NOTICE/AGENDA

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

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DATE: August 25, 2026

TIME: 10:30 AM – 3:30 PM

COMMITTEE CHAIR: Harold Ashe

Item 1. CALL TO ORDER

Item 2. ESTABLISH QUORUM

Item 3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Item 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS Page 4

This item is for members of the public to provide comments and/or present information to this body on matters not listed on the agenda. There will be up to 20 minutes allocated to hear from the public with each person allotted up to 3 minutes to comment.

Additionally, there will be up to 10 minutes allocated to hear from the public on each agenda item, with each person allotted up to 1minute to comment.

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A. Community Interface Services

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Michael Santiago, Legal Counsel

A. Elizabeth Rodriguez, Board Member, Central Valley Regional Center
B. Pam Gruber, Board Member, Central Valley Regional Center
C. Rebekah Wilson, Board Member, Redwood Coast Regional Center
D. Diana Larson, Board Member, Redwood Coast Regional Center
E. Mike Sawyer, Board Member, Redwood Coast Regional Center
F. William Lewis, Board Member, Redwood Coast Regional Center
G. Nilo Choudhry, Board Member, Westside Regional Center
H. Terry Magady, Board Member, Westside Regional Center
I. Jacquie Colton, Board Member, North LA County Regional Center

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Item 10. CLOSED SESSION: PERSONNEL Page 50

Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(a)(1), the Council will have a closed session to determine the evaluation of a public employee.

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Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126.3 (f), there will be an announcement of any publicly reportable actions taken during closed session.

Item 12. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING DATE Page 52

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on October 20, 2026.

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AGENDA ITEM 4.
INFORMATION ITEM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Public Comments

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AGENDA ITEM 5.
ACTION ITEM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Approval of June 2026 Minutes

The draft minutes from the June 16, 2026, Executive Committee meeting have been included in the packet for review. Committee members will vote on whether to approve the minutes.

Attachment
June 2026 Executive Committee meeting minutes

Action Recommended
Approve the June 2026 meeting minutes.

DRAFT
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2026

Members Attending	Members Absent	Others Attending (cont.)
Eric Aguilar (S.A.)	N/A	Austin Murphy
Harold Ashe, Chair (F.A.)		Kevin Rowell
Sascha Bittner (S.A.)	**Others Attending**	Yaritza Sanchez
Jessica Brown (F.A.)	Rihana Ahmad	Michael Santiago
Harold Fujita (F.A.)	Aaron Carruthers	Christine Tolbert
Julie Gaona (S.A.)	David Delgado	Sam Wijesiriwardane
Kara Ponton (S.A.)	Robin Maitino-Erben	Jua Perez

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
Executive Committee Chair Harold Ashe called the meeting to order at 10:35 A.M.

2. **ESTABLISH QUORUM**
A quorum was established.

3. **WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS**
Committee Chair Ashe invited members to introduce themselves. Members introduced themselves and disclosed whether others were in the room with them.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
No public comments.

5. **APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2026 MINUTES**
Action 1
It was moved/seconded (Bittner [S.A.]/Aguilar [S.A.]) and carried to approve the February 2026 Executive Committee meeting minutes as presented. (See last page of minutes for a voting record of members present.)

6. **PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT**
Statewide Self-Determination Program (SDP) Manager Christine Tolbert presented an overview of SCDD's SDP Orientation Project. She explained that

California law requires individuals to complete an orientation before enrolling in the Self-Determination Program and reviewed the development of SCDD's statewide orientation program. SCDD began offering statewide orientations in 2022 through an interagency agreement with the Department of Developmental Services (DDS). As of April 1, 2026, SCDD became the sole statewide provider of the required SDP Orientation under a DDS directive, providing consistent information and certificates that are accepted by all 21 Regional Centers.

Additionally, Ms. Tolbert described the new two-part orientation format. Part A covers California's developmental disabilities system, the Self-Determination Program, person-centered planning, the Individual Program Plan, the individual budget, and next steps and resources. Part B covers the spending plan, Independent Facilitators, Financial Management Services providers and models, preparation for SDP, and additional resources. Each part is approximately two hours, and participants must complete Part A before attending Part B. Monthly sessions are offered in English and Spanish, with materials and recordings available in English, ASL, and Spanish. Additional materials are planned in Arabic, Armenian, Chinese, Farsi, Hmong, Korean, Tagalog, and Vietnamese after July 2026.

Ms. Tolbert reported that SCDD trained 14,422 Californians on SDP through March 2026 and had nearly 3,000 attendees during April and May following the relaunch. She also noted that SCDD had begun working with DDS to provide orientation training to Regional Center staff, with nearly 300 service coordinators and other staff participating in the first session.

7. **SPONSORSHIP REQUESTS**

Chief Deputy Director Ahmad presented seven sponsorship requests for the Executive Committee's consideration. She noted that the new fiscal year 2026 - 27 will begin July 1, 2026, with $25,000 allocated for sponsorships.

The first request for $2,500 was from Community Living Campaign to support its Wheel of Pride: Navigating Life Together event. If approved, the funds would support stipends for panelists with lived experience, ASL interpretation, accessible printed materials, and audiovisual supports. Community Living Campaign had not previously received SCDD sponsorship.

The second request for $2,500 was from Family Resource Network to support their 31st Annual Early Start Symposium. If approved, the funds would support printing costs and other materials for parents and professionals attending the event. Family Resource Network previously received SCDD sponsorships in 2024 and 2026.

The third request for $2,500 was from the Special Needs Resource Foundation of San Diego to support its 9th Annual All-Inclusive Day of Play & Resource Fair. If approved, the funds would support advertising and promotion. The Special Needs Resource Foundation of San Diego previously received SCDD sponsorships in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024.

The fourth request for $2,500 was from the Arc of California to support its Congreso Familiar 2026 event. If approved, the funds would support conference supplies, including pens, notepads, folders, and labels. The Arc of California previously received SCDD sponsorships in 2024 and 2025.

The fifth request was from the Defeating Epilepsy Foundation to support its Beyond Limits: Microgrants & Business Empowerment for Neurodivergent Entrepreneurs event. The original request was for $2,500; however, staff reported during the meeting that the organization had revised its request to $167 after determining that some anticipated expenses were no longer needed. The Defeating Epilepsy Foundation previously partnered with SCDD on a separate event in 2025.

The sixth request for $2,500 was from the University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (CEDD) at the UC Davis MIND Institute to support its MIND Summer Institute on Neurodevelopmental Disabilities. If approved, the funds would support honoraria for the keynote speaker and panelists. SCDD previously sponsored the MIND Summer Institute in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025.

