



State Council on Developmental Disabilities

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**COMMUNITY PROGRAM DEVELOPMENTAL GRANT
 GRANT PROPOSALS SELECTED FOR FUNDING FOR CYCLE 26
 FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004**

\$1,987,000 OF THE COUNCIL'S FEDERAL BASIC STATE GRANT

Applicant and Program	Amount Recommended	Counties	Ranking
Children's Hospital and Health Center Healthy Smiles for Children with Disabilities San Diego, CA 92123 (858) 576-1700 State Plan Objective: HE1.3 & HE1.4	\$99,299.00	San Diego and Imperial	1
<p>This proposal will provide outreach services and supports that would otherwise not be available and are required to address the "neglected epidemic" of dental disease in this region. This is a cost-effective, innovative program that will impact at least 6,900 children and family members through: a) Up to 3 home visits each for 300 children, these visits are to adequately address oral sensitivities and affect behavior change; b) Distribution of adaptive toothbrushes and other specialized supplies for infants and toddlers; c) Dental screenings in San Diego and Imperial counties for a minimum of 200 children; d) Dental care coordination for children with Autism needing urgent care and family peer support; e) Parent education to improve the oral health of their children through the development and distribution of a <i>Directory of Dentists Treating Children with Autism</i>, and articles in the San Diego Regional Center, Exceptional Family Resource Center and Autism Society newsletters; and f) Establish a family peer support to model oral health successes and develop a source for problem-solving, in collaboration with the Exceptional Family Resource Center. The San Diego Regional Center has committed to providing referrals to <i>Healthy Smiles</i> and sustaining this program when this funding cycle concludes.</p>			
Far Northern Regional Center Abuse Free By Design Redding, CA 96049-2418 (530) 222-4791 State Plan Objective: QA1.1	\$60,722.00 <u>(4,554.85)</u> *\$56,167.85	Butte, Glenn Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama, and Trinity	2
<p>This proposal will develop and implement a network of training and support that addresses healthy relationships, sexuality and abuse prevention for individuals with developmental disabilities, their families and the people who serve them. There are four components to this proposal: Peer to Peer sexuality training, consumer-specific assessments of personal care needs, abuse prevention through multimedia materials, and disability awareness for the community. Regional self-advocacy leaders will be actively involved in all aspects of this proposal and will report on the progress of the project quarterly at the regional People First Officers' meeting and twice annually to People First of California.</p>			

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Life Steps Foundation, Inc. Developmentally Disabled Senior Inclusion Project San Luis Obispo, CA 93401 (805) 462-2008 State Plan Objective: CS1.3	\$154,229.00 <u>(11,567.17)</u> *\$142,661.83	San Luis Obispo	3
<p>This proposal will collaborate with Tri-Counties Regional Center (TCRC), the Area Agency on Aging and other local agencies that serve seniors. This proposal will develop a model entitled Senior Inclusion Pilot Project and will provide the following services: Outreach to a diverse population of developmentally disabled senior consumers to assess their service needs and preferences, and consult with TCRC staff to include needed/wanted services in the consumers' Individual Program Plans. Training to existing senior service providers in the local community will also be provided. At the end of this proposal a manual entitled a <i>Roadmap to Inclusion</i> will be disseminated to all 21 Regional Centers.</p>			
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center Telepsychiatry and Telegenetics: Teaching, Training and Treating – Targeting the 0-3 Population in the Underserved Sierra Nevada and Redwood Coast Regions Los Angeles, CA 90048 (310) 423-3564 State Plan Objective: HE1.3 and HE1.4	\$269,466.00 <u>(20,209.95)</u> *\$249,256.05	Kern, Inyo Mono, Lake, Humboldt, Mendocino, and Del Norte	4
<p>This proposal will provide essential psychiatric and genetic services to Kern and Redwood Coast Regional Center clients who live in remote areas. This proposal addresses three components: 1) Training early childhood psychiatrists; 2) Providing early intervention treatments to maximize the opportunities for optimum growth and development for children aged 0-3; and 3) Provide Genetic Counseling. Teleconferencing equipment will be used to evaluate patients during weekly clinics and allow the physicians and the patient to see and talk to each other during the evaluation and follow-up treatment process. A comprehensive psychiatric evaluation will be provided with recommendations for school, family, physical and social issues. Consultations to physicians and patients will be available 24 hours per day seven days a week.</p>			
Home Ownership Made Easy Homeownership-Consumer Homebuyer Education Training Resources Culver City, CA 90230 (310) 258-4036 State Plan Objective: HO1.1 and HO1.2	\$100,613.00 <u>(7,545.97)</u> *\$93,067.03	Statewide	5
<p>This proposal will expand on the previous Council grant given to HOME last year. HOME will create three separate Resources to assist the Home Choice First-time Homebuyers Program. The three components of this proposal are: 1) Provide a directory that will identify municipalities, statewide that offer down payment and mortgage assistance; 2) Establish a directory that will identify government agencies and/or not-for-profit organizations, statewide that assist in modifying homes and/or making homes handicapped accessible for the physically challenged Home Choice first time home buyer; and 3) Creation of a home video course and interactive computer based training to serve the housebound consumer. HOME will distribute the directories to all 21 Regional Centers.</p>			

