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# **2025 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE REPORT (PPR)**

# In California, there are:

**178**  
People in  
state Dev.  
Centers

(6/25)

**492,136**  
People  
served by  
regional  
centers

(7/25)

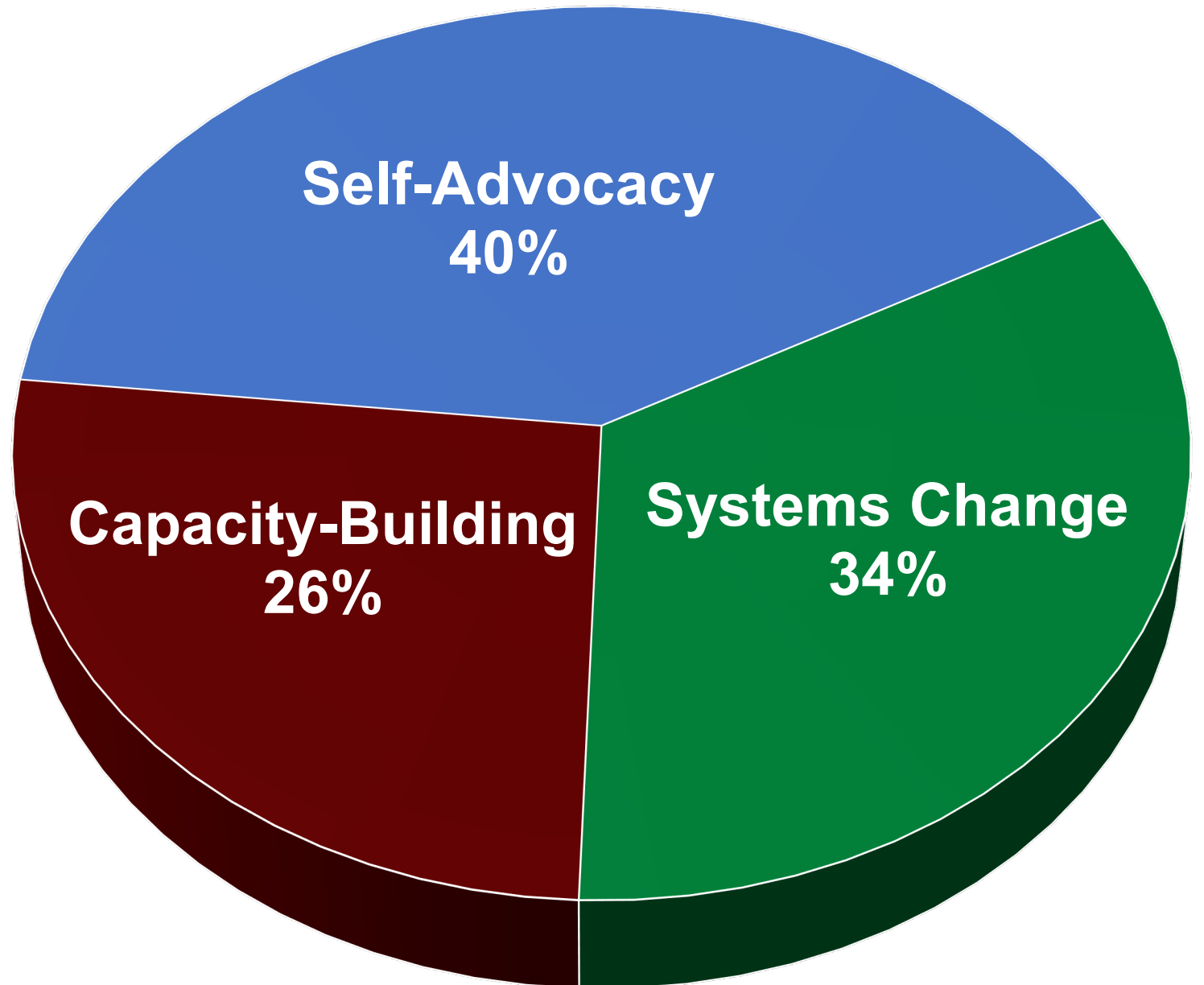
**624,558**  
People with  
I/DD – federal  
definition

