee examination of their own fears and experiences relating to the women and families they serve. One attendee was especially concerned regarding clients that have expressed the need for resources regarding family planning and pregnancy that are written in plain language in order to educate a broader audience including people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. (Members of Public Reached 10 OTH)

- OCRO staff collaborated with Help Me Grow Orange County to meet the needs of Orange County families and connect them to developmental services and resources to enhance the development, behavior, and learning of children birth through five years. Help Me Grow Orange County is part of Children's Hospital Orange County & UC Irvine Early Developmental Services (EDS) that provides a continuum of developmental services for children and families, from when a parent first has concerns about their child's development or behavior to full diagnosis and intervention for those children with developmental delays. Today, SCDD Orange County staff met with four parents who are new to navigating the service delivery system to help them with IEP and Early Start (appeals) questions and help to make sense of the California service delivery system and what agency service/supports their children may be entitled to receive. This advocacy clinic entitled "Special Education and Regional Center Advocacy Clinic - Ask an Advocate" served 4 families face-to-face and unfortunately two parents who confirmed did not attend. The goal of this collaboration and advocacy clinic is to try to garner national support for other Help Me Grow organizations nationwide to replicate. (People Trained 4 FA)
- OCRO staff participated in the Connection Cafe sponsored by Help Me Grow OC on December 7th, 2016. During this event, staff had an opportunity to meet and network with approximately 50 county/city agencies and local providers serving young children who are at-risk or diagnosed with intellectual/developmental disabilities. SCDD Orange County staff promoted pertinent upcoming events and trainings with the group and discussed details regarding future collaborations between Anaheim Elementary School District: Early Childhood Education and SCDD Orange County Office in an effort to ensure the maximum amount of

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children/families are served. In addition to SCDD Orange County's outreach at this event, the Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Community Alliance (OCAPICA), presented on "Mindfulness and Early Childhood," which is a county-funded program for all North and South Orange County residents. The presenting OCAPICA staff and SCDD Orange County staff discussed the vast and specialized array of services this agency bring to consumers and their families in our local I/DD community. (ORGS 50 OTH)

- OCRO staff participated in the Developmental Screening on December 2nd, 2016 at the Boys & Girls Club in Buena Park, CA. There were 35 families served and about 10 service providers and/or agencies represented. The Developmental Screening Program screens children (0-5 years old) for developmental, behavioral, health, and cognitive concerns. The domains for screening are: gross and fine motor skills, speech and language, vision, hearing, dental health, physical health and mental health. Staff made available the following materials at this event: OC Community Resources Brochure; IPP Basics; Early Start Basics; Regional Center Eligibility Basics; CA Early Start; The Primary Health Care Provider's Role in Early Intervention; CDC Learn the Signs, Act Early Developmental Summary; Starting Out Together; Parents' Rights: An Early Start Guide for Families; Social Security (SSI); Orange County Head Start Handout; and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities Brochure. (People Trained 35 FA/ ORGS 10 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Autism development milestones Q&A training opportunity	100	700	200
Parenting a Traumatized Child	30	68	129

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Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T	Confirming IEP advocacy clinic and informing FA of appointment needs	0	6	0
T	Technical assistance provided re: delay in ABA services for EI consumer	0	1	0
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Early Start, due process, IFSP strategy. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
E	CA from local school district requested collaboration on early education	0	0	1
E	Assisted FA on RCOC eligibility	0	0	2
E	Technical assistance provided on accessing early intervention services	0	1	0
E	Provided information to CA on developmental screenings	0	0	1
F	WarmLine Family Resource Center to discuss/collaborate organizations that serve Early Start age children.	0	1	0
E	Emailed organization lead for “Birth and Beyond” to set up collaboration meeting.	0	0	1
E	Emailed L.B., president of “My NICU Journey” to set up collaboration meeting. Mtg. set for 1/3/16.	0	0	1
T	Assisted FA with contacting a program manager before an actual IEP meeting.	0	1	0
E	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
E	Technical assistance provided on EI to school readiness nurse	0	0	1
T	Provided information on EI and regional center interplay to FA	0	1	0

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- BARO: On 12.14.16 in Sacramento, staff met with the Director of the UC Davis MIND Institute along with SCDD manager from the North Bay. Areas of discussion included expanding some trainings and parent support groups to the North Bay counties, where there are limited resources of that kind and a great deal of families in need. Related to this, all parties discussed the training video library online through UC Davis' MIND Institute, and how to make sure families know where to find this info and how to search for similar trainings and educational videos (especially in areas such as autism, behavior, IEP, rights, and finding resources in one's community). Discussions also included statewide efforts and county efforts to increase Family Empowerment Center funding, First Five/Help Me Grow data collection and the expansion and improvement of developmental screenings for CA children under 5. SCDD staff and MIND Institute staff shared resources, and discussed current committees that may be covering these interests. (PM 2.2.3 – 3 OTH – 2 ORGS)
- NBRO staff provided training to family advocates, on 12-07-2016, regarding IEP verses a 504 plan. Discussion included information on Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act which included the difference between special education and special health care needs. Participants were provided with information on free and appropriate education (FAPE), assessments, goals, accommodations, modifications, services, and placement. Participants was given time to sit down with SCDD staff for a Q&A. Participants were also given a copy of a list of common acronyms, and comparison graphs for IEP/504 timelines, laws, rights, and differences. (Members of the Public Reached 3 FA)
- NVHRO staff participated in outreach at a Lodi County SELPA Community Advisory Committee. Staff shared information on the duties and responsibilities of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD). 8 parents/family advocates and 3 Lodi school district staff were present. Staff distributed 10 SCDD brochures and business cards. Brochure in common drive. (Members of Public Reached 8 FA/ 3 OTH)
- OCRO staff attended a tour and meeting with the Director of the Chapman University Thompson Policy Institute on Disability and Autism. The Director and staff provided information about the Institute and its most recent work regarding an increase in Autism Diagnosis in Orange County (from IEP data collected through the school districts). Through research conducted by the Institute, they attribute

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the increase to a shift in diagnosis/eligibility. There are many potentially insightful topics upcoming through the research of the Institute team surrounding those with disabilities, including grandparent caregivers for those with I/DD. This information is intended to support community collaborators in addressing local and systemic issues for those with disabilities and their families. The SCDD Orange County and the Institute Director have plans to meet in the near future to determine which topics may most benefit our advocacy to the local community. (ORGS 15 OTH)

- SDIRO staff, on 12/13/16, in San Diego, participated in the monthly planning meeting for the 34th Annual Involved Exceptional Parents Day Conference. Workshop topics and speaker selection is being finalized with final confirmation by the end of December. Updates were given by each of the subcommittees. We discussed how we can use media and social media to get the word out about the conference. Some committee members know people who work with local newspapers and radio stations in our area they will contact. The IEP Day website is in the process of being updated. The subcommittee for social media is working on keeping our Facebook page updated with information on the conference as well as information and links for resources. Those in attendance were: San Diego Regional Center, San Diego Unified School District, Crimson Speech and Language Center, South County Special Education Local Plan Area, special education advocates, Arc of San Diego and parents. (People Active 4 FA/ 7 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Dec 2016 SJCOE Workshop & Training Schedule	0	150	25
LSH Winter Symposium	0	100	25
Supporting Students with Anxiety based Behaviors and EPU Spring 2017 Trainings	19	52	104
IEP Workshop w/ FRN	0	200	25
Notice and announcement:: College Transition Course for Seniors Enrolled at Sac City Unified Schools; and Let Your Voice be Heard from Ryan Anderson and Virginia Early (analysts at the state Legislative Analyst's office).	200	1200	215

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FAPE: Measuring Ed Benefit	0	100	25
FAPE Case draws flurry of Attention	0	100	100
Notice and Announcement: Yuba City Unified School District's Special Education Comprehensive Review call for input; and Overview of Special Education in California.	100	1233	300
Working with Tribal Communities College Course	30	68	129
"PACER E-news: December 2016 edition"	35	135	250

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T	Provided information to FA on IEP complaint process.	0	1	0
T	Provided FA with IEP recommendations for son in elementary school	0	1	0
T	Family member, J.K. in Southern CA, child with Autism looking for advocate for IEP. Referred to David Grady.	0	0	1
T	A. M. Ventura County, 3rd grade son with Autism and PTSD, seeking IEP advocacy. Referred to David Grady. 805-218-5077	0	0	1
T/E	Provided assistance to parent regarding the school district trying to exit her son from special education	0	1	0
T	Provided IEP assistance to 3 FA's and 1 CA	0	3	1
T/E	FM School district was pushing special day class. FM wants inclusion. Emailed FM resources; SCDD IEP Basics, DRC 18 Tips and added link to DRC SERR Manual.	0	1	0
T	J.S-V parent of a 6 year old in Twin Rivers District, ADHD not eligible for RC services. Seeking advocacy. Referred to Warmline and shared Resource List. Already on SCDD email list.	0	1	0
T	Staff spoke with mom of 6 year old child with IEP who had questions in regard to appropriate placement. Child is not regional center. Parents asked about special day class in contrast to regular education setting with support. Staff referred parent to Disability Rights of California and CA Dept. of Education. RO6	0	1	0
T	Provided assistance to a parent regarding his daughter with special needs being bullied	0	1	0
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, bullying, and placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0

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T	Mother having issues with father having educational rights; suggested calling Learning Rights Law tho resolution is unlikely.	0	1	0
F	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, and placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
T	Provided IEP assistance to FA and CA regarding LRE and mainstreaming	0	1	1
F	Consultation provided to FA who needed special education due process assistance	0	1	0
T	Provided FA with information on upcoming SCDD community events training calendar.	0	1	0
T/E	Provided parent assistance regarding transportation concerns with school district	0	1	0
T	Provided assistance to parent regarding IEP questions	0	1	0
E	Email Power Point on Due Process for Special Education	0	3	0
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, and placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, and placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
T	Special education assistance provided	0	0	1
E	Provided assistance to regional center service coordinator regarding IEP concerns for his client	0	0	1
T	Provided SA and FA with information on bullying. Referred family to local CAC.	1	1	0
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, and placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
F	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, and placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	7	0
E	Assisted FA with IEP related questions	0	1	0
T	Assisted FA with IEP related questions	0	2	0
T	Assisted FA with special education issues	0	2	0