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Community Interface Services Housing Opportunities for Persons with Developmental Disabilities Carlsbad, CA 92008 (760) 729-3866 State Plan Objective: HO1.1 and HO1.2	\$118,082.28 <u>(8,856.17)</u> *\$109,226.11	San Diego and Imperial	6
<p>This proposal will assist individuals with developmental disabilities in San Diego and Imperial counties to access both affordable rental and affordable homeownership opportunities. This project will work closely with consumers, family members, Regional Center staff and local housing professionals to bridge the gap between available housing local resources. This proposal will also provide financial assistance with closing costs for low income homebuyers.</p>			
Children’s Hospital and Research Center at Oakland The F.I.R.S.T. Connections Project (Family and Infant Resource and Support Team) Oakland, CA (510) 655-9521 State Plan Objective: HE1.3 and HE1.4	\$227,061.00 <u>(17,029.57)</u> *\$210,031.43	Alameda	7
<p>This proposal will provide a safety net for 100 Alameda County infants and toddlers, from birth to three years of age, who may have developmental disabilities or at risk for disabilities, and their families. The target population is infants and families who traditionally have had difficulty accessing early and appropriate diagnosis, treatment and supports to maximize developmental potential and strengthen families. The project will provide outreach, early identification, and short-term (average three months) home-based and group services and supports for these infants and families, while facilitating their entry into the Early Start Program or other appropriate early intervention services(s). The services will be provided by a multilingual, multidisciplinary and multi-agency team comprised of peer parents of children with special needs and professionally trained mental health and developmental intervention staff, through collaboration with Alta Bates Summit Medical Center and the Family Resource Network of Alameda County.</p>			
Exceptional Parents Unlimited (EPU) “Circle of Hope” – Infant Family Mental Health Fresno, CA 93726 (559)-229-2000 State Plan Objective: HE1.4	\$110,000.00 <u>(8,250.00)</u> *\$101,750.00	Fresno	8
<p>This proposal will augment its current infant family mental health services by adding the “Circle of Hope” attachment-based program focusing on at risk infants and parents who are served by Central Valley Regional Center. This project will use attachment-based parenting concepts; a licensed psychologist will provide therapeutic intervention that’s focuses on forming healthy attachment and development. This proposal will serve at least 40 infant/parents in a culturally sensitive 10 week therapeutic curriculum in both individual and group activities. The psychologist will devote approximately 25% of their time to providing training, and consultation to all EPU’s Infant Family Program staff on serving infants and their families on mental health issues, dual diagnoses and other factors that may impede attachment.</p>			

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Housing Consortium of the East Bay (HCEB) East Bay Home Choice Oakland, CA 94621 (510) 383-1303 State Plan Objective: HO1.2	\$65,000.00 <u>(4,875.00)</u> *\$60,125.00	Alameda and Contra Costa	9
<p>This proposal will bring the Home Choice homeownership program to the East Bay Counties of Alameda and Contra Costa. The Home Choice program offers consumers their determined living arrangements – with HCEB’s support consumers will choose their home from the real listing on the market. HCEB will leverage resources from various public and private sources including the Federal Home Loan Bank, local down payment assistance programs, and a low interest rate loan offered through the California Housing Finance Agency.</p>			
Easter Seals Superior California Special Families Support Program Sacramento, CA 95864 (916) 485-6711 State Plan Objective: HE1.3	\$167,226.00 <u>(12,541.95)</u> *\$154,684.05	Sacramento and San Joaquin	10
<p>This proposal will develop: 1) An outreach campaign to improve families’ access to various disability services in their community. The primary focus will be to reach parents, care providers and others who are not aware of the serves available for their children ages birth to five, and to help the advocate for, and access needed services; and 2) Develop a comprehensive adaptive equipment loan program to better respond to, and meet the special needs of children ages birth to five. The loan program will include a wide range of specialized equipment options that will be available on loan to families. The project will also include consultation to families/care providers by licensed therapists, who will instruct them in proper usage, safety, adjustments and equipment maintenance.</p>			
Tri-Counties Regional Center A Model for Increasing Social Interventions to Children with Autism Santa Barbara, CA 93103 (805) 893-3825 State Plan Objective: HE1.3 and HE1.4	\$133,441.00 <u>(10,008.07)</u> *\$123,432.93	Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura	11
<p>This proposal will expand their existing in-home services for families in the Tri-County Regional Center catchment area. These services will include intensive social interventions in community settings. This proposal will develop a cost-efficient service delivery model to recruit and train highly qualified paraprofessionals (university students) to support children with Autism Spectrum Disorders in after-school extracurricular activities and at summer camp (instead of using untrained individuals who often serve in this role). The university students will be supervised and trained in intervention procedures relevant to the individual child with whom they work, and will provide additional assistance with intervention programs currently funded by Tri-Counties Regional Center.</p>			

