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DATE: November 29, 2022

MEETING: 10:30 AM – 4:00 PM

COMMITTEE CHAIR: Wesley Witherspoon

Item 1. CALL TO ORDER

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Tania Morawiec, Deputy Director of Regional Office Operations and Bridget Kolakosky, Deputy Director of Policy and Public Affairs

Item 13.2023 COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETING DATES AND Page 102 ADJOURNMENT

The next Council meeting will be in January 2023.

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AGENDA ITEM 3. INFORMATION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Swearing in of New Councilmembers

Executive Director Aaron Carruthers will swear in a new Councilmember.

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AGENDA ITEM 6.

ACTION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Approval of September 2022 Minutes

The draft minutes from the September 2022 Council meeting have been included in the packet for review. Councilmembers will vote on whether to approve the minutes.

Attachment

September 20, 2022 Council meeting minutes

Action Recommended

Approve the September 2022 minutes.



DRAFT Council Meeting Minutes September 20, 2022

Members Attending

Alex Reyes (S.A.) Aubyn Stahmer (UCEDD) Brian Winfield (DDS) Cathay Liu (F.A.) Eric Ybarra (S.A.) Harold Ashe (F.A.) Jeana Eriksen (S.A.) Joyce McNair (F.A.) Joseph Billingsley (DHCS) Julie Austin (F.A.) Julie Neward (F.A.) Julio Garnica (S.A.) Kara Ponton (S.A.) Kilolo Brodie (F.A.) Larry Yin (UCEDD) Lee Bycel (F.A.) Maria Marquez (S.A.) Christine Moody (UCEDD) Mark Beckley (CDA) Michael Ellis (F.A.) Michael Rillera (F.A) Michael Thomas (DOR) Nicole Adler (S.A.)

Members Absent

Andy Imparato (DRC) Harold Fujita (F.A.) Marko Mijic (CHHS) Rosanna Ryan (S.A.)

Others Attending

Aaron Carruthers
Beth Hurn
Brian Weisel
Bridget Kolakosky
Charles Ngyuen
Chris Arroyo
David Grady
Dena Hernandez
Holly Bins

Janet Fernandez Jennifer Lucas Jozette Elizaldi Julie Eby-McKenzie Ken DaRosa

Lisa Hooks Mary Agnes Nolan Mayra Hernandez Michelle Cave

Riana Hardin Rihana Ahmad

Others Attending

(cont.)
Scarlett VonThenen
Sheraden Nicholau
Sidney Jackson
Sofia Cervantes
Tina Reszler
Veronica Bravo
Victoria Schlussler
Yaritza Sanchez
Zak Ford

1. CALL TO ORDER

Nick Wavrin (CDE)

Viviana Barnwell (F.A.)

Wesley Witherspoon (S.A.)

Chair Wesley Witherspoon called the meeting to order at 10:35 A.M.

2. ESTABLISH QUORUM

A quorum was established.

3. SWEARING IN OF NEW COUNCILMEMBER

Chair Witherspoon and Executive Director Carruthers swore in new Councilmember Michael Rillera.

4. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Members and others in attendance introduced themselves.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments on this item.

6. APPROVAL OF THE JULY 2022 MEETING MINUTES Action 1

It was moved/seconded (Ellis [F.A]/ Ybarra [S.A.]) and carried to approve the July 2022 meeting minutes as presented. (See last page of minutes for a voting record of members present)

7. CHAIR REPORT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Chair Wesley Witherspoon asked the Council to take a moment of silence to recognize the recent passing of his best friend, Derrick Isaac, and Vice Chair Lee Bycel's son, Micah Bycel.

The Chair shared that he was trained to be a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) volunteer and obtained his certification in August. The CERT program prepares individuals in basic disaster response skills to help keep communities safe and save lives during disasters. Trained volunteers engage in basic response activities such as checking in on neighbors, distributing information, helping to manage traffic, and providing supports that free up first responders to focus on more dangerous efforts.

Chair Witherspoon shared upcoming holiday and observances for the months of September and October and asked that members refer to their meeting packets for SCDD committee reports. The committee reports and Chair Witherspoon's presentation can be found online at https://scdd.ca.gov/councilmeetings/.

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT AND STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director Aaron Carruthers presented a report on recent Council activities and goals.

The Executive Director announced that the Council will be wrapping up its first year of the State Plan. Members will be provided a summary report at the November 2022 Council meeting. The State Plan Committee worked to include revisions to the current State Plan. The revisions added language to specify that the Council will meet its goals by 2026, added more to the commitment and activities section to ensure cultural and racial diversity, and added cross disability coalitions. The Administration on Community Living (ACL) reviewed and accepted the revisions. They also provided detailed feedback on the Council's 2020 and 2021 reports. The ACL emphasized the Council's work and thorough commitment to address cultural diversity and disparities through each of its twelve regional offices, strong descriptions of what California is doing, and the powerful stories of individuals with ID/DD that were impacted by the Council's work and legislative changes.

Executive Director Carruthers provided a brief update on the Council's access and inclusion sponsored bill package. SB 1092 (Hurtado), which reforms the regional center fair hearing process, was enacted through the budget. Additionally, the LEAP internship, for people with intellectual disabilities that want to work for the State, was extended through the budget process. AB 1663 (Mainschein), which examines probate conservatorships and establishes supported decision making, was sent to the Governor's desk, and awaiting his signature. AB 2547 (Nazarian), a \$1.4-billion effort for rent subsidies and AB 2920 (Arambula), a \$10 million effort for inclusive college programs, did not pass this year. Despite not becoming law, AB 290 increased awareness for inclusive college programs and can still be reintroduced next year.

The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) contracted with the State Council with providing statewide self-determination orientation trainings to individuals interested in the program. In two months, the Council trained almost 700 people with a quarter of those trainings done in Spanish. 10% of the people trained were self-advocates and regional center consumers, 46% were family advocates, and 31% were professionals. 93% of the people surveyed said they found the information in the training valuable, 48% said they were interested in self-

determination and going to take the next step, 31% said they are still considering it.

At the end of the State fiscal year, the Administration on Community Living (ACL) notified the Council that they will be receiving a one-time \$57,000 increase. When other state Councils are unable to spend their funds, the ACL takes what is available at the end of the year and redistributes it to the other state Councils. Chief Deputy Director DaRosa has already incorporated the increase into the Council's finances.

In 2019, the Council allocated \$50,000 to redesign the website. The pandemic broke out in 2020 and temporarily put the project on hold. The State Plan & Self-Advocacy team including Manager Rihana Ahmad, Charles Nguyen, and Beth Hurn re-dedicated their efforts to give the website a cleaner design and better layout. The Executive Director encouraged members to take a look. Executive Director Carruthers also shared that SCDD Communications Manager Michelle Cave created "News Clips" to keep staff and Councilmembers informed about local, statewide, and federal news via email. Executive Director Carruthers welcomed new staff members Anne De Medeiros as the Sacramento Regional Office Manager and Veronica Bravo as a Policy Analyst for SCDD's Headquarters Office. He concluded his report by saying goodbye to Statewide Self-Determination Orientation Trainer Joseph Hernandez and Vaccine and Public Health Coordinator Tamica Foots-Rachal whom accepted positions at other departments.

9. **STATEWIDE SELF-ADVOCACY NETWORK (SSAN) REPORT** SCDD SSAN representative Maria Marquez provided Councilmembers with an update from the most recent SSAN meeting on September 7th and 8th, 2022. The next SSAN meeting is tentatively planned for December 14th and 15th, 2022.

10. **SCDD BUDGET UPDATE**

Executive Director Carruthers and Vice Chair Bycel updated the Council on prior-year carryover amounts. Previously, staff identified \$445,000 the Council could use for one-time purposes. Deputy Director DaRosa recommended an additional \$175,000 for a total of \$620,000 available for one-time spending.

In February 2022 the Executive Committee asked the Executive Director to return to the Committee in six months with recommendations on staff

support and training needs. Executive Director Aaron Carruthers presented the results of a survey of staff support needs and the estimated costs at the August Executive Committee meeting. Staff needs fell under three large areas: equity, core supports, and career related. The Committee voted to approve staff recommendation for one-time carryover funds of \$275,000 for staff supports and training as described.

The full presentation with estimated costs can be accessed at https://scdd.ca.gov/councilmeetings/.

Action 2

It was moved/seconded (McNair [F.A.]/Reyes [S.A.]) to accept the Executive Committee's recommendation to allocate \$275,000 in one-time carryover funds for staff support and training as described. (Passed unanimously, see page one for list of members present.)

11. APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The State Council holds an election for Council Chair and Vice-Chair every two years. At the August 2022 Executive Committee meeting, members acted to put forth a slate of nominees to serve for one year on the Nominating Committee. Jeana Eriksen (S.A) was recommended to serve as the Chair of the Nominating Committee. Rosie Ryan (S.A), Harold Ashe (F.A), Joyce McNair (F.A), and Aubyn Stahmer (UCEDD) were recommended to serve as members of the Committee.

The Nominating Committee will meet on October 4th to consider a slate of eligible candidates interested in serving as Chair and Vice Chair of the Council. The Committee will make its recommendation to the full Council at the November Council meeting.

Action 3

It was moved/seconded (Ellis [F.A.]/Marquez [S.A.]) and carried to adopt the Executive Committee's proposed recommendation of Councilmembers to serve for one year on the Nominating Committee. (Passed unanimously, see page one for list of members present.)

12. CYCLE 45 GRANTS UPDATE

Federal law requires that the Council identify methods to improve and increase services for individuals with disabilities and their families and submit these to the Administration for Community Living (ACL) in a five-year State Plan. One way to accomplish this is by awarding program

development grants (PDG) or Cycle Grants to community-based organizations to research, develop and/or implement innovative programs and promising or best practices throughout the state and its local communities.

After releasing the Cycle 45 Request for Proposals (RFP), the Council did not receive any submissions that fully met its funding requirements. In response, the Council released four new RFPs, which integrated the previous regional requests into new models, for statewide consideration. The total amount of available funds was \$260,000.00.