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- BARO: On 12/15/2016 Staff participated in a planning meeting in San Leandro for the upcoming Alameda County Transition Faire. This is an event to help facilitate the transition of high school students with developmental disabilities to adult services. It offers an educational showcase of adult service programs and a variety of educational workshops. (PM 1.2 – 7 ORGS)
- LARO Regional Manager facilitated a joint meeting with the CalPROMISE Grant Program Director of CSULA, UCEDD USC Director, and Transition Coordinator of CHLA to discuss potential collaboration to meet the transitional needs of CHLA. Many transitional aged students and their families in LA County have faced difficulties and challenges to successfully transition to adulthood due to lack of resources and knowledge in accessing the needed support. The CalPROMISE program at CSULA has helped youths ages 14-16 to effectively transition to work and/or secondary schools. The Rehabilitation Counseling program with CSULA also develops a similar model to work with youths with I/DD to provide the needed transition support. (ORGS 3 OTH)
- LARO staff provided technical assistance and participated in a meeting of the Los Angeles Special Education Taskforce. The Taskforce is a collaboration of special education attorneys and advocates who meet monthly to share resources, new laws, current events, emerging issues and promising practices. Topics in this meeting included requesting documents from school districts and how to mitigate costs for families, legislative updates, new personnel at numerous districts, various court cases, and a speech from a candidate for the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education. SCDD Los Angeles staff also distributed flyers promoting upcoming events and information: a one day conference sponsored by the SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office, services regional centers can provide, SCDD training opportunities for groups, and an announcement seeking interviewers for the Quality Assurance Project. (People Trained 3 FA/ 9 OTH – ORGS Involved in Coalition 7 OTH – ORGS Engaged in Change 7 OTH)
- NBRO staff met with Santa Rosa College educator, on 12-01-2016, to discuss adult transition services and supports available within the community from NBRC, DOR, SCDD, DRC, OCRA, etc. SCDD will be presenting information at the upcoming college to career information night at Santa Rosa College. (ORGS 1 OTH)

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- NBRO staff met with self-advocates and professionals, on 12-08-2016, and provided a training on Adult Transition. Topics of discussion included moving from school to adult life, IDEA, self-determination, person centered planning, regional center services, SLS, employment, and housing. Participants were given a Transition checklist and info on College to Career. (People Trained 12 SA – ORGS 2 OTH)
- NCRO: This was the final meeting of 2016 facilitated by SCDD staff. The group discussed status updates of individuals who recently transitioned from the school system into community employment or other job programs. Many individuals present had questions for council staff regarding the status of Self Determination, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act, the ABLE Act, Employment First and Home and Community Based Services. The handout: "Changes to DD System" that was distributed at the December managers meeting which summarized the background and status updates regarding these issues was shared with individuals in attendance. The upcoming meeting schedule was finalized and a slate of guest speakers was established. (ORGS 7 OTH)
- SEQRO staff is working on suspension cases against Fresno USD as they continue to suspend children without documenting it. SCDD staff is working on developing a presentation to educate families on suspension and expulsion. Self-Determination. The SCDD gave an update on the work being done in the community. (People Trained in Leadership 1 SA/ 4 FA/ 4 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
N/A			

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F & E	Met M. K. Senior Employer Relations and Workforce Analyst, Career Center, CSUS, discussed supports for ID/DD and involvement with BAC. Shared Grant Cycle 39 flyer and planned to meet in January.	0	0	1
E	Consulted with RCOC regarding number of adult transition consumers	0	0	1
T	Provided information on how regional center can fund for a non-vendored PSE program	0	2	0

Goal #5.4

The Council, in consultation with its federal partners, will increase identification, advocacy and/or sponsorship of legislative, regulatory, policy, procedure and/or practice changes to increase access to quality education services throughout the lifespan for people with I/DD.

- N/A

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N/A			

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T	Provided FA with information on how to request an OT assessment with the school.	0	1	0
F	Spoke to a SA regarding difficulties with accommodating his wheel chair transport needs and new rules.	1	0	0
E	Provided technical assistance regarding post-secondary education. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
T	Provided FA with information regarding the difference between a 504 and an IEP.	0	1	0
E	Provided information to FA regarding classroom behavior and placement.	0	1	0

Goal #6.1

The Council, in collaboration with our federal DD partners, will reduce service access barriers and decrease the disparity in available information, which describes services and supports that may be purchased throughout California’s Regional Center system, by translating and providing that information in Spanish and tracking statewide POS disparity data for Spanish-speaking self-advocates and families.

- N/A

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N/A			

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
N/A				

Goal #6.2

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- NSRO Staff participated in the recruitment and interviews for a new In Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Advisory Committee Facilitator on 12-22-16. NSRO Staff serves as the Chair for the committee and for this recruitment process, collaborated with Vice Chair, Public Authority IHSS Supervisor and Manager of Department of Employment and Social Services to interview candidates and select the new Facilitator Position. The position involves: Meeting with County's IHSS Advisory Committee Chairperson and other members including the Vice-Chairperson, Public Authority Supervisor, and Department of Employment and Social Services representatives to develop agendas for the County's IHSS Advisory Committee meetings; With direction from the County's IHSS Advisory Committee Chairperson, determine materials and information needed and who will provide the; Assure that meeting room is available; having accessibility and reasonable accommodation for the County's IHSS Advisory Committee Chairperson and members; Create and distribute Agenda and Minutes to the County's IHSS Advisory Committee members by email and/or U.S. Mail; Notify and assist the County's IHSS Advisory Committee Chairperson and members who will make presentations at the County's IHSS Advisory Committee meetings; Post the County's IHSS Advisory Committee meeting notice and agenda in a public place no less than three days before the meeting; Assist the County's IHSS Advisory Committee Chairperson with his/her duties of presiding over and conducting the regular meetings of the County's IHSS Advisory Committee, 2½ to 3 hours per meeting; Set up and take down meeting room as require;. Advise the County's IHSS Advisory Committee Chairperson and members regarding Brown Act requirements; Create and distribute Sign-In sheet for meetings for the County's IHSS Advisory Committee Chairperson and members;. Record and maintain the minutes from each meeting. NSRO staff and Vice Chair of the Advisory Committee provide support to the Facilitator Position and must be able to maintain an organizational approach to the position. (People Active 1 SA/ 3 OTH)
- OCRO staff presented on Regional Center Services & Supports on December 8th, 2016 to a group of 5 volunteer advocates at Fairview Developmental Center in Costa Mesa, Orange County. The focus of the training was an overview of Regional Center including the Lanterman Act, Consumer Living Options (specific to those consumers moving out of Fairview DC), and Available Services (including Purchase of Service Guidelines and a sample list of regional center services). (People Trained 5 OTH)

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- SEQRO: Several agencies including the Sequoia Regional Office coordinated the Community Winter Formal event. 345 Individuals attended the Community Winter Formal 56 of the participants were non-disabled peers. We have a crew of consumers and volunteers from various agencies assigned as a set up crew in the morning of the event to get everything ready, set up and decorated. Volunteers, DJ, Photographer, Kiwanis to prepare food plates, and entertainment arrive early. Guests are able to have professional Holiday themed photographs taken, they may participate in a craft or they can dance the night away. They are provided a delicious sit down dinner and dessert with entertainment. This year we raffled off 50 table centerpieces. Someone at each table was a winner of a beautiful poinsettia or balloon bouquet. Volunteers of the event will also stay to clean up. It truly is a night to remember. This was SCDD's 2nd year of collaboration and volunteering for this wonderful event. (Members of the Public Reached 289 SA/ 56 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Reminder – Social Security Trainings in Dec	19	52	104
SCDD LA ENewsletter Vol 65: Paid QA Interviewers Recruitment	600	650	620
Save the Date DC Taskforce	30	68	129

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T	Spoke to Victim Services Coordinator about generic community resources available to their clients.	0	0	1
T	Parent has conservatorship of daughter, but is having trouble getting her daughter home from a regional center funded facility. Her daughter wants to come home and the woman reports the Regional Center is not helping. Advised to call Supervisor and Officer of the Day at the Regional Center. Also call Disability Rights.	1	1	0

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- BARO staff met with the Hiring Manager for a service provider, East Bay Innovations, in San Leandro, on 12.22.16, to discuss hiring trends for DSPs here in the Bay Area, professional development needs, pipelines for candidates, and identifying career paths for professionals so that they stay within our field. Staff will provide resource material regarding these topics as needed for this and other hiring managers in the area. Staff also discussed options for on-site training for new managers in areas of disability rights, the history, self-directed services, and more. (PM 1.3.2 – 2 OTHS)
- BARO staff participated in and provided a report for the GGRC Service Provider Advisory Committee, held in Marin. Covered updates and events/meetings/webinars to attend re CalABLE and re CIE in CA. Staff also discussed the plain language state plan document. Discussions also included trending and issues being resolved in transportation in Marin, SF and San Mateo Counties. Planning ahead, this committee will be developing a 2017 Legislative subcommittee and potentially a Technology and Data subcommittee. SCDD staff will be involved with both, at least initially, to help guide the development and the goals. (PM 2.2.3 – 24 OTHS)
- BARO staff participated in this month's DDC meeting which focused on the CalABLE Act. Christina Elliott was the presenter. SCDD staff plans to get involved with informing families of this wonderful opportunity for consumers and/or families once the final draft is submitted and approved. The DDC board discussed the bylaws and the final draft will be submitted for a vote at the January 2017 meeting. The Transition Fair is scheduled for March 25, 2017 and volunteers are needed for the event. The Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2017 at the State Building in Oakland hosted by SCDD Bay Area Office. Jim Burton announced his retirement at 41 years in service for the regional center. SCDD staff announced the next State Council meeting will be on January 24, 2017 in Sacramento and the state plan is finally complete and SCDD have released the plan in plain language for the community. We also sent out the plan through EBlast to all of our partners in the Bay Area. Staff also asked for public feedback on the CIE blueprint by the deadline of 12/30/16 developed by the steering committee including DOR, DDS, and DOE, which is on SCDD website. This meeting took place on 12/14/16 in Oakland California. (PM 2.2.3 – 11 SA – 11 FA – 17 OTH – 7 ORGs)