(1/1/25)

**39,529,000**  
Total  
people

(1/1/25)

**2025**  
**Activities by**  
**Goal Area**  
(not including TA)



# **GOAL 1**

# **SELF-ADVOCACY**

# Council's Self-Advocacy Efforts



**9** Statewide &  
**32** Regional  
Self-Advocacy Chats



**1** Statewide &  
**14** Regional  
Self-Advocacy Groups

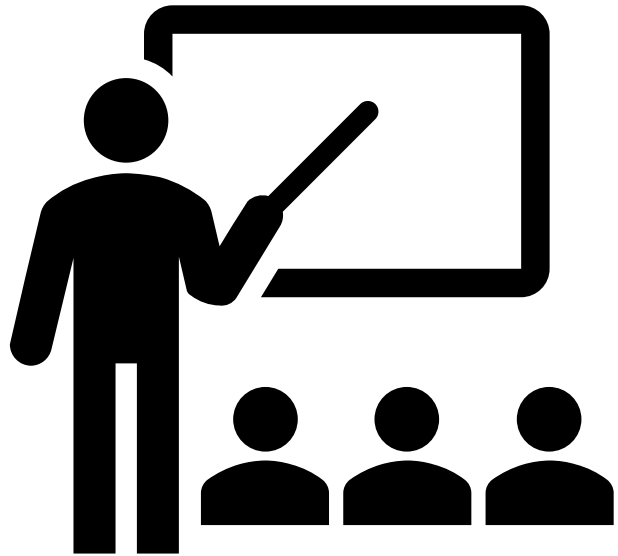


**75** Trainings &  
**502** Peer Leaders  
Prepped



**8** Self-Advocacy Projects  
**4** Events  
**3** Cycle Grant Projects

# Peer Leaders: Healthy U



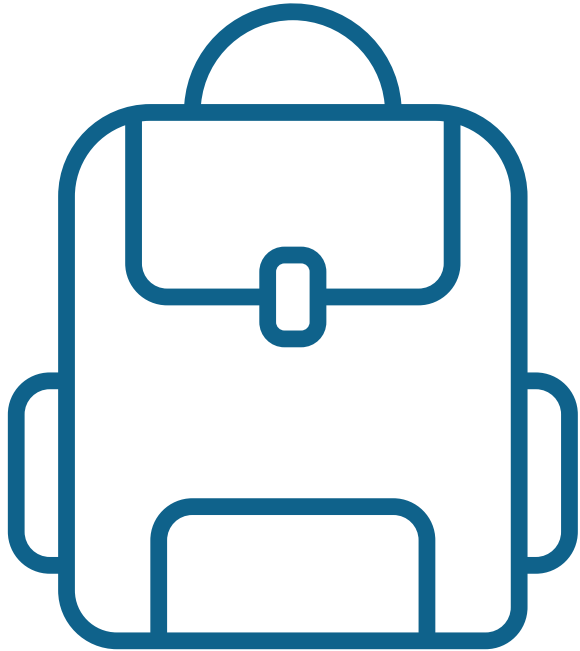
- Nine (9) online sessions led by a self-advocate teaching peers to manage their health and advocate for themselves.
- Trainer presented at statewide Supported Life Conference, modeling leadership and peer training.
- Developed leadership skills and confidence, inspiring other self-advocates to grow their advocacy.

# Peer Leaders: Voting Workshop

- RAC Chair and peer leaders conducted community advocacy and training on voting rights and access.
- Delivered public testimony and engaged with policymakers, demonstrating self-advocacy in action.
- Strengthened visibility and empowerment of voters with disabilities in their communities.