After releasing a second of RFPs, the Council received twelve submissions. Four of the proposals failed during administrative review so did not move forward to the scoring team. The remaining eight proposals were reviewed and evaluated by a scoring team. The Council's State Plan Committee (SPC) Chair, Kilolo Brodie, and SCDD State Plan Manager Rihana Ahmad presented the scoring teams funding recommendations to the Executive Committee on August 19th, 2022. The team recommended funding four projects, one from each of the focus areas (education, employment, health and safety, and housing), for a total funding amount of \$256,423. The Committee voted to approve the State Plan Committee's Cycle 45 Grant funding recommendations and direct the Executive Director to administer the contract process.

The full presentation and project descriptions can be accessed at https://scdd.ca.gov/councilmeetings/.

13. CLOSED SESSION: PERSONNEL

Chair Witherspoon announced a change to the agenda order. Closed Session was moved to item 13, and 2023 Policy Planning to item 15.

The Council went into closed session.

14. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Council reconvened from closed session with no actions to report.

15. 2023 POLICY PLANNING

Deputy Director of Policy and Planning Kolakosky presented on the Legislative process, timeline, and the proposed 2023-24 Policy Priorities for consideration.

The second annual "There Should be a Law Contest" was launched on September 1st and active until September 30th. If a bill idea that was submitted in September becomes legislation, the individual that submitted will be a winner of the contest and invited to join the legislative process for that bill. The link to submit bill ideas and additional information on the contest can be found on the main SCDD website or at https://scdd.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8c9wD1u72jkHEF0.

Deputy Director Kolakosky provided a thorough update on the access and inclusion bill package. As indicated during the Executive Director report, SB 1092 (Hurtado) passed through the budget process. DDS is already in the process of implementing it. Some of the fair hearing reform occurred as soon as the budget passed with additional changes that will launch in October. By March 2023, all the changes that were adopted in the budget bill will become law. On a limited bases, the Council will observe some fair hearing events, take notes, and meet with the Coalition group that sponsored the bill to ensure implementation is going seamless. Deputy Director Kolakosky announced that AB 1663 (Maienschein) is waiting for the Governor's signature, but five million to manage the Supported Decision-Making Technical Assistance Program (SDM-TAP) was already on its way to the Council. The 5 million will be spent in very close and transparent coordination with Disability Rights California (DRC) and the UC Davis MIND Institute. AB 2547 (Nazarian) did not receive the funding that it needed, so did not pass through the legislature. The author of AB 2547, Assemblymember Nazarian, voluntarily left the legislature so he will no longer be pursuing the bill. As one of the co-sponsors, the Council was encouraged to continue conversations around the bill. The Council will be meeting with other departments such as the Housing and Community Development (HCD) and Department of Aging on ways to pursue the bill next year. Like the housing bill, AB 2920 (Arambula) did not receive the funding that it needed, so did not pass this year. The Council is hopeful that the bill may get reintroduced next year. Out of the many bills that the Council supported, seven of them were signed into law or sitting on the Governor's desk awaiting his signature. The Governor has until September 30th to sign all the bills on his desk.

The five-year State Plan helps direct the goals and priorities of the Council. Last year the Legislative and Public Policy Committee (LPPC) updated the policy platform priorities based on the new 2022-2026 State Plan. The LPPC met on September 13th and recommended that the Council adopt changes to further align the Policy documents with the

2022-2026 State Plan. They recommend adding the following inclusive language: "protecting rights, ensuring accessibility of services and supports to I/DD individuals and their families regardless of racial, cultural, ethnic, religious, sexual orientation, and gender identity".

Action 4

It was moved/seconded (Ybarra [S.A.]/Ponton [S.A.]) and carried to approve the Legislative and Public Policy Committee's recommended changes to the 2023-2024 Policy Priorities.

16. **NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT**

The next Council meeting will be held on November 29, 2022. The meeting was adjourned at 3:13 P.M.

Name	Action 1 Minutes	Action 2 One-Time Funds	Action 3 Nominating Committee	Action 4 2023-24 Policy Priorities
Adler, Nicole	For	For	For	For
Ashe, Harold	For	NP	NP	NP
Austin, Julie	For	For	For	For
Barnwell, Viviana	For	For	For	For
Beckley, Mark	For	For	For	For
Billingsley, Joseph	For	For	For	For
Brodie, Kilolo	For	For	For	For
Bycel, Lee	For	For	For	NP
Ellis, Michael	For	For	For	For
Eriksen, Jeana	For	For	For	For
Garnica, Julio	NP	For	For	For
Liu, Cathay	For	For	For	For
Marquez, Maria	For	For	For	NP
Moody, Christine	For	For	For	For
McNair, Joyce	For	For	For	For
Neward, Julie	For	For	For	For
Ponton, Kara	For	For	For	For
Reyes, Alex	For	For	For	For
Rillera, Michael	For	For	For	For
Rosanna, Ryan	NP	NP	NP	NP
Stahmer, Aubyn	For	For	For	NP
Thomas, Michael	NP	For	For	For
Wavrin, Nick	Abstain	For	For	For
Winfield, Brian	For	NP	NP	For
Witherspoon, Wesley	For	For	For	For
Ybarra, Eric	For	For	For	For
Yin, Larry	For	For	For	For

AGENDA ITEM 7. INFORMATION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Chair Report and Committee Reports

Council Chair Wesley Witherspoon will provide Councilmembers with an oral report about his recent activities and current priorities for the Council.

SCDD Committee reports have been provided for informational purposes.

Attachment(s)

Nominating Committee meeting summary for 10/10/22 Employment First Committee meeting summary for 10/20/22 Executive Committee meeting summary for 10/27/22 State Plan Committee meeting summary for 11/17/22

Handout(s)

The Self-Advocates Advisory Committee (SAAC) will meet on 11/28/22. The meeting summary will be provided as a handout.

AGENDA ITEM 7A.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE SUMMARY

Date of Meeting

October 10, 2022

Meeting's Focus

The Nominating Committee met remotely using Zoom on October 10, 2022 to approve the slate of candidates for the November 29, 2022 elections for Council Chair and Vice-Chair.

Items Acted Upon

The Committee acted on the following items:

- The October 2020 Nominating Committee meeting minutes were approved.
- The Committee approved the following slate of candidates to be put forward at the November 29, 2022 Council meeting:

Council Chair

Kara Ponton (SA)
Wesley Witherspoon (SA)

Council Vice-Chair

Lee Bycel (FA) Kara Ponton (SA)

AGENDA ITEM 7B.

EMPLOYMENT FIRST COMMITTEE SUMMARY

Date of Meeting

October 20, 2022

Meeting's Focus

The Employment First Committee (EFC) met on October 20th. The meeting began with an update on recent CIE activities from EFC Chair Wesley Witherspoon, and a reminder that October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM).

Committee members received an update on targeted priorities, including the implementation of SB 639, and discussed priorities for 2023. Members reviewed recommendations from EFC reports from previous years to include in a letter for the SB 639 letter-writing campaign. Members volunteered to create a workgroup to convene 1-2 times to create SMART goals (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound) for EFC. Members also reviewed the proposed 2023 Employment First Report Timeline to provide feedback and discuss the report writing process.

Members provided updates on the status of CIE Blueprint implementation and other CIE related activities.

Items Acted Upon

• The Committee approved the July 14, 2022, meeting minutes.

Future Meeting Dates

TBA

AGENDA ITEM 7C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SUMMARY

Date of Meeting

October 27, 2022

Meeting's Focus

The Executive Committee met on October 27, 2022. The meeting's focus centered on three sponsorship requests, three conflict of interest waiver requests, and an end of the year discussion to wrap up the Committee's work.

Executive Director Carruthers provided Committee members with a report sharing updates on SCDD's budget, There Should Be a Law Contest, the Council's bill process, the State's Budget, and SCDD's productivity.

Items Acted Upon

- Approval of the August 2022 meeting minutes.
- Sponsorship requests from Disability Voices Untied, the Special Needs Network, and the University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (CEDD) at the MIND (Medical Investigation of Neurodevelopmental Disorders) Institute at the University of California, Davis were approved.
- Conflict of interest waiver requests from board members Cali McKinzie, Dora Moorman, and Laura Oakes were approved.

Future Meeting Date

February 2023

AGENDA ITEM 7E.

STATE PLAN COMMITTEE SUMMARY

Date of Meeting

November 17, 2022

Meeting's Focus

Program Development Grants

Members received updates on Cycle 44 and 45 grant projects and began planning for the Grant Cycle 46 Program Development Grants. Committee members reviewed and acted to adopt the proposed Grant Timeline and began discussion about Statewide vs. Regional focus. These actions will be used to develop the draft Cycle 46 Grant Request for Proposal (RFP) that will be brought to the Council for consideration in January.

2021-2022 Program Performance Report (PPR)

Committee members reviewed the 2021-22 PPR overview, which summarizes initial outputs and outcomes achieved in the federal fiscal year.

Items Acted Upon

- The Committee approved the August 2022 Meeting Minutes
- The Committee approved the proposed Cycle 46 Grant Timeline
- The Committee recommended approval of the 2021-22 Program Performance Report (PPR) to the full Council at the November 29, 2022 Council meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 8. INFORMATION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Executive Director Report and Staff Reports

SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers will provide Councilmembers with an oral report regarding recent Council activities. Additionally, SCDD Staff reports have been included in the packet for informational purposes.

Attachment(s)

Chief Deputy Director Report
Deputy Director of Policy and Public Affairs Report
Deputy Director of Regional Office Operations Report
C.R.A./V.A.S. Update Report
QA Project Update Report

Handout

Executive Director Report

Chief Deputy Director's (CDD) Report November 29, 2022

The CDD continues overseeing operational matters, in concert with staff, and identifying organizational tools to assist the team. Time also has been spent meeting with staff, management, and external partners on various programs, program policy, and implementation, including the Supported Decision-Making Technical Assistance Program (SDM TAP). Other projects include collaborative conversations with DDS partners regarding the CRA/VAS and QA programs, and other opportunities/project ideas regarding employment and quality assessment surveys. Conversations address funding and contracting matters as well as program efficiencies such as digital surveying strategies.