The seventh request for $2,500 was from Integrated Community Collaborative (ICC) to support its inaugural statewide conference, Unidos: Nuestra Comunidad, Nuestra Voz. If approved, the funds would support conference materials, accessibility accommodations, interpretation services, and educational resources. This was ICC's first SCDD sponsorship request.

At Councilmember Bittner's request, the Community Living Campaign sponsorship was considered separately from the remaining requests.

Action 2

It was moved/seconded (Bittner [S.A.]/Fujita [F.A.]) and carried to approve the sponsorship requests from Family Resource Network, the Special Needs Resource Foundation of San Diego, The Arc of California, The Defeating

Epilepsy Foundation, the University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities at the UC Davis MIND Institute, and Integrated Community Collaborative in the amounts requested, with The Defeating Epilepsy Foundation request revised to $167. (See last page of minutes for a voting record of members present.)

Action 3

It was moved/seconded (Ponton [S.A.]/Aguilar [S.A.]) and carried to approve the $2,500 sponsorship request from Community Living Campaign. (See last page of minutes for a voting record of members present.)

8. **CONFLICT RESOLUTION PLAN – REQUEST FOR APPROVAL**

Legal Counsel Michael Santiago presented one conflict-of-interest resolution plan for the Committee's consideration. The renewal request was submitted for Regional Center of Orange County Board Member Liza Krassner. A detailed mitigation plan was provided in the meeting packet.

Action 4

It was moved/seconded (Brown [F.A.]/Bittner [S.A.]) and carried to approve the conflict-of-interest resolution plan for Regional Center of Orange County Board Member Liza Krassner. (See last page of minutes for a voting record of members present.)

9. **SCDD BUDGET UPDATE**

Chief Deputy Director Ahmad presented the SCDD Budget Update, including an overview of FY 2025/26 expenditures and projections across the Basic State Grant (BSG), Quality Assessment (QA), Rights and Advocacy Program (RAP), and Supported Decision-Making Technical Assistance Program (SDM-TAP). She noted that the budget reflected spending through April 30, 2026, and that all programs remained within budget. She relayed that some of the remaining balances would decrease as year-end expenses were processed, including expenses related to the May Council meeting, outstanding travel reimbursements, copier and laptop replacements, and other information technology purchases.

Ms. Ahmad reviewed remaining balances across each funding source and highlighted that the Basic State Grant (BSG) had $1,572,066 remaining in Personal Services and $699,800 in Operating Expenses and Equipment. For the Quality Assessment (QA) Program, the remaining Personal Services balance was $515,275, and the Operating Expenses and Equipment balance was $635,193. For the Rights and Advocacy Program (RAP), the remaining

Personal Services balance was $183,500, and the Operating Expenses and Equipment balance was $99,538. She noted that SDM-TAP was in its final year of funding. The program had a remaining balance of $102,343 in Personal Services, $380,805 in Operating Expenses and Equipment, and $75,000 in grant funding that had not been awarded. Remaining operating expenses would be used for outstanding invoices and translation of selected grantee-developed resources into 16 languages.

For additional information on the budget, please access the meeting packet found at https://scdd.ca.gov/executive_committee/.

The Committee then moved to Item 11 and later returned to Item 10.

10. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Executive Director Carruthers reported that SB 1052 (Gonzalez), SCDD's sponsored Authorized Representative bill, was held in the Senate Appropriations Committee and would not move forward this year. He also reported that AB 2360 (Arambula), SCDD's sponsored Plain Language bill, passed the Assembly and was scheduled to be heard in the Senate Governmental Organization Committee. Furthermore, SCDD continued budget advocacy on Regional Center oversight, the grievance process, and remote services. The Council's recommendations focused on maintaining representation and support for people served and family members on Regional Center boards, improved board member training, and safeguards to ensure remote services remain an option without replacing needed in-person services.

Mr. Carruthers highlighted the recent SDP Orientation relaunch and noted that DDS had designated SCDD as the sole statewide provider of the required SDP orientation. He also reported that the There Should Be a Law contest received approximately 110 submissions and discussed potential improvements to the Regional Center Services webpage to make information and technical assistance easier to access. Additionally, he reported on his participation in a Forbes article focused on inclusive, high-performing teams.

Lastly, Executive Director Carruthers discussed fraud, waste, and abuse in Medicaid. Members discussed the importance of paid family caregivers, challenges in recruiting and retaining direct care workers, the role of community-based supports in helping people remain out of institutions, and the importance of respecting the autonomy and voices of people with disabilities when receiving services.

11. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVALUATION PROCESS UPDATE**
Chief Deputy Director Ahmad and Council Vice Chair Ashe presented an update on the 2026 Executive Director evaluation process. Ms. Ahmad explained that the Committee would continue using the standardized process from prior years, which includes an Executive Director self-evaluation, a Councilmember survey, third-party collection and analysis of survey responses, review by the Executive Committee, and final consideration by the full Council.

The Chief Deputy reported one change to the timeline presented in the meeting packet: the Executive Director's self-evaluation deadline was moved from July 1 to July 8, 2026. The self-evaluation and evaluation survey were expected to be distributed to Councilmembers around July 10, with responses due July 30. Health and Human Services will serve as the third party and administer the survey, analyze the responses, and prepare a report. The Executive Committee is scheduled to review the evaluation report during a closed session on August 25, 2026. The Committee's final report and recommendations will then be presented to the full Council during a closed session on September 29, 2026, with the approved evaluation expected to be provided to the Executive Director by October 6.

12. **ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING DATE**
The next Executive Committee meeting was scheduled for August 25, 2026. The meeting adjourned at 12:26 P.M.

Name	Action 1 Minutes	Action 2 Sponsorships	Action 3 CLC	Action 4 CRPs
Aguilar, Eric	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
Ashe, Harold	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
Bittner, Sascha	Aye	Aye	Abstain	Aye
Brown, Jessica	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
Fujita, Harold	Aye	Aye	Aye	Abstain
Gaona, Julie	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
Ponton, Kara	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

AUGUST 25, 2026

AGENDA ITEM 6.
ACTION ITEM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Sponsorship Request

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities allocates $25,000 a year to support events that promote self-advocacy, leadership, and education. These sponsorships help people with developmental disabilities and their family members expand their knowledge and skills.

To date, the Council has expended $15,167 on sponsorships, with $9,833 remaining. Chief Deputy Director Rihana Ahmad will present one sponsorship request for the Committee's consideration. The request was submitted by Community Interface Services.