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- BARO: At this month's Alameda County DD Council Executive team meeting, we continued to discuss the bylaws and finalizing them to present them to the general board for approval at the January meeting. Once the bylaws are approved then the board is face with several board seats becoming vacant because of term limits. The membership committee will meet on Jan 6, 2017 to discuss a plan on transiting new members to the board. The current by-laws mandate the majority of seats be filled by consumers or family members. The remaining at large seat will include service providers, public agency representatives, and community representatives. Currently, we have 10 Directors who have served beyond the 12 years and 3 more to reach that number by June 30, 2017. The Health and Wellness committee reported the Shiver Center has been getting a lot of referrals lately. The Employment Task Force have started an internship program for video productions, which will be housed at the Public Health Office. This is a community based program and currently looking for someone to manage the studio. We discussed the satisfaction survey results from our December meeting on the CalABLE Act presented by Christina Elliott. Our January 2017 meeting will focus on sex trafficking and the vulnerability of our population. Sandi will be securing the guest presenters. This meeting took place on 12.15.16 in Oakland. (PM 2.2.3 – 5 ORGS)
- BARO: Met with directors from two service provider agencies from Marin County on 12.1.16 in Oakland to discuss self-directed services, person-centered planning and broader scope systems-evolution in this area, particularly as it pertains to their day programs and ILS programs. Both of these leaders are interested in not only bringing change and increased consciousness of self-determination and SDS and PCP to their agencies, but to be an influence for other providers. Discussed approach, how to use the local Service Provider Advisory Committee meetings to the best advantage, and what tools are most helpful. Also talked about related tools and strategies for getting boards on-board, donor support, etc. (PM 2.1.4 – 3 ORGS)
- BARO: On 12.15.16, in Palo Alto, staff met with a locally well-known Hydrotherapist and personal trainer who provides adapted aquatics and warm water rehabilitation and learn-to-swim education at several organizations and at several pools across San Mateo County and Santa Clara County. Discussions included discussing progress in inclusive aquatic services (rec and rehab

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focused), and how to ensure more pools (public and private membership) get the basic training and education they need to be more inclusive and to expand their services to include kids and adults with I/DD and physical disabilities. The Hydrotherapist noted that there is still some resistance at some of the more prominent learn-to-swim and recreation pools/aquatic centers of including those with I/DD, but with others, he has been successful in expanding the pool/aquatic centers' focus and baseline skill set to better serve those with needs, either in 1:1 or small group classes. Focus: provide baseline education and exposure to owners/directors and coach coaches/trainers on how to provide inclusion. (PM 1.3.2 – 2 OTHS)

- BARO: The Legislative Coalition committee, including SCDD staff, discussed the 2017 EBLC Town Hall meeting scheduled for February 10, 2017. The flyer has been finalized and sent out. The title of this year's Town Hall event is Unfinished Business. The event will take place at the State Building Auditorium hosted by SCDD and sponsored by several organizations. The agenda for the day is also complete. Some of the topics will be on children 0-5 and difficulty obtaining services, transition age youth and employment and internship opportunities, and adults and the housing crisis. We will discuss at the next meeting what materials would go into the packets. Nancy Bargmann from the department is scheduled to speak on the Lanterman Act in general, evolving expectations and focusing on the future, and new initiatives in the proposed budget. Several legislatives have confirmed their participation. There are no new updates concerning the state budget at this time because of the uncertainty of the federal budget and the changes that may or may not occur such as the Affordable Care Act. If we lose funds how can we keep it going. Everyone feels certain things will not be cut but no additional funds will be available for other projects. It's a wait and see right now. Closures of the DC's will be a big issue. RCEB currently have 92 consumers left to place into the community from Sonoma Developmental Center. The governor's budget is due out on January 10, 2017. We are working with all stakeholders to protect and expand the Lanterman Act, eliminating barriers to full access and integration for people with developmental disabilities. Jim Burton announced his retirement as the executive director of the Regional Center of the East Bay. He plans to step down in February and Santi Rogers will be the interim director. He believes the board will find and hire his replacement by July 2017.

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This meeting took place on 12.07.16 in Oakland. (PM 2.2.3 – 1 SA – 3 FA – 8 OTH – 8 ORGS)

- CCRO staff along with a member of the Disparity Task Force met with the Chairperson of LoveInc a volunteer organization that provides assistance to members of local churches. At the meeting staff and committee member requested collaboration as a means of informing church administration and volunteers about developmental disability services and how they can be helpful with informing members of their congregations who may need such services. The director agreed to work toward holding a small meeting of local pastors for Disability Awareness Training. (People Active 3 OTH)
- CCRO staff arranged for the Central Coast office to hold a bilingual training on positive planning in March at the regularly scheduled parent support meeting at Encompass Community Services. SPIN, a family resource center, will assist with flyer distribution and confirm attendance with interested families in their native language. The positive planning training is designed to assist families with improving their negotiating skills in their meetings (IEPs or IPPs) which can often be emotional and/or confusing. (ORGS 3 OTH)
- CCRO staff chaired the Disparity Task Force meeting. At the meeting the Executive Director of San Andreas Regional Center discussed the regional center's plan to utilize \$400,000 granted to them by the Department of Developmental Disability to attend to issues of Disparity. Included in the spending plan is Welcome Binders for new intakes in all languages, Hardware and software purchases for video conferencing, and development of outreach workers to meet with families who have recently acquired regional center services, and development of a Promotora model. The director stated many of the decisions regarding use of the funds are related to the work of the task force and its testimony at the DDS focus groups. One member requested monies be made available for better outreach to African American Communities. (People Active 6 OTH)
- CCRO staff participated in the monthly planning committee for an annual conference for Spanish speaking parents of children with special needs. Conference to be held in January 2017. In addition to attending a monthly planning meeting, staff collaborated via email and phone regarding conference details as well. It was agreed staff from Central Coast office would provide the

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- workshop on self-determination. (ORGS 5 OTH)
- LARO staff attended a three hour meeting in Spanish of the parent support group Padres Unidos Sin Limites and conducted outreach activities, networked with local leaders, and provided technical support. SCDD Los Angeles Office staff spoke with attendees, provided technical assistance regarding their situations, informed members of the Downey City Council of the training opportunities and other services provided by SCDD, and promoted an upcoming local conference. (Members of Public Reached 28 SA/ 42 FA/ 10 OTH – Public Policymakers Educated 3 OTH)
 - LARO staff conducted training on "Rights of Persons with Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities & Using People First Language" for direct care staff members of the Social Vocational Services Community Inclusion Services Program in Downey on December 6, 2016. 30 staff members were present. The training was done in response to a corrective action plan (CAP) issued to Social Vocational Services by South-Central Los Angeles Regional Center (SCLARC). SCLARC had issued the CAP in response to an incident in which a staff member allegedly used inappropriate language with a client while in the community. SCLARC recommended that SVS contact our office to set up a training on client rights and using appropriate language in the community. (People Trained 30 OTH)
 - LARO staff developed a survey to obtain feedback from the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Los Angeles Office Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) regarding the frequency, location, and topics for discussion at RAC meetings in the coming year. The questionnaire was emailed to all current RAC members as well as the SCDD LA Representative. (People Trained in Leadership 3 SA/ 3 FA/ 2 OTH)
 - LARO staff provided technical assistance and participated in a meeting of the Westside Regional Center's (WRC) Equity Taskforce, which is responsible for making recommendations concerning the disparity in services provided by WRC to self-advocates and families. This meeting focused primarily on the funds DDS is providing to regional centers in order to mitigate the disparity in the provision of services. WRC staff reviewed their plan, which uses four strategies to mitigate the disparity in service provision: improve trust, communication, access to services, and satisfaction. SCDD Los Angeles Office staff shared and led a discussion about the statewide data pertaining to language-based disparity at the request of

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the Chair of the Task Force. SCDD Los Angeles staff also distributed flyers promoting upcoming events and information: a one day conference sponsored by the SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office, services regional centers can provide, SCDD training opportunities for groups, and an announcement seeking interviewers for the Quality Assurance Project. (People Trained 3 SA/ 14 FA/ 8 OTH – ORGS 6 OTH)

- LARO staff worked with CalABLE staff and various family and vendor groups in the Los Angeles Area to put together multiple CalABLE presentations. SCDD staff organized interpretation for one presentation to a consortium of Asian-language parent groups. Presentations will occur in January and February. (ORGS 7 OTH)
- NBRO staff and NB RAC presented an information table at the Vallejo CAC annual meet and greet, on 12-12-2016. Staff provided information intended to increase knowledge and awareness of common Regional Center funded services for adults. A brochure listing common regional center services for adults was provided to attendees. (Members of Public Reached 28 FA/ 4 OTH – ORGS 1 OTH)
- NBRO staff met with family advocates, on 12-08-2016, and provided a training on IHSS. Points of discussion included an IHSS Program Overview, eligibility, services offered, protective supervision, preparing for your assessment or reassessment and resolving disagreements / appeal process. (ORGS 9 FA)
- NBRO staff met with North Bay Regional Center, on 12-12-2016, to discuss possible systemic issues related to the North Bay area which includes IHSS and respite, behavior supports and services, and housing access and options. SCDD has received multiple community complaints regarding these issues. SCDD informed NBRC of the issues and complaints and discussed ways to deliver services that promote a healthier relationship with self-advocates, family-advocates, vendors, and the community. NBRC managers will encourage Service Coordinators to provide consumers with more uniformity and consistency regarding entitlements to regional center services and supports. (ORGS 1 OTH)
- NCRO staff continued to facilitate meetings with community collaborators to improve access and expand recreational activities for individuals with a disability at the "ARRC" Center. Collaborators include: ARRC Recreation Center, Adult Behavior Consultants, First 5 Family Resource Center, Special Olympics. The ARRC received a \$20,000 donation from an individual to put a divider curtain in the gym so that multiple groups can play different sports in the gym at the time.