The Chief Deputy Director continues to facilitate and oversee SCDD's administrative functions such as budget management, contracts, and day-to-day operations.

Program

- Participated in bi-weekly meetings with the full regional management team.
- Worked in partnership with the Department of Social Services regarding technical budget operations in response the departure of SCDD's budget manager. Projects included expenditure tracking, year-end fiscal reconciliation, and identifying procedural changes to track and manage the SCDD budget.
- Met with AB 1663 co-sponsors to discuss and plan SMD TAP implementation.

Administrative

- Reviewed several program and administrative contracts for approval.
- Reviewed and approved numerous invoices for program, administrative,

and operational services.

 Resolved several state data system access and utilization problems on behalf of staff and management and worked closely with state-level information security personnel to manage against increasing cybersecurity threats.

Personnel

- Finalized the recruitment to fill the Sacramento Regional Office/Headquarters Office Technician position. The new employee joins SCDD on December 1, 2022.
- Completed the recruitment and hiring to back-fill the department's Associate Personnel Analyst position. The new employee joined SCDD on November 1, 2022.
- Continued the recruitment process to backfill the department's Budget Office
 Manager position vacated on July 8. The recent candidate pool shows promise.
- Recruited and have a pending offer for a Retired Annuitant to assist with the Budget Office.
- Conducted a recruitment to back-fill the Vaccine Project Manager position.
 Interviews are anticipated during the last week of November.

November 2022 COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE (September 20 – November 16, 2022)

OUTREACH

- ✓ September was National Preparedness Month. In the September and October Event email blast, call-to-action messaging focused on the importance of getting and staying prepared for natural and human-made emergencies. The eblast disseminated to over 11,000 unique email addresses, including the CA Legislature, contained helpful resources from local, state, and national partners. https://conta.cc/3D1b8H8
- ✓ October and November Events email messaging disseminated to over 11,000 unique email addresses, including the CA Legislature. In addition to the 77th Annual National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) Messaging, the 1st annual social media campaign, Nominate Your Inclusive Employer was launched. The social media campaign was promoted in Eng/Span via a call-to-action e-blast with a brief history of NDEAM, call to action for self-advocates to nominate their inclusive workplaces via Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn. https://conta.cc/3dXPN7v

https://twitter.com/CalSCDD/status/1577049384264470528

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- ✓ Hispanic Heritage Month Commemoration with social media specific creative (https://twitter.com/CalSCDD/status/1570813168477405184) featured on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter.
- ✓ "Make Sure Your Voice is Heard on Phasing out 14c Created dual language (Eng/Span) call to action messaging to encourage feedback from the public, organizations, and legislators about what works, what doesn't work and what is possible for phasing out subminimum wages in California. Distributed via email blast to over 11,000 unique email addresses, including the CA Legislature and social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Linkedin). English https://conta.cc/3D83eLH / Spanish https://conta.cc/3zF4PGQ
- ✓ November & December Events email messaging email disseminated to over 11,000 unique email addresses, including the CA Legislature.
- ✓ OneVoteNow! Resources Messaging email disseminated to over 11,000 unique email addresses. Call to action messaging about election day with voting resources and how to report voting access problems. https://conta.cc/3t6CtBA
- ✓ Created the SCDD Marketing Communications Form via Qualtrics to help streamline comms related requests from SCDD regional offices and staff.
- ✓ Created unique email addresses to help to streamline emails and requests into and from the Office of Policy and Public Affairs Comms@scdd.ca.gov, NewsClips@scdd.ca.gov, and Policy@scdd.ca.gov.
- ✓ News Release Cycle 45 Development Grant Award Recipients distributed via email blast to over 11,000 unique email addresses, including the CA Legislature and social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Linkedin). https://conta.cc/3SexVDF
- ✓ News Release CA Received Nearly \$14M in grant funding for CIE for PWD distributed via email blast to over 11,000 unique email addresses, including the CA Legislature and social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Linkedin). https://conta.cc/3R3pL01

- ✓ News Release AB 1663 signed by the Governor distributed via email blast to over 11,000 unique email addresses, including the CA Legislature and social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Linkedin) https://conta.cc/3CnNns1/.
 - SCDD's 9/30 announcement post of the signing of AB 1663 on Twitter was seen by over 11,500 people with an engagement of 383 (the total number of times a user interacted with the tweet by clicks, replies, retweets, likes or follows) https://twitter.com/CalSCDD/status/1575937396801052672
- ✓ Participated in outreach planning meetings and assisted regional offices and other units with disseminating information about upcoming initiatives (including webinars and live in-person events) via statewide email or social media.

BRANDING

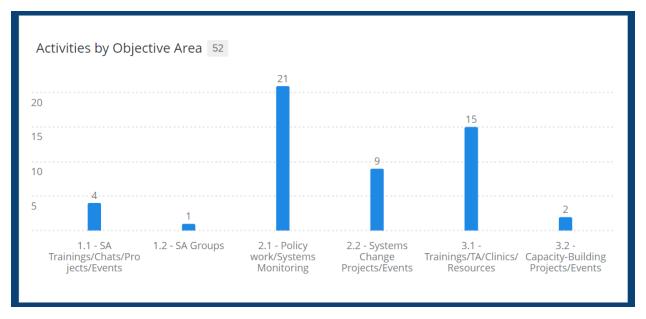
- ✓ In Progress: SSDAC An easy-to-understand flow-chart for the Self-Determination Program (entities flow chart, flow-chart for prospective participants) to explain the law the statute creates.
- ✓ In Progress: Suite of eight SCDD branded design elements for staff wide use (Report template, PPT slide template, Letterhead, etc.)

REPORT FROM: TANIA MORAWIEC DEPUTY DIRECTOR, PLANNING & REGIONAL OFFICE OPERATIONS

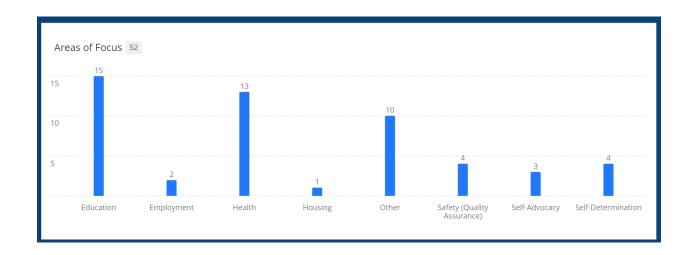
REPORT RANGE 9/2/22-11/17/22

SCDD continues to engage community members to identify emerging issues and tailors training and technical assistance efforts to address needs. During this reporting period, the highest rate of activities fell into the category of policy work and systems monitoring. This is in-line with the new state plan focus on systems change. The second highest rate of activities was found in the training/TA/clinic and resource provision area. As staff move toward project-based work to impact systems change, they link statewide policy and monitoring efforts to regional needs.

Two examples of this strategy are Jobtoberfest, an annual job and resource fair help in San Diego, and a collaborative panel presentation on the employment specific impacts of Covid for people who have disabilities conducted via webinar in the San Bernardino area. These activities coincide with October's National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) Celebration and provide valuable resources related to SCDD's continued phasing out of subminimum wage/SB639 implementation efforts.



The top areas of focus for this reporting period fell into the education and health category. This trends with commonly reported issues related to students returning to school and statewide concerns regarding flu season, Monkeypox and Covid rate increases.



SCDD Celebrations

• National Spotlight, LA Regional Office Manager, Chris Arroyo

Chris presented during a 10/31/22 National Association for Community Living Webinar, Well Connected Espanol. Chris informed participants about best practice in outreach, engagement and advocacy when serving the Latin X community. Chris and his team have been developing a specialized approach called the arc of advocate development. This approach helps turn initial stakeholder contacts and technical assistance opportunities into longer term relationships. Building trust over time and curating targeted training to meet community need leads enhanced peer support and prepares stakeholders to become effective community trainers.

DOR Federal Grant

SCDD supported The Department of Rehabilitative Services in successful application to the Federal Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration Disability Innovation Funds Grant Opportunity. California's Subminimum Wage to Competitive Integrated Employment Project (CSP) was selected and awarded 13.9 million dollars over 5 years in a competitive. Integrated employment demonstration project. SCDD will serve on the advisory committee of this project.

Project Summary:

This demonstration innovation research project supports the development of a pilot to serve Californians with the most significant disabilities, currently, previously in, or at risk of being placed into a subminimum wage employment setting, or who have tried and have been unsuccessful in attaining Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE).

The project will create a working partnership between two California community college districts, the California State Department of Rehabilitation (CDOR), San Diego State University's Interwork Institute, the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, the Department of Developmental Services, local Regional Centers, local education agencies, Customized Employment service specialists, Family Resource Centers employers, families, and service providers.

Services and supports would be delivered through two community colleges with existing College-to-Career (C2C) programs. Through separate subcontracts the project will support training at on-campus,

integrated locations to project participants. Funds will support no less than three full-time equivalent staff at each college, who working with CDOR counselors, will provide outreach, enrollment, and direct service delivery for CSP participants, with major components being Customized Employment (CE), benefits advisement and work experiences. The project will also coordinate on and off-campus academic and career technical education, career exploration, soft-skills training, peer-supports, educational coaching, job coaching, and exploration of self-employment.

Spotlight Activity: San Diego's Jobtoberfest, Regional Office Manager Mary Ellen Stives

This year the San Diego Committee on Employment for People with Disabilities (SDCEPD) held the 23rd annual Jobtoberfest event in person, after a two- year virtual event due to COVID 19. This is the largest job fair specifically for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (and others) in the San Diego area. The SDCEPD reaches out to local employers to host a table at the event as an opportunity to meet potential employees, provide application information, etc. The cost of the employer tables is utilized to provide scholarships for students planning on attending post-secondary school or a technical training program to achieve competitive integrated employment, and these scholarships are given at the event to those chosen by the scholarship committee. Throughout the year, the Disability Training Committee of the SDCEPD also utilizes remaining funds to purchase lunch for local employers where training and information is provided on tax incentives to hire people with disabilities, reasonable accommodations, technical assistance available, and other topics. These trainings are offered four times per year, and at each event the presentation is provided by local professionals and people with disabilities.