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PRIDE Industries Project TEAMS Roseville, CA 95747 (916) 788-2119 State Plan Objective: EM1.1, EM1.2, and EM1.3	\$102,573.00 <u>(7,692.97)</u> *\$94,880.03	Colusa, El Dorado, Sacramento, and Yolo	12
<p>This proposal will serve 100 students with developmental disabilities; 50 family members and 50 Special Education Teachers, and will collaborate with community stakeholders to offer training in self-determination, self-advocacy and career/life planning to increase personal choice in the transition from school to work. Project TEAMS will provide a series of workshops, classroom instruction, mentoring and vocational exploration. Students and their families or advocates will have the opportunity to maximize transition planning to pursue employment. The pursuit of employment will be inclusive of traditional, nontraditional and entrepreneurial or self-employment. This proposal will provide students with developmental disabilities will have the opportunity to explore the type of employment best suited to their life-style, interests, educational goals and long-term career plans.</p>			
Redwood Coast Developmental Services Corporation, dba: Redwood Coast Region Center Project LEADERS: (Learning, Educating Advocating, and Directing Efforts for Responsible Self-Determination) Ukiah, CA 95482 (707) 462-3832, Ext. 265 State Plan Objective: QA2.1	\$98,232.00 <u>(7,367.40)</u> *\$90,864.60	Mendocino	13
<p>This proposal will create a new self-determination model. Project LEADERS will give consumers a central role in implementing and expanding self-determination statewide. LEADERS will provide the following services: 1) Advocacy – educate and inform individuals with developmental disabilities and key public policy makers about self-determination through an Ambassador program; 2) Training and Education about Self-Determination – Train and educate consumer and regional center staff (to facilitate implementation of federal waiver), develop mentors, train independent service brokers, and expand consumer participation in program policy-making; and 3) Expansion – Increase the number of people engaged in self-determination activities.</p>			
Children’s Hospital – San Diego Parent Peer Support Project San Diego, CA 92123 (858) 966-3292 State Plan Objective: HE1.4	\$85,535.00 <u>(6,415.12)</u> *\$79,119.88	Imperial and San Diego	14
<p>This proposal will focus on providing mental health and psychosocial needs of children by supporting and empowering parents to be more effective advocates and caretakers. The Parent Peer Support Project will help families link to appropriate services, providing needed education (in both English and Spanish) about developmental expectations, home care, and facilitating the ability of parents to become more effective advocates for their children. This program will provide home visits, parenting education, establish and co-facilitate parent-mentor support groups, and provide linkages for specific families to psychosocial and medical resources. The goal of this program is to prepare parents to become their own facilitators through the creation of a parent network system.</p>			

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Central Coast Neurobehavior Center, Inc. WEEDENS 2 Morro Bay, CA 93443 (805) 772-6066 State Plan Objective: EM1.2	\$111,325.00 <u>(8,349.37)</u> *\$102,975.63	San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara	15
<p>This proposal will develop a parcel post business called Weeden's 2. This program will employ 20 to 30 individuals with developmental disabilities. In addition to providing parcel service shipping, Weeden's 2 will also provide clerical contract work, mailing services, and rental mailboxes. Weeden's 2 will be owned and operated as partnerships with the consumers that work there.</p>			

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East Bay Innovations (EBI) Student Employment Transition (SET) Project Oakland, CA 94610 (510) 832-7126 State Plan Objective: EM1.1	\$80,131.00 <u>(6,009.82)</u> *\$74,121.18	Alameda	16t
<p>This proposal will develop a new program that will reach students and their families as they prepare to exit the school system. While working closely with the Fremont and Pleasanton Unified School Districts, EBI's Student Employment Transition (SET) staff will assist 30 students living in Fremont and Pleasanton. This proposal will work proactively to help students with their employment-related choices and assist with transitioning to employment. As a result, consumers will become increasingly empowered to make choices about future employment options.</p>			
Project GET SAFE Healthy Relationship and Safety Education for Persons with Developmental Disabilities Santa Ana, CA 92705 (714) 834-0050 State Plan Objective: QA1.1	\$198,165.00 <u>(14,862.37)</u> *\$183,302.63	Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Sacramento	16t
<p>This proposal will train approximately 1,000 persons with developmental disabilities on how to protect themselves, both preventatively and in the event that they find themselves in a potentially dangerous situation. The goal of this project is to reduce victimization and enhance personal safety. This project will use a comprehensive model combining humor with empathy; sensitivity is used to address issues directly related to enhancing personal safety, self-sufficiency and independence. This program is important to persons with developmental disabilities because it will provide them with tools necessary to live healthy and violence-free lives.</p>			