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North Coast staff continues to facilitate the development of new programs with various groups at the facility. The Gym was built large enough to accommodate multiple users at the same time. The divider curtain that was donated to the center will increase usage for the community. Programs will have new options for daily programming activities in the gym especially when it is raining. (Programs/Policies Created/Improved 1 OTH – ORGS 1 FA/ 5 OTH – Dollars Leveraged \$20,000.00)

- NCRO staff facilitated collaborations with the local Tri-County Independent Living partner agencies to expand a self-advocate citizen coalition to assist Del Norte County to build an In Home Support Services Advisory Board (IHSS). IHSS Advisory Board brochures were distributed to several people who were interested in being on the newly formed advisory board. Through the outreach one individual from the social services field and Rural Human Services were really receptive to becoming members of the advisory board. (ORGS 6 OTH)
- NCRO staff facilitated the Executive Committee meeting for the Mendocino County Child Care Planning Council in December at the North Coast Office. The 6 Collaborators included: Head Start, State Preschool, County Office of Education, North Coast Opportunities, Mendocino College Child Development, and a local child care program. The group discussed having a brainstorm session to discuss a 'special project' at the next all Council meeting. One idea included giving out Baby Boxes which are sleeping beds to protect babies from being rolled on and suffocated and what we might put in the existing First 5 Parent Kits given to expecting parents. The group decided that First 5 would give a presentation on the Kits to the whole Council for our December meeting. We also discussed setting up committees for the year, April Month of the Young Child and Child abuse Prevention month community events and activities and collaborating with Lake County's Children's Council. Getting a needs assessment together is crucial and must be done every five years in all CA Counties. We have prior data for the baseline to track child care in each of our four counties. A committee will be set up for the needs assessment. (Members of Public Reached 5 OTH – ORGS 5 OTH)
- NCRO staff received a refund in the mail for \$800 from the Bike Camp counselor for the "Cycle Without Limits" Bike Camp that was held in July 2016. The counselor felt the need to donate back part of her fee to the recreation center to support other activities for I/DD. The camp was sponsored by a local Health clinic, a Foundation grant, a Rotary donation, and the recreation center and volunteers.

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The funds will be used to offset the costs of other programs at the recreation center such as Special Olympics basketball and the Adult Behavior Consultants weekly recreation activities. The bike camp teaches individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to ride a bicycle. SCDD staff were instrumental in finding the funding for the camp and initiating the project. The cost associated with the project totaled \$7,500. The Bike Camp Cycle Without Limits provided by United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay was held at Recreation Center in July 2016. It is one of the new projects offered at the ARRC Recreation Center. This camp provided a 5 day instructional program that taught children and adults on how to ride a conventional two wheeled bicycle or an adapted cycle. North Coast staff volunteered to find the necessary funding and handle the administrative details of the camp. One of the nice things about the camp is that the instructors adapted each individual's bike to be more rideable. With adaptive equipment attached to the bike they can practice at home. (Dollars Leveraged \$800.00)

- NSRO staff provided outreach to a rural day program located in Gridley, CA. Day program manager invited staff to come tour and present at the day program on what the SCDD North State Regional office does. Staff provided a general overview of the changes SCDD has gone through in the last few years and how our role no longer involves individual advocacy. Staff has been invited back after the first of the year to provide training to staff on the changes within the Developmental Disabilities System throughout California stressing the goal to improve the quality of and access to services. Program has many bilingual staff and the North State Office is working to build relationships in the rural, under-served and multi-cultural areas of our region. Both staff and consumers were provided with SCDD brochure. (People Trained 12 SA/ 5 OTH)
- NVHRO manager met with the retiring executive director for VMRC for the last time. His last day is December 30, 2016. We discussed the transition of the new Executive Director who will be starting on January 3, 2017. The hope is to continue the collaborative relationship that SCDD and VMRC has had for many years. Staff thanked him for his years of service and dedication to folks with disabilities and families. He will be missed! He assured staff that he will share what has worked between us in the past in the hopes the new ED will see value in continuing. The topics for continued collaboration were on the Self Determination Program, POS Disparity issues, Vendor Association, facilitation and Self Advocacy

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to name a few. (ORGS 2 OTH)

- NVHRO staff chaired task-force meeting as the appointed chair and vice chair were unable to attend. Staff took roll call and followed agenda. Staff provided a brief overview of the committee and its charge, for interested potential members as well as the public in attendance. In addition staff spoke about what SCDD/NVHO does and our role on the committee. (People Active 2 SA/ 2 FA/ 9 OTH)
- NVHRO staff presented information about the 2016/17- NCI/QA project at the Consumer services and VMRC board meetings. Staff explained the next phase of the QA project, how many people from VMRC will be sent surveys and how VMRC could help spread the word. Staff answered questions and provided contact information for follow up if needed. In addition staff also spoke about his work, in facilitating for SSAN committee member, who is also a VMRC board member. Staff spoke about the Cal-Able Act Presentation he is supporting SSAN member to take on the road and share with community. The SSAN member/ VMRC board member, also present at this meeting, asked the board if he could present on the Cal-Able Act in the near future. The board agreed to have him come back in 2017 and present. SCDD staff will coordinate with VMRC to schedule presentation and facilitate for SSAN member during presentation. This was also the last board meeting for retiring VMRC Executive Director. On behalf of SCDD/NVHO staff thanked him for 38 his years of service to the developmental system and the people VMRC serves. (People Active 5 SA/ 2 FA/ 18 OTH)
- NVHRO staff was contacted by the VMRC Foster Grandparent & Senior Companion Coordinator. She let staff know that the two year term for servicing on the Advisory Committee was up and requested that staff re-apply. Staff completed the items to be re-appointed to the Advisory Committee for another 2 years. This has been a good collaborative effort between SCDD and VMRC and staff was honored to be asked to re-apply. (ORGS 2 OTH)
- NVHRO: CHOICES Committee asked SCDD staff to coordinate the discussion and approval for the keynote speaker from DDS for the 30th CHOICES Conference in April 2017. Staff contacted the possible speaker, her supervisor at DDS and got approval. DDS will let her speak at the conference as well as have an information table at the event. Staff coordinator the bio from the speaker and sent it to the committee member who is working on the registration form. This is

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her bio: Biography: Nicole Patterson has worked in the field as an advocate for people with all types of disabilities for the past seventeen years. Her experiences include living with a disability since birth, working with people in community programs, providing local assistance and advising people on their rights. She currently works for the California State Department of Developmental Services in the Office of Human Rights and Advocacy Services as the Coordinator of Consumer Service. There she provides a voice from consumers to the Director and the Department on issues that may be facing consumers in California and helps the Department come up with solutions to those issues. Nicole also helps with coordination for Department's Consumer Advisory Committee in their work on self-advocacy projects. She also participates on various committee and projects across the state. (ORGS 1 SA/ 1 OTH)

- OCRO disseminated information on special education, IHSS, emergency preparedness, healthcare for I/DD, and regional center services, to approximately 2,500 monolingual Spanish-speakers at the Destellos de Angeles Christmas Celebration event held at River Arena on Saturday, December 10, 2016. This event was the first annual event hosted by the Conexiones Educativas. SCDD Orange County Office was on the planning committee for this event alongside Regional Center of Orange County, Premier Healthcare, River Arena, State Farm, Special Education Attorney Edwin Egelsee, and three other vendors, who also served as outreach participants. In addition to the outreach booths, the main event of Destellos De Angeles was a large production Christmas Posada show. SCDD Orange County Staff disseminated the following information in Spanish: IPP Basics, Special Education Basics, Affordable Housing, Early Intervention, IHSS Basics, Orange County Community Resources, and disseminated information on WIOA, HCBS Settings Rules, and Self-Determination Program. Conexiones Educativas is newly organized and operating separately from Fiesta Educativa Orange County as a means to outreach to more monolingual Spanish-speaking families and consumers. (Members of the Public Reached 1000 SA/ 1500 FA – ORGS 8 OTH)
- OCRO hosted the Assurance Wireless Free Cell Phone Event on December 28, 2016, which provided free cell phones with unlimited text/talk service to low-income community members. There were a total of 41 consumers who participated in this event and received a free cell phone. This was the second time

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the SCDD Orange County Office hosted the event in response to the huge community need, as evidenced by multiple phone calls and inquires following the October event. RCOC sent out an eblast to their 10,000 member mailing list and multiple school districts sent out the announcement as well via robo-calls and through their CAC mailing lists. As a result, this event held today was extended to 9am to 4pm and another event will be hosted again on January 6. Assurance Wireless is a federal Lifeline Assistance program. Lifeline is a government benefit program supported by the federal Universal Service Fund. (Members of Public Reached 35 SA/ 6 FA – ORGS 2 OTH)

- OCRO staff participated in the 7th Annual "OC Autism Breakfast with Santa" on Saturday, December 17, from 10am-2pm. There were approximately 2000 people in attendance to enjoy food, fun, holiday festivities, and resource sharing. Of those 2000 individuals, 270 were children with disabilities who got to eat breakfast with Santa, take pictures, and get a free holiday gift. The event is organized by OC Autism, a non-profit agency created by a local Speech and Language Pathologist and BCBA. Local elected officials, including Member-Elect of the US House of Representatives from California's 46th district, Lou Correa was in attendance, as well as the mayor of Garden Grove. The mission of OC Autism is to "ensure the highest standard of care in our community" through education, resources, and advocacy, especially for the minority and underserved communities. The following agencies, including SCDD, participated in the event by having a resource booth and disseminating information: Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy/Orange County Office, Law Offices of Mark Woodsmall, Regional Center of Orange County, Beacon Day School, TASK, Autism Speaks, Anaheim Unified School District/Stoddard Elementary School; UCP Orange County; and many others for a total of 30 vendors sharing resources with families and self-advocates. SCDD Orange County Staff disseminated the following information: IPP Basics, Special Education Basics, Affordable Housing, Early Intervention, IHSS Basics, Orange County Community Resources, and disseminated information on WIOA, HCBS Settings Rules, and Self-Determination Program. (Members of Public Reached 270 SA/ 2000 FA – ORGS 31 OTH)
- SACRO staff hosted and participated in the Achieving a Better Life Experience (CaABLE) presentation offered to the SACRO Regional Advisory Committee on December 6, 2016. Christina Elliott, Executive Director of CaABLE showed a

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PPT presentation of the program. SCDD staff strives to increase community awareness on this new law that in 2015 Governor Brown signed. CalABLE allows qualified individuals with disabilities and their families to open tax-free savings accounts without the worry of losing vital government assistance. The law establishes a board that will administer the CalABLE savings program. Contributions to an ABLE account, currently limited to \$14,000 per year, can be made by family, friends, or the beneficiary themselves. The account's earnings are allowed to accumulate tax-free, and the withdrawals, provided they are applied to qualifying disability expenses, are tax-free. The ABLE Act stands for much more than being able to open up a tax-free 529A savings account for people with disabilities – the ABLE Act provides a guarantee (for the first time ever) that people with disabilities, and their families, can save their own money without jeopardizing necessary federal benefits like Medicaid and Social Security Income (SSI). For people with disabilities and their families, this is the first major legislative victory to achieving greater economic self-sufficiency. Nevertheless, there is still much more work to be done to empower individuals with disabilities and their families to enjoy the same rights and opportunities as everyone else so that all individuals with disabilities may “achieve a better life experience”. CalABLE material was distributed and the PPT presentation offered to 8 self-advocates, 14 family members and 13 professionals who were in attendance. (People Active 8 SA/ 14 FA/ 13 OTH – ORGS 4 OTH)