In addition, workshops are offered during the Jobtoberfest event on topics like Ticket to Work, Cal ABLE, resume writing, CA LEAP program and others. There is also a resource room where various supported employment providers, the Department of Rehabilitation, the San Diego Regional Center, and others are available to provide information to job seekers. In addition to employment services, there are also benefit specialists in attendance, a dental clinic to do free exams, registrar of voters to assist people in registering to vote, etc. The SDCEPD consists of representatives from the Department of Rehabilitation, Outreach Consulting Services, the San Diego Regional Center, State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Behavioral Health Services, Goodwill Industries and others.

CRA/VAS

SCDD AT WORK INSIDE CALIFORNIA DDS STATE-OPERATED FACILITIES

CENSUS AS OF November 1, 2022: 232

(Porterville DC, Canyon Springs CF, Central and Desert STAR)

SCDD and DDS renewed the interagency agreement providing CRA/VAS services to individuals residing in and transitioning from the DDS state operated facilities and onsite STAR units for another five year cycle. VAS services were extended from twelve to twenty-four months post placement. SCDD and DDS originally collaborated to provide CRA/VAS services for individuals in five developmental centers and two community facilities since 1998.



Program Activity for September and October 2022

Canyon Springs Community Facility and Desert STAR Unit

Positive COVID-19 cases are decreasing. VAS services are reaching incarcerated individuals. CS and PDC VAS services collaborated on CS admission of individual who was not successful in community placement. VAS researching lack of MediCal benefits transferring to individuals upon transition. CRA conducted 11 staff and 3 self-advocacy trainings this period. Community activities resumed including in person events. Face to face meeting and overnight visits resumed for people transitioning.





Census
Canyon Springs: 34

Desert STAR: 5

Porterville Developmental Center and Central STAR Unit

Central STAR unit moved off PDC campus in October 2022. SCDD CRA services cease service upon the move to the community.

CRA attended 60 meetings on behalf of clients at PDC. CRA worked with client and IDT to access an important family event. CRA worked on expanding recreational opportunity. VAS successfully advocated for two individuals to transition and receive appropriate service and supports. VAS is collaborating with PDC and regional centers for individuals who are discharged directly from court or hospitals without transition plans in place. VAS is recruiting advocates in northern California to better serve locally placed individuals.





Census Porterville: 189

Central STAR: 4



Current Cycle: In-Person Survey (IPS)

The IPS cycle has recently launched with contracted surveyors and QACs busy scheduling appts to interview adults receiving services. During this cycle, a random sample of individuals 18 years or older, receiving at least one regional center funded service in addition to case management will be surveyed.

Respondents will be given the option to have their survey conducted face-to-face at their preferred location or remotely using Zoom Healthcare, a HIPPA compliant video conferencing platform.

To conduct these surveys, SCDD has successfully contracted with approximately 234 surveyors statewide covering languages such as Spanish, Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Farsi, Korean and ASL.

DDS continues to stratify data collection with a focus on obtaining a targeted sample from each RC that has proportionate representation from five ethnoracial groups (i.e., African American/Black, Asian, Hispanic, White, and Other).

At present, after approximately 16 days, surveyors have completed 205 surveys (see *Table 1* for Regional Center breakdown) and scheduled over 400 appointments.

Quality Assessment Project Report

November 2022

Table 1: Surveys Completed

Regional Center	Completed
Alta California	8
Central Valley	8
East Bay	12
Eastern LA	19
Far Northern	4
Frank D. Lanterman	5
Golden Gate	29
Harbor	7
Inland	6
Kern	9
North Bay	0
North LA County	16
Orange County	32
Redwood Coast	0
San Andreas	1
San Diego	20
San Gabriel/Pomona	16
South Central LA	10
Tri-Counties	0
Valley Mountain	2
Westside	1
Total	205

About National Core Indicators

National Core Indicators[™](NCI) strives to provide states with valid and reliable tools to help improve system performance and better serve people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

Through a contract with Department of Developmental Services (DDS), State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD), using the NCI Survey tools, collects quantitative data on consumer satisfaction, provision of services, and personal outcomes. Data collection is completed through face to face interviews with consumers as well as mail-in surveys from families.

This data collection effort will enable DDS to evaluate the quality and performance of California's developmental disability service delivery system and among all the 21 regional centers over time.

For RC results of past surveys go to: https://www.dds.ca.gov/rc/nci/reports/

For more information about the NCI go to: https://www.nationalcoreindicators.org/

Scan QR code below to go to QA Project Webpage scdd.ca.gov/qap





QAP Regional Center Assignments

Mary Agnes Nolan
Support Staff: Vacant
Far Northern
North Bay
Redwood Coast

Ron Usac Support Staff: Valerie Buell East Bay San Andreas

George Lewis
Support Staff: Marigene Tacan-Regan
Alta California
Central Valley
Valley Mountain

Lia Cervantes Lerma • Brianna
Reynoso • Jenny Villanueva
Support Staff: Marina Bchtikian •
Austin Murphy
East Los Angeles
Frank D. Lanterman
Harbor
North Los Angeles
San Gabriel Pomona
South Central Los Angeles
Westside

Angel Wiley
CPS II: Vacant
SSA: Jennifer Melendez
Support Staff: Vacant
Golden Gate
Orange County
San Diego

Matoya Terrell
Support Staff: Valarie Macias
Inland
Kern
Tri-Counties

AGENDA ITEM 9.

ACTION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

2022-2023 CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR ELECTIONS

Election of Council officers occurs once every two years, unless a vacancy occurs. Council officers are elected by a simple majority vote and will serve from January 2023 through December 2024.

Per the Council Bylaws, a Nominating Committee was selected at the September 20th Council meeting to recommend a slate of nominees for Chair and Vice Chair. The Nominating Committee Chair then solicited interest from the eligible self and family advocates. When the Nominating Committee met on October 10th, they reviewed and adopted that slate of self-nominations. Below are the eligible members that expressed interest in serving as Council Chair and/or Vice-Chair.

Council Chair:

Wesley Witherspoon (S.A) Kara Ponton (S.A) **Council Vice Chair:**

Kara Ponton (S.A)

These councilmembers have submitted candidate statements, which are included in the packet for review prior to the meeting. Candidates will be given the opportunity to offer three-minute speeches at the meeting. Time accommodations are given to any candidate who needs them. Per the Bylaws, candidate nominations may also be accepted from the floor.

Attachments

Relevant excerpts from the Bylaws Candidate Statements

Action Recommended

Elect Council Chair and Vice-Chair to serve from January 2023 through December 2024.

Relevant Excerpts from May 31, 2018 Council Bylaws

ARTICLE VII. OFFICERS

SECTION 1. Officers:

The officers of the Council shall be a Chairperson and a Vice - Chairperson elected from among the self and family advocate members pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4535(b). These officers shall perform the duties described in these bylaws.

SECTION 2. Election of Member Officers:

Election of officers shall occur once every two years. The election shall be held during the last meeting of the appropriate calendar year. Only self and family advocate members shall be eligible to hold office pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4521(b)(1).

SECTION 3. Voting Procedure:

Council officers shall be elected by a simple majority vote. Recommendations for officers shall be in the form of nominations from the Nominating Committee. Nominations may also be received from the floor prior to the election, but subsequent to the report of the Nominating Committee. If no nominee is elected by a majority vote, the Council will hold a run-off election between the nominees who received the two highest number of votes. The Council may waive this run-off requirement with a majority vote to waive.

SECTION 4. Term of Office:

(a) The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be elected for a term of two years. Individuals may be elected to these positions for no more than two consecutive terms. Their term of office shall begin the first day of the new calendar year.

SECTION 6. Duties of the Officers:

- (a) Chairperson The responsibilities of the Chairperson are: to preside at all meetings of the Council; to appoint chairpersons and members to all Council committees, as specified in these bylaws, except the Nominating Committee, to appoint Council representatives in relation to other agencies and consumer groups; and to represent the Council as needed. The Chairperson shall have full voting rights on all Council actions.
- **(b) Vice-Chairperson -** The responsibilities of the Vice-Chairperson are to perform all the duties of the Chairperson if the Chairperson is absent or if the Chairperson requests the Vice-Chairperson to do so. When acting in the capacity of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson has the same authority as the Chairperson. The Vice-Chairperson also serves as Chair of the Executive Committee and as Parliamentarian.

AGENDA ITEM 10. INFORMATION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Advocacy Evolution Narrative

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities works with self-advocates and family-advocates to identify needs, create targeted resources, build confidence, and encourage independence. By doing this, the community gains important skills to develop peer relationships and more. These relationships create opportunities for professional and personal development.

Los Angeles Regional Manager Chris Arroyo and Family Advocate Guadalupe Nolasco were invited to present on their experience with advocacy and its evolution.

Handout(s)

Could be handout(s) day of meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 11.

ACTION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

2022 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Office of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (OIDD) requires State Councils to prepare a Program Performance Report (PPR) outlining outcomes/outputs accomplished in carrying out the activities of our 2022-2026 State Plan. The reports are due to the Office of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (OIDD) each year for activities performed October 1 through September 30.

The State Plan Committee Chair Kilolo Brodie and State Plan Manager Rihana Ahmad will present highlights of the 2021-2022 PPR outcomes. The PPR presentation will be provided as a handout at the Council meeting. Councilmembers will vote on whether to approve the PPR.

Attachment(s)

2021-2022 Prógram Performance Report (PPR) presentation 2022-2026 State Plan

Action Recommended

Approve the 2021-2022 Program Performance Report.



2022 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE REPORT (PPR)

Table of Contents

Acronyms List

People Served

Goal 1 Self-Advocacy

Goal 2 Systems Change

Goal 3 Capacity-Building

2022 Overview

Some Acronyms...

