



STATE PLAN ACTIVITIES

JULY 2016

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- BARO Staff assisted in planning for the 20th Golden Gate Self Advocacy Conference in San Francisco. The conference is an annual learning event for people with developmental disabilities, family members, social workers, service providers and other advocates. The planning committee meets monthly to plan for the yearly event. This year's conference has been titled, Celebrating Our 20th Year! Past, Present and Future. The planning committee chose the artwork on what would go on the actual printed program. Staff identified several entertainment options for the conference. YouTube videos were played to the planning committee members to help them select which entertainment option they would like for this year. (People Trained in Leadership 11SA/ 5OTH)
- HQ Staff provided technical support by opening the phone line for the SSAN Employment Work Group call. Only the chair of this work group got on the line. No other members joined the call and after 15 minutes the chair decided to end the call. (People Active 1SA/ 1OTH)
- HQ Staff provided technical support to the SSAN Newsletter Work Group call to finalized their 6th volume of their Newsletter and begin working on their 7 volume. The members reviewed the final draft and approved it to be sent to SCDD ED for final approval. Once the SCDD ED approves it- SCDD will post it on the website. Staff sent the finished Draft to the SCDD ED. (People Active 2SA/ 1OTH)
- LARO attended & provided technical assistance to the Westside Regional Center (WRC) Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on 7/6/16. In response to requests for more information about the services offered by regional centers, staff distributed a flyer that provides this information. Additionally, SCDD Los Angeles Office staff provided information to attendees regarding their ability to provide requested trainings for any group of 12 people within Los Angeles county. (People Trained in Leadership 13SA/ 4OTH)
- LARO SCDD LA staff assisted the Self-Advocacy Board of LA County to start work on their grant project. They were awarded a grant by the Pacific Alliance for Disability Self-Advocacy (PADSA) to develop training materials for grocery stores to use to train their clerks on how to assist people with disabilities. This month SABLAC brainstormed ideas for the training, had a telephone conference with PADSA contact person, Kit Mead, developed a timeline and work plan, and reviewed the draft of the materials developed by SCDD LA staff member and SABLAC facilitator, Julie Eby-McKenzie, based on SABLAC ideas. (People Active 12SA)
- LARO SCDD LA staff provided facilitation support for the July meeting of SABLAC.

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Included were the election of the final officer and beginning work on the grant awarded to SABLAC by the Pacific Alliance of Disability Self-Advocates (PADSA). (People Trained 12SA)

- NCRO Staff supported SSAN Legislative work group member to participate on teleconference call. Staff met with SSAN member prior to call to go over agenda and other meeting materials. (People Active 1SA)
- NSRO provided support to organize and implement the July 21, 2016 SAAC meeting. Technical assistance was provided before, during and after the meeting to the SAAC chair to prepare for the meeting and to the members to successfully participate in the meeting by agenda & power point development and note taking for meeting minutes and reports. Numerous communications occurred prior to and following the meeting. SAAC meeting occurred on July 21, 2016 and had 8 of the 9 Self Advocates with 2 facilitators in attendance. (People Trained in Leadership 8SA/ 2OTH)
- NSRO Staff provided support to 1 SSAN Officer to follow up on the June meeting and organize the upcoming September 7-8, 2016 meeting. Through 1 planning meeting (7/20) technical assistance was provided regarding coordination, note taking, agenda development, etc. Numerous communication occurred prior to and following each meeting. Year to Date Officer Meetings since October 1, 2015 (If no agenda, no quorum or just logistical meeting it is labeled as Informal): October 21, 2015 - 3 Self Advocates (SAs); November 4, 2015 3 SAs; December 2, 2015 - Informal Meeting 2 SAs; December 3, 2015 - Informal Meeting 2 SAs; December 16, 2015 - Informal Meeting 2 SAs; January 20, 2016 3 SAs; February 3, 2016 3 SAs; March 2, 2016 Informal Meeting 3 SAs; March 2, 2016 Informal Meeting 3 SAs; March 23, 2016 3 SAs; April 13, 2016 2 SAs; April 27, 2016 2 SAs; May 4, 2016 2 SAs; May 18, 2016 2 SAs; June 8, 2016 Informal 3 SAs; June 9, 2016 Informal 3 SAs; June 22, 2016 2 SAs Informal; July 20, 2016 1 SA Informal. Total for year to date as of August 1, 2016 - 3 officers with 18 meetings with a total of 46 SA contacts (People Trained in Leadership 1SA)
- NSRO Staff provided support to the SSAN Chair to follow up on the June meeting and organize the upcoming September 7-8, 2016 meeting. Through 6 phone call meetings (July 5, 7, 13, 19, 20 and 28) technical assistance was provided regarding coordination, note taking, agenda development, etc. Support person participated in 1 meeting. (People Trained in Leadership 1SA/ 1OTH)
- NVHRO Staff met with SSAN member to review materials regarding Able Act. Staff and SSAN member talked about key points to be included in Power Point

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Presentation, that will be used by SSAN members for future presentations. SSAN member and staff will prepare presentation that in plain language that is user friendly for all. (People Active 1SA/ 1OTH)

- NVHRO Staff provided facilitation to SSAN member to participate on the SSAN legislative work-group call. Staff supported SSAN member with preparing feedback for discussion topics related to legislative policy. Staff supported SSAN member in reading materials and providing feedback and or input on direction the SSAN committee should go. Staff will also be supporting member to prepare user friendly Able Act materials for next SSAN meeting. (People Active 1SA/ 1OTH)
- OCRO facilitated the Integrity House Self-Advocacy Group on Wednesday, July 20, 2016. The Planned Parenthood of Orange and San Bernardino Counties presented on Healthy Relationships; there were 13 self-advocates, 8 professionals, and 1 parent who participated fully in the presentation and discussion about the topic. The training covered self-respect, boundaries, good qualities of relationships, consent, the cycle of abuse (honeymoon to explosive), perceived vs. reality (sexual violence, stalking, and rape), and partner communication. (People Trained in Leadership 13SA/ 1FA/ 8OTH)
- OCRO met with the Team of Advocates for Special Kids (TASK)/North Orange County Community College District School of Continuing Education Instructor for the "Self-Advocacy Class: Personal & Vocational" to facilitate the training to Integrity House Self-Advocates about their classes beginning in September 2016 (People Active 13 SA/ 1 FA/ 8 OTH – People Trained in Leadership 13 SA/ 1 FA/ 8 OTH).
- OCRO Staff collaborated with Integrity Cottages Housing to facilitate for their self-advocacy group. This was a small meeting with only 3 people in attendance due to conflicting work and personal schedules. The group has not heard back from the property management company about the request to implement parking permits. Deferred future topics to the next meeting on 7/15/16 (People Trained in Leadership 3SA)
- OCRO Staff collaborated with Integrity Cottages Housing to facilitate for their self-advocacy group. Planned Parenthood of Orange County was supposed to do a presentation on Healthy Relationships, but unfortunately, the presenter failed to attend the meeting. Instead, staff facilitated the discussion on this topic covering dating and essential components of a healthy relationship. Some of the self-advocates reported being in an unhealthy and/or abusive relationship previously so the discussion was very interactive with self-advocates training each other on

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warning signs, how to get out of an unhealthy relationship, and how to report it. At this meeting, the Jewish Federation Family Services also brought self-advocates from one of their L4i CCFs, so it appears that word about this meeting is spreading within the community. (People Trained in Leadership 13SA/ 3OTH)