- SACRO staff met with Thuyen Pham, program coordinator at the Valley Hi-Florin Family Resource Center (FRC) in Sacramento for the purpose of providing information about SCDD, our role and to offer outreach, training, and technical assistance to improve the quality of and access to services, including Regional Centers, education, transportation, public benefits, child care, and recreation for people with I/DD and their families. Valley Hi-Florin FRC has many programs and activities and recently had a holiday event/family fun night that reached over 400 children and their family members. They host programs including but not limited to: Tiny Learners, Girl Scouts, Music and Movement, 'Sistah to Sistah', Fitness classes, Real Talk (Support, Coaching, Advice and Techniques for parents of little children). SCDD staff distributed this FRC information via MailChimp reaching 1,632 people. Organizations involved in this FRC are Sacramento Childrens' Home, Sacramento County, First 5 Sacramento, Birth and Beyond Family

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Resource Centers, Americorps and California Volunteers-Office of the Governor. SCDD plans to participate in the programs this FRC hosts to offer outreach, training, and technical assistance to improve the quality of and access to services, including Regional Centers, education, transportation, public benefits, child care, and recreation for people with I/DD and their families. (People Active 2 OTH – ORGS 7 OTH)

- SACRO staff participated in a planning meeting for the Supported Life Conference in Sacramento on December 6, 2016 to review this year's conference held October 2016. SCDD is a co-sponsor of the conference. The planning team is a combination of self-advocates, family advocates, teacher/school district staff, providers, agency representatives. Time was spent discussing potential keynote speakers and topics and strategies to improve the quality of presentations. There was also discussion about the target audience. 65% of the attendees are professionals 25% people with disabilities and 10% family members. There was discussion about how the audience affects the session and the scope of information that can be presented. (People Active 2 SA/ 1 FA/ 5 OTH – ORGS 4 OTH)
- SACRO staff shared information about an upcoming webinar on HCBS setting specifically targeted to programs transitioning to community integration with 5 local day programs (Pride Industries, DDSO Short Center, More Rehabilitation, Choices Transitional Services, Employment Enterprises). The webinar is titled, Organizational Transformation: From Workshops to Community Employment to be held Thursday, January 5, 12PM Pacific, 2017. Provider agencies across the country are transitioning from segregated "sheltered" workshop options to supporting integrated community careers for people with disabilities. This process of organizational transformation can be both exciting and challenging for provider staff and the people they serve. (ORGS 5 OTH)
- SACRO staff trained 48 staff and 2 Regional Center staff at More Rehabilitation in Placerville, El Dorado County on December 7, 2016. The training was an overview of Changes to the Developmental Disabilities System in California including: WIOA, Employment First, Paid Internships and Work Incentives, Dept. of Labor ruling, ABLE Act, Self-Determination Program, Olmstead Decision, and HCBS Settings Rules. The focus was on the goal of competitive integrated employment and full community inclusion for all individuals, particularly those receiving

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MediCaid Waiver Federal funds. All trainees received a packet with the following: SCDD Brochure, Summary of Changes to DD System Flyer, Self-Determination Program Flyer, About Your IPP Flyer, & Client Friendly IPP. (People Trained 50 OTH – ORGS 2 OTH)

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- SACRO staff volunteered to participate in the Virginia School Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at the Elks Lodge in Marysville. This has been a tradition for nearly 40 years, including lunch and a visit from Santa Claus. The Virginia school Wheatland-based and has 17 programs at various sites throughout Yuba County, serving 149 students ranging from moderately to severely disabled, preschool to 22 years old. The Marysville Rotary provided a gift for each of the 149 students in attendance. Recology Yuba-Sutter provides the meal for all and the Elks Lodge donates the space for the event. In an effort to increase outreach in a recreational setting, SCDD staff assisted in delivering lunch and provided support to the students and event organizers. Students with I/DD and their families thoroughly enjoyed the event along with school staff and community members. This event gave SCDD staff the opportunity to join members of the community of Yuba County in efforts to provide outreach and information about the SCDD. SCDD staff had the opportunity to also meet school district staff directly involved with inclusion activities at school sites and discuss the advantages and challenges they experience. School staff and community members appreciated the SCDD participation and support. (People Active 149 SA/ 50 FA/ 70 OTH –

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- SBRO staff collaborated with the Executive Director to provide employment, self-advocacy, housing, health and safety trainings for self-advocates that participate in their program. SBRO staff agreed to provide trainings monthly in 2017 for self-advocates and three for the general public as part of their training and outreach efforts. The items that they requested for trainings are as follows: Self-Advocacy - Managing My Money - Lanterman Act - Leading my own team meeting – Employment - Health and Safety. These trainings will begin in January of 2017 and continue through November of 2017 to reach over 80 self-advocates in each series. (People Active 2 OTH)
- SBRO staff collaborated with the training and safety coordinator for the Ontario Pomona Arc (OPARC) to provide employment, self-advocacy, housing, health and safety trainings for self-advocates that participate in their program. SBRO staff agreed to provide trainings monthly in 2017 for the Montclair OPARC Services, Upland Summit Services, and Ontario locations. The items that they requested for trainings are as follows: Why Work is Better, Working While Receiving SSI - Self-Determination Training (Video & Plain Language Presentation) - Emergency Disaster Preparedness – Bullying - Housing and Living Options -Your Medications, What you Should Know - Preparing for Fair Hearings - Strengthening Self-Advocacy - Dress for Success - Individual Program Plan (IPP). These trainings will begin in January of 2017 and continue through November of 2017 to reach over 60 self-advocates in each series. (People Active 2 OTH)
- SBRO staff participated in the public comment portion of the Human Rights Commission (HRC) meeting for the City of Palm Springs. SBRO staff spoke on the upcoming iCare & Assistive Technology for Employment Summit hosted in collaboration with the Braille Institute of Rancho Mirage, and how employment impacts persons with disability in the community. The HRC agreed to discuss at their special meeting in February to discuss support of the event. (ORGS 2 FA/ 9 OTH)
- SDIRO staff, on 12/13/16 in San Diego, met and chaired the In Home Supportive Services Advisory Committee meeting. Reports were given by the liaison for the following organizations: Aging and Independence Services, In Home Supportive Services, Public Authority, United Domestic Workers Union and the California In Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance. An update was given on the FLSA

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overtime regulations regarding sick days and violations. The group discussed ways we can be actively involved in the San Diego Live Well program through community outreach efforts. A presentation about the Public Authority on their purpose and services was given. Those in attendance were: Consumers, providers, In Home Supportive Services, Public Authority, United Domestic Workers Union and family members. (People Active 4 SA/ 3 FA/ 11 OTH)

- SEQRO conducted a presentation on Social Security Benefits. The presentation was held at the Central Valley Regional Center where there was a total of 60 participants in attendance. The presentation focused on benefits for minors (SSI and death benefits) benefits for adults (SSI, SSDI, SSDAC and all other benefits) as well as Work Incentives. (People Trained 2 SA/ 15 FA/ 41 OTH)
- SEQRO conducted a presentation on Social Security Benefits. The presentation was held at the Central Valley Regional Center where there was a total of 8 participants in attendance. The presentation focused on benefits for minors (SSI and death benefits) benefits for adults (SSI, SSDI, SSDAC and all other benefits) as well as Work Incentives. (People Trained 6 FA)
- SEQRO staff met with five families to discuss the eligibility process under the 5th category for Regional Center. Families were provided information on the eligibility process along with the one-page handout and information on the seven criteria areas that they can look at for eligibility. (People Trained 5 FA)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
USC UCEDD Webinar IHSS	100	100	25
FCSN presents Special Needs Talent Showcase: - Audition at FCSN South Bay Center on 1/22 -- safe	5	220	204
Implementing California's ABLE Program Webinar Now Available on YouTube!	11	21	273
Notice and announcement: CalABLE Act presentation; Regional Advisory Committee meeting; and 22q 11.2 Deletion Syndrome presentation.	300	1022	300

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SCDD/NVH e-Newsletter	300	300	100
Assurance Wireless free cell phone event announcement	317	814	230
Dec 5 Arc MMM	25	25	25
Retirement Letter from Jim Burton	11	21	273
New ED hired at Redwood Coast	30	68	129
CalABLE Public Meeting Advisory Final Notice	30	68	129
UCP CRAB FEED flyer	100	100	100
UCEDD IHSS Webinar	30	68	129
"You're invited to Exploring Cultural Diversity in Rural Communities-... (Feb 16, 2017)"	35	135	250
"USC UCEDD Webinar: In-Home Supportive Services (I.H.S.S.)"	35	135	250
CalABLE Public Agency Advisory Meeting announcement	100	250	150
SCDD LA ENewsletter Vol 65: "Changes & Choices" Conference Announcement	600	650	620
SCDD LA ENewsletter Vol 65: SCDD LA Office Wednesday Workshop Survey	600	650	620
SCDD LA ENewsletter Vol 65: "Navigating the IEP" training announcement	600	650	620
Autism Daddy Event	0	25	25
The ACR Dec 12 MMM	25	25	25
Subject: Human Services course in Spanish in Spring 2017	30	68	129
"The ABLE Act: What Disability Advocates Need to Know"	35	135	250
SCDD Orange County Office Survey - Help us develop our training schedule!	317	814	230
State Plan: Plain Language Version	11	21	273
UCP Open Lab Workshops on Voice Options and Aided Language Stimulation	5	387	100
"SCCAR event possibility"	35	135	250
"CVHS Multicultural Event happening Feb. 25"	35	135	250
The Arc Den 19 MMM	25	25	25
"You're invited to Exploring Cultural Diversity in Rural Communities.... (Feb 16, 2017)"	35	135	250
The Arc- webinar: The Intersection of Race, Disability and Policing	25	25	50
Tracy Citizen Survey	25	25	25
Happy Holidays – 2017-2021 State Plan	13	477	511
Assurance Wireless free cell phone event reminder	317	814	230
Bakersfield Events and Information	23	56	130
RAC January Agenda	23	56	130
Assurance Wireless free cell phone event reminder	317	814	230
January Update	23	56	130
CalABLE January Board Meeting Announcement	30	68	129
CalFresh Benefits Program	7	257	308
"Braille Institute now offering Riverside classes".	150	200	250
SCDD SDI RAC agenda for January, 2017 meeting	5	387	100
FNRC Study reveals need for more services for young adults with autism	5	50	50
OCRA Chinese New Year Celebration	11	21	273