# Youth Outreach: Building Preparedness



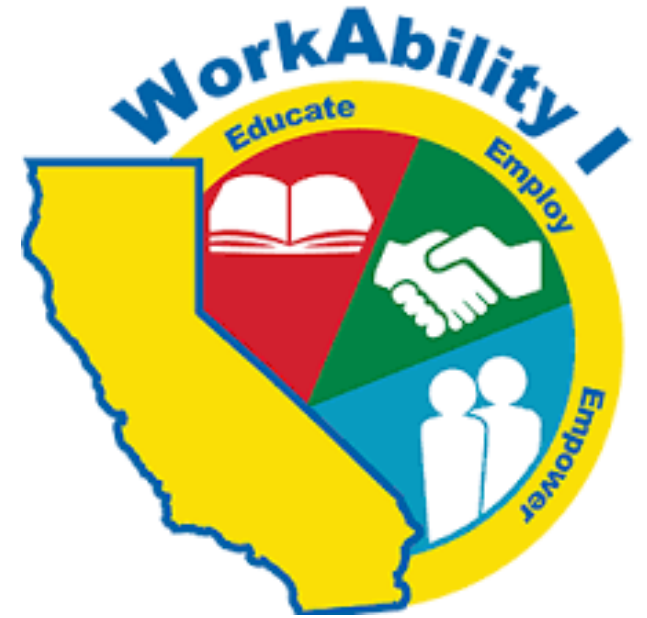
## Emergency Prep Training & Backpack Distribution

- Youth in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District transition program received training and emergency resources.
- Learned about self-advocacy, safety, & SCDD's mission.
- Early exposure connects youth with lifelong resources and support.

# Youth Outreach: Building Skills

## WorkAbility

- High school students gained hands-on experience as intern staff in the North Valley Hills office.
- Students can now include this work experience on their resumes.
- Real-world experience helps self-advocates move toward community-based competitive integrated employment (CIE).



# SALA in Action



**2023**

First Self Advocacy Leadership Academy (SALA) cohort launched in Los Angeles



**2024**

Second SALA cohort expanded statewide



**2025**

SALA in Action formed and graduates begin meeting monthly to apply learning and advance a shared systems change goal

# Self-Advocacy: Anecdote

SALA has shown continued success. Over the last year, self-advocates shared gratitude and excitement about experiencing a new chapter in systemic advocacy. They are looking forward to bringing their final presentations to life – each one designed with the goal of advancing meaningful systemic change.

# Goal 1: Progress toward 5-year Measures

**SA Trainings**

**138%**

**SA Reached**

**132%**

(Trainings/Chats/Events)

**SA Reached  
through SA  
Groups**

**152%**

**GOAL 2**  
**SYSTEMS CHANGE**  
**& ADVOCACY**

# Council's Systems Change Efforts



**Monitored 239  
Systems/Entities**



**1,250 Meetings**



**156 Trainings &  
2,772 Professionals  
trained**



**3 Statewide Projects  
12 Regional Projects**

**Systems  
Change  
Initiatives:  
Policy  
Work**

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Supported 18 bills

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Monitored 84 bills

# Systems Monitoring and Change Efforts



- Partnering with a Southern California city on a 5-year plan for housing, economic development, and health/human services.
- Encouraging residents to advocate for affordable housing for people with I/DD and support staff.
- Addressing housing needs for caregivers, direct service providers, and home health aides to sustain access to critical services.

# **Professional Capacity- Building**

## **74 trainings in 32 counties**

- Education/ Childcare (3)
- Employment (7)
- Health (2)
- Safety/First Responders (46)
- Disaster Response (2)
- Housing (4)
- Formal/Informal service providers (9)
- Policymakers (1)

# Emergency Responders and Law Enforcement Trainings

- Provides first responders and professionals with training on recognizing, communicating with, and supporting people with disabilities, their families, and support staff.
- Council expertise embedded in the International Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Conference in Anaheim.
- Disability-focused sessions demonstrate the Council's impact and ongoing contribution to national practices.



# Disaster Response Coalition

- Led a coalition of organizations to address the needs of people with disabilities and families during and after the LA fires.
- Collaborated with first responders, disaster relief agencies, and community organizations to embed accessibility and safety considerations into planning.
- Provided guidance and expertise to emergency response entities for current and future disaster preparedness.



# Systems Change: Success Story

A university police department contacted a nearby law enforcement agency (LEA) when faced with a suicidal student. Due to Council CIT training, the responding LEA officers accurately identified the student as having autism and were able to develop a way to 1) communicate with the non-speaking individual, and 2) 'talk him off the ledge' and back down to safety.

The LEA shared some of SCDD's CIT tips with the university officers and notified Council staff of the successful conclusion, in grateful acknowledgement of our CIT training efforts.

