



Executive Director Report March 20, 2018

I am proud to be leading this excellent team and glad to report our progress in the following areas:

State Plan

SCDD's State Plan work impacted:

- In January 2018, 123,711 people
- In February 2018, SCDD had contact with 155,600 people
- In two months, 279,311 people

Policy

- Secured two authors for Council sponsored legislation
 - AB 2171 (Frazier) "One Person, One Goal"
 - SB 1274 (McGuire) Employment Data Sharing
- Assembly Speaker created a Select Committee on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, SCDD is a technical advisor to this committee
- Testified in Budget hearings on the need to:
 - Expedite the Health and Safety Waiver
 - Roll out Self Determination
 - Keep funds spent on the operations of the developmental centers and from the sale of those

properties in the community for housing and care of people with IDD

- Support mobile crisis units as part of the safety net
- Value discovery as part of the employment process
- Consider California conforming to federal law regarding the age of onset for IDD
- Reinstate funding for social/recreation/and camp services
- Make purchase of services disparity data accessible
- Continue to look for ways to advance Council's other policy priorities, including uniform application of guidelines related to accessory dwelling units

DD Awareness 2018

We are actively participating in the DD Awareness Month 2018:

- Week One (March 1-9): See Me As Your Classmate
- Week Two (March 12-16): See Me As Your Co-Worker
- Week Three (March 19-23): See Me As Your Neighbor
- Week Four (March 26-30): See Me As Your Friend.

Collaborations

- Spoke at the Cal-TASH 35th Annual Conference "All Means All: Building and Sustaining Inclusive Communities" on the need for housing and the Council's contract to create a statewide housing strategic plan

- Spoke at the Arc-CA 11th Annual Developmental Disabilities Public Conference “Moving Into the Future” on the “State of DD,” including the Council’s efforts on self-determination, employment, and housing

Self-Advocacy

- Facilitated Council Member Kecia Weller at the Disability Services Task Force Meetings
- Highlighted SCDD’s violence prevention and abuse prevention work at the Silence = Violence meeting
- Supported Council Member Kecia Weller in her advocacy around Significant Incident Reports with ARCA

Engaging the Regional Advisory Committees

- Travelled to 5 Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) meetings to convey the Council’s view and vision for their roles as advisors to the Council and as advocates in the community. Have 4 more RACs scheduled in the next few weeks.

Self-Determination

- The Department of Developmental Services announced during the Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee meeting on March 13 that they submitted the Self-Determination Waiver to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). CMS now has 90 days to review and approve, comment, or deny the waiver.

Federal Funding

- Kept Council Members up to date regarding the President's proposal to reduce Council funding and our efforts to inform California Congressional appropriators about the work SCDD does in their districts. Our national association handles the direct lobbying on this topic while SCDD informs of our work.

Cycle 41 Grants

- Issued the Request for Proposal for the Cycle 41 grants of twelve \$20,000 grants. We received 76 responses, which we are processing for review and scoring.

Administration

- Welcome the following staff:
 - Deputy Director of Administration Doug Sale
 - LA Manager Chris Arroyo
 - Paid Interns Nathan (HQ) and Shanel (OCRO)
- Provided Council Members clarity on which support staff to contact for different Council Member needs
- Discovered inconsistent policies in use from 2012. Catalogued all policies related to Council Members, identified which were current or needed to be updated, identified missing or needed policies. Will begin the process of bringing all policies up to date
- Implementing structural deficit cost savings ideas adopted by the Council; Brought down the SCDD staff vacancy rate, per the Department of Finance direction
- Headquarters and Sac RO move estimated for May 2018