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New California Laws		25	50	50
Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T/F	Referred 2 SA and 6 other people to State Disability Insurance (SDI) for assistance related to their disability, application process, claim, and payment issue during the month of December 2016.	2	0	6
T	Provided information to FA on Regional Center Services including transportation. Referred to NBRC, Solano Transportation Mobility Services, and ILC.	0	1	0
T	Assisted Public Health Nurse with RCOC eligibility for one of her clients	0	0	1
T	Technical assistance provided about conservatorships and alternatives	0	1	0
E	Answered FA and SA questions about SSI denial for adult son with I/DD	1	1	0
E	Assisted FA and SA with meditation resources for people with I/DD	1	1	0
E	Requested community advocates to forward Assurance Wireless event flyer	0	0	5
E	A professional, L.R. requested our input and assistance to help make a Maker Fair “accessible” to all populations. She hopes to develop this Fair in 2017 in Sacramento. Also referred her to N. A. Citywide ADA Coordinator City of Sac Disabilities Advisory Commission.	0	0	1
T	Provided TA to parent of adult child served by SGPRC regarding a denial of vocational skills training.	0	1	0
T	Provided TA to SA served by ELARC regarding issues with ILS and employment.	1	0	0
E	Contacted by Child Welfare Services regarding services and resources for 17year old individual who is in the dependency court and will be transitioning back to the community.	0	0	1
F	Referred 1 SA to OCRA for assistance with legal assistance related to child custody	1	0	0
E	Provided FA with additional meditation resources	0	1	0
E	Provided information on ILS services for consumers living in family home	2	1	0
E	Technical assistance offered on Assurance Wireless event	0	0	4
T	Assisted SA with IHSS eligibility questions	1	0	0
T	Assisted 2 FA with adult resources for his son who is ineligible for RCOC	0	2	0
T	Provided Special Ed Professional with information on training resources and opportunities in her area including website for SCDD, MIND, FRCN. Referred her to	0	0	1

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	SCDD Sacramento for additional assistance.			
T	Provided information to FA on conservatorship. Referred FA to NBRC, OCRA, and County Conservatorship Office	0	1	0
T	Provided parent assistance regarding regional center eligibility	0	1	0
E	Provided information to FA, SA, CA on Destellos de Angeles Spanish event	6	5	11
T	Provided FA information on how to choose CCF for adult consumer	0	1	0
T	Provided TA to parent of a child served by FDLRC who recently transferred her case from Kern RC. Parent reported that FDLRC has not implemented IPP that was agreed to with KRC. Forwarded links to 4731 Complaint process and RULA.	0	1	0
E T	Generic Autism Awareness for Provider	0	0	1
T	Provided TA to parent of adult child served by SGPRC regarding denial of adaptive swim classes. Forwarded links to RULA and DRC Fair Hearing packet.	0	1	0
T	Assisted FA with regional center vendorization questions	0	1	0
E	Assisted 4 FA's with regional center eligibility questions	0	4	0
E	Confirming participation at RAC meeting	0	0	4
T	Assisted FA with Assurance Wireless questions	0	1	1
T	Technical assistance provided on SSI benefits and representative payee	0	1	0
E	Spoke to FA regarding eligibility denial – referred to DRC OCRA Redwood Coast.	1	1	0
T	Spoke with SA needing a toaster and where to get one he could afford. Discussed potential ideas with client.	1	0	0
T	Spoke with behavioral health employee regarding generic services provided to IDD & mental health clients.	0	0	1
T/E	Provided Technical Assistance to 1 FA related to housing resources in Shasta County and encouraged FA to work closely with adult child's service coordinator for assistance on issue.	0	1	0
T	Provided TA to parent of adult child served by FDLRC regarding denial of Exceptional Minds Program. Forwarded links to RULA and DRC Fair Hearing Packet.	0	1	0
F	Spoke with Lake county agency regarding services North Coast office provides and gave card and brochure.	0	0	1
F	Provided information to 2 SA on local homeless shelter for short term housing resources. Also provided support to them to work with their FNRC Service Coordinators on housing search and resources in the community to secure housing.	2	0	0
T/E	Provided assistance to parent regarding IHSS and SLS concerns	0	1	0
T/E	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
T	Information provided to FA on IPP consent page	0	1	0
T	411 call Requesting DSS Barstow. Referred to (877) 410-8829	0	0	1
T	Provided community business on information regarding autism, referred to website for more information. Also provided information on services offered by SCDD.	0	0	1
T	6.3 Staff assisted father of adult child residing in Stanislaus County who was	0	1	0

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	diagnosed with a stroke 2 years ago. No developmental disability. He needed resources for locating and pursuing employment. Staff referred to DRAIL and CA Department of Rehabilitation.			
E	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
T	Schedule trainings for new year in collaboration with outside presenters	0	0	5
E	Technical assistance provided on IHSS and SSI to a FA	0	1	0
T	FM, of a SA with autism. Looking for resources for SA (PCA in-home care, ABA etc.) Referred to Autism Society and DRC.	0	1	0
T	Spoke to constituent about on-demand transportation service provided guidance about contacting transit authority board.	1	0	0
T	Provided assistance to family member regarding applying for regional center services	0	1	0
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	0	1
T	Registered 52 callers for the Assurance Wireless event	0	52	0
E	Emailed with E. at Warmline FRC and Y. M. at the Sacramento Food Bank regarding collaboration with the WarmLine to present role of both the WarmLine FRC and SCDD.	0	0	2
E	Emailed the Family Advocate Committee (FAC), J.C and X.S. to collaborate as they sit on the FAC Board and SCDD plans to collaborate with them in the future.	0	0	2
T	Provided FA with information on respite services and IHSS. Referred FA to OCRA, NBRC, DDS website.	0	1	0
T	Fielded 70 callers about the Assurance wireless event	0	70	0
E	Assisted FA with questions about RCOC as representative payee of benefits	0	1	0
E	Coordinated logistics for Assurance Wireless event on 12/28/16	0	0	1
T	Provided assistance to individual regarding regional center concerns	1	0	0
F	Provided technical assistance regarding Early Start, due process, IFSP strategy. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	3	0
T	Provided information on how to apply to be on the State Council to CA	0	0	1
T	Assisted 45 callers with Assurance Wireless registrations	0	45	0
E	Provided technical assistance regarding failure to provide a reasonable accommodation under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
E	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
T	FM, of SA whom was found ineligible for IRC, IRC referred FM to SCDD. SA is in need of ABA assistance and job coaching. Referred to Autism Society & DOR.	0	1	0
F	Spoke to SA who has concerns about potential changes to the dial a ride transit	1	0	0

Goal #6.3

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	system and provided contact information and advice regarding strategies to work with the local Council of Governments agency that has oversight of the local transit authority.			
F	Staff met with county representative to discuss general questions regarding reasonable accommodations for employment of people with disabilities and provided reference resource, samples and guides for policy consideration	0	0	1
F	Provided SA with information on free, low cost computers and internet service.	2	0	1
T/E	Provided assistance to APS worker regarding conservatorship concerns	0	0	1
E	Provided assistance to a service provider regarding a family's SSI concerns	0	0	1
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
E	Assisted FA with regional center fair hearing questions	0	1	0
T/E	SA concerns regarding the denial of service request to move to a group home from IRC, and not receiving a notice of action. Provided number to OCRA of 909-883-1133. Per SA Request, provided SA's contact information to IRC. Per their calendar, they are closed until Tuesday the 27th of December. SA already has an appointment with the Program manager that denied the service on 12/27/16 in an attempt to resolve concern. Emailed the OCRA information and forwarded contact via email to IRC as requested.	1	0	0
T	Assisted 3 FA's on Assurance Wireless eligibility questions	0	3	0
E	Coordinated with RCOC on offering ABLE Act presentation to community	0	0	1
E	Provided information to FA on RCOC vendorization requirements	0	1	0
T	Fielded 15 calls about Assurance Wireless event related to eligibility, appointment, and documentation	0	15	0
E	Inquiry to be added to emailing list	0	1	0
T	Mother called upset that regional center won't give her information about her adult son's whereabouts. She insisted that it was our agency's job to locate him. She has called this office before with similar issues. Ref'd to the CRA for the regional center and to the police.	0	1	0
T	Called by a parent regarding obtaining eligibility for regional center services for her adult son. The suggestion was made that she contact Disability Rights CA to see if they might be able to fund a Neuropsych Assessment, as that would be new information to take to the Regional Center, as well as give her a more accurate picture of the strengths and weaknesses of her son. In speaking to this parent, it was not a clear case of the son being eligible, and it may not be in his best interest to become a client. Department of Rehabilitation was tried, and they had suggested he go back to SDRC, but depending on the worker, that is not an uncommon thing for them to do. This young man graduated from high school, is taking college classes (albeit remedial classes), he drives, has several friends he does things with, overall, sounded very competent, but not unlike many 18 year olds, somewhat immature.	1	1	0

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	Added mom to distribution list, and asked that she call back if she is able to get more of a diagnosis or information on her son to pursue SDRC services, and we can walk her through the re-application process.			
T	Provided technical assistance regarding methods of creating systemic change pertaining to regional center disparities and failures to adequately serve individuals with developmental disabilities. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	1	0
F	Provided technical assistance regarding methods of creating systemic change pertaining to regional center disparities and failures to adequately serve individuals with developmental disabilities. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	0	2	0
T	Parent called about denial of services by the Regional Center. Waited until the last minute to begin the appeal process. Wants to know if child can be reassessed at a later time or if this appeal is final. Directed parent to contact Regional Center in person and with documentation, before appeal window closes.	1	1	0

Goal #6.4

The Council, in consultation with its federal partners, will increase identification, advocacy and/or sponsorship of legislative, regulatory, policy, procedure and/or practice changes to increase access to quality community-based services for people with I/DD and their families.