# Systems Change: Anecdote

*Since our discussion(s), we've continued reflecting on the solution you're working toward regarding caregiver access during emergencies. In response, we've begun developing a concept called the CARE Registry - Credentialed Access for Response & Evacuation - designed specifically to support caregivers in assisting individuals with developmental disabilities during emergency evacuations, including fire and hazardous scenes.*

**Manuel White, Pasadena Fire Department, Fire Captain**

**GOAL 3**  
**CAPACITY-BUILDING**  
**& ADVOCACY**

# Council's Capacity-Building Efforts



**1,095 Collaborative Meetings**



**Provided TA to 9,093 People**



**478 Trainings & 248 Peer Leaders Prepped**



**27 Capacity-Building Projects & 121 Events**

# Back to School Special Education Trainings

- Conducted 8 Special Education trainings/TA clinics for English and Spanish-speaking participants on FAPE and other SpEd concepts.
- Distributed Back-to-School Toolkits in English and Spanish to support students and families.
- Reached participants in their preferred language, enhancing accessibility and understanding.



# Emergency Preparedness Training

- Collaborated with local providers, a first responder, and a CERT-certified self-advocate to deliver interactive training.
- Equipped self-advocates and supporters with practical emergency response skills.
- Hands-on activities built confidence and competence.
- Increased safety and preparedness in the community
- Conducted training series and distributed GoBags to enhance readiness.



# Disaster Response: LA Fires

- Coordinated donations to relief funds, community agencies, and distribution centers to support people with disabilities and their families.
- Shared guidance with agencies and first responders on accessibility and safety needs during disasters.
- Strengthened community capacity to respond to emergencies and support displaced individuals and caregivers.



# Capacity-Building: Anecdotes

A family advocate attended an SCDD training on Social Security benefits and followed the procedures recommended by Council staff. As a result, the appeal was successful and her child was awarded benefits.

She stated that she was able to win this appeal as a direct result of the Council's clear training, helpful instructions, and accurate information.

# Anecdote: Family Support Group

A parent leader with Madres Lideres who is deeply engaged with SCDD shared that she was recently appointed to her regional center's Board of Directors and plans to launch a new parent support group.

She expressed her gratitude for the consistent support she has received from the Council over the years, noting that SCDD's guidance has been invaluable in her journey, emphasizing her excitement about serving on the Board and continuing to seek guidance from SCDD to make a meaningful impact in her new roles.

# Capacity-Building: Success

In recent months, I received four (4) NOAs denying services. However, thanks to the guidance of SCDD and an internal meeting with the regional center Director, the Director of the Self-Determination Program, and a team supervisor, an agreement was reached, and the services were ultimately approved.

I want to express my gratitude for your valuable support, your guidance, and the technical language that greatly helped me achieve a positive outcome.

# Capacity-Building: Thank You!!

Thank you to the State Council for the tireless work throughout these months of ALAS, and for every training you provide to our Latino community, where we face barriers and situations that unfortunately limit our opportunities to access resources and services.

Your dedication and commitment through these workshops help us learn how to eliminate these barriers and give us hope by showing us that - yes, it *is* possible.

# Goal 3: Progress toward 5-year Measures

**People Trained**

**149%**

**Technical Assistance  
(People)**

**131%**

**Events/Projects:  
People Reached**

**153%**

**SA/FA reached  
(Obj. 3.3)**

**80%**

# 2024 OVERVIEW

# Disparity Outreach

## Activities Serving Diverse Populations

- **128** African-American
- **63** Asian
- **287** Cross-disabilities
- **97** Elders
- **790** Hispanic/Spanish-speaking
- **60** Homeless/Unhoused
- **36** LGBTQIA+
- **85** Mental illness
- **61** Native/Tribal/Alaskan-Native
- **30** Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
- **20** Refugee
- **67** Rural/Frontier
- **16** Veterans
- **92** Other

# Disparity Outreach

## Activities Inclusive of non-English Languages

- 1 Arabic
- 1 Armenian
- 38 Chinese
- 1 Farsi
- 1 Hmong
- 7 Indigenous Languages
- 24 Japanese
- 37 Korean
- 1 Pashto/Dari
- 2 Russian
- 91 Sign Language
- 1,224 Spanish
- 24 Tagalog
- 3 Thai
- 59 Vietnamese