To assist the Executive Committee in making funding decisions, members will receive a detailed sheet that outlines the event, indicates any prior Council funding, identifies the relevant State Plan Goal(s), and includes any other pertinent information. Following Chief Deputy Ahmad's presentation, the Committee will vote on whether to approve the request.

Handout
Staff analysis detail sheet for Community Interface Services.

Action Recommended
Approve the sponsorship request.

AUGUST 25, 2026

AGENDA ITEM 7.
ACTION ITEM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Conflict Resolution Plans – Requests for Approval

Legal Counsel Michael Santiago will present nine conflict-of-interest resolution plans from the following members:

A. Elizabeth Rodriguez, Board Member, Central Valley Regional Center

B. Pam Gruber, Board Member, Central Valley Regional Center

C. Rebekah Wilson, Board Member, Redwood Coast Regional Center

D. Diana Larson, Board Member, Redwood Coast Regional Center

E. Mike Sawyer, Board Member, Redwood Coast Regional Center

F. William Lewis, Board Member, Redwood Coast Regional Center

G. Nilo Choudhry, Board Member, Westside Regional Center

H. Terry Magady, Board Member, Westside Regional Center

I. Jacquie Colton, Board Member, North LA County Regional Center

The Executive Committee will vote on whether to approve the requests.

Attachments
Staff analysis detail sheets for Regional Center Board Members Elizabeth Rodriguez, Pam Gruber, Rebekah Wilson, Diana Larson, Mike Sawyer, William Lewis, Nilo Choudhry, Terry Magady, and Jacquie Colton.

Action Recommended
Approve the conflict-of-interest resolution plans.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST RESOLUTION PLAN
APPROVAL REQUEST

NAME: Elizabeth Rodriguez

REGIONAL CENTER: Central Valley Regional Center, Inc. (CVRC)

REGIONAL CENTER POSITION: Board Member

REPORTING STATUS: Initial

BACKGROUND:

Codified in Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code sections 4500 et. Seq., the Lanterman Act requires Regional Centers to submit Conflict of Interest Reporting Statements and where applicable, a proposed Conflict Resolution Plan (Plan) to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (Council).[i] In the event of an identified conflict of interest, an individual must either eliminate the conflict of interest or obtain an approved Plan.[ii] The Council is being presented with information reviewed under the existing criteria and process approved by the Council. This approach provides for staff analysis of regional center conflict of interest issues.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

According to section 54520 of DDS' regulations, a conflict exists when the board member/executive director or a family member of a Regional Center board member/executive director holds any of the following positions for a provider:

(1) a governing board member;
(2) a board committee member;
(3) a director;
(4) an officer;
(5) an owner;
(6) a partner;
(7) a shareholder;
(8) a trustee;
(9) an agent;
(10) an employee;
(11) a contractor;
(12) a consultant;
(13) a person who holds any position of management; or
(14) a person who has decision or policy making authority.

ACTUAL CONFLICT: This board member is employed by a vendor, The Arc Day Program, that is funded by CVRC.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION PLAN:

1. Rodriguez will not participate and will recuse herself from any discussion or vote on any matter involving any type of service provider day program, including The Arc Day Program.
2. The CVRC governing board will be informed of this Conflict Resolution Plan and of the need to ensure that Rodriguez does not participate in any discussion or vote on any issue relating to service provider day programs, including The Arc Day Program.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Conflict Resolution Plan.

PREPARED BY: Michael R. Santiago, Legal Counsel – August, 2026

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[i] [i] W&I Code § 4626, subd. (*l*).

[ii] [ii] California Code of Regulations, title 17, §54525. DDS' current regulations are published at California Code of Regulations, title 17, § 50201 et seq.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST RESOLUTION PLAN
APPROVAL REQUEST

NAME: Pam Gruber

REGIONAL CENTER: Central Valley Regional Center, Inc. (CVRC)

REGIONAL CENTER POSITION: Board Member; Vendor Advisory Committee Chair

REPORTING STATUS: Initial

BACKGROUND:

Codified in Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code sections 4500 et. Seq., the Lanterman Act requires Regional Centers to submit Conflict of Interest Reporting Statements and where applicable, a proposed Conflict Resolution Plan (Plan) to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (Council).[i] In the event of an identified conflict of interest, an individual must either eliminate the conflict of interest or obtain an approved Plan.[ii] The Council is being presented with information reviewed under the existing criteria and process approved by the Council. This approach provides for staff analysis of regional center conflict of interest issues.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

According to section 54520 of DDS' regulations, a conflict exists when the board member/executive director or a family member of a Regional Center board member/executive director holds any of the following positions for a provider:

(1) a governing board member;
(2) a board committee member;
(3) a director;
(4) an officer;
(5) an owner;
(6) a partner;
(7) a shareholder;
(8) a trustee;
(9) an agent;
(10) an employee;
(11) a contractor;
(12) a consultant;
(13) a person who holds any position of management; or
(14) a person who has decision or policy making authority.

ACTUAL CONFLICT: This board member is employed by a vendor, PSW, that is funded by CVRC.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION PLAN:

1. Gruber will not participate and will recuse herself from any discussion or vote on any matter involving any type of service provider day program, including PSW.
2. The CVRC governing board will be informed of this Conflict Resolution Plan and of the need to ensure that Gruber does not participate in any discussion or vote on any issue relating to service provider day programs, including PSW.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Conflict Resolution Plan.

PREPARED BY: Michael R. Santiago, Legal Counsel – August, 2026

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST RESOLUTION PLAN
APPROVAL REQUEST

NAME: Rebekah Wilson

REGIONAL CENTER: Redwood Coast Regional Center (RCRC)

REGIONAL CENTER POSITION: Board Member

REPORTING STATUS: Initial

BACKGROUND:

The Lanterman Act[1] requires Regional Centers to submit Conflict of Interest Reporting Statements and where applicable, a proposed Conflict Resolution Plan (Plan) to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (Council).[2] In the event of an identified conflict of interest, an individual must either eliminate the conflict of interest or obtain an approved Plan.[3] The Council is being presented with information reviewed under the existing criteria and process approved by the Council. This approach provides for staff analysis of regional center conflict of interest issues.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

According to section 54520 of DDS' regulations, a conflict exists when a Regional Center board member or a family member of a Regional Center board member holds any of the following positions for a provider:

(1) a governing board member;
(2) a board committee member;
(3) a director;
(4) an officer;
(5) an owner;
(6) a partner;
(7) a shareholder;
(8) a trustee;
(9) an agent;
(10) an employee;
(11) a contractor;
(12) a consultant;
(13) a person who holds any position of management; or
(14) a person who has decision or policy making authority.