• **DEAP:** Disability Expert Advisory

Panels

• **FA:** Family Advocates

• I/DD: Intellectual/Developmental

Disabilities

• **ILS:** Independent Living Services

• **ISP:** Independent Support

Services

• ITP: Individual Transition Plan

• LMS: Learning Management

System

• PwI/DD: People with

Intellectual/Developmental

Disabilities

• **SA**: Self-Advocates

• **SDAC:** Self-Determination Advisory

Committee(s)

• **SSDAC:** Statewide Self-

Determination Advisory

Committee

• **SME:** Subject Matter Expert

• TA: Technical Assistance

• MHA: Mental Health Act

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In California, there are:

270
People in state Dev.
Centers

(10/22)

404,414
People served by regional centers

(10/22)

619,133
People with
I/DD – federal
definition

(11/16/22)

39,185,605

Total

people

(1/1/22)

GOAL 1 SELF-ADVOCACY

In Self-Advocacy efforts, the Council worked to:

• Collaborate: With and support 1 statewide and 15 regional* Self-Advocacy groups throughout California

Facilitate: 12 statewide and 160 regional Self-Advocacy
 Chats

Provide: 45 trainings

• Reach: 10,443 people through 646 activities

• Prepare: 760 self-advocates/peers to engage in self-advocacy, systems change and capacity-building

Engage in: 18 Self-Advocacy⁴ projects and 7 events...

Self-Advocacy Projects/Events

Voting Workshops for People with Disabilities

2 workshops (20+ SA each): Voting Rights, Making a Voting Plan, and Accessible Voting Machine Practice

- Why it's important to vote (by SA):
 - ✓ ...to have my voice heard
 - ✓ ...so I can advocate for myself
 - ✓ I have the right to choose

Self-Advocacy Projects/Events

Leaders Empowering Self-Advocates Leadership Project

- ☐ SA Teams meet weekly to:
 - Create and provide trainings to other self-advocates
 - Develop leadership skills
- ☐ Upcoming training topics:
 - ➤ Cyber Bullying
 - ➤ Healthy Relationships
 - **≻**Boardsmanship
 - ➤ Leadership

- Team members participated in:
 - ➤ Project SAFEE
 - >ISPEAK Newsletter
 - ➤ Self-Advocacy Conference Planning
 - ➤ DDS SA website accessibility workgroup
 - ➤ MTS Accessible Services
 Advisory Committee

Self-Advocacy Groups:

The Council has provided facilitation, support and TA to SAC6, a self-advocacy group in the North Valley Hills region. Because of that successful effort, staff collaborated with SAC6 to establish SAC12, the first organized self-advocacy effort in the San Bernardino region.

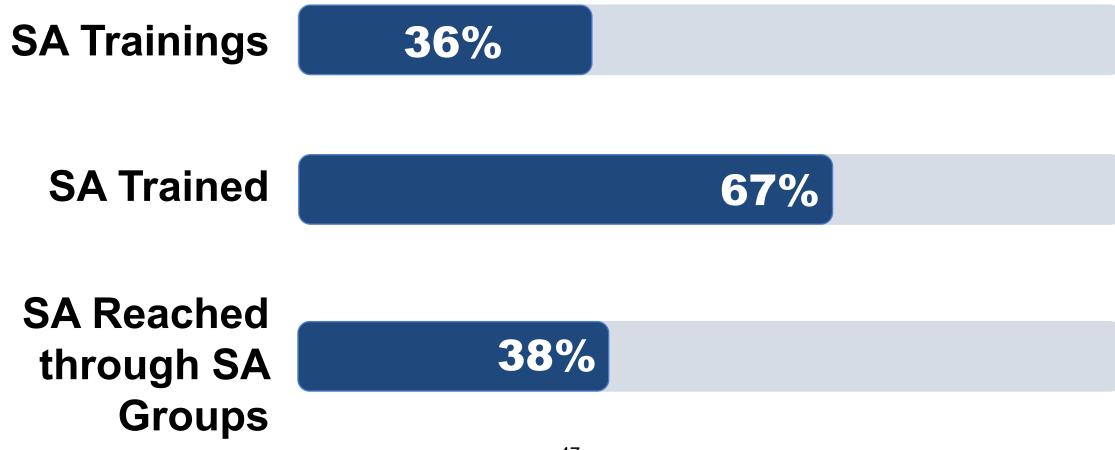
Within their regions, both groups now:

- Provide peer-to-peer training/assistance
- Hold regular self-advocacy chats
- Support self-advocates in taking leadership roles in RC and other committees
- Conduct outreach via social media
- Review SCDD resources and curriculum for plain language and accessibility
 ₄₅

Technical Assistance: Anecdote

A self-advocate with diabetes was attending a conference and struggling with used medical supplies, noting that there was no sharps container in the bathroom. She asked Council staff for technical assistance and discussed the issue. The self-advocate then asked hotel staff about a container to dispose of 'sharps' and discovered that, in fact, they had never been asked for one before and it was an oversight that they did not have one available. As a result of this individual's self-advocacy efforts, the hotel will now supply sharps containers in bathrooms at all of their facilities.

Goal 1: Progress toward 5-year Measures



GOAL 2 SYSTEMS CHANGE & ADVOCACY

In Systems Change efforts, the Council worked to:

• Monitor: More than 200 entities/systems and 16 bills to protect civil rights and/or support and benefit PwI/DD and their families

• Reach: 5,569 people through 196 trainings and 33,754 people through 2,041 meetings, chats and TA opportunities and/or clinics

• Train/Support: 2,500+ professionals (e.g. law enforcement, Community Care Licensing personnel, healthcare providers, Probation officers, teachers and others) throughout the state

 Assist: Escuela De La Raza Unida and other community-based entities to become vendored through the regional center system and provide supports to previously unserved and/or underserved communities

• Engage in: 2 statewide and 34 regional Systems Change projects & 2 Cycle 44 grant projects

Legislative Successes

• AB 1663 (Maienschein): Probate Conservatorship Reform (becomes effective 1/23)

Formalizes 'supported decision-making'

Will impact more than 150,000 Californians

• SB 1092 (Hurtado): DDS/Regional Center Fair Hearing Reform

Mediation will be voluntary

Moves Fair Hearings to DSS

Increases fairness and transparency

Systems Change Projects (by topic area)

14 Health and/or Safety

6 Employment

3 Education

9 Housing

4 Self-Determination

4 Formal & Informal Community Supports

Self-Determination Program

3 SSDAC meetings; 217 local SDAC & workgroup meetings; 78 SD-related meetings

129 SD-related Trainings (including 65 Orientations)

Website development & resource distribution (e.g. Orientation = 3 languages)

Disability Expert Advisory Panel



SB 639

4 Stakeholder Meetings

12 Community Conversations

National SME inclusion as facilitator and consultant

Letter-writing campaign

Website development and resource generation₅₃

LAUSD Policy Change (Alternatives to Conservatorship)

• Partnership: SCDD and the LA Unified School District (LAUSD)

• Practice Change: Alternatives to student conservatorships

Created:

 An ITP template for students to assign a support person or representative to help with important decisions

• Training & TA: For staff, students and families in support of students' civil rights and to avoid the restrictive practice of conservatorships

• Potential Impact: Students will become more effective self-advocates - not only in school settings, but in all environments and systems with which they interact and engage

Bridging the Gap – Integration of Behavioral Health Services

- Blended DDS & MHA funding
- Improved crisis response
- Built new leadership groups
- Greater service integration
- Reduced stigma

- ✓ 450 people have better information about Pw/IDD,
 Behavioral Health services and gaps in service systems
- ✓ 200 law enforcement personnel trained

ILS/SLS/ISP Vendors: Best Practices Model

 SMART Goals: Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-Bound

SCDD: Created a SMART goal 'bank'

SCDD: Trained ILS/SLS vendors to use SMART goals in ISP development

• RCOC: Now requires all ILS/SLS vendors to use SMART goals

 SCDD: Helped vendors streamline goal development and charting of measurable client progress and skill development

• **Vendors:** Are now able to track and switch goals as clients achieve full mastery of skills 56

Professional Capacity-Building

UCSF Annual Developmental Disabilities Update for Health Professionals

SCDD staff: Participated in planning committee, training
 & Technical Assistance

Outcome:

275 health professionals (in various roles) are better informed, educated, and networking for disability access and equity in health care systems, innovative practices, and policy-related issues

Cycle 44 Project: CHIME Institute Inclusive Model for Self-Determined Learning

- * Reached: 85 Self-Advocates 126 Family Advocates 315 Others
- SCDD created 3 new policies and/or practices
- Outputs:
 - Free online 'strategy' toolbox to promote SD skills in students within inclusive settings
 - 2. Final report on project outcomes
- CSU Northridge is now using the Self-Determined Learning Model of Instruction (SDLMI) with all teachers in the Induction Program
- 'Promoting Self-Determination Skill Growth in Inclusive Pre-K-12 Classrooms' will be presented at the annual TASH conference

Cycle 44 Project: Down Syndrome Connection of the Bay Area Mental Health & Wellness Alliance

- ☐ Trained and supported 12 therapists; served 36 SA & 20 FA
- Created a replicable pilot to train, educate and support mental health professionals to provide therapy with Pwl/DD and/or co-occurring disorders
- Developed tools to help Pwl/DD cope with mental health issues and customized communication boards for Pwl/DD to express thoughts and feelings with therapists during therapy
- Adapted an outcome measurement tool to track program results

Anecdote

SCDD regional staff provided information about AB 1663 and TA on legislative/systems change work during meetings of Madres Lideres (a Spanish-speaking parent support group). Parent leaders mobilized other family and self-advocates to call and write to their legislators in support of AB 1663. The Council learned that at least 20 advocates contacted their legislators urging support of AB 1663, which was recently signed!

Parent leaders reported being proud of their efforts and thanked staff for building their capacity to engage in this type of activism. The fact that AB 1663 was passed and signed into law has been an encouraging experience and has motivated parent leaders in partnering with the Council and continuing their systems change efforts through the legislative process.

Success Story

SCDD provided training on IPP strategies to staff from California Deaf & Blind Services. After receiving training, these professionals were able to successfully advocate for their client and educate the RC to increase cultural competence in serving the deaf-blind community.