- SDIRO staff attended the December, 2016 of the San Diego Regional Center Board of Directors. The SDRC has recently made a commitment to hire more people with I/DD, and in fact announced at this meeting that they currently have 9 employees with I/DD, and the most recent was previously a member of the board, so they will need to fill that vacant position. The announce announcement was also made that the Foundation is currently seeking Proposals, and agencies will have until the end of January to complete a proposal. In addition, a parent that has repeatedly contacted the SCDD San Diego Imperial Office about an issue she has with her son, who is living in a group home in North Los Angeles, but who she claims wants to move to San Diego, made public comment. Efforts to support her and her son have not produced the desired outcome, so over the last year, the suggestion was made that she attend the Board of Directors meeting, and make public comment regarding the frustration she has experienced, and request assistance with this matter. If nothing else, this parent and her situation is on the radar of the SDRC, and hopefully something can come about because of this. (People Active 1 FA)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
SCDD Changes to DD System Handout	200	200	100
CalABLE Public Agency Mtg info	50	150	125
CalABLE Public Agency Advisory Council Dec 13	19	52	104
SCDD LA ENewsletter Vol 65: CalABLE Webbinar	600	650	620
SCDD LA ENewsletter Vol 65: CalABLE Stakeholders' Meeting Announcement	600	650	620
SCDD LA ENewsletter Vol 65: IHSS Webinar	600	650	620
Special Needs Trust Fairness Act information	605	1037	623
CalABLE is coming to Los Angeles!	25	50	50
It's All About the ABLE Act	13	477	511
Reminder: CalABLE Survey Closing Dec. 23!	600	650	620
New Year Brings Changes to LA Sales Taxes	600	650	620

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CalABLE Program Resource	13	477	511
CalABLE January board meeting agenda	25	50	50
CalABLE January Board meeting agenda distributed	5	387	0
CalABLE January Board Meeting	23	56	130
New California Laws	600	650	620
SCDD LA ENewsletter on CalABLE Survey Reminder	600	650	620

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T	Received call from a nurse needing referrals to services for a client, referred RCRC, local agencies.	1	0	1
E	K. M., parent, asked if SCDD could contact the IRS for clarity on IHSS income issues. Contacted Bob Giovati, SCDD. Informed Karen that SCDD does not see this as a systemic issue and encouraged her to contact the IRS or tax attorney for information pertaining to her situation.	0	1	0
F	Spoke with the recreation center group regarding Special Olympics basketball, ABC programs, funding issues and scholarships for programs.	0	0	4
T	Provided information regarding Adoption Assistance Program resources to F/A.	0	1	0
T	Parent called needing help with the San Diego Regional Center. She had received a letter stating her respite hours were going to be reduced, and they were still needed. In the course of the conversation, she indicated she had already been in contact with the Consumer Rights Advocate at Disability Rights CA, as well as another attorney. Given that she had already received direction as to how to respond (appeal within 10 days, ask for aide pay pending, etc.) I confirmed those were the necessary steps to take, and I re-sent her the forms, as well as a 4731 complaint form that she requested, and added her to an email list so that she will learn of upcoming trainings regarding her rights, and other topics of interest.	1	1	0
E	Received an email from a service provider- one of the people they support asked for help with their finances as the person just inherited a large sum of money. They contacted the VMRC SC and were told to spend down the money. Staff emailed information on an ABLE Act account as well as resources on Special Needs Trusts. Contact info was given as well to DRAIL and Family Resource Network. The service	1	1	1

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	provider emailed back and said the family was very appreciative of the information.			
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Collaborative Partners

1.1

- Alta California Regional Center
- Autism Society of Los Angeles (ASLA)
- California Department of Developmental Services
- Central Valley Regional Center, Self Determination Advisory Committee Members
- Disability Rights California
- Down Syndrome Information Alliance (DSIA)
- Inclusion Institute
- Premier Healthcare FMS Agency
- Redwood Coast Regional Center
- Redwood Coast Regional Center, Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy
- Regional Center of the East Bay
- San Andreas Regional Center
- Self-Determination Advisory Committee
- SF Autism Society
- UCLA Developmental Disabilities Study
- University Center of Excellence

1.2

- California Department of Developmental Services
- Compass Service
- Cypress College, Disabled Students Services Program
- Disability Rights California
- Early Start Family Resource Network (ESFRN)
- Harbor House
- Imagine Supported Living Services
- North Orange County Community College District
- Orange County, Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy
- People First
- Statewide Self-Advocacy Network
- Statewide Self-Advocacy Network, Orange County Representative

Collaborative Partners

- University Center of Excellence

2.1

- Aerotek
- Autism Society of the Inland Empire (ASIE)
- Braille Institute of Rancho Mirage
- California Department of Developmental Services
- California Department of General Services
- California Department of Rehabilitation
- California Disability Advisory Committee
- California State University Sacramento
- CalPERS
- City of Rancho Cordova
- Coalition of Local Area Service Providers (CLASP)
- Colton Redlands Yucaipa Regional Occupational Program (CRY-ROP)
- Comcast
- Culver City Unified School District
- EBI
- Employment 4 All
- Far Northern Regional Center
- Golden 1 Credit Union
- iCan
- InAlliance
- IRI
- Jay Nolan
- Los Angeles Unified School District
- Los Rios Community College District
- Mendocino County Office of Education
- Molina Healthcare
- Office of Congresswoman Doris Matsui
- OPARC Summit Services
- Palo Alto Unified School District

Collaborative Partners

- Progressive Employment
- Project Independence
- Redland High School Work Ability Program
- Sacramento Municipal Utilities District (SMUD)
- San Andreas Regional Center, Service Provider Advisory Committee
- South Ukiah Rotary
- Stockton Unified School District (SUSD)
- SVS Adult Services
- UC Davis
- Ukiah High School Career Technical Education Programs
- University Center of Excellence
- Valley Mountain Regional Center
- Valley Vision
- Westside Regional Center
- Workability

2.2

- National Disability Institute (NDI)
- Tri-Counties Regional Center

3.1

- Behavioral Health and Recovery Board
- Coachella Valley Housing Coalition (CVHC)
- Manzanita House
- Redwood Quality Management Corporation
- Rural Community Housing Development Corp.
- Southern California Association of Non-profit Housing

3.2

- California Department of Developmental Services, Direct Service Provider
- Housing Choices Coalition

Collaborative Partners

- Lanterman Housing Coalition
- Regional Center of the East Bay
- Tri - Counties Regional Center

3.3

- N/A

4.1

- Access OC
- Alzheimer's San Diego
- California Department Of Rehabilitation
- CalOptima
- Casa de la Familia
- Children & Families Commission of Orange County
- Children's Health Initiative of Orange County
- Dignity Health (St. Joseph's Hospital)
- Disability Rights California
- Downs Syndrome Association
- Healings in Motion,
- Orange County Department of Education
- Orange County United Way
- Statewide Self-Advocacy Network
- University Of the Pacific (UOP)
- Vallejo County Special Education Local Planning Area

4.2

- California Department of Developmental Services
- California State Preschool
- Child Care Planning Council
- DRC-OCRA Redwood Coast
- Head Start

Collaborative Partners

- Mendocino College Child Development
- Mendocino County Council
- Mendocino County Office of Education
- Mendocino County Sheriff's Department,
- North Coast Opportunities
- Northern California Adaptive Living Center
- Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce
- Redwood Coast Regional Center
- Stanford Hospital/Clinic
- Ukiah Police Department
- Ukiah Valley Association for Habilitation (UVAH)

4.3

- CalOptima
- Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health.
- North Los Angeles County Regional Center (NLACRC)
- The Achievable Foundation
- UCLA Center for Health Policy Research
- USC UCEDD
- Westside Regional Center (WRC)

5.1

- Blind Children's Learning Center
- Boy and Girls Club of America
- California Department of Developmental Services
- California Department of Social Services
- Child Care Planning Council
- Disability Rights California
- Early Start
- First 5, Alameda County
- Friends of Children with Special Needs

Collaborative Partners

- Head Start
- Healthy Smiles for Kids OC
- Help Me Grow Orange County
- Mendocino College Child Development
- Mendocino County Council
- Mendocino County Department of Public Health
- Mendocino County Office of Education
- Milestones Montessori of Irvine
- North Coast Opportunities
- Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Community Alliance
- Progress Speech & Language
- Providence Speech & Hearing
- Regional Center of Orange County
- Regional Center of the East Bay
- State Preschool
- Team of Advocates for Special Kids (TASK)
- Vallejo County Special Education Local Planning Area

5.2

- ARC of San Diego
- California Department of Developmental Services
- Chapman University Thompson Policy Institute on Disability and Autism
- Children and Families Commission
- Crimson Speech and Language Center
- Lodi Special Education Local Planning Area
- Regional Center of Orange County
- San Diego Regional Center
- San Diego Unified School District
- South County Special Education Local Plan Area
- UC Davis MIND Institute

Collaborative Partners

5.3

- Alameda College
- Alameda County Department of Public Health
- Alameda County Developmental Disability Council
- Alliance for Children's Rights
- CA Promise
- California Department of Developmental Services
- California Department of Rehabilitation
- California State University Los Angeles (CSULA)
- Disability Rights California
- Disability Rights Legal Center
- Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office
- Redwood Coast Regional Center
- Regional Center of the East Bay
- School District Staff
- Supported Living Staff
- The Kids Alliance
- Transition Program Specialists
- University Center of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, University of Southern California
- Vallejo Unified School District

5.4

- N/A

6.1

- Alameda County, Child Health and Disability Prevention Program
- Alegria Community Living
- Autism Society of Los Angeles
- Bay Area Support Services
- California Department of Developmental Services

Collaborative Partners

- Community Resources for Independent
- Housing Consortium of the East Bay
- La Familia
- Padres Unidas Sin Limites
- Regional Center of the East Bay
- San Leandro School District
- South Bay Down Syndrome Association
- The Cerebral Palsy Center
- Toolwork
- Westside Regional Center
- Westside Regional Center, Equity Taskforce
- Westside Regional Center, Family Resource and Empowerment Center

6.2

- ARC Aktion Club
- ARC Fresno/Madera
- Butte County Public Authority's IHSS Program
- Central Valley Regional Center
- CUSD
- EPU
- Fairview Volunteer Advocacy Services (VAS) Project
- Kiwanis
- Patch Farms
- Tahoe Joes

6.3

- Adult Behavior Consultants
- Alameda County Developmental Disabilities Council
- Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center
- Alta California Regional Center
- Anaheim Unified School District/Stoddard Elementary School