ACTUAL CONFLICT: This board member's two oldest children work as personal assistance and respite providers for Del Norte Association for Developmental Services (DNADS), which is a vendor of RCRC.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION PLAN:

1. Wilson shall have no role or involvement with any matter that might affect DNADS, including but not limited to: participate in the preparation, recommendations, or decisions about contracts, service agreements, or any fiduciary related items that may apply to DNADS.
2. Wilson shall fully disclose the existence and nature of the conflict of interest to the full board and have it noted in the official board records.
3. Wilson shall abstain from voting on any matter pertaining to Chance 4 Change or any matter which could impact Chance 4 Change or any competitor in the same services categories.
4. Wilson shall not use her position as an RCRC board member to exert influence on decision-making regarding DNADS, or any competitor in the same service categories.
5. Should matters related to DNADS arise during any RCRC Board of Trustee's meetings (e.g. board or committee meetings), Wilson will refrain from participating in the decision.
6. Given the specific set of circumstances, RCRC Board President and other board members are responsible for ensuring Larson complies with W&I Code section 4622(k)(2).
7. RCRC's Board President and board members are responsible for ensuring that this Plan and its safeguards are applied and monitored.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Conflict Resolution Plan.

PREPARED BY: Michael R. Santiago, Legal Counsel – August, 2026.

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST RESOLUTION PLAN
APPROVAL REQUEST

NAME: Diane Larson

REGIONAL CENTER: Redwood Coast Regional Center (RCRC)

REGIONAL CENTER POSITION: Board Member

REPORTING STATUS: Renewal

BACKGROUND:

The Lanterman Act[1] requires Regional Centers to submit Conflict of Interest Reporting Statements and where applicable, a proposed Conflict Resolution Plan (Plan) to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (Council).[2] In the event of an identified conflict of interest, an individual must either eliminate the conflict of interest or obtain an approved Plan.[3] The Council is being presented with information reviewed under the existing criteria and process approved by the Council. This approach provides for staff analysis of regional center conflict of interest issues.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

According to section 54520 of DDS' regulations, a conflict exists when a Regional Center board member or a family member of a Regional Center board member holds any of the following positions for a provider:

(1) a governing board member;
(2) a board committee member;
(3) a director;
(4) an officer;
(5) an owner;
(6) a partner;
(7) a shareholder;
(8) a trustee;
(9) an agent;
(10) an employee;
(11) a contractor;
(12) a consultant;
(13) a person who holds any position of management; or
(14) a person who has decision or policy making authority.

ACTUAL CONFLICT: This board member's spouse works as a personal assistant for Chance 4 Change, which is a service provider vendor for RCRC.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION PLAN:

1. Larson shall have no role or involvement with any matter that might affect Chance 4 Change, including but not limited to: participate in the preparation, recommendations, or decisions about contracts, service agreements, or any fiduciary related items that may apply to Chance 4 Change.
2. Larson shall fully disclose the existence and nature of the conflict of interest to the full board and have it noted in the official board records.
3. Larson shall abstain from voting on any matter pertaining to Chance 4 Change or any matter which could impact Chance 4 Change or any competitor in the same services categories.
4. Larson shall not use her position as an RCRC board member to exert influence on decision-making regarding Chance 4 Change and supports, or any competitor in the same service categories.
5. Should matters related to Chance 4 Change arise during any RCSC Board of Trustee's meetings (e.g. board or committee meetings), Larson will refrain from participating in the decision.
6. Given the specific set of circumstances, RCSC Board President and other board members are responsible for ensuring Larson complies with W&I Code section 4622(k)(2).
7. RCSC's Board President and board members are responsible for ensuring that this Plan and its safeguards are applied and monitored.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Conflict Resolution Plan.

PREPARED BY: Michael R. Santiago, Legal Counsel – August, 2026.

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST RESOLUTION PLAN
APPROVAL REQUEST

NAME: Mike Sawyer

REGIONAL CENTER: Redwood Coast Regional Center (RCRC)

REGIONAL CENTER POSITION: Board Member

REPORTING STATUS: Renewal

BACKGROUND:

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

According to section 54520 of DDS' regulations, a conflict exists when the board member/executive director or a family member of a Regional Center board member/executive director holds any of the following positions for a provider:

(1) a governing board member;
(2) a board committee member;
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(5) an owner;
(6) a partner;
(7) a shareholder;
(8) a trustee;
(9) an agent;
(10) an employee;
(11) a contractor;
(12) a consultant;
(13) a person who holds any position of management; or
(14) a person who has decision or policy making authority.

ACTUAL CONFLICT: This board member's son works for Community & Employment Links, which is a vendor of RCRC.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION PLAN:

1. Sawyer shall have no role or involvement with any matter that might affect Community & Employment Links, including but not limited to, participate in the preparation, recommendations, or decisions about contracts, service agreements, or any fiduciary related items that may apply to Community & Employment Links.
2. Sawyer shall fully disclose the existence and nature of the conflict of interest to the full board and have it noted in the official board records.
3. Sawyer shall abstain from voting on any matter pertaining to Community & Employment Links or any matter that could impact Community & Employment Links or any competitor in the same service categories.
4. Sawyer shall not use his position as an RCRC board member to exert influence on decision-making regarding Community & Employment Links and supports or any competitor in the same service categories.
5. Sawyer will refrain from participating in any decision in any board or committee meeting that is related to Community & Employment Links
6. The RCRC board president and other board members are responsible for ensuring Sawyer complies with all applicable laws, and that the plan and its safeguards are applied and monitored.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Conflict Resolution Plan.

PREPARED BY: Michael R. Santiago, Legal Counsel – August, 2026

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[i] [i] W&I Code § 4626, subd. (*l*).