As a result, their client was able to access the use of an intervener (a person who works one-to-one with an individual who is deaf-blind to help gather information, develop and use communication skills, and establish relationships), which is not a commonly requested RC service.

Thank You!!

Parents Helping Parents requested the Council's support for a California

Department of Education grant to fund the agency as a Family Empowerment

Center (FEC). We are pleased to announce that we are one of thirteen agencies

that received this grant!

Your support for PHP verified the integrity of our family support services and goals in the eyes of the CDE.

Our staff is now working to expand services to families of children receiving special education and free and reduced-price meals in San Luis Obispo County. We are excited for the opportunity to place further focus on this underserved population in our county.

GOAL 3 CAPACITY-BUILDING & ADVOCACY

In Capacity-Building efforts, the Council worked to:

• Educate: 11,740 people in 410 trainings

• Collaborate in: 207 meetings with 2,110 people

• Provide: Technical assistance to 89,785 people

• Reach: 3,564 people through 428 activities

• **Prepare:**55 self-advocates and 15 family advocates to engage in peer training, facilitation, resource distribution and/or presentation opportunities

• Engage in: 38 Capacity-Building projects, 44 one-time events and 264 Cycle 44 grant projects

8 Health and/or Safety

6 Employment

Capacity-Building Projects (by topic area):

15 Education

4 Self-Advocacy

5 Formal & Informal Community Supports

Covid Distributions

 With the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES), SCDD distributed 2,848,289 pieces of PPE

 With the CA Department of Public Health, SCDD distributed 319,368 Covid tests

Colaboracion Latina

SCDD served as a core partner, and:

- Assisted with planning and provided training and TA to a new collaborative of 12 organizations throughout the state
- Created learning opportunities around resources, services, responsibilities and rights for Spanish-speaking families that have children with I/DD
- Increased families' knowledge about advocating for rights and accessing important services and supports for their children with I/DD

Yurok Tribe ECE Special Ed Training Collaborative

Collaboration between SCDD, the Yurok Tribe, Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund (DREDF) and the Northern California Indian Development Council

- Provided three 2-day special education trainings for professionals and parents at each of the tribal ECE (Early Childhood Education) locations
- SCDD built bridges and strengthened the opportunities and skills of tribal members with I/DD and can expand on this while proceeding with care, patience and humility
- Families and professionals have more information about navigating the special education system

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Spanish-Speaking Parent Leadership Group Madres Lideres

A peer leadership group developed by SCDD to provide parent leaders with TA, capacity-building, and a safe space to network

This group has now:

- Created a task force of other parent leaders in Spanish-speaking communities for local systems change efforts
- Taken skills to train others
- Reported that they are more effective in advocating for and receiving services
- Served as a focus group for SCDD's survey/review requests

Cycle 44 Project: PathPoint Providing Upstream Mental Health Support for Pwl/DD

- Piloted 2 mental health interventions
- Created a replicable Mental Wellness training to assist MH practitioners in serving PwI/DD.
- Trained 31 professionals and served 96 self-advocates
- Created curriculum, workbook, and resources for practitioners

Cycle 44 Project: PathPoint Anecdote

One individual in PathPoint's ILS program had an 'ah-ha' moment when reflecting on the impact their actions had on others. They realized the impact their actions had and how it made others feel - the way they were handling situations was not working and they were 'leaving a trail of blood behind.' They became motivated to change their ways and learn new strategies to help them cope.

Cycle 44 Project: Parents Helping Parents Building Strong Families during Transition to Adulthood

- 10 transition-related advocacy workshops (in English and Spanish)
- 10 electronic resource packets (in English and Spanish)
- 5 videos that are shared on the Parents Helping Parents website
- Created a replicable program to assist English and Spanish-speaking families to access services and supports
- Families who attended were pleased and satisfied with the information provided. They stated they could better navigate the transition to the adulthood and felt more confident talking with loved ones and the professionals with whom they work.

Anecdote

Council staff provided information and technical assistance to a family advocate (over a 6-month period), in response to a regional center's denial of service. With this help, the family advocate was able to present a case to the administrative law judge, justifying regional center funding for supported living services (SLS) and supports during the adult son's (SA) hospitalization. The family won its case against the regional center, which was ordered to pay the cost of SLS provided - in the amount of \$2,624.21.

Thank You!!

During the pandemic, diverse language needs and the lack of accessible transportation were barriers that made it difficult for people to access testing and supplies through traditional locations. Community partners reported significant community hesitancy for fear of such activities being used to arrest those who are in the U.S. and are undocumented.

The Council's many collaborative partners reported to staff that providing scarce resources (e.g. PPE, Covid test kits, etc.) to those who are underserved (BIPOC – those people with disabilities who are black, indigenous, and people of color, as well as non-English speakers) was remarkably valuable and sent their deep appreciation and thanks for all the hard work of the Council's staff members throughout the state.

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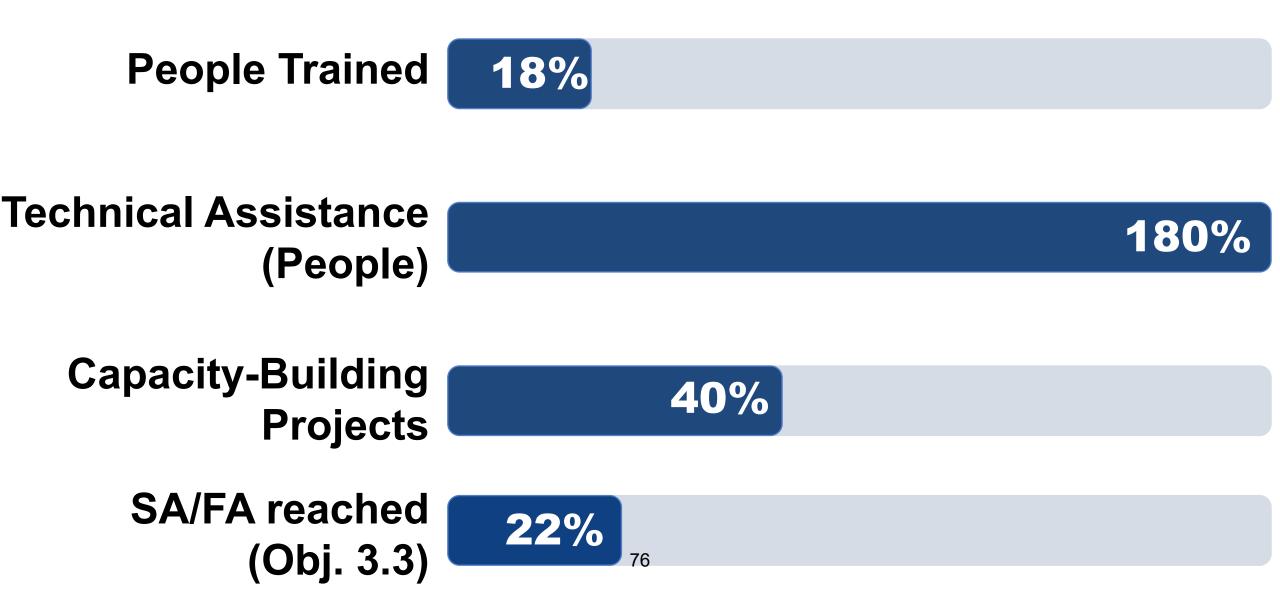
More Successes

2 family advocates reported that TA provided by SCDD staff helped them win a Fair Hearing against the regional center and that they both received the services they were originally denied.

10 family advocates shared that the TA they received from the Council enabled them to advocate for and receive important RC services for their children

5 family advocates reported that they were able to access interpretation services for regional center Board meetings as a result of the Council's training and technical assistance

Goal 3: Progress toward 5-year Measures



2022 OVERVIEW

Focus Area: Education

Disability Expert Advisory Panel (DEAP)

5 Systems change projects

10 Capacity-building projects

289 Trainings and activities

25 Curricula

4,060 Requests for TA

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Disability Expert Advisory Panel (DEAP)

7 Systems change projects

11 Capacity-building projects

99 Trainings and activities

15 Curricula

264 Requests for TA

Focus Area: Employment

Disability Expert Advisory Panel (DEAP)

13 Systems change projects

Focus Area: Health & Safety

12 Capacity-building projects

236 Trainings and activities

42 Curricula

84,150 Requests for TA

Disability Expert Advisory Panel (DEAP)

3 Systems change projects

Focus Area: Housing

35 Trainings and activities

10 Curricula

170 Requests for TA

Disparity Outreach Activities Serving Diverse Populations

- 357 Cross-disabilities
- 216 Mental illness
- 117 African-American
- 114 Asian
- 88 Native/Tribal/Alaskan Native
- 73 Other

- 66 Homeless/Unhoused
- 64 Elders
- 63 Rural/Frontier
- •**53** LGBTQII2
- 46 Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
- 24 Veterans

Disparity Outreach

Activities Inclusive of non-English Languages

561	English & Other Language(s)		1	Japanese
93	Spanish-only		13	Khmer
2	Arabic		11	Korean
2	Armenian (Eastern)		2	Mien
1	Cama'i (Indigenous Alaskan)		20	Other
9	Chinese (Cantonese)		232	Plain Language
12	Chinese (Mandarin)		1	Russian
2	Farsi		62	Sign Language
1	French		373	Spanish
2	Hindi		5	Tagalog
5	Hmong	83	39	Vietnamese

2022 Collaborative Partners

Federal Partners

DRC

UCD Mind Institute

UCLA Tarjan Center

USC Children's

Hospital

State Agencies/Depts.