Collaborative Partners

- Assurance Wireless Outreach Specialists
- CalABLE
- California Department of Developmental Services
- California Department of Rehabilitation
- Center for Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disorders
- Central Coast, Office of Clients Rights
- Chinese Parents Association for the Disabled
- Choices Transitional Services
- City of Garden Grove
- City of Palm Springs, Human Rights Commission
- City Of Stockton
- Community Center for the Blind
- Compass
- Conexiones Educativas
- Contra Costa County Developmental Disabilities Council
- Developmental Disabilities Service Organization (DDSO) Short Center
- Disability Rights California
- Downey City Council
- East Bay Providers
- Easter Seals
- Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center
- Edwin Egelsee (SPED attorney)
- Elks Lodge
- Employment Enterprises
- Encompass Community Services
- First 5
- Golden Gate Regional Center
- Head Start
- Help Me Grow
- Hope
- In Home Supportive Services
- Inalliance
- Love Inc

Collaborative Partners

- Marysville Rotary Club
- Mendocino College Child Development
- Mendocino County Office of Education
- New Horizons
- North Coast Opportunities
- North Los Angeles County Regional Center, Family Resource Center
- OC Autism
- Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy, Orange County
- Ontario Pomona ARC (OPARC)
- Padres Unidos Sin Limites Parent Group
- Pajaro Valley Unified School District
- Peppermint Ridge
- Peter Leung, Hydrotherapist
- Premier HealthCare
- Pride Industries,
- Recology Yuba-Sutter
- Regional Center of Orange County
- Regional Center of the East Bay
- River Arena Church
- Sacramento Valley Hi-Florin Family Resource Center
- SACRO Regional Advisory Committee
- San Andreas Regional Center
- San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center
- Special Information Parents Network (SPIN)
- Special Kids Crusade
- Special Olympics
- Special Parents Information Network (SPIN)
- State Preschool
- Supported Life Institute
- Tri-County Independent Living Center
- United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay
- United Domestic Workers Union
- Vallejo County Special Education Local Planning Area

Collaborative Partners

- Valley Mountain Regional Center
- Virginia School
- Woodsmall Law Group
- Yuba County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA)

6.4

- California Department of Developmental Services

Emerging Issues

- (BARO) At the Bay Area Rapid Transit Accessibility Taskforce meeting, questions came up regarding the Federal Law mandating that BART have priority seating available for people with disabilities, seniors, and expecting mothers. The committee was informed that the law states that BART must have the seats available, but there is no law that mandates those seats must be given to such persons when in need.
- (CCRO) Based on a survey sent out by CCRO, it has been discovered that a majority of the community is unaware of upcoming changes to regulations. Community members have shared concerns over how day and employment services will adjust their service delivery to meet the new regulations.
- (LARO) Despite promoting an employment first policy and perspective, many vendors still cling to myths pertaining to employment and individuals with developmental disabilities. Los Angeles Regional Office staff provided technical assistance and materials to dispel these myths and help focus the group on productive strategies that reflect the concerns of self-advocates and family advocates. Additionally, SCDD staff promoted an upcoming local conference which may clarify perceptions pertaining to these issues.
- (LARO) Many advocates and attorneys, while being aware of regional centers and their role, are often unaware of the prevailing trends impacting adults. Given the changes to the HCBS new rules, WIOA (Workforce Innovations and Opportunity Act), and self-determination, this Special Education Task Force has sought guidance and training from the SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office. To that end, SCDD Los Angeles staff will collaborate with the Department of Rehabilitation to train the Special Education Task Force on the Workforce Innovations and Opportunities Act (WIOA) at the January meeting.
- (LARO) The fear of losing SSI and medical benefits has posed a great employment barrier. Understanding of different work incentives and saving benefits can help address these concerns.
- (LARO) There is a critical need in LA County to have effective advocacy activities in place for families of children with special healthcare needs. There are 7 Family Resource Centers connected to 7 Regional Centers in LA. While working with the Family Resource Centers and many other parent support groups in LA County, the SCDD LA Office has learned of the needs to help family members develop skills and build resources to effectively advocate for their loved ones.
- (LARO) There is an unmet need for transitional aged youths and their families in CHLA to access transition support & services from special education, regional center services, and

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vocational rehabilitation programs.

- (LARO) This collaboration, with Southern California Association of Non-profit Housing, addresses the need we have identified to get information on accessing special education to parents of young children so they are prepared for special education and the IEP process for their children's time in school. Frequently parents don't know how to do this until their children are much older thus losing valuable educational time.
- (NBRO) Lack of affordable housing for people with I/DD.
- (NBRO) Lack of information on services that are or can be provided to adults and funded by Regional Center.
- (NBRO) Over the past 4 months, SCDD has received at least 6 complaints from the community regarding housing access and options. Family advocates are also complaining about being denied respite services from NBRC. Family advocates have begun to address this issue via social media with other family advocates statewide.
- (NBRO) Total vouchers issued for North Bay area is 100, far less than total need. Last issuance of vouchers was in 2010. ILC was not aware that NED vouchers had been issued to the North Bay area.
- (NCRO) Due to the geographical area, the SDAC meetings are conducted via video conference. Due to technical issues, future meetings will not have a call in number which may limit public participation.
- (NCRO) Most schools in California are currently phasing out CTE programs due to the state switching funding mechanisms to a program called Local Control. This means moneys that were set aside specifically for CTE programs by the state are now going into the school district's general fund, allowing the school to spend the money as it sees fit. Most schools like neighboring Willits High School are phasing out CTE and using the money to solve their budget problems.
- (NCRO) Some agencies and facilitators only want to do activities during the day with their consumers and not on evenings and weekends so this excludes them from gym usage as the school uses the gym for recreation the majority of the day during the school week. People First and Special Olympics are asking for help in supporting their activities. Funding is always an issue, but the collaborators involved hope to continue to get support from service clubs and foundations and continue to fund raise to support and increase activities available to disabled. The City of Ukiah program fees are too high at the Recreation Center so the Board is raising funds to reduce fees and or offer no cost programs to facilitate the needs and provide new programs being requested as part of

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their strategic planning process.

- (NCRO) There is concern about any new housing projects being approved in Ukiah and Fort Bragg as the community is still unhappy about the 8 units for mental health clients at the Manzanita House program in downtown Fort Bragg. The RCS Tiny House project that received funding from the county has been discontinued due to the site being purchased by another entity to keep the project out of the neighborhood. Mendocino County has a higher per capita homeless rate, 140 per 10,000, than Humboldt County, 97 per 10,000. By comparison urban Sonoma County has 62 per 10,000. The number of homeless has increased by 255 between the years of 2015 and 2016. This is the sixth highest increase of unsheltered in the country. The County contracted with HUD to build or renovate property. The City of Ukiah site that was being considered as a trade for a piece of property that HUD owns fell through. The City was uncooperative. This trade would help with funding the match as well as provide tax credits for potential developers. The hope was to build or renovate 40 units of housing in Mendocino County on this site. HUD continues to look for property. The City of Ukiah and Fort Bragg have put up barriers by siting zoning, water restrictions, coastal commission zones, and other issues as barriers to the development which all impede the progress of developing new housing units in the county. The “Point in Time” study will be done around March in Mendocino County. Not enough non ambulatory and subsidized housing in rural counties is growing and not improving due to impediments put up by cities.
- (NSRO) Building collaborative efforts in rural communities is challenging due to lack of resources and lack of communication. Day program has now been added to the North State Regional Office distribution list and will receive information directly in the future.
- (NSRO) Council member needed assistance regarding his Executive Committee Meeting to understand the agenda items. Council member and staff went over how to review a packet, what to look for, make notes on voting items and how important it is to prepare in advance by making a list of questions to ask during the meeting prior to making motions and voting. Staff went over strategies on how to best prepare for future meetings, such as reading the information before the day of the meeting so the member can feel less stressed and better prepared. Staff also made suggestions on where to go for help and who to ask if member decides that having additional supports would be helpful. Staff also stressed the importance of confidentiality and how having an independent facilitator could be beneficial. Staff stressed that facilitators should not impose facilitator opinion onto member, therefore asking for staff opinion is not a good

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idea. Asking for information to make an informed decision is appropriate but a member should remember the purpose of the council member role.

- (NSRO) Council member needed staff to assist in understanding what took place at the November 2016 Council meeting so he could complete his report with accurate information. Council member and staff went over strategies to alleviate stress when presenting verbal reports with confidence and how to best prepare for upcoming RAC meeting.
- (NSRO) New IHSS Advisory Committee Facilitator hired. They will require support to learn the tasks and required functions of the position. The committee members are very supportive and helpful. The Facilitator position is very helpful to the operations and required business of the committee.
- (NSRO) SCDD DAC is working on coordinating the annual Workforce Analysis survey that is distributed annually to determine the percentage of people with disabilities amongst the SCDD workforce. SCDD DAC is developing quarterly trainings for all SCDD employees to participate and learn about projects of the SCDD DAC.
- (NSRO) SSAN members have a lot of responsibility to educate their regions and promote the mission of SSAN. Facilitation is necessary for North State Representative to meet the expectation of SSAN and to support her success.
- (NSRO) The North State SSAN Representative is new to using a PowerPoint presentation. She will benefit from more practice and experience with presentations by doing them more frequently and getting more familiar with the materials. She did a great job overall and through support and practice she will develop and strengthen her training skills.
- (NVHRO) Lack of sufficient support for self-advocacy organizations.
- (NVHRO) Lack of understanding of the public regarding the role and function of SCDD.
- (NVHRO) There is a lack of awareness regarding Stroke prevention/Brain Health.
- (OCRO) In spite of the specific details communicated on the event flyer and through the SurveyMonkey sign-up page, a few consumers/group home administrators were not prepared with proper documentation (proof of address or income) and did not receive a phone.
- (OCRO) Of the survey responses received, some attendees needed more clarification with respect to SSDI benefits and ABLE Act. Most individuals; however, did walk away understanding that their son or daughter will not lose benefits if they work due to the work incentives SSA offers.
- (OCRO) The Orange County Transportation Authority/Access Services provided timely

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service for the start of his tour; however, they did not pick him up within the allotted time-frame. This is not a new systemic issue in Orange County, but is problematic for the safety and security of those with disabilities.

- (SACRO) Many community colleges have Career and Technical Education programs but people with I/DD may lack access to or knowledge of these programs. They may require special supports to fully integrate into these programs.
- (SEQRO) Young adults with developmental disabilities feel excluded from events like the winter formal. They want to be able to participate in formal events. They want agencies to look at the importance of social activities and create more inclusive social events that will benefit the entire community.