[ii] [ii] California Code of Regulations, title 17, §54525. DDS' current regulations are published at California Code of Regulations, title 17, § 50201 et seq.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST RESOLUTION PLAN
APPROVAL REQUEST

NAME: William Lewis

REGIONAL CENTER: Redwood Coast Regional Center (RCRC)

REGIONAL CENTER POSITION: Board Member

REPORTING STATUS: Renewal

BACKGROUND:

Codified in Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code sections 4500 et. Seq., the Lanterman Act requires Regional Centers to submit Conflict of Interest Reporting Statements and where applicable, a proposed Conflict Resolution Plan (Plan) to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (Council).[i] In the event of an identified conflict of interest, an individual must either eliminate the conflict of interest or obtain an approved Plan.[ii] The Council is being presented with information reviewed under the existing criteria and process approved by the Council. This approach provides for staff analysis of regional center conflict of interest issues.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

According to section 54520 of DDS' regulations, a conflict exists when the board member or a family member of a Regional Center board member holds any of the following positions for a provider:

(1) a governing board member;
(2) a board committee member;
(3) a director;
(4) an officer;
(5) an owner;
(6) a partner;
(7) a shareholder;
(8) a trustee;
(9) an agent;
(10) an employee;
(11) a contractor;
(12) a consultant;
(13) a person who holds any position of management; or
(14) a person who has decision or policy making authority.

ACTUAL CONFLICT: Sister Veronica Lewis is employed by RCRC as a Service Coordinator and she is based at RCRC's Eureka office serving children and transition-aged adults in Humboldt County.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION PLAN:

1. Lewis shall have no role or involvement with any matter that might affect sister Veronica Lewis, including but not limited to: participation in any discussions, recommendations, or decisions about employee salaries, promotions, or benefits that could impact Veronica Lewis.
2. Lewis will fully disclose the existence and nature of the conflict to the RCRC Board and have it noted in the official Board records.
3. Lewis will abstain from voting on any matter pertaining to RCRC employee salaries, promotions, or benefits which could impact Veronica Lewis.
4. Lewis will not use his position as an RCRC Board member to exert influence on decision-making regarding RCRCs' employee salaries, positions, or benefits that could impact Veronica Lewis.
5. Should matters related to RCRC employee salaries, positions, or benefits arise during any RCRC Board of Trustees meetings that could impact Veronica Lewis (e.g. board or committee meetings), Lewis will refrain from participating in the discussion.
6. Given the specific set of circumstances, RCRC Board President and other Board members are responsible for ensuring Lewis complies with W&I Code section 4622(K)(2).
7. RCRC's Board President and Board members are responsible for ensuring that the Plan and its safeguards are applied and monitored.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Conflict Resolution Plan.

PREPARED BY: Michael R. Santiago, Legal Counsel – August, 2026

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST RESOLUTION PLAN
APPROVAL REQUEST

NAME: Nilo Choudhry

REGIONAL CENTER: Westside Regional Center (WRC)

REGIONAL CENTER POSITION: Board Member

REPORTING STATUS: Initial

BACKGROUND:

Codified in Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code sections 4500 et. Seq., the Lanterman Act requires Regional Centers to submit Conflict of Interest Reporting Statements and where applicable, a proposed Conflict Resolution Plan (Plan) to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (Council).[i] In the event of an identified conflict of interest, an individual must either eliminate the conflict of interest or obtain an approved Plan.[ii] The Council is being presented with information reviewed under the existing criteria and process approved by the Council. This approach provides for staff analysis of regional center conflict of interest issues.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

According to section 54520 of DDS' regulations, a conflict exists when the board member/executive director or a family member of a Regional Center board member/executive director holds any of the following positions for a provider:

(1) a governing board member;
(2) a board committee member;
(3) a director;
(4) an officer;
(5) an owner;
(6) a partner;
(7) a shareholder;
(8) a trustee;
(9) an agent;
(10) an employee;
(11) a contractor;
(12) a consultant;
(13) a person who holds any position of management; or
(14) a person who has decision or policy making authority.

ACTUAL CONFLICT: This board member's brother works for Maxim Health Services, which is one of WRB's contracted providers.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION PLAN:

1. Choudhry will take no action as a board or committee member on any matter that would impact Maxim or any competitor service provider, and specifically, she will recuse herself from any vote or decision on any matter that would impact Maxim or any competitor service provider.
2. Choudhry will cease takin action on any matter that would impact Maxim or any competitor service provider.
3. Choudhry will not participate in the vote to approve any report, plan, opinion, recommendation, or action regarding Maxim or any competitor service provider.
4. Choudhry will not participate in referrals or placement for Maxim or any competitor service provider. For any client served by Maxim or any competitor service provider, she will not participate in any review or discussion of any client's service issues brought to the attention of the board, rather, such tasks will be addressed by other board members or regional center employees.
5. Choudhry will not participate in any decisions about Purchase of Service authorizations for Maxim or any competitor service provider.
6. Choudhry will not participate in the preparation, consideration, or any follow-up related to Special Incident Reports from or about Maxim or any competitor service provider.
7. Choudhry will not create or review any corrective action plans for Maxim or any competitor service provider.
8. Choudhry will not participate in any action or resolution of any complaints pertaining to Maxim or any competitor service provider.
9. Choudhry will take no part in decisions regarding vendor appeals, or fair hearings involving Maxim or any competitor service provider.
10. Choudhry will not access vendor files, either in electronic or hard copy form, which the regional center maintains about Maxim or any competitor service provider.
11. Choudhry shall not participate in approving any policies that apply to Maxim or any competitor service provider. Instead, these tasks will be the responsibility of other board members.
12. WRC will ensure that Maxim is informed of this Plan to ensure that there is no expectation that Choudhry, in her role as board and committee member, can take part in actions that impact Maxim or any competitor service provider.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Conflict Resolution Plan.

PREPARED BY: Michael R. Santiago, Legal Counsel – August, 2026

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST RESOLUTION PLAN
APPROVAL REQUEST

NAME: Terry Magady

REGIONAL CENTER: Westside Regional Center (WRC)

REGIONAL CENTER POSITION: Board Member

REPORTING STATUS: Renewal

BACKGROUND:

Codified in Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code sections 4500 et. Seq., the Lanterman Act requires Regional Centers to submit Conflict of Interest Reporting Statements and where applicable, a proposed Conflict Resolution Plan (Plan) to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (Council).[i] In the event of an identified conflict of interest, an individual must either eliminate the conflict of interest or obtain an approved Plan.[ii] The Council is being presented with information reviewed under the existing criteria and process approved by the Council. This approach provides for staff analysis of regional center conflict of interest issues.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

According to section 54520 of DDS' regulations, a conflict exists when the board member/executive director or a family member of a Regional Center board member/executive director holds any of the following positions for a provider:

(1) a governing board member;
(2) a board committee member;
(3) a director;
(4) an officer;
(5) an owner;
(6) a partner;
(7) a shareholder;
(8) a trustee;
(9) an agent;
(10) an employee;
(11) a contractor;
(12) a consultant;
(13) a person who holds any position of management; or
(14) a person who has decision or policy making authority.