Cal Able DDS

Cal OES DIR

CDA DOR

CDE DSS

CDPH IACA

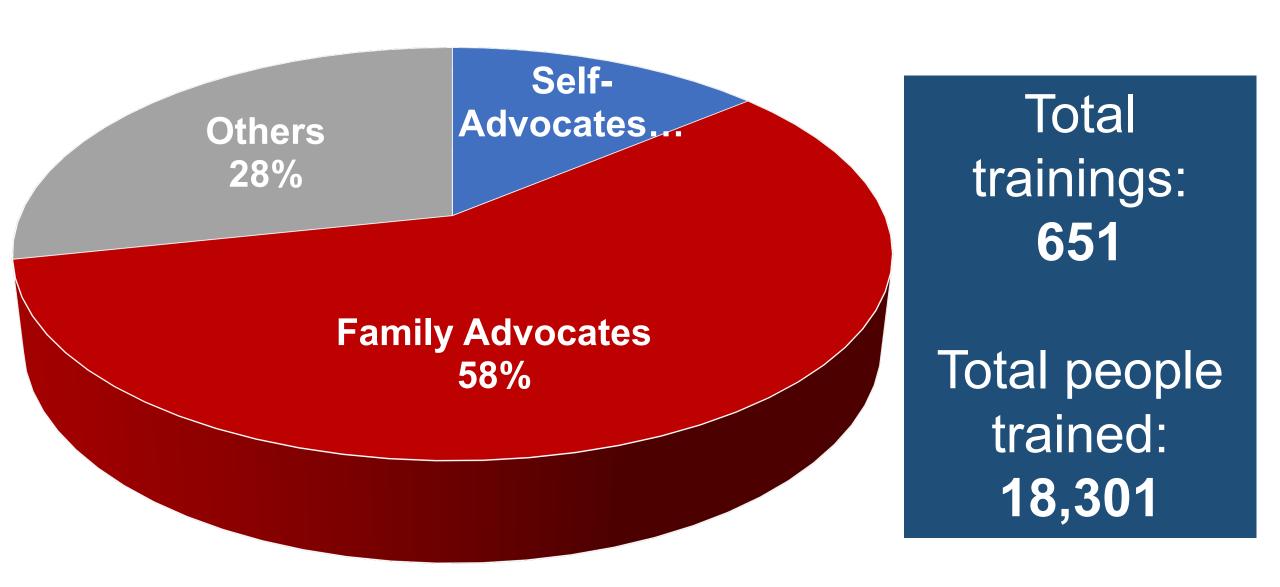
CHHS ODI

Other State & Local Collaborative Partners

Over 700 entities throughout the state

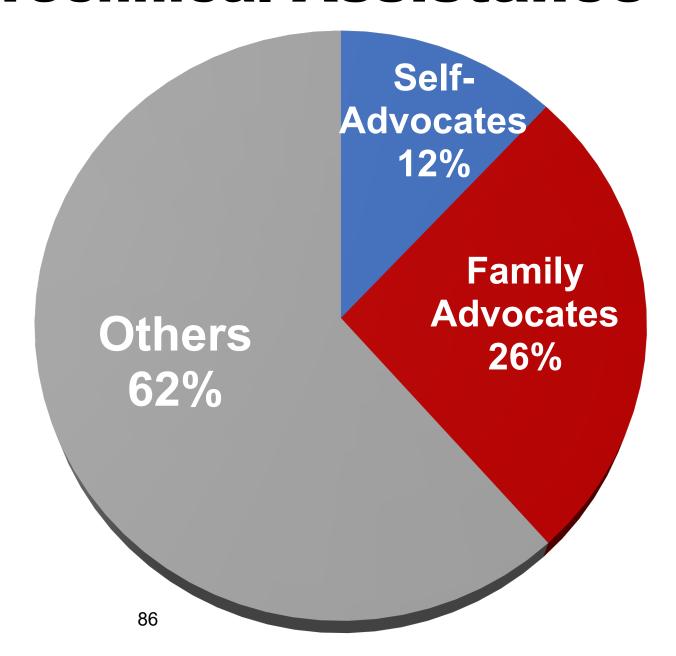
(e.g. regional centers, school districts, community-based organizations, etc.)

2022: Total People Trained (all Goals)

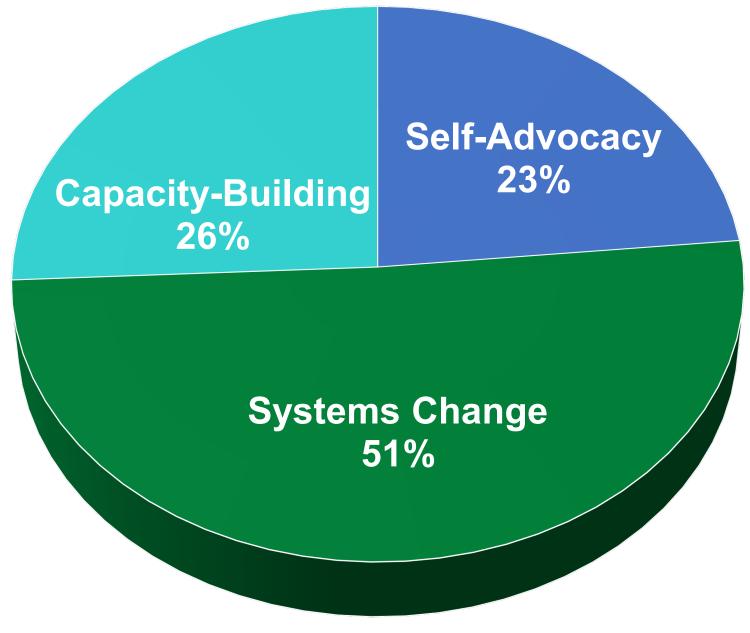


2022: Total Technical Assistance

Total People reached through TA: 91,681

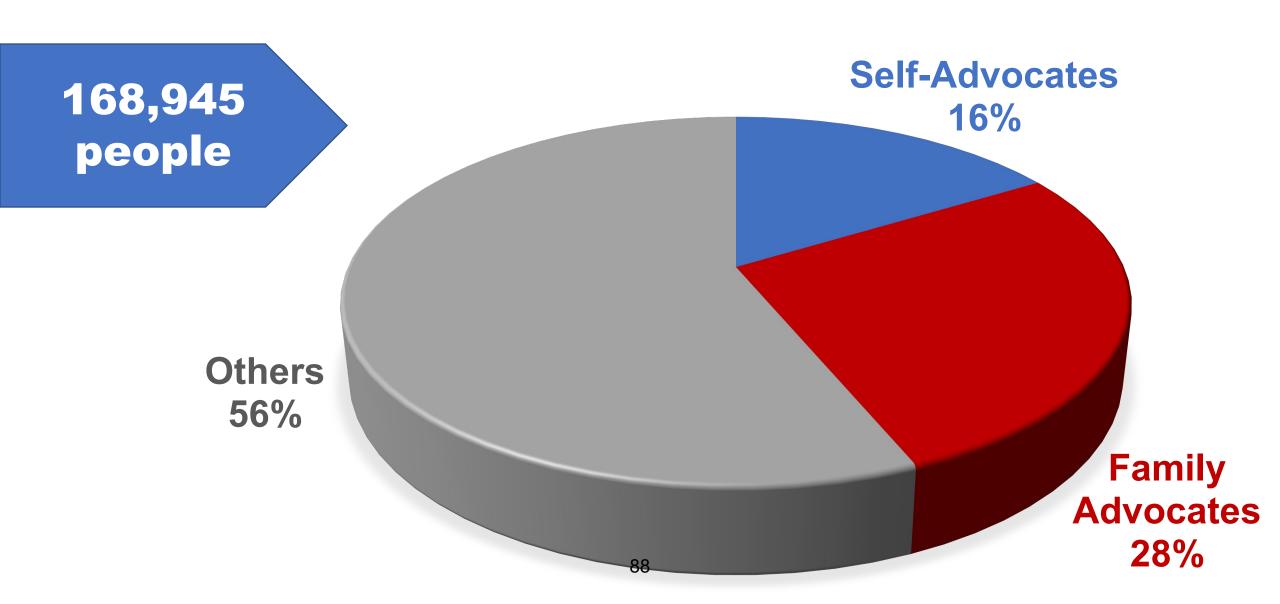


2022 Activities by Goal Area (not including TA)



2022 Total People Reached

(through trainings, meetings, events & technical assistance)



Electronic Resource Distribution

- 10,303 total electronic resource distributions (email/social media)
- 26,889 contacts on distribution lists (email/Constant Contact)
- 11,366 followers on social media

- facebook.com/CalSCDD instagram.com/CalSCDD
- twitter.com/CalSCDD
- youtube.com/CalSCDD
- in linkedin.com/company/calscdd

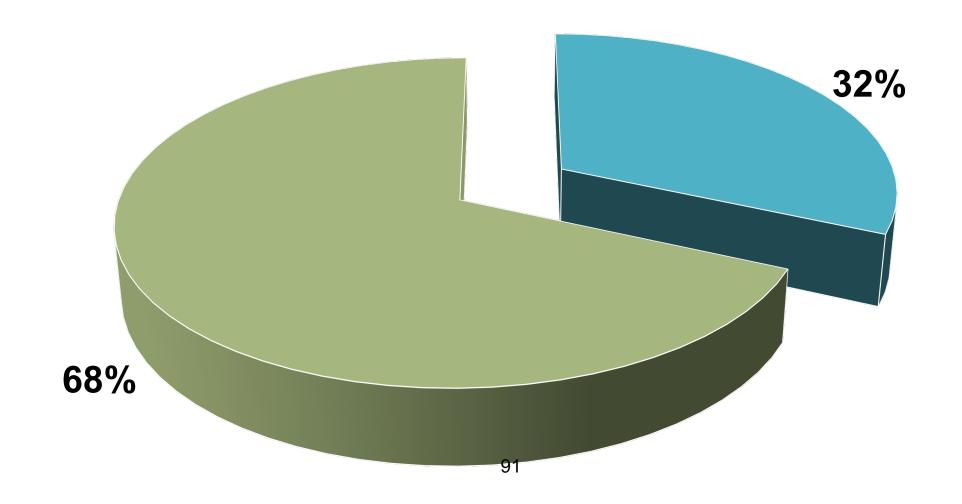
"How Are We Doing?" Data from Post-Training Surveys