- SBRO collaborated with Desert ARC to co-facilitate a self-advocacy group meeting in Palm Desert, CA. The group meeting focused on Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE) and the work of the self-advocates in the group. Many of the self-advocates at the group are working on their vocational training skills and acknowledge that they are not job ready. SCDD SBRO staff handed out information regarding Valley Wide Employment Expo and coordinated with co-facilitator regarding providing interested self-advocates with a Pre-Expo training. SCDD SBRO staff will work with self-advocates and collaborate with the Supported Employment (SEP) Counselor and Employment Coordinator (EC) with the Department of Rehabilitation(DOR) Palm Desert office to present a curriculum and assist self-advocates in their preparation for the Valley Wide Employment Expo on September 15, 2016. Desert Arc, DOR, and SBRO staff will meet on August 2, 2016 to outline the pre-expo workshop. SCDD SBRO passed out training survey to program managers, so that training needs can be addressed and provided by SBRO staff to self-advocates in the program. Next meeting scheduled for 08/18/2016. (People Active 4SA/ 1OTH)
- SBRO SCDD SBRO staff collaborated with Canyon Springs Clients' Rights Advocate to co-facilitate the self-advocacy group at Canyon Springs State Developmental Center located in Cathedral City within Riverside County. The group wanted to go over each of the units concerns to address at the client council. Both Women's unit and Men's unit representatives were present. The Women's unit wanted to address the fact that the shower curtains were not wide enough thus not allowing privacy. In addition, they wanted a radio in the living room of the unit, and to address that the TV in the living room could not play DVD's anymore because a cable was missing. A suggestion was made that the tables on the patio should have the center cut out so that ashtrays could be placed in the holes. Lastly, several self-advocates would like to complete their General Education Diploma (GED). The Men's unit representative stated that the someone broke the DVD/VCR combo and it needs to be replaced and they also would like a radio in the living room. This started a discussion about property destruction. Several self-advocates were very upset about the amount of property destruction that occurs at Canyon Springs. Each of them vowed to try harder to control their

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impulses when they get angry. The men also had a problem with the width of the shower curtains and privacy while showering. Lastly, there was a proposal to allow individuals with 95 points and above to earn game room access. Each of these issues will be addressed at the Client Council meeting to be held Friday 07/22/2016 under the guidance of the SCDD CRA assigned to the facility. The next self-advocacy group will meet on 08/18/2016. (People Trained in Leadership 9SA/ 9OTH)

- SBRO SCDD SBRO staff coordinated with Peppermint Ridge Adult Residential facility to co-facilitate a self-advocacy group meeting to be held in Angel Hall at Peppermint Ridge in Corona within Riverside County. Due to the upcoming general election and the heightened interest in the presidential candidates, the SCDD SBRO staff held a voting bingo game with the self-advocates to help RAMP UP the Vote 2016. During the bingo game several voting topics were discussed. SBRO staff facilitated a discussion on the Presidential election and other types of elections that take place in the community. The group talked about political party options, how people can vote, polling places, and alternatives to in-person voting options (i.e...mail in ballots). In addition, there was a conversation on the difference between the primary election and the general election. Several self-advocates stated that they would like to register to vote. Information was provided on where they could register, so that they can vote in the next election. The next meeting will be held on August 15, 2016. (People Trained in Leadership 34SA/ 7OTH).
- SCDD staff provided facilitation support to several San Diego People First officers as they provided input on a survey tool that looks at character strengths in individuals. The officers had the opportunity to complete the survey and provide information regarding its use with other people who have disabilities. The officers plan to meet again to further discuss the test and the usefulness of the results in Person Centered Planning and with Self Determination. (People Trained 9SA/ 2OTH)
- SDIRO facilitated a team of self-advocates in a discussion regarding their grant to hold four- three hour trainings over the next year. The group identified four themes for each of the four sessions and they are: Mind and Body, Relationships, Healthy Living and Leadership. Under each of these categories the IVPF members identified specific areas they would like training on. In addition the group decided they would like a health wise cooking lesson/demo during each presentation to reinforce the concept of healthy living. The planning team has identified several

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organizations they would like to be a part of the planning team and to help with the provision of trainings and they are SCDD, Sure Helpline and the SDSU Nursing Program. (People Trained in Leadership 9SA/ 2OTH)

- SDIRO provided support to the SDPF officers as they held their business meeting. This month the group worked on their project for a local women's shelter and they created 81 bags of personal care items. The members also had the opportunity to talk with a student from UCSD about self-advocacy and share why it is important to them. They also offered to go to the club the student is connected to and provide training on self-advocacy for its members. (People Trained 13SA/ 2OTH)
- SDIRO Several members of the group conducted the "It's Your Choice" presentation from the www.ddssafety.net website at a day program for 38 individuals. At the end of the presentation the presenters debriefed and discussed changes to make the presentation flow better. The presentation and will be reviewed and revised at the next planning meeting. (People Attained Membership 4SA)
- SDIRO Staff facilitated the self-advocacy newsletter meeting. Follow-up regarding articles for the next edition of the newsletter was conducted and individuals agreed to complete assigned tasks. Neighborhood House, self-advocates and support staff from local agencies provided input for the second edition of the newsletter. For the second edition of the newsletter two self-advocates submitted movie review articles for the newsletter. (ORGs 2SA/ 4OTH)
- SDIRO Staff provided facilitation to a new Regional Advisory Committee member at their first bimonthly meeting. Met with the individual prior to the meeting to review the meeting materials and answer any questions regarding the upcoming meeting and debriefed following the meeting. (People Active 1SA)
- SEQRO SCDD staff provided self-advocates with interviewing skills for leadership positions. The participants will provide those skills to other self-advocates and a mock interview will be conducted at the next meeting. (People Trained in Leadership 3SA)
- SEQRO was asked to join the 7th Annual Self Advocacy Conference Committee Meeting. There were 400 participants in attendance last. It's a unique event in the Central Valley as it offers the opportunity for youth and adults with disabilities, teachers, parents and professionals to gain awareness through exposure to resources and specific learning topics. The committee looked at more venues as this conference continues to grow and we need a bigger facility that can accommodate classrooms as well as 400 people. A request for sponsorship will

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be requested to different agencies by the Resources for Independence Central Valley (ORGs 2SA/ 4OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Email sent to all RAC members regarding the SCDD staff, a message of memory of Laurie Hoirup and her legacy, and announcing the RAC meeting presentation topics: HCBS Settings Rules and Accommodations made for PhD student with Autism.	6	12	5
RAC Meeting Announcement. – Presentations: HCBS Settings; Community Placement Plan; and Accommodations made for PhD student with Autism	200	600	232
Announcement for SCDD – Sacramento & DRC's Office of Client's Rights Advocacy offering 3 Special Education Workshops in Sacramento and Yolo Counties. (7.25.2016)	200	600	232
Announcement for SCDD – Sacramento & DRC's Office of Client's Rights Advocacy offering 3 Special Education Workshops in Sacramento and Yolo Counties. (7.29.2016)	200	600	232
WIOA Final Rules Released	100	100	200
Public Review Regional Transit Systems	100	100	100
Justice for Crime Victims w/ Developmental Disabilities	100	100	100
OAFN Newsletter- July Edition	100	100	100
What's New at Achieve Tahoe	100	100	100
Ignorance may be bliss, but knowledge is power by Sexuality List serv	100	100	100
The RIOT information	100	100	100
MHSA Annual Update: Stakeholder Input Survey	100	100	100
The Arc CA July 18 MMM	100	100	100
Tips for talking about sexuality	100	100	100
DRC Hot Topics 7/20/16	100	100	100
Juntos Newsletter (Spanish info)	10	75	100