ACTUAL CONFLICT: This board member is a consultant for Etta, which is one of WRB's contracted providers.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION PLAN:

1. Magady will not participate in any vote or decision on any matter regarding Etta.
2. Magady will not participate in the vote to approve any report, plan, opinion, recommendation, or action regarding Etta.
3. For any client served by Etta, Magady will not participate in any review or discussion of any client's service issues brought to the attention of the board; rather, such tasks will be addressed by other board members or WRC employees.
4. Magady will not participate in any decisions about Purchase of Service authorizations for Etta.
5. Magady will not participate in the preparation, consideration, or any follow-up related to complaints or Special Incident Reports from or about Etta.
6. Magady will not create or review any corrective action plans for Etta.
7. Magady will not participate in any action or resolution of any complaints pertaining to Etta.
8. Magady will take no part in decisions regarding vendor appeals, or fair hearings involving Etta.
9. Magady will not access vendor files, either in electronic or hard copy form, which WRC maintains about Etta.
10. Magady shall not participate in voting on any policies that will directly apply to Etta. Instead, these tasks will be the responsibility of the other board members.
11. WRC will ensure that Etta is informed of this plan to ensure that there is no expectation that Magady, in his role as a WRC board member, can vote on any actions regarding Etta.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Conflict Resolution Plan.

PREPARED BY: Michael R. Santiago, Legal Counsel – August, 2026

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST RESOLUTION PLAN
APPROVAL REQUEST

NAME: Jacquie Colton

REGIONAL CENTER: North Los Angeles County Regional Center (NLACRC)

REGIONAL CENTER POSITION: Board Member

REPORTING STATUS: Renewal

BACKGROUND:

Codified in Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code sections 4500 et. Seq., the Lanterman Act requires Regional Centers to submit Conflict of Interest Reporting Statements and where applicable, a proposed Conflict Resolution Plan (Plan) to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (Council).[i] In the event of an identified conflict of interest, an individual must either eliminate the conflict of interest or obtain an approved Plan.[ii] The Council is being presented with information reviewed under the existing criteria and process approved by the Council. This approach provides for staff analysis of regional center conflict of interest issues.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

According to section 54520 of DDS' regulations, a conflict exists when the board member/executive director or a family member of a Regional Center board member/executive director holds any of the following positions for a provider:

(1) a governing board member;
(2) a board committee member;
(3) a director;
(4) an officer;
(5) an owner;
(6) a partner;
(7) a shareholder;
(8) a trustee;
(9) an agent;
(10) an employee;
(11) a contractor;
(12) a consultant;
(13) a person who holds any position of management; or
(14) a person who has decision or policy making authority.

ACTUAL CONFLICT: Colton works as an LVN for ASAP Home Health, which is a vendor of NLACRC. ASAP Home Health provides in home respite services, personal assistance, and daycare services.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION PLAN:

1. Colton will have no interaction as a board member with any matter that might impact ASAP Home Health, and specifically she will recuse herself from any vote on any matter that could impact ASAP Home Health.
2. Colton will, in every conceivable manner, cease interacting with the Board on any matter that could conceivably impact ASAP Home Health.
3. Colton will not participate as a board member in the consideration, preparation, review, presentation, formulation or approval of any report, plan, opinion, recommendation or action regarding ASAP Home Health or any actions creating policy or approaches that would impact on ASAP Home Health and other respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors.
4. Colton will not review or participate as a board member in any discussions, recommendations, or decisions about Purchase of Service (POS) authorizations for ASAP Home Health and other respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors.
5. Colton will not review or in any way participate as a board member in the preparation, consideration, or any follow up related to Special Incident Reports from or about ASAP Home Health and other respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors.
6. Colton will not create, review, or in any way participate as a board member in, any corrective action plans for ASAP Home Health and other respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors.
7. Colton will not participate as a board member in any discussions, recommendations, action, or resolution of any complaints pertaining to ASAP Home Health and other respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors.
8. Colton will take no part as a board member in decisions regarding vendor appeals, or fair hearings involving ASAP Home Health and other respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors.
9. Colton will not as a board member access vendor files or other information the regional center maintains about ASAP Home Health and respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors, either in electronic or hard copy form.
10. Colton shall not participate as a board member in developing, creating, or recommending any POS policies, or other policies, that might apply to ASAP Home Health and other respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors. Instead, these tasks will become the responsibility of the other board members.
11. Colton will not be involved as a board member in the negotiation, discussion, obligation or commitment of NLACRC to a course of action involving ASAP Home Health and other respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors.

12. The NLACRC Board of Trustees will be informed about this Plan of Action, and they will be informed of the need to ensure that Colton has no involvement whatsoever in any action or business whatsoever involving or affecting ASAP Home Health and other respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors.
13. These restrictions only apply to ASAP Home Health and policies impacting other respite, personal assistance and daycare vendors. The bulk of Colton's duties regarding a vast array of other Board issues and other vendors will remain unchanged, unless the Board work would in any way impact ASAP Home Health. This amounts to a reassignment of a small portion of her duties and will not reduce the value and productivity that Colton provides to the NLACRC Board.
14. In the event the board member changes to a different respite agency during the course of her term, each provision of this plan shall apply with regard to the new agency for the duration of Colton's term on the board.
15. NLACRC has received approval from its Board of Trustees regarding this Conflict Resolution Plan.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Conflict Resolution Plan.

PREPARED BY: Michael R. Santiago, Legal Counsel – August 2026

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AUGUST 25, 2026

AGENDA ITEM 8.
INFORMATION ITEM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

SCDD Budget Update

Chief Deputy Director Rihana Ahmad will provide Committee members with an update on the Council's budget.

Attachments
Budget PPT
Budget Narrative
Budget Projections

Handout(s)
May be handouts the day of the meeting.

Executive Committee Meeting

Budget Update

August 25, 2026

Rihana Ahmad

CALIFORNIA SCDD

State Council on Developmental Disabilities

Overview

- Summary Points
- Basic State Grant Budget (BSG) Budget Update
- Quality Assessment (QA) Program Budget Update
- Clients' Rights Advocacy/Volunteer Advocacy Budget Update
- Supported Decision-making Technical Assistance Program Update

Budget Summary Highlights

- Reflects spending through June 30, 2026 (full fiscal year).
- Final “Month 13” accounting adjustments and accruals still to come.
- Basic State Grant (BSG) projected to finish with a positive balance.
- QA, RAP, and SDM-TAP programs to also finish with positive balances.