# 2025 Collaborative Partners

## Federal Partners

DRC

UCD Mind Institute

UCLA Tarjan Center

USC Children's  
Hospital

## State Agencies/Depts.

Cal Able

CDPH

Cal OES

CHHS

Caltrans

DDS

CDA

DOJ

CDE

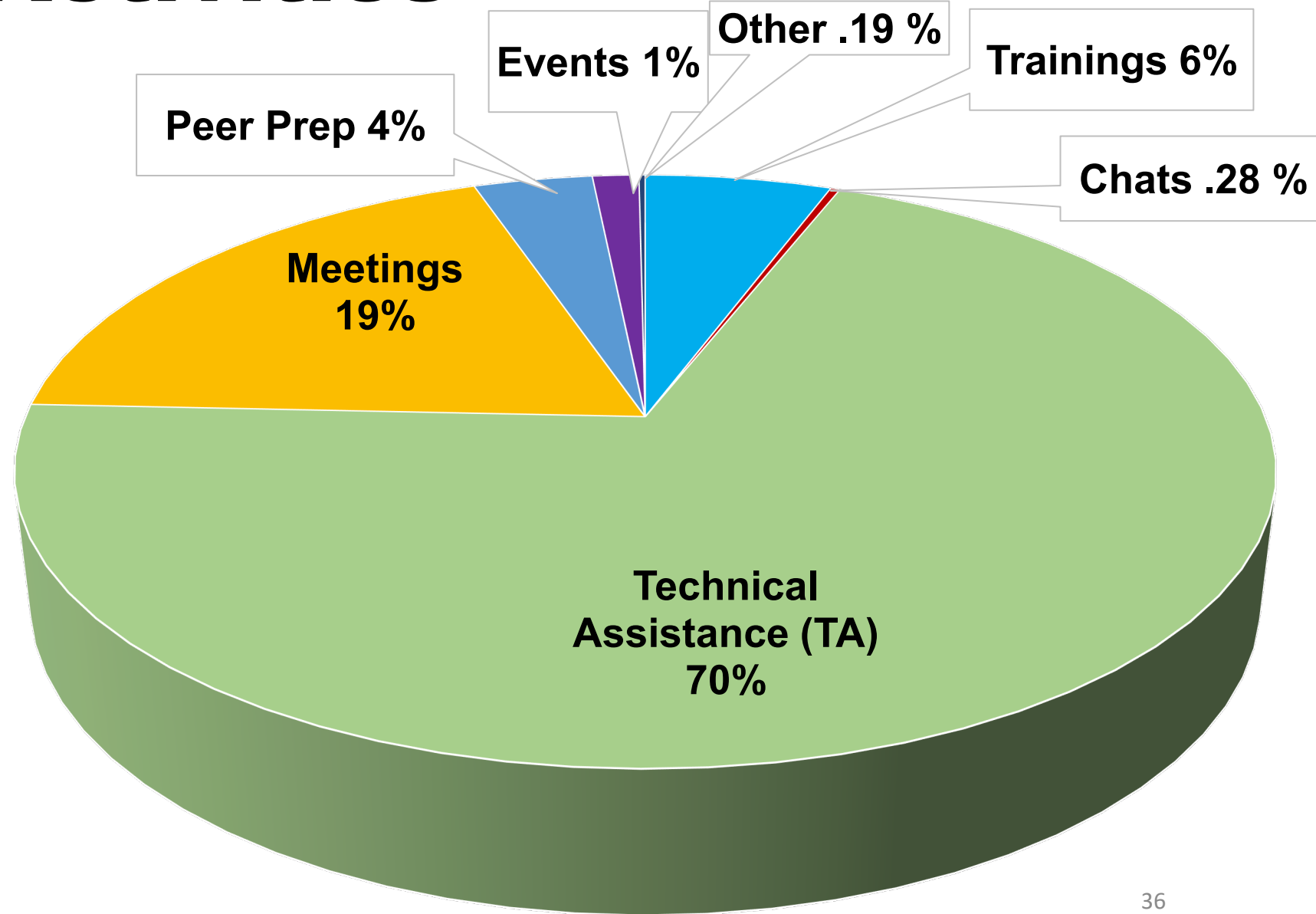
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## Other State & Local Collaborative Partners