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Disability Scoop Newsletter & Articles	25	50	50
The Arc CA July 25 MMM	100	100	100
Breaking News- Stabbing horror in Japan	100	100	100
A New ASAN President Announced	25	0	5
VMRC Newsletter Summer Edition	100	100	100
DRC Board and P&A Council opneings	25	5	5
PACDD Dave Hingsburger Event	100	100	100
Dale Law Firm upcoming Trainings Self Determination and Able Act	100	100	100
DRC Hot Topics 7/27/16	100	100	100
USC UCEDD Webinar: Taking Care of Yourself as Caregiver (7.06.2016)	13	187	190
2016 USC UCEDD Webinar Series: Caregiver, Taking Care of Yourself (7.26.2016)	13	187	206
FREE Webinars "Living Locally: Understanding Community Supervision"	13	187	206
Self-Determination Informational Meeting in Visalia	15	46	62
USC UCEDD Webinar: Taking Care of Yourself as Caregiver (7.6.2016)		318	292
2016 USC UCEDD Webinar Series: Caregiver, Taking Care of Yourself (7.26.2016)		318	292
FREE Webinars "Living Locally: Understanding Community Supervision"		318	292
ENewsletter-ABLE Act	590	610	613
ABLE Programs Webinar Announcement	590	610	613
Voting Flyer in English and Chinese	590	610	613
NOCCCD offering late afternoon and Saturday classes on basic cooking and job skills	300	808	200
Self-Advocacy class at TASK	300	808	200

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
F	Talked with an SA about People First Meetings and how to improve the meetings			

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T	Provided technical assistance to Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) member and the regional center service coordinator to facilitate RAC and facilitator attendance at the upcoming Advisory Committee meeting	1		1
T	Parent called to get information on SSI benefits for her son and the impact of allowing his adult sister and her husband to stay in our home for a short period of time. Referred to Disability Rights California, Alta California Regional Center and Social Security.		1	
T	Parent called about parental rights under special education for his daughter. Questions about being retained in a school district. Referred parent to the WarmLine Family Resource Center.		1	
T	Consumer called about being harassed by her neighbors and she lives alone. She did not have any resources to turn to. Referred her to DRC.	1		
T	Received a call from a self-advocate that applied to SCDD and wanted to know when he would hear about the status of his application.	1		
F	Spoke with a Hispanic mother regarding her concerns for her 40 year old son who appears to be having some serious mental health issues. Referred her to the SJ County Mental Health and her son's VMRC Service Coordinator for possible options and support for her son and the rest of her family.	1	1	
F	A community member attended our RAC meeting in Tuolumne County and asked to apply for a vacant seat representing Tuolumne County. I explained how to apply and her facilitator will assist her. She is of Hispanic, Asian and Native American decent.	1		
T	Received a telephone call from DRC OCRA requesting self-advocacy information for our five counties. Referred her to the Self Advocacy Council 6 who has this information.			1
T	SA requested information regarding People First and members that are not clients of Regional Center	1		
E/T	Assisted 2 SA in presenting a new postsecondary resource to two self-advocacy groups.	2		
T	Family Advocate wanted information regarding concerns re: IRC, CSC does not return phone calls, language in the IPP was vague and not specifically describing what care provider is required to provide. Informed FA about 4731 & 2007 process and referred to OCRA & DRC. FA asked that 4731 & 2007 be mailed.		1	
T	Family advocate, IRC is closing Self-advocates case. Referred to OCRA.		1	

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T	Family advocate, requested representation and assistance with the IRC appeals and Fair Hearing process. OCRA denied assistance due to staffing and DRC referred back to OCRA and FA was frustrated because SCDD stated that we do not do individual advocacy any longer. Stated that IRC was providing false advertisement by including within the appeal packet SCDD SBRO office number as a referral for assistance.		1	
T	Provided caller with information regarding public speaking opportunities as well as resources for self-advocacy.	1		
F	Facilitated a meeting between a person who would like to gather feedback from the SDPF officers regarding a research study that will look at character traits and the design of the survey tool.	4	1	
T	A client who is in the process of being evicted called for assistance and was provided with housing related resources and other advocacy organizations that might be able to assist her.	1		

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- BARO Staff assisted a consumer self-advocate to attend a People First chapter meeting in Marin. The self-advocate is the elected president of the Bay Area People First region. The objective of the trip was to connect and share different resources and news from other People First groups. (People Trained 15SA)
- BARO Staff facilitated the third quarter meeting of the year for Bay Area People First. The group is comprised of consumer self-advocates from the various People First chapters in the region. Members get together to share ideas, information, and put their self-advocacy skills into action within their region. The meeting is led by the elected President of the group. Staff provides facilitation and support at the meetings. Regular updates from the local chapters were read. One of the self-advocates did a revisit of the last People First Gathering in Sacramento. The group is helping plan this year's Celebration of Self-Advocacy to be held at Ed Roberts Campus. The group would like to learn more about Self-Determination and has asked staff to invite someone from the Self-Determination Planning Committee to be a guest speaker at the next meeting in October. Staff facilitated the election of new officers for the group. Elected officers will hold their elected positions for two years. (People Trained 9SA)
- BARO Staff participated in and presented to the SF chapter of People First. Staff gave an overview on differing levels of advocacy and the SCDD's role. Discussions also included Vial of Life emergency preparedness work, and a treasurer's report, coupled with a discussion of what events this chapter may want to engage in this year. (People Trained in Leadership 8SA)
- CCRO In response to a public comment and suggestion from the Central Coast Regional Advisory Committee SCDD staff has been active with a parent advocate to have added to the Direct Service Provider curricula information on stress management, self-care, and communication skills. Although there is information about behavior management in the training, the current training does not cover these topics and can be helpful in the quality of staff care as well learning strategies that can prevent negative behaviors from escalating. (People Trained 1FA)
- LARO contacted Westside Regional Center Family Resource Center (WRC FRC) staff in order to provide a training for families because a training need for their area had been assessed. Therefore, a training entitled "IEP Meetings: How They Work and How to Get What You Need" was scheduled for August 27, 2016. Activities to prepare for this included assessing the meeting space, developing promotional materials, and promoting the event. It is expected there will be 30-75

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attendees. (ORGs 20TH)

- LARO received numerous complaints from parents of children with regional center cases who were also in special education from the Bellflower Unified School District. Complaints centered around the failure of the local special education local planning area (SELPA) to hold open, public meetings. After conducting research, SCDD Los Angeles staff concluded that state compliance complaints are an option to resolve the failure of the SELPA to provide open, public meetings. This information was shared with the parents who made the complaint. At the request of the complainants, SCDD Los Angeles staff will provide requested technical assistance at a future time. (Programs/Policies created 10TH)
- LARO SCDD LA staff provided training to the Self-Advocacy Board of LA County on the next section of Minnesota's on-line Partners in Policymaking training. This module focused on the branches of government. SABLAC has been covering one module at each of their meetings facilitated by SCDD LA staff. Minnesota's State Council has posted all of the materials on-line. (People Trained in Leadership 12SA)
- LARO SCDD LA staff reached out to Learning Rights Law Center to investigate the possibility of collaborating in their special education training for parents called TIGER. Through their strategic planning process they decided to pursue this collaboration and requested that SCDD LA staff provide an advance TIGER class next year. This is a ten-month course with a cohort of parents who have gone through beginning and intermediate special education training and who are considered low income. The group meets once a month for three hours and discusses advanced topics. Two LA staff members have the requisite experience and training to do this and are considering sharing the responsibility of offering this training. Materials, curricula, interpretation and snacks will be provided by Learning Rights. (ORGs 20TH)
- LARO SCDD Los Angeles staff provided a four-hour outreach session to three members of the South Central Los Angeles Regional Center Parent Advisory Committee and two members of the public on 7/27/16. The purpose of the session was to provide information pertaining to the governance of a committee, including but not limited to developing bylaws, learning and using parliamentary procedures, using language that develops strong positive relationships, developing strategies to be strong advocates, working collaboratively as a group and with the regional center, and learning the role of advisory committees. (People Trained 2SA/ 3FA)
- LARO SCDD Los Angeles staff were contacted by Eastern Los Angeles Regional