BSG Status and Projections

- The SFY 2025-26 BSG budget is $8,391,000. Expenditures for the fiscal year, so far, total $7,376,453. The budget balance is $1,014,547, or 12.1 percent.

- Personal Services: Remaining balance of 10.3% ($689,026).

- Operating Expenses and Equipment: Remaining balance of 18.9% ($325,521)

QA Project Budget Update

- Total QA funding available is $4,214,308. Expenditures for the fiscal year, so far, total $3,746,072. The budget balance is $468,236, or 11.1 percent.

- Personal Services: Remaining balance of 7.6% ($167,133).

- Operating Expenses and Equipment: Remaining balance of 15.0% ($301,103)

RAP Budget Update

- Total RAP funding available is $1,660,000. Year-to-date expenditures are $1,642,292 with a remaining balance of $17,708 (1.1 percent).
- Personal Services: Remaining balance of -2.9% (-$36,011).
- Operating Expenses and Equipment: Remaining balance of 13.1% ($53,719)

SDM-TAP Budget Update

- Total SDM-TAP funding available is $847,000. Year-to-date expenditures are $623,370 with a remaining balance of $223,630 (26.4%)
- Personal Services: Expenditures to-date total $485,227.
- Operating Expenses and Equipment: Spending for this category totals $138,142.

THANK YOU

Questions or Discussion?

SFY 2025-26 Budget Update (Revised)

Key Takeaways:

- All expenditures and projected balances are as of June 30, 2026.
- This report covers expenditures through June 30, 2026, but final reconciliation is underway. Minor adjustments may occur during Month 13 for accruals.

Discussion:

The package before the Committee includes a budget report for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025-26 expenditures through June 30, 2026, and a summary of program budget balances.

SFY 2025-26 Basic State Grant (BSG) Expenditures

The SFY 2025-26 BSG budget is $8,391,000. Expenditures for the fiscal year, so far, total $7,376,453. The budget balance is $1,014,547, or 12.1 percent.

- Personal Services: Total expenditures to date ($5,982,974) result in a remaining balance of $689,026 (10.3 percent). As of July 1, 2026, there were 4 vacancies.
- OE&E: Expenses under this category total $1,393,479 with a remaining balance of $325,521 (18.9 percent).
- Unexpended Funds and Council Reserve: The Council continues to maintain a reserve of approximately $1.75 million and Council staff will continue to work as usual.

SFY 2025-26 Quality Assessment Project (QA) Reimbursements from DDS

Total QA funding available is $4,214,308. Expenditures for the fiscal year, so far, total $3,746,072. The budget balance is $468,236, or 11.1 percent.

- Personal Services: Year-to-date expenditures of $2,044,175 give us a remaining balance of $167,133 (7.6 percent). There is one vacancy.
- OE&E: Year-to-date expenditures of $1,701,897 give us a remaining balance of $301,103 (15.0 percent).

SFY 2025-26 Rights Advocacy Program (RAP) Reimbursements from DDS

Total RAP funding available is $1,660,000. Year-to-date expenditures are $1,642,292 with a remaining balance of $17,708 (1.1 percent).

- Personal Services: Expenditures to-date total $1,286,011, which is slightly over budget by 2.9 percent. There is one vacancy.

- OE&E: Spending for this category totals $356,281, with a remaining balance of $53,719 (13.1 percent).

It's important to note that the QA and RAP programs are funded by reimbursement from DDS, and that SCDD is reimbursed for actual expenses. Any projected savings have no fiscal impact on other programs.

SFY 2025-26 Supported Decision-making Technical Assistance Program (SDM-TAP)

Total program funding for the SDM-TAP program was $5 million. This supported a two-year program funded by a special appropriation to SCDD in 2022 and was extended for a third year effective July 1, 2025. The funding is designated for grants ($3 million) and program operation ($2 million).

- Personal Services: Expenditures to-date total $485,227.

- OE&E: Spending for this category totals $138,142.

- Grants: Out of the $3 million designated for grant funding, there is a balance of $75,000 that has not been awarded.

Updated 8/4/26

State Council on Developmental Disabilities

Council Report for State Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026

As of July 1, 2026

Expenditures through June 30, 2026

Federal Grant	Annual Budget	Monthly Expenditures	Year-To Date Expenditures	Balance
Personal Services & Benefits	$ 6,672,000	$ 309,419	$ 5,982,974	$ 689,026
Operating Expenses	$ 1,719,000	$ 254,474	$ 1,393,479	$ 325,521
Grants / Special Items	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Total	**$ 8,391,000**	**$ 563,893**	**$ 7,376,453**	**$ 1,014,547**

Positions	
# Positions	54
# Vacancies	4
Vacancy %	**7%**

Quality Assessment	Annual Budget	Monthly Expenditures	Year-To Date Expenditures	Balance
Personal Services & Benefits	$ 2,211,308	$ 172,883	$ 2,044,175	$ 167,133
Operating Expenses	$ 2,003,000	$ 182,496	$ 1,701,897	$ 301,103
Total	**$ 4,214,308**	**$ 355,379**	**$ 3,746,072**	**$ 468,236**

Positions	
# Positions	18
# Vacancies	1
Vacancy %	**6%**

Rights and Advocacy Program	Annual Budget	Monthly Expenditures	Year-To Date Expenditures	Balance
Personal Services & Benefits	$ 1,250,000	$ 111,797	$ 1,286,011	$ -36,011
Operating Expenses	$ 410,000	$ 26,324	$ 356,281	$ 53,719
Total	**$ 1,660,000**	**$ 138,120**	**$ 1,642,292**	**$ 17,708**

Positions	
# Positions	6
# Vacancies	1
Vacancy %	**17%**

Supported Decision-Making Technical Assistance Program	Annual Budget	Monthly Expenditures	Year-To Date Expenditures	Balance
Personal Services & Benefits	$ 272,000	$ 308,939	$ 485,227	$ -213,227
Operating Expenses	$ 500,000	$ 18,597	$ 138,142	$ 361,858
Grant Awards	$ 75,000	$ -	$ -	$ 75,000
Total	**$ 847,000**	**$ 327,537**	**$ 623,370**	**$ 223,630**