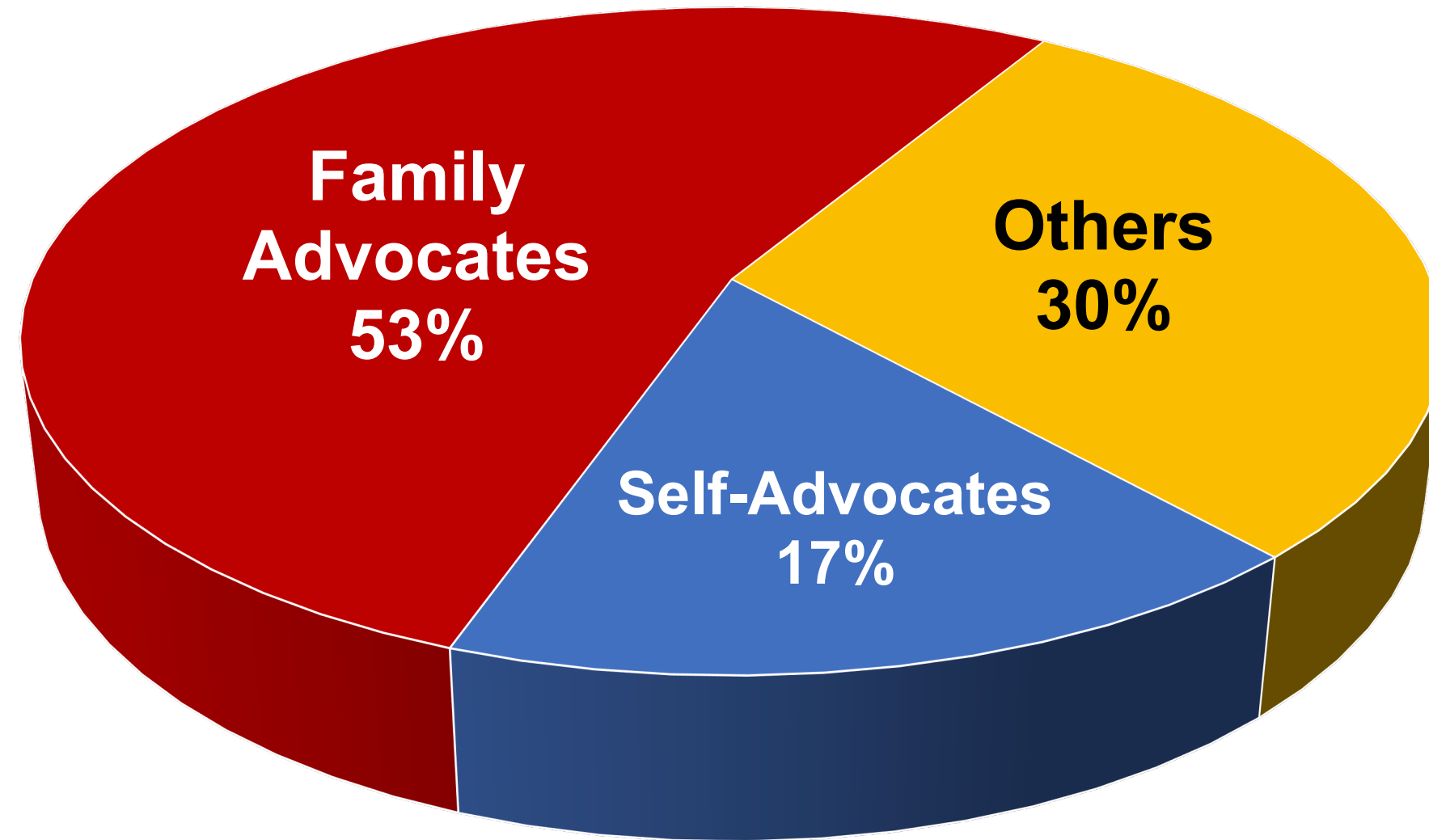
(e.g. regional centers,  
school districts,  
community-based  
organizations, etc.)