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Center (ELARC) staff in order to provide a training for families because they have assessed a training need for their area. Therefore, a training entitled "IEP Meetings: How They Work and How to Get What You Need" was scheduled for August 18, 2016. Activities to prepare for this included assessing the meeting space, developing promotional materials, and promoting the event. It is expected there will be 30-60 attendees. (ORGs 2OTH)

- LARO staff provided a two hour training in English on 7/26/16 to the South Central Los Angeles Regional Center Family Resource Center (SCLARC FRC). The SCLARC FRC is a resource center which facilitates trainings, technical assistance, and support groups for parents of children with developmental disabilities. The L.A. Care Health Plan Family Resource Center (LA Care FRC) hosted the presentation and provided interpretation of the presentation into Spanish. There were 16 attendees, two of whom received interpretation. The presentation included information about regional centers, how to obtain needed services, how to appeal regional center decisions and perform a fair hearing, and disparities in the provision of regional center services. (People Trained 10FA/ 6OTH)
- LARO staff provided a two-hour training in English on 7/13/16 to the South Central Los Angeles Regional Center Family Resource Center (SCLARC FRC). The SCLARC FRC is a resource center which facilitates trainings, technical assistance, and support groups for parents of children with developmental disabilities. There were 3 attendees and the presentation included information about regional centers, how to obtain needed services, how to appeal regional center decisions and perform a fair hearing, and disparities in the provision of regional center services. (People Trained 3OTH)
- NBRO presented a PowerPoint on IPP Basics. Points of discussion were what is an IPP, Person Centered Planning, what information should be included in an IPP, effective communication with your service coordinator, and the basics of addressing IPP disagreements. Information was also provided on filing complaints, and IHSS services as well. Materials distributed were a copy of the power point presentation, Introduction to Regional Center Services, Get Ready for Your Child's IPP/IFSP Meeting, Letter to Ask for an IPP Meeting, Fair Hearing Flow Chart, Citizen Complaint Form, and DRC publication on IHSS Protective Supervision. (People Trained 3SA/ 5FA/ 1OTH)
- NCRO was invited to participate in outreach to parents on July 28, 2016 to help parents understand their rights, to facilitate the startup of a parents support group as well as to help them mentor other parents. Six families members attended the

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training. SCDD staff gave out the the 40 page booklet " IEP Strategy - Understanding the Process So You can Get What You Need" . Suggestions from parents for getting more participation were: time of the meeting, having trained child care for parents, and getting food donated so parents do not have to deal with hungry children. The group also discussed other ways to outreach to families and how to increase participation in future parent support group meetings. (People Trained in Leadership 6FA/ 2OTH)

- NSRO Staff participated in conference call with Warmline Family Resource Center, along with several other SCDD Regional Offices on 7-19-16. The purpose of the call was to understand more about Warmline Resource Center since they were awarded the grant from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs to be the Parent Training and Information Center (PTI) for Northern California from Tuolumne County to the Oregon Border. Every state has at least one Parent Training and Information Center (PTI) to provide families with information and support. (Many states also have a Community Parent Resource Center (CPRC), which offers the same type of support and training to parents of children with disabilities.) Under the grant, WarmLine provides resources to families of children birth through 26 about: Their child's disability, Parent and children's rights under Special Education (IDEA) and other relevant laws, and Resources in the community, state and nation. WarmLine's trained staff provide individual consultation and can: Review documents related to Early Intervention, Special Education, etc., Assist parents with strategies to prepare for Special Education (IEP) and other related meetings by setting priorities and goals, Support parents' collaborative communication skills. WarmLine also offers trainings to families (and professionals). They distribute information via e-newsletter (subscribe at www.warmlinefrc.org), website (www.warmlinefrc.org) and Facebook page for training schedules. The discussion included ways to collaborate and educate the counties that are new to Warmline through the grant. They want assistance from SCDD Regional Office staff for finding locations for trainings and outreach. They want to know what families need in training topics and assist in building awareness for families. (People Active 2FA/ 4OTH – ORGs 2OTH)
- NVHRO At this SJ Mayor's Task Force meeting we talked about the next steps in gathering more input from the public regarding accessibility needs around the community. We started a discussion about an outreach campaign to get more people with disabilities on the Task Force. We also began prioritizing our yearly goals. (People Active 3SA/ 4FA/ 10OTH)

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- OCRO staff developed and presented a PowerPoint on "Regional Center Intake & Eligibility" for 8 Children's Home Society childcare providers. The presentation focused on: early start eligibility, intake process, timelines and services and Lanterman eligibility, intake, timelines, and services with an added emphasis on fifth category eligibility. (People Trained 8OTH)
- SACRO SCDD staff participated in a planning meeting for the Supported Life Conference in Sacramento on October 6-7th. SCDD is a co-sponsor of the conference. The planning team is a combination of self-advocates, family advocates, teacher/school district staff, providers, agency representatives. The final brochure is available and the team discussed marketing strategies for the conference. SCDD staff will assist with marketing by putting flyers at all local libraries, sharing with family resource, non-profit agencies, school districts, and e-blasts. (People Trained 2SA/ 2FA/ 5OTH – ORGs 4OTH)
- SBRO staff collaborative with Disability Rights California (DRC) to facilitate a community outreach presentation on the topic of "Alternatives to Conservatorship" due to the high volume of requests for the subject matter by the local community and family members. The presentation was coordinated by SBRO staff to be held at Riverside Library within Riverside County. The presentation helped self-advocates, family members and professional understand the overall view of conservatorships by SCDD and DRC, defined conservatorship, explained individual constitutional rights and the effects of conservatorships on those rights, types of conservatorship options and the various alternatives and other decision making options to conservatorships available. Each attendee received a copy of the power point presentation, DRC publication #5578.01 "Limited Conservatorships & Alternatives", and SCDD one pager "Then & Now", SCDD SB RO "Trainings Offered", SCDD SB RO "HICAP & CalMediConnect" training flyer, SCDD SB RO "Health Services & Accessible Providers" training flyer, SCDD SB RO "Self-Determination" training flyer and the "SB RO "Housing and Living Options" training flyer. (People Trained 11FA/ 25OTH)
- SDIRO SCDD staff facilitated a collaboration meeting with San Diego Regional Center, Disability Rights CA, San Diego People First and A2I to plan a voter education outreach project for the San Diego/Imperial region. The group identified the key elements for their voter education summit and continued to work on the power point presentation and the creation of a registration flyer. (People Attained Membership 7SA/ 3OTH – ORGs 5SA)
- SDIRO Staff coordinated and facilitated the monthly planning meeting for the 2016

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parent conference. The planning team identified the theme will be "Navigating the Journey" as well as the keynote topic and workshops they would like to see at the conference. Commitments were made from committee members regarding follow up with the identified speakers. The topics selected for the conference will be: Conscious Discipline, Behavior Management Strategies, Bullying, Anxiety and Depression, Transition and the IEP Process and Parent Engagement. The keynote presentation will focus on Family Mental Health. Nine people were in attendance at the meeting. In addition to parents, the following agencies participate in the conference planning: Imperial Valley SELPA, EFRC, TASK, Arc- Imperial Valley, FINE, Inc., Molina Health Care and the San Diego Regional Center. (ORGs 9OTH / People Active 9OTH)