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City of Los Angeles Independently Me- Social Life Skills Program Los Angeles, CA 90012 (323) 226-1402 State Plan Objective: CS1.2	<p style="text-align: center;"> \$80,000.00 <u>(6,000.00)</u> *\$74,000.00 </p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Los Angeles</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p>
<p>This proposal will serve 25 youth in an inclusive after school program. This program will promote the development of independent, social, and recreational skills. This proposal will provide the following: 1) Develop partnerships with the Regional Center and the Los Angeles Unified School District; 2) Implement an innovative consumer driven program; 3) Train personnel; and 4) Provide replication of this program.</p>			
People First of California, Inc. People First Self-Determination Project Sacramento, CA 95814 (916) 387-8080 State Plan Objective: QA2.1	<p style="text-align: center;"> \$199,994.00 <u>(14,999.55)</u> *\$184,994.45 </p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Statewide</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p>
<p>This proposal will develop and implement a self-determination project using their expanded and strengthened self-advocacy organizational model. This model has proven to increase the opportunity and ability of people with developmental disabilities to be able to: 1) Communicate and make personal decisions; 2) Communicate choices and exercise control over services and supports; 3) Participate in and contribute to their communities; and 4) Advocate for themselves and their and peers. This proposal will also use the self advocacy and People First networks, forums and power to: advocate for and educate their peers to increase their personal power, and authority to control the resources which buy services and supports, including generic resources; develop leadership skills by learning from parent leaders; work with self advocate coalitions to develop policies and educate policy makers so that the self advocacy forums will grow in numbers and strength throughout all of California; and, assure people with developmental disabilities get to the 2004 national self-advocacy conference to be held in Anaheim, California to learn about self-determination.</p>			
Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office Crime Victims with Developmental Disabilities Project Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2408 State Plan Objective: QA1.1	<p style="text-align: center;"> \$67,020.00 <u>(5,026.50)</u> *\$61,993.50 </p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Santa Barbara</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p>
<p>This proposal will develop protocols in conjunction with local service providers and criminal justice personnel to improve reporting, investigation, prosecution and victim services for crimes against individuals with developmental disabilities. This project will also educate and train members of the criminal justice system and service providers on issues pertaining to effectively responding to these cases. Additionally, it will provide comprehensive services to crime victims with disabilities; promote increased consumer determined independence by collaborating with self-advocacy groups; collect and analyze crime-related data; and present an annual conference on crime victims with disabilities.</p>			

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Kern Regional Center Employment through Empowerment Bakersfield, CA 93308 (661) 852-3366 State Plan Objective: EM1.1, EM1.2, and EM1.3	\$148,720.00 <u>(11,154.00)</u> *\$137,566.00	Inyo, Kern, and Mono	21
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This proposal will provide opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities to work in independent settings by utilizing appropriate assistive technologies that improve employability and long-term self-sufficiency. This proposal will also address quality of life issues by improving opportunities to use assistive technologies to improve communication, independent living skills, and other areas of both low tech and high tech assistive technology solutions that provide avenues for growth and greater independence including opportunities for self employment. In essence it will give people with developmental disabilities a real chance to obtain economic sustainability for themselves.

Family Connections El Dorado, Inc. The P.I.E.C.E. Project Placerville, CA 95667 (530)626-5164 State Plan Objective: HE1.3 and HE1.4	\$91,005.00 <u>(8,861.53)</u> *\$82,143.47	El Dorado	22
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This proposal will develop a new and innovative collaborative pilot project to serve 10 families with infants and toddlers and 10 families with children ages 0 through 18 who have been diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorders through P.I.E.C.E. (Proven Interventions, Effective Collaboration, Empowerment) Project. This project will serve families of children with ASD through a comprehensive, family-centered program designed to increase consumer determined independence by supporting families through coordinated services based on “best practices,” developing parent-to-parent support and mentoring systems, improving access to appropriate interventions and early diagnosis, assisting families with developing and implanting their intervention plan(s), coordinating the latest research findings into current treatment plans, and providing quality mental health counseling services to families.