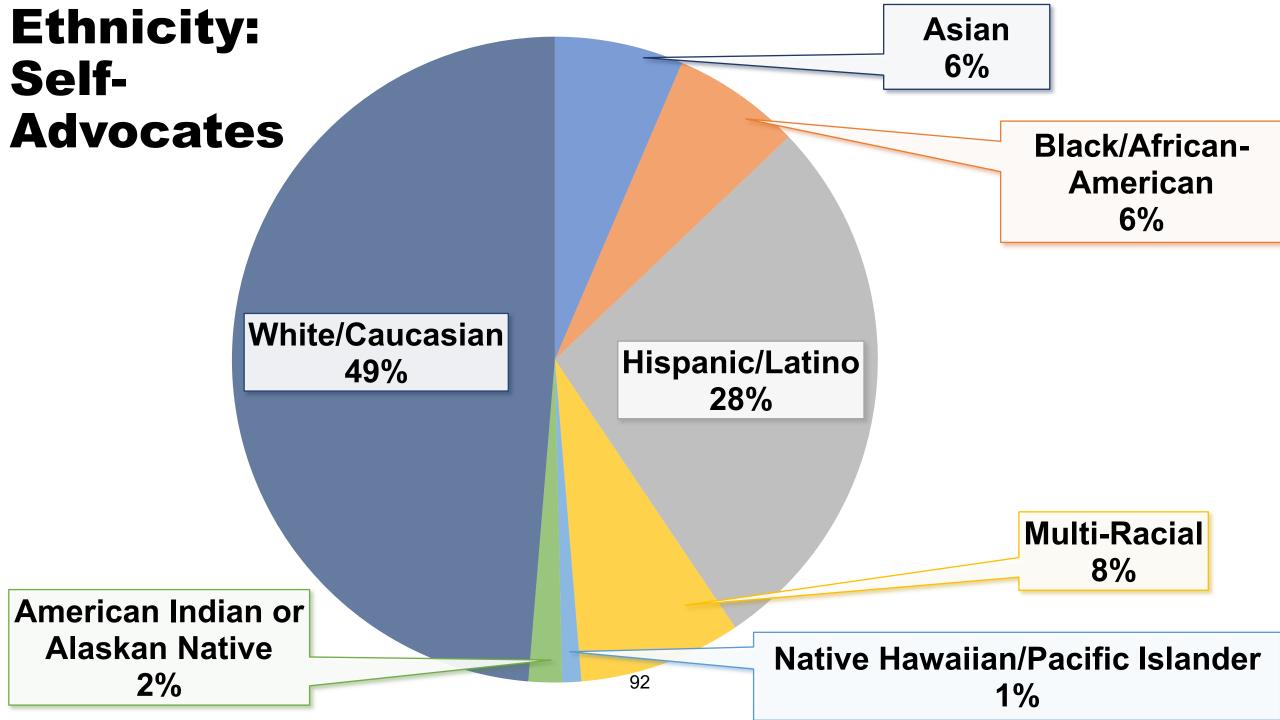
Over 4,000 SA/FA survey respondents

(via Qualtrics links, Zoom polls, and hard-copy surveys)

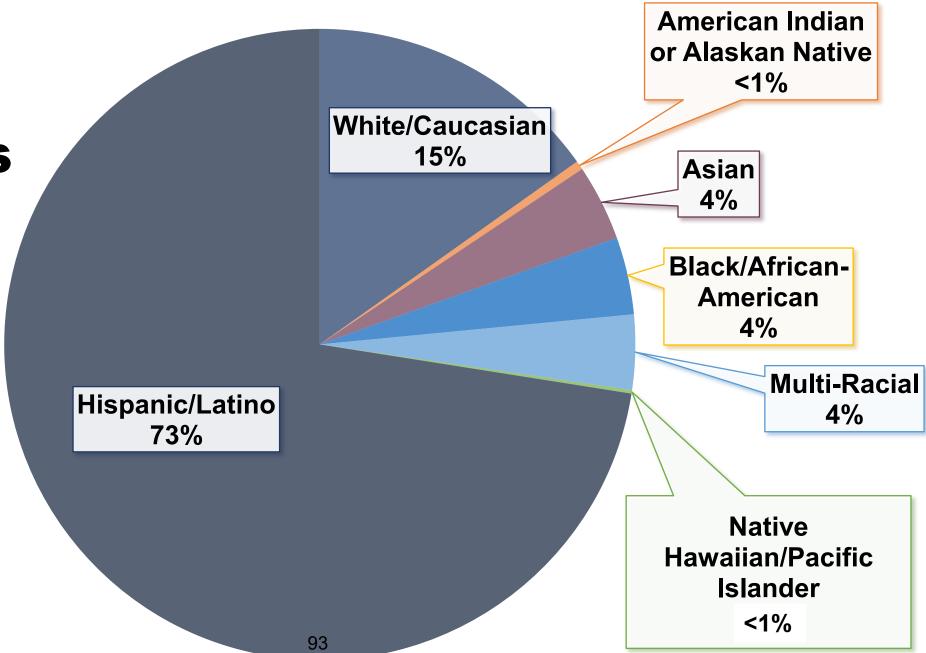
2022 Demographic Data from Survey Respondents (SA/FA)







Ethnicity: Family Advocates



2022 Post-Training Survey Responses

- 95% of those surveyed (SA/FA) were satisfied with SCDD programs & trainings.
- 84% of self-advocates reported increasing their advocacy after participating in SCDD programs & trainings.
- •81% of self-advocates said that they are better able to say what they want or need after participating in SCDD activities,



Total number of Californians directly reached through SCDD activities and outreach efforts in 2022:

1,297,595



Total number of people impacted through SCDD's systems change activities in 2022:

3,768,646

Recommended Action

Approve the 2022 PPR in concept for submission to the Administration on Community Living

2022-26 State Plan

Goal 1	Self-Advocacy By 2026, the Council will maintain and/or increase the number of people with intellectual/developmental disabilities to become strong self-advocates, peer trainers and community leaders.		
#	Objective		
1.1	 The Council will provide information, resources and 125 trainings to strengthen 1,250 self-advocates in: 1) Identifying and asking for the supports and services that they need; 2) Becoming and serving as peer trainers; 3) Developing skills and opportunities to engage as strong activists for issues that are important to them and their families; and, 4) Participating in culturally diverse, cross-disability coalitions 		
1.2	The Council will collaborate with and/or support self-advocates in peer networks, including culturally diverse, cross-disability coalitions, by providing facilitation, tangible supports and peer advocacy/leadership opportunities through at least 1 statewide and 12 regional self-advocacy entities, reaching 6,000 self-advocates.		
1.3	In the event of unforeseen project opportunities, emerging needs, and/or community, cross-regional or statewide requests, the Council may engage in additional activities with and/or on behalf of self-advocates and those who support and serve them.		

Goal 2	Systems Change/Advocacy By 2026, the Council will lead in partnership with family/self-advocates and others to protect and enhance civil rights to improve community-based systems and be more fully inclusive and supportive of people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families.		
#	Objective		
2.1	The Council will develop, improve and/or change 30 practices, 15 policies, and 10 regulations (or guidance) and/or laws in the systems of regional centers, community-based services, and governmental entities. This work will include the areas of employment, education, housing, health/safety and/or emerging issues in ways that will benefit people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and protect their civil rights, promote full inclusion, and/or provide additional supports and services, improving their lives in tangible ways.		
2.2	 The Council will engage in 20 regional and 5 statewide innovative/special projects and/or events in the areas of employment, education, housing, health/safety and/or self-determination to: 1) Support 5,000 people (family/self-advocates and others) in systems change efforts and give them information, skills and/or supports to increase their abilities to become effective advocates; 2) Engage in training and/or other efforts to implement systems, demonstrate or support systems change; and/or, 3) Increase services to improve supports for people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families. 		
2.3	The Council, in collaboration with California's four (4) partners (one Protection and Advocacy agency and three University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities), will seek to improve the generic service system that impacts people with intellectual/developmental disabilities by choosing one or more areas of emphasis in the State Plan, such as education, employment, housing, and/or health/safety, and report on how that system is serving people with I/DD, gaps in that service delivery system, recommendations on how to improve the systems to meet the goals of the DD Act, and/or pursue policy and practice changes in those areas. The collaboration will result in the review or development of 2 reports, 6 recommendations for policy or practice changes, and 2 Legislative or Administrative changes to policy or practice.		

Goal 3	Capacity-Building/Advocacy By 2026, the Council will increase partnerships with and support of more people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families, so they know their rights and can advocate for and receive supports and services.		
#	Objective		
3.1	The Council will provide (staff-led, peer-led and/or collaborative) training to 60,000 people (family/self-advocates/others) throughout the state – virtually, online and/or in person - and provide technical assistance (TA)/advocacy clinics, reaching 50,000 people with assistance and resources to identify and obtain the supports and services that will help people with intellectual/developmental disabilities live a safer and healthier life.		
3.2	The Council will engage in 100 projects and events in the areas of employment, education, housing, health/safety, and/or emerging issues, reaching 25,000 people (family/self-advocates/others) with information and resources to enhance their knowledge and increase their capacity to obtain supports and services that are important to them.		
3.3	In order to reduce the disparities in obtaining a free, appropriate public education, the Council will work with 5,000 Spanish-speaking family/self-advocates throughout the state to advocate for and increase the number and type/quality of special education services they receive through their own local education agencies.		

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AGENDA ITEM 12. INFORMATION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

SB 639 Report Overview

SB 639 (Durazo) was signed into law on September 27, 2021. The bill amended the Labor Code to do away with subminimum wage for people with disabilities. Among other things, SB 639 requires the State Council on Developmental Disabilities in consultation with stakeholders to produce a report to develop a multiyear phaseout plan by January 1, 2023.

Deputy Director of Policy and Public Affairs Bridget Kolakosky and Deputy Director of Regional Office Operations Tania Morawiec will present an overview of the SB 639 report to Councilmembers. The report overview will include the status of the draft report and next steps.

Handout(s)

SB 639 Report Overview PPT Could be additional handout(s) day of meeting.

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STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

2023 Council and Committee Meeting Dates and Adjournment

The Council's next meeting date is scheduled for January 2023. A chart of the 2023 Council and Committee meeting dates have been provided as a handout for informational purposes.

Handout

2023 Council and Committee meeting dates