- SEQRO The Successful Inclusion Training focused on the following: Assessments, Identifying the least restrictive environment, positive and negative aspects of full inclusion, accommodation strategies, general strategies, strategies using assistive technology related services. The training had a panel component in which families were encouraged to ask questions to professionals that have been successful in including children in special education into a general education classroom. (People Trained 4SA/ 10FA/ 4OTH) (7.28.2016)
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- SVMBRO SCDD staff provided training on rights to the direct service workers at Friends of Children with Special Needs. Staff worked for day and employment services staff. Instruction included information on Lanterman Act, client rights, and person centered planning. (People Trained 17OTH/ ORGs 17OTH)
- SVMBRO Staff was asked by a local family resource center to collaborate on a possible training for bullying and how parents can address the issue with the school district. Staff and family resource contact will be meeting in August to discuss further. (ORGs 10TH)

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Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Announcement of Disability Rights California and Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness Advisory Council openings for members	200	600	226
OAH accepting applications flyer		500	
DRC board and P&A committee applications being accepted flyer	250	1200	400
Golden Gate Regional Center Public Meeting Announcement for Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee	9	16	135
Warmline Resources & Collaboration	0	100	100
July Educational Collaborative Meeting		5	14
September Meet and Greet – Education Collaborative		3	14
Keys to Getting Services	5	381	

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
F	Assisted individual seeking information about being a client representative for an individual in a group home setting			
F	Provided technical assistance to City of Ukiah staff on what inclusion of people with disabilities is, ADA, at their recreation programs			
T	Surveyed three SA, one FA and 1 community advocate regarding the Home and Community Based service rules and how this affects them.	3	1	
T/E	Referred 1 Professional to Warmline Family Resource Center to obtain			1

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	legal opinion about a case related to residence and placement issues. Student receives Special Education services but is not a regional center consumer. Also referred Professional to OCRA for legal opinion.			
T	Parent called as an IPP meeting was held for her son and ILS with Meristem was approved. Parent is now waiting for Meristem vendorization of day programming to be approved.		1	
T	Call from mom of 5 year old child with IEP who has behavioral and speech issues. Mother referred daughter to VMRC but was denied. Child diagnosed with ADHD and seizure due to brain insult at birth. Parents had questions about types and level of support. Staff referred parent to Disability Rights and Ca Dept. of Education.		1	
F	Spoke with a parent regarding the changes from Area Board 6 to SCDD/ North Valley Hills and what that meant as far as services and support the office offers. She had worked with past area board 6 directors and an issue has arisen for her child. Referred her to DRC OCRA for individual advocacy on the issue of VMRC services.	1	1	
F	Parents of conserved adult RC consumer came to office for information. Parent says consumer needs an iPad to help with speech/communication. Parent says they asked RC over a year ago for a new device because the dynovox she has used in the past does not work adequately. They also ask again today at IPP. SCDD staff informed parents of their rights of services and explained the due process if denied a service. Parent was also provided with information for Drail's AT person as well as OCRA/DRC. In addition parents also had questions about the Able act and were provided information and handouts on this subject as well.		2	
T	Woman who provides music services for persons with disabilities called NVHO. Woman stated that a consumer came to a music lesson yesterday with very bad sunburn. Woman stated the consumer had been sunburned during an outing with consumer's day program. Woman stated she had already contacted VMRC and filed an APS and SIR report. She wanted to know if we SCDD/NVHO should be involved. I explained that she had already taken the appropriate steps in reporting the incident and SCDD does not need to be involved.			1
T, E	Assisted SA with regional center eligibility difficulty	1		
T, E	Assisted FA with regional center concerns		1	
T, E	Assisted FA with special ed concerns		1	

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F&T	Provided information to 3 FA regarding regional center appeals process		3	
T	Assisted FA with information regarding travel reimbursement through the school district.		1	
T	Assisted FA with information regarding speech and language assessment and how to request a copy from the school district.		1	
T, E	Assisted FA with conservatorship concerns		1	
F	Assisted SA with vendor concerns	1		
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, placement, and due process. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance to parent of adult son served by ELARC. Parent located a facility that she felt could meet his needs but ELARC was offering an unacceptable alternative. Advised parent to request a denial letter and file an appeal.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, and informal dispute resolution as a means of resolving disagreements. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
F	Met with FAs and answered questions concerning how to access regional center services		3	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, and informal dispute resolution as a means of resolving disagreements. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center eligibility and fair hearing strategies. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance to parent of an adult daughter served by FDLRC who has not received any services from the regional center. I had advised her in June to file a 4731 complaint. She still had not received a response.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance to parent of child served by ELARC's Whittier office. Her son brought a pocket knife to school and was suspended. Advised her to contact the ELARC CRA.		1	
E	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, and informal dispute resolution as a means of resolving disagreements. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Woman called complaining about her "disabled roommate" in a nursing home. I helped her understand how and who to make complaints to			1

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	including strategies for ensuring she would get help.			
T	Provided technical assistance to provider working with a consumer who uses facilitated communication who was confused about what was discussed at his last IPP meeting. Advised him to email SC and supervisor to request clarification.	1		
T	Spoke with professional about HMG Collaborative Expansion		1	
T	Assisted 4 FA on special education services and supports		4	
F/T/E	Provided 7 family advocates with training about rights related to SSA benefits and appeals.		7	
E	Provided information to 5 FA regarding rights specific to regional center eligibility process.		5	
T	Spoke with professional regarding upcoming TASK presentation			1
T	Provided information about rights as defined in Lanterman Act to 1 FA		1	
T	Neighbor of adult senior citizen w/ ASD & PDD but not RC consumer who has care giver steal their money. Referred to APS and SB Co. DA's IDT Team			1
T	Family advocate, requesting information regarding IPP. Wanted to be placed on a list for our next upcoming trg. Mailed one pager info IPP Basics.		1	
T	Family advocate, was referred by APS regarding conservatee/SA, I/DD & IRC consumer. SA was injured in a B & C facility, has spoken with IRC, Autism Society and APS. Referred DRC		1	
T	Family advocate was referred by HQ regarding conservatee/SA with I/DD whom is an IRC consumer. FM stated problems they are having with multiple agencies that are following FM and attempting to take SA away from FM. SA was injured in a B & C facility, has spoken with IRC, Autism Society and APS. Referred to San Bernardino county probate investigator to look into her claims.		1	
T	FA wanted information re: conservatorship for her 28 y/o daughter w/multiple disabilities. Referred her to OCRA, DRC, Inland Legal Services, the Dignity group and mailed her a copy of DRC publication on Alternatives to Conservatorship.		1	
T	Provided information on the fair hearing process and resources for additional advocacy support.		1	
T	Provided resources regarding health insurance issues, specifically how services are being billed.		1	

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F	Met with parent and her advocate to share resources regarding non-public schools and other therapeutic services.		1	1
F	Met with parent to provide technical assistance and resources on completing a 4731 complaint form due to the parent feeling as though the regional center was not following the fair hearing order.		1	