# 2025 Major Activities

**Total # of  
Activities:  
5343**



# 2025: Total People Trained (all Goals)

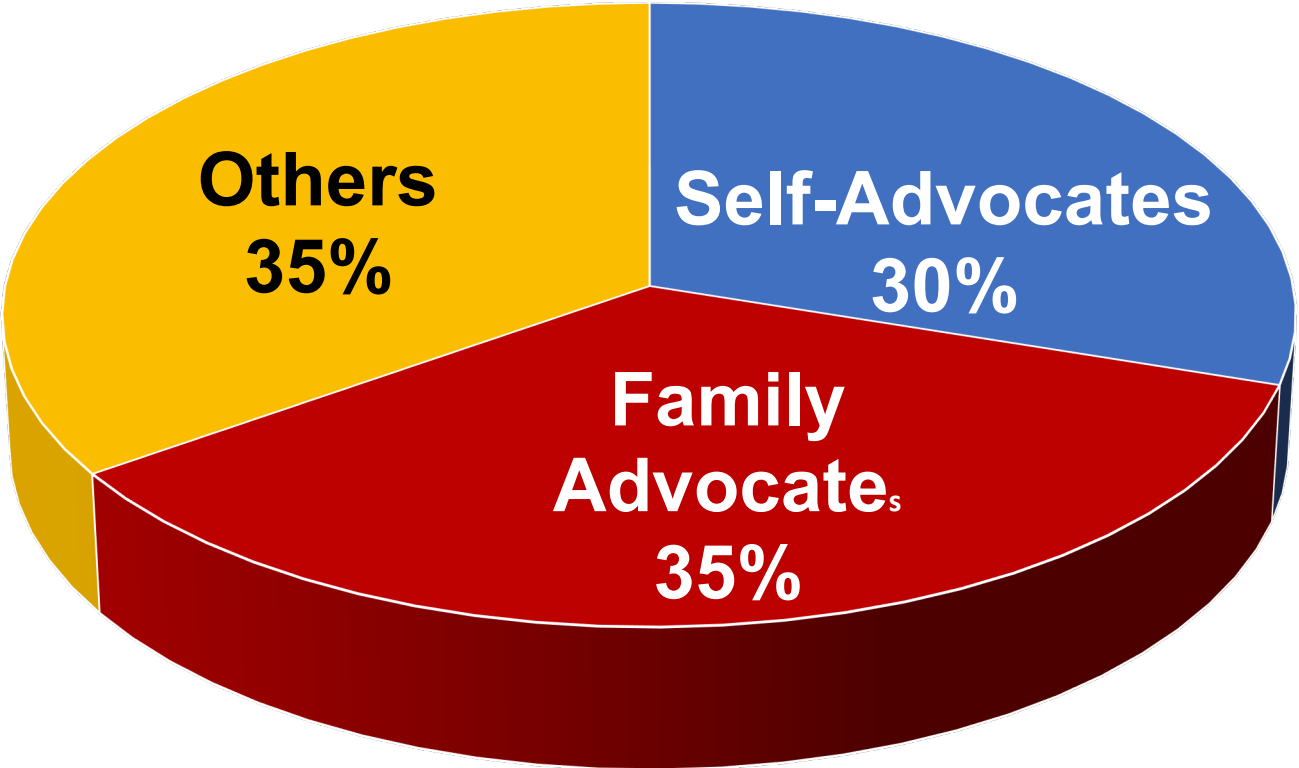


Total trainings:  
**927**

Total people trained:  
**33,999**

# 2025: Total Technical Assistance

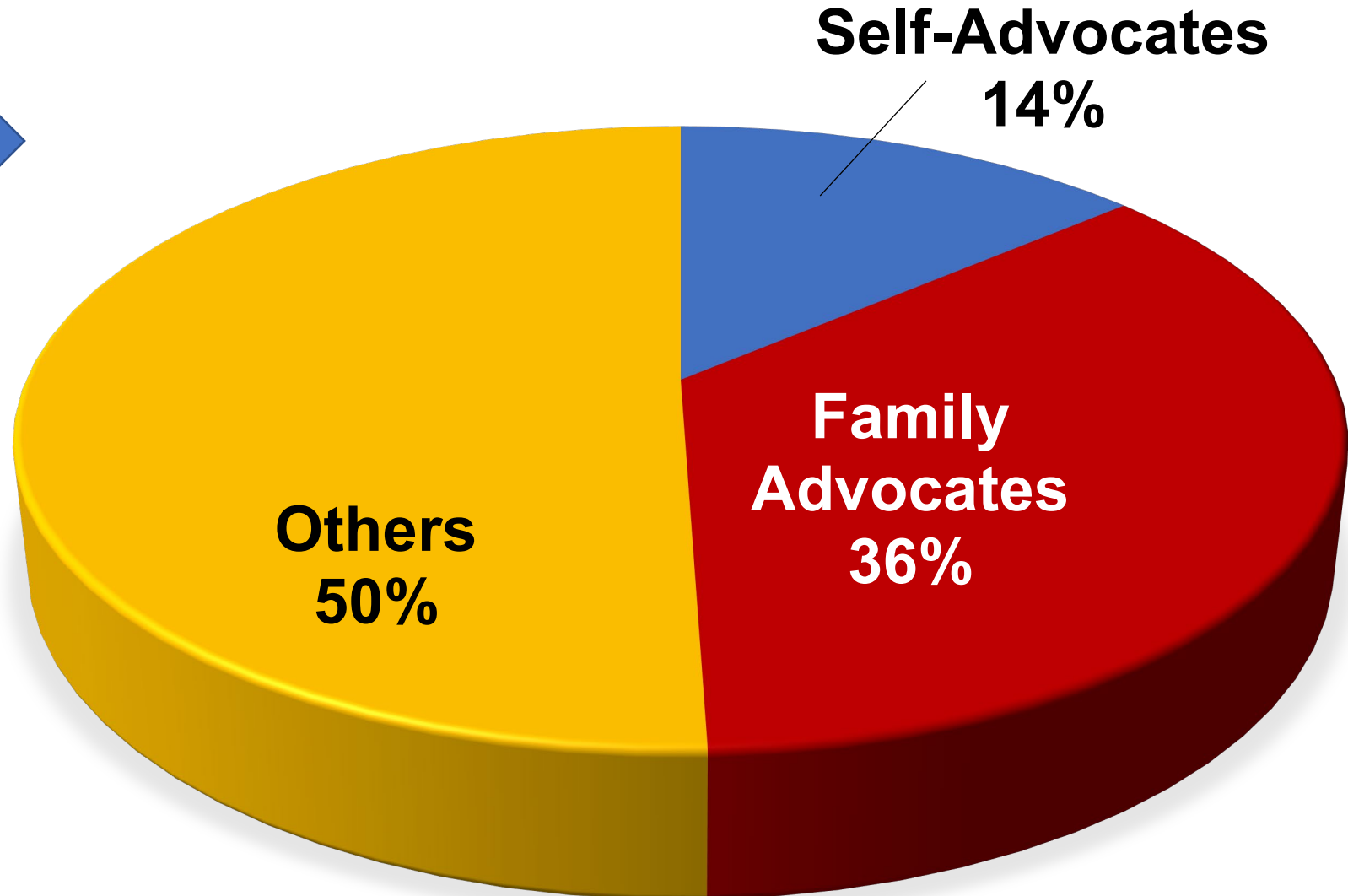
**Total People  
reached  
through TA:  
11,832**



# 2025 Total People Reached

(through trainings, meetings, events & technical assistance)

**105,917  
people**



# Federal Performance Measures



93% SA & FA  
increased advocacy  
as result of the  
Council's work



93% are better able to  
say what they want or  
what is important to  
them



97% satisfaction  
rate

# Key Takeaways



**Met or exceeded Year 4 measures**



**More People with IDD requested  
Technical Assistance (TA)**



**Increased number of people  
trained**



**Balanced planned workload while  
responding to emerging issues**



Total number of Californians directly reached through SCDD activities and outreach efforts in 2025:

**105,917**



Total number of Californians impacted  
through SCDD activities and outreach  
efforts in 2025:

**3,039,586**