Positions	
# Positions	2
# Vacancies	0
Vacancy %	**0%**

Total	
# Positions	80
# Vacancies	6
Vacancy %	**8%**

CALIFORNIA SCDD

State Council on Developmental Disabilities

Council Report for State Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026

As of July 1, 2026

Expenditures through June 30, 2026

Federal Grant	Budgeted Base	Current Month Expenditure	YTD Expenditure	Remaining Balance	Remaining Percentage
PERSONAL SERVICES (PS & PB)					
Salaries & Wages w/ Benefits	**6,672,000**	**309,419**	**5,982,974**	**689,026**	**10.3%**
OPERATING EXPENSE (OE&E)					
General Expense (Meeting/Conf/ Office Equip)	38,000	217	69,677	(31,677)	-83.4%
Printing	20,000	900	21,325	(1,325)	-6.6%
Communications	45,000	6,981	54,168	(9,168)	-20.4%
Postage	7,000	2,003	(10,148)	17,148	245.0%
Travel-in-State	150,000	16,883	115,496	34,504	23.0%
Out-of-State Travel	7,000	-	-	7,000	100.0%
Training (Tuition and Registration)	29,000	3,000	10,747	18,253	62.9%
Facilities Operations (Rent)	585,000	53,345	617,333	(32,333)	-5.5%
Facilities Plng/Maint. & Utilities	8,000	616	6,745	1,255	15.7%
Interdepartmental Services	250,000	-	78,048	171,952	68.8%
External Contract Services	360,000	14,970	91,237	268,763	74.7%
Information Technology (Computer, Software)	190,000	155,277	311,674	(121,674)	-64.0%
Statewide Cost Allocation Plan (SWCAP)	25,000	-	25,000	-	0.0%
Other Items of Expense	5,000	282	2,177	2,823	56.5%
Subtotal OE&E	**1,719,000**	**254,474**	**1,393,479**	**325,521**	**18.9%**
SPECIAL ITEM (PROGRAM 20)	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**0.0%**
TOTAL	**8,391,000**	**563,893**	**7,376,453**	**1,014,547**	**12.1%**

Quality Assessment	Budgeted Base	Current Month Expenditure	YTD Expenditure	Remaining Balance	Remaining Percentage
PERSONAL SERVICES (PS & PB)					
Salaries & Wages w/ Benefits	**2,211,308**	**172,883**	**2,044,175**	**167,133**	**7.6%**
OPERATING EXPENSE (OE&E)	-				
General Expense (Meeting/Conf/ Equipment)	10,000	3	2,795	7,205	72.0%
Printing	351,000	52	303,816	47,184	13.4%
Communications	13,000	1,401	10,446	2,554	19.6%
Postage	940,000	100,549	756,435	183,565	19.5%
Travel-in-State	30,000	2,951	13,171	16,829	56.1%
Training (Tuition and Registration)	10,000	-	525	9,475	94.8%
Facilities Operations (Rent)	241,000	21,841	238,302	2,698	1.1%
Facilities Plng/Maint. & Utilities	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Interdepartmental Services	145,000	-	141,652	3,348	2.3%
External Contract Services	10,000	23	1,525	8,475	84.7%
Data Processing (Software, Supplies & Misc.)	228,000	55,675	219,518	8,482	3.7%
Other Items/ Client Services	25,000	-	13,712	11,288	45.2%
Subtotal OE&E	**2,003,000**	**182,496**	**1,701,897**	**301,103**	**15.0%**
TOTAL	**4,214,308**	**355,379**	**3,746,072**	**468,236**	**11.1%**

State Council on Developmental Disabilities

Council Report for State Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026

As of July 1, 2026

Expenditures through June 30, 2026

Rights and Advocacy Program	Budgeted Base	Current Month Expenditure	YTD Expenditure	Remaining Balance	Remaining Percentage
PERSONAL SERVICES (PS & PB)					
Salaries & Wages w/ Benefits	**1,250,000**	**111,797**	**1,286,011**	**(36,011)**	**-2.9%**
OPERATING EXPENSE (OE&E)					
General Expense (Meeting/Conf/ Equipment)	5,000	-	850	4,150	83.0%
Printing	9,000	-	198	8,802	97.8%
Communications	10,000	612	5,046	4,954	49.5%
Postage	1,000	-	-	1,000	100.0%
Travel-in-State	32,000	5,359	33,196	(1,196)	-3.7%
Training (Tuition and Registration)	15,000	-	519	14,481	96.5%
Facilities Operations (Rent)	24,000	1,878	22,656	1,344	5.6%
Interdepartmental Services	134,000	-	134,847	(847)	-0.6%
External Contract Services	3,000	-	-	3,000	100.0%
Data Processing (Software, Supplies & Misc.)	45,000	7,414	44,314	686	1.5%
Other Items/ Client Services	132,000	11,060	114,656	17,344	13.1%
Subtotal OE&E	**410,000**	**26,324**	**356,281**	**53,719**	**13.1%**
TOTAL	**1,660,000**	**138,120**	**1,642,292**	**17,708**	**1.1%**

Supported Decision-Making Technical Assistance Program	Budgeted Base	Current Month Expenditure	YTD Expenditure	Remaining Balance	Remaining Percentage
PERSONAL SERVICES (PS & PB)					
Salaries & Wages w/ Benefits	**272,000**	**308,939**	**485,227**	**(213,227)**	**-78.4%**
OPERATING EXPENSE (OE&E)					
General Expense (Meeting/Conf/ Equipment)	125,000	-	-	125,000	100.0%
Printing	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Communications	2,000	-	299	1,701	85.1%
Postage	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Travel-in-State	-	338	2,123	(2,123)	0.0%
Training (Tuition and Registration)	2,000	-	27	1,973	98.7%
Facilities Operations (Rent)	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Facilities Plng/Maint. & Utilities	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Interdepartmental Services	28,000	-	66,604	(38,604)	-137.9%
External Contract Services	326,000	2,625	2,625	323,375	99.2%
Data Processing (Software, Supplies & Misc.)	17,000	15,634	66,465	(49,465)	-291.0%
Other Items/ Client Services	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Subtotal OE&E	**500,000**	**18,597**	**138,142**	**361,858**	**72.4%**
Grant Awards	75,000	-	-	75,000	100.0%
TOTAL	**847,000**	**327,537**	**623,370**	**223,630**	**26.4%**

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AGENDA ITEM 9.
INFORMATION ITEM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Executive Director Report

SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers will update Committee members on recent Council activities and upcoming goals.

Handout
Executive Director Report

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AGENDA ITEM 10.
ACTION ITEM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Closed Session: Personnel

Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(a)(1), the Council will have a closed session to determine the evaluation of a public employee.

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AGENDA ITEM 11.
INFORMATION ITEM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Reconvene Open Session

Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126.3 (f), there will be an announcement of any publicly reportable actions taken during closed session.

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AGENDA ITEM 12.
INFORMATION ITEM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Adjournment and Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on October 20, 2026.