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- BARO Staff participated in and advised committee on pre-enrollment meetings, outreach materials and feedback from community about their exposure or lack of exposure to Self-Determination. Discussion on how to reach families that are in most need of this info and are not now easily reached by their RC. Reviewed notes from the statewide SDAC and the variance of efforts in committees across the state. Discussion on how SD needs to be brought up in IPP and IHSP meetings. RC expressed concern over social workers not having the training module info and thus not being able to answer families' questions and concerns. Staff distributed SARC's Self-Determination Symposium material as an example of what can be done at this time and how families and self-advocates are responding to the info. Discussion on trailer bill language around SD. (ORGs 8OTH – People Active 1SA/ 4FA)
- BARO Staff participated in and advised GGRC's SDAC in areas of scope of work, finalizing the language and photo and location noted for the GGRC SDAC flyer to distribute to the community. Staff arranged for and coached Ms. Maria Marquez, the first person in CA to have their budget signed for Self-Determination under the pilot in the late 1990s. Areas of discussion between Ms. Marquez and the committee included her overall experience with SD in the pilot, what worked and did not work, recommendations for this phase of the roll out, and differences in RCs. Ms. Marquez, prior to this committee meeting, agreed to partner with SCDD staff to provide more outreach and training of this kind moving forward. The GGRC SDAC members had many questions for Ms. Marquez, and were energized by the conversation. Distribution of SARC Self-Determination Symposium material (provided by SCDD staff), in addition to other related documents. Of note, the committee is moving forward in closer partnership with GGRC, as compared to reports from previous months. (ORGs 3 – People Active 3SA/ 4FA)
- BARO Staff participated in board meeting and gave a verbal report regarding SCDD activities and status of state plan and NCI QA project. Shared interests include the feedback from the Diversity and Equity Committee and their feedback re. how we could best utilize disparity funding from DDS, the work done to purchase property for additional homes serving former Sonoma DC residents (ORGs 8OTH)
- BARO Staff participated in discussions regarding ABx2 1 updates in this region. Vendors are still concerned at not having a spreadsheet or guidelines of how to track funding dollars from DDS. Lots of Qs about the variety of ways these funds can be used, and what tracking methods would be most effective come the 2017

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report date. Staff presented the results of the last RAC meeting, including what was presented, discussed, and the community feedback requested on areas of disparity and HCBS rules. Staff also reported some stats around this regions work on the NCI project, and shared the importance, based on some survey feedback, of our continued work on disparity reduction. Staff shared date of next RAC and encouraged attendance, and offered to give a presentation to this PVAC meeting in September, at the request of the programs committee. Meeting was held at RCEB in San Leandro. (ORGs 30OTH)

- BARO Staff participated in discussions regarding the new FY's focuses and roll outs. Staff will keep up to date and will work with La Familia and Care Parent Network's parent support and education groups, a positive parenting program, as well as a 12 week counseling program for medically fragile children and their families. Discussion on the transition of Asian Community Mental Health case managers to RCEB; all but one has transitioned over. This is good news. Discussion on the differences in need between recently emigrated families from Vietnam and Cambodia as compared to Chinese and Japanese immigrants whom have a stronger support center in place in the community that can also talk with them about services. Staff and committee reviewed the recommendations for disparity reduction plans for RCEB to consider as they compose a proposal for DDS disparity and equity funding. Fifteen options were documented, and a final proposal may end up having a few wrapped in together. Trends include start-up funds for culturally competent services in threshold languages, an increase in bilingual and trilingual staff, and the translation of documents and websites to help families and individual the service system in their preferred language. Options that provide additional self-determination resources in threshold languages is also included. Meeting was held at RCEB, in San Leandro. (ORGs 60TH)
- BARO Staff participated in planning update discussion on the 2016 Legislative Roundtable. Confirmation that it will be invite only and thus far, Senator McGuire is interested. SPAC is requesting that SCDD staff and GGRC's ED facilitate event - staff has accepted. Discussion regarding accessibility of GGRC SPAC meetings and options for conference calling from the three GGRC offices (representing each county). Staff presented an update on NCI project, and on the SARC Self-Determination Symposium. Discussion on ABLE Act and where CA is on implementation. Recommendation based on others' experience is that the Ohio process is smooth and easy to navigate. (ORGs 2SA/ 80TH)
- LARO attended and monitored the ELARC board meeting. Staff provided

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information on upcoming training as well as the upcoming RAC meeting where ELARC staff member, Frances Jacobs, will present on housing development. ELARC has partnered with various other entities to develop integrated, affordable and accessible housing over the past decade. Also, SCDD staff learned about a free dental program available in LA County, currently at Queenscare. This information will be shared via the LA Office newsletter. (ORGs 2OTH)

- LARO SCDD L.A. Office staff attended the meeting of the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center (SGPRC) Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) on July 19, 2016. The role of the SDAC is to analyze issues, identify steps and processes, and develop recommendations for SGPRC as it goes forward with the implementation of the Self-Determination Program (SDP). The committee first reviewed a report the SDP Work Group from their May 25, 2016 meeting that included updates on the SDP Waiver, the status the the SDP trainings for regional centers, Pre-Enrollment meeting, mandatory background checks, and other important topics. The committee Chairperson reported on the Statewide SDAC Meeting that took place on June 21, 2016. Following the Chairperson's report the members discussed the status of the SDAC's outreach efforts. Seven outreach events, all conducted by volunteer committee members, have been completed, three in English, three in Spanish, and one in both English and Spanish. There are four more events scheduled, two in Chinese, one in Spanish, and one in Korean. Finally, the committee heard a presentation on the new HCBS waiver and how the new rules will impact the SDP. The next meeting of the SGPRC SDAC will take place on September 20, 2016. (ORGs 3OTH)
- LARO SCDD L.A. office staff conducted a training on Self-Determination. This was a mixed audience of English and Spanish speakers. Conducted in English, the power point was in both languages, and an interpreter translated the presentation into Spanish. Twelve parents, 2 children and 1 SCLARC staff attended. The training covered the basic principles of Self-Determination, and the concepts of Person-Centered Planning, Individual Budget, Independent Facilitator, and Fiscal Management Service. Information about the Regional Center Self-Determination Advisory Committees, the roll-out procedures, and further resources were shared. There were many excellent questions; unfortunately, it was a bit rushed in the end as another group was waiting for the room. Funds leveraged: \$150 (approx value of 2 hours Spanish interpreter provided by L.A. Care) + \$100 (approx value of room rental by SCLARC FRC) = \$250 (People Trained 2SA/ 12FA/ 1OTH)
- LARO SCDD LA staff attended and monitored the SCLARC board meeting.

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SCLARC has opted to develop a strategic plan (draft attached) in order to allow it to apply for grants. It was noted that this board is down four members. SCDD LA Staff updated the board on the work of the SDAC and the plans for SCLARC and SCDD LA to hold a facilitation seminar so that people in that catchment area have an opportunity to learn about this important part of self-determination. SCDD LA staff also discussed our plans to hold trainings every Wed. morning in our office and will forward the flier to SCLARC once it is finalized. SCDD LA staff also encouraged the board to sign up for our newsletter in order to get current information. (ORGs 20TH)

- LARO SCDD LA staff provided technical assistance and information to the SCLARC SDAC including an update on the waiver application and the regional center's responsibilities for outreach to underserved communities. (ORGs 40TH)
- LARO SCDD Los Angeles Office staff attended a meeting of the Westside Regional Center (WRC) Board of Directors on 7/6/16. Staff monitored board activity for compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies. SCDD staff also distributed flyers promoting the services available through WRC and the trainings SCDD Los Angeles Office staff could conduct for any group of 12 people or more in any location within Los Angeles county. Additionally because of the numerous governance issues that have been problematic with the WRC board, staff monitored the steps taken at this meeting to ensure the board reflected the diversity of its community. (GP 19SA/ 14FA/ 23OTH)
- LARO SCDD Los Angeles Office staff provided a three hour training in Spanish on 7/22/16 to a Spanish-speaking parent support group pertaining to self-determination and public participation. There were 15 attendees and the presentation included, but was not limited to, information about self-determination; the role of the facilitator, financial management service, local self-determination advisory committees, the statewide self-determination advisory committee, and others involved in self-determination; the current status of self-determination; the development of the budget and how to get more bang for your buck; what services may be purchased through self-determination and a discussion of the CMS New Rules; how self-determination differs from traditional services; actions that can be taken now to prepare for self-determination; and how to determine if self-determination may be appropriate for someone. Additionally, the group requested at the presentation, a complete review and discussion of the CMS New Rules as well as strategies and suggestions on how to participate in public bodies, such as regional center board meetings and advisory committees. (People Trained 2SA/

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- LARO SCDD Los Angeles Office staff provided a two hour training in Spanish on 7/21/16 to the South Central Los Angeles Regional Center Family Resource Center (SCLARC FRC). The SCLARC FRC is a resource center which facilitates trainings, technical assistance, and support groups for parents of children with developmental disabilities. There were 17 attendees and the presentation included, but was not limited to, information about self-determination; the role of the facilitator, financial management service, local self-determination advisory committees, the statewide self-determination advisory committee, and others involved in self-determination; the current status of self-determination; the development of the budget and how to get more bang for your buck; what services may be purchased through self-determination and a discussion of the CMS New Rules; how self-determination differs from traditional services; actions that can be taken now to prepare for self-determination; and how to determine if self-determination may be appropriate for someone. (People Trained 3SA/ 12FA/ 20TH)
- LARO SCDD Los Angeles Office staff provided support to SCDD appointees of the Westside Regional Center (WRC) Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC), monitored the meeting on 7/12/16, and provided technical assistance as needed. SCDD Los Angeles staff also distributed flyers promoting training they can conduct, services regional centers can provide to children, adults, and families, and a presentation on IEP strategy at a neighboring regional center. These flyers and handouts were distributed because numerous comments had been previously received that there were insufficient materials available from the regional center pertaining to the services they may provide. (People Trained 10SA/ 10FA/ 9OTH)
- LARO SCDD Los Angeles staff were contacted by Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center (FDLRC) staff in order to provide a training for families because they have assessed a training need for their area. Therefore, a training entitled "Self-Determination: What Is it, How Does It Differ from Traditional Services & Is It Right for Me?" in Spanish was scheduled for August 2, 2016. Activities to prepare for this included assessing the meeting space, developing promotional materials, and promoting the event. It is expected there will be 25-40 attendees. (ORGs 10TH)
- LARO SCDD-Los Angeles Regional Manager and staff provided technical assistance and support to the 2nd Statewide Self Determination Advisory Committee (SSDAC) meeting per statute on 6/21/2016. During and after the

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meeting, it was discussed that SCDD will present the demographic data of all 21 SDACs. SCDD LA Office provided the technical support to compile such information to be reported to the next SSDAC conference. There are total of 213 members statewide. The data includes members' contact info, ethnicity, and status (Self-Advocate/Family Advocate/Professional). MS Access datasheet was utilized to better manage the collected data. (ORGs 3OTH)

- LARO staff provided training on the role of the FMS in self-determination to the SCLARC SDAC and other attendees. The basics of the financial management service were covered including the three models that can be selected by self-determination participants. (People Trained 1SA/ 2FA/ 4OTH)
- LARO There are about 300,000 individuals with I/DD and their families in California, and the majority of eligible recipients are supported by 21 regional centers statewide. There are 7 regional centers in Los Angeles County serving about 1/3 of the population. SCDD LA Regional Manager met with WRC Executive Director as part of the reconnection post AB 1595, Chesbro, to best support individuals with I/DD and their families in LA County. The purpose of the meeting is to actively engage WRC, create a shared vision and a channel to leverage resources, cultivate trust-based relationships to result in ongoing and effective collaborations. The following projects are working well and may be modeled by the other regional centers in LA County: Employment 1st - <http://www.westsiderc.org/resources/employment-first/information/> Housing - WRC partnered with the Southern California Integrated Health and Living Project (SCIHLP) to use Community Placement Plan (CPP) funds to acquire and develop permanent, accessible homes in the community, owned by non-profit housing corporations, for the use of individuals at risk of, or currently residing in, state developmental centers. Healthcare - Achievable Clinic at <https://achievable.org/> provides accessible and affordable healthcare. (ORGs 2OTH)
- LARO To respond to the emerging issues received through numerous calls and complaints, SCDD LA Office requested records of consumer complaints (per WIC §4731(d)) and appeal cases (per WIC §4714(b)) in LA County compiled by DDS in the last 10 years. Once the information is received, an analysis will be conducted to identify pressing issues and trends concerning accessing regional center services and support in LA County. A recommendation will follow based on the findings to assist SAs and FAs to effectively acquire the needed support and services without barriers. (Programs/Policies Created 2OTH)
- NBRO SCDD staff meet with self-advocates and provided training on the Self-

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Determination Program including the concepts of Person-Centered Planning, Individual Budget, Independent Facilitator, and Fiscal Management Services. Information was also provided on the local Self-Determination Advisory Committee. Participants was provided with a copy of a Self-Determination fact sheet, a Self-Determination Now pin button, and the Consumer's Guide to the Lanterman Act. (People Trained in Leadership 14SA/ 10TH)

- NBRO SCDD staff provided support at the North Bay RAC meeting. Many of the RAC members are newly appointed and this was the first RAC meeting they attended. Points of discussion included role of the RAC, Roberts Rules of Order, CMS Final Rules regarding the HCBS waiver, and the Self-Determination Program. In addition, members were also asked to consider what topics of training they would like to have presented at future RAC meetings and what if any role they want to play as an active RAC member in regards to community outreach and support. (People Active 4SA/ 5FA/ 30TH)
- NCRO As part of regional center orientation, State Council North Coast staff met to provide information and answer questions that new service coordination staff may have about the system in general and the role of the State Council and also specific programs, including the National Core Indicators project and plain language resources for self-advocates and family advocate (People Trained 20TH)
- NCRO Staff facilitated the July 11, 2016 the quarterly Alliance of Services Providers meeting held by video conference at the Regional Center. There were a number of new agencies in attendance. The objective of the meeting is to review programs, provide program updates, information on new legislation and rate adjustments, and discuss issues with community stakeholders. There were 13 programs represented from service agencies in Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake and Mendocino counties. Topics discussed included upcoming October 2017 reporting requirements, trailer bill language and coresponding changes, updated regional center website language describing the Alliance, and the CDSA lawsuit re: 5.82% overtime for SLS and respite. (ORGs 130TH)
- NCRO The Redwood Coast Regional Center and SCDD - North Coast Self-Determination Advisory Committee held their regularly scheduled meeting. The committee was updated on Statewide Self-Determination Committee, Del Norte County Representation recruitment, training workgroup activities, Statewide Training Subcommittee Report, State Council update each committee member present shared information and updates from their local areas and future meeting

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dates were confirmed by the committee. (People Active 4SA/ 3FA/ 4OTH – ORGs 3 OTH).

- NSRO Staff organized a training on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) Home and Community Based Services at the North State Office Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) on 7-15-16. Staff coordinated part of the training to be presented by Laura Larson, Far Northern Regional Center's Executive Director. Laura provided the history of the service system and the evolution of service delivery system to current. The CMS rules have goals for Home and Community Bases Services (HCBS) funding, which include: Inclusion, Opportunity, Community Participation and Employment. Also, Person Centered Planning is the key, driven by hopes and dreams of the individual person, not by the service system. Person Centered Planning is about Discovery, Exploration and Understanding what is important to someone. RAC members were asked to provide feedback about these new rules and to provide recommendations for SCDD to focus on. RAC members provided the following feedback: 1. Safety issues focusing on community integration are a big concern. 2. Is March 2019 a realistic deadline for the system in California to transform? 3. There is a need for more education on the new CMS rules for service providers. 4. There is a need for more money in the Governor's Budget for service providers to transform to the new rules. 5. How do providers re-invent programs with no money? 6. Rural communities need more resources to have more opportunities. (People Trained 3SA/ 8FA/ 2OTH)
- NSRO Staff participated in the 7-27-16 SCDD Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) Committee meeting. The meeting focused on new membership recruitment and drafting goals for the committee, consistent with the mission/vision of the committee. SCDD's Equal Employment Opportunity Officer (EEO) informed all SCDD employees about the recruitment of DAC members Staff participated in the 7-27-16 SCDD Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) Committee meeting. The meeting focused on new membership recruitment and drafting goals for the committee, consistent with the mission/vision of the committee. SCDD's Equal Employment Opportunity Officer (EEO) informed all SCDD employees about the recruitment of DAC members Not one SCDD employee responded to the information and opportunity. Current DAC members (3 SCDD employees) discussed strategies for recruitment. DAC members are working with management to reach out to SCDD employees. Staff developed a SCDD DAC Summary document and attached the SCDD DAC application that will be provided to all regional offices and HQ staff. DAC Committee developed draft goals that will be

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voted on at the next DAC meeting in August: Goal #1: Complete an annual review and monitor SCDD's Annual Workforce Analysis and track the percentage of people with disabilities within the SCDD workforce. Make recommendations as appropriate. Goal #2: Review internal and external policies and practices and make recommendations, as necessary, to ensure that SCDD is in compliance with state and federal disability laws and fostering a disability friendly work environment. Goal #3: Empower staff with the information necessary to effectively include and support people with disabilities within the workforce. For example, staff should have information on the following: a. Recruitment outreach strategies b. Hiring process (e.g. LEAP) c. Reasonable Accommodations d. Disability Awareness & Training (People Active 5OTH/ Programs-Policies Created 10TH)

- NSRO Staff participated in the Butte County Coordinating Council 21st Annual Recognition Celebration Planning Committee meeting on 7-13-16. Staff has participated in planning this event for 21 years and this project remains very important to the Butte County Community. At the first planning meeting, many logistics were decided including date, location, time lines, and guest speaker. The committee decided to invite Laura Larson, Executive Director of Far Northern Regional Center, to be our speaker and present on the history of the system and the direction of the new Federal Rules of Home and Community Based Services. This is also the 50th Anniversary of the Lanterman Act, so a real celebration of the service system in California. Staff promptly followed up with Laura Larson and she accepted the invitation to be the guest speaker! Staff is preparing marketing materials and they will be distributed to the community in July and August. Next planning meeting is August 4, 2016. (People Active 1SA/ 1FA/ 6OTH – ORGs 7OTH)
- NSRO Staff participated in the planning meeting in collaboration with Far Northern Regional Center's (FNRC) Executive Director and Chair of FNRC's local Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) on 7-11-16 to develop topics, presentations and follow-up issues from the previous committee meeting. The Chair is also a member of SCDD's Statewide SDAC (SSDAC) and participated in the 6-21-16 teleconference meeting. It was decided that the 8-12-16 meeting will include presentations from 2 agencies in the region that currently provide financial management services. This is an important requirement of Self-Determination Program and for consumers and families to be educated about this service. An update report on the SCDD Statewide SDAC 6-21-16 teleconference meeting will

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be provided, update report on FNRC's Person Centered Thinking/Planning and training, update report on FNRC's new Individual Program Plan (IPP) and target dates for roll out, Status of SDP Waiver, New HCBS Rules and Self-Determination - Understanding the relationship between new federal expectations and Self-Determination, discussion about meeting location, suggestions from committee on agenda items for next meeting. (People Trained in Leadership 2FA/ 1OTH – ORGs 2OTH)

- NVHRO Every year the California Memorial Project (CMP) honors those that lived and died at State hospitals across California. The purpose is to make they are never forgotten. Staff participated on planning call for upcoming September event in Stockton. SCDD staff will be part of the ongoing planning of the event. Staff will assist with location logistics and set up for event. (People Trained in Leadership 5SA/ 7OTH – ORGs 5OTH)
- NVHRO participated on the SCDD Membership call to discuss the SCDD/ North Valley Hills RAC applicants. Work before the committee call was to be submitted regarding recommendations and other factors of applicants. The committee reviewed the applicants, asked questions which staff answered and they approved the 7 applicants to the RAC. (People attained membership 3SA/ 3 FA/ 1OTH).
- NVHRO SCDD staff was asked to collaborate with the VMRC ED Search Committee as the current ED is retiring December 2016. The first meeting was held on Thursday, July 21, 2016 from 5:30pm-7pm. The committee followed the agenda sent out by the VMRC Board Chair. Items discussed were the time line to find a new ED, should a consulting agency be hired, and future meetings be held. SCDD staff served on the last VMRC ED search five year ago and staff was asked to discuss that process and the positive and negatives on the process. (ORGs 4OTH/ GP Reached 2SA/ 4FA/ 3OTH)
- NVHRO SCDD/North Valley Hills Regional Manager was honored at the July VMRC Board Meeting. SCDD staff, family and friends were in attendance. The Communitas Award was presented to SCDD/North Valley Hills manager at the meeting. The Communitas Award is given annually and the criteria is the individual
1) clearly stands out among professionals in the field of developmental disabilities.
2) Demonstrates long term and sincere commitment to supporting people in real homes, real neighborhoods and real jobs.
3) Has an impressive record of achievement in helping people become more independent and active participants in their home communities. The winners name is inscribed on a permanent plaque to be maintained in the board room at the VMRC's Stockton office. An individual

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plaque is given to the recipient. Staff gave handouts on the HCBS, Self Determination and upcoming events in the 5 counties the public comment portion of the meeting. SCDD staff and her family was invited to the annual dinner with was right after the meeting ended. (GP Reached 7SA/ 8FA/ 17OTH)

- NVHRO Staff attend an open house for the retirement for the Family Resource Network Executive Director, Ann Cirimele. FRN and SCDD have been collaborative partners for over 20 year on many items but most especially Special Ed workshops 10 times a year. Staff contacted Assembly member Susan Eggman and Senator Galgiani's office to request a certificate of recognition to the 20 years of serve by Ann. Staff went and picked up the certificate and presented to Ann on the legislators behalf. Staff have worked with the legislators staff and educated them on all the issues and good work that FRN & SCDD has done together over the years. (GP Reached 5SA/ 10FA/ 15OTH – Public Policymakers Educated 2OTH)
- NVHRO Staff met with the VMRC Executive Director. This is a regularly scheduled meeting to touch base and discuss any issue, questions, concerns, collaborations etc. The discussion was regarding the Self Determination Program and the HCBS and his retirement plans and plans for coverage of VMRC if a new ED isn't hired by Dec 2016. We also talked about our RAC meeting which was held on July 26. Neither he nor his staff were able to attend this time. (ORGs 2OTH)
- NVHRO The SCDD/North Valley Hills held the RAC meeting in Tuolumne County. There were two presentations given by the regional manager on Self Determination and Home and Community Based Services. The agenda and power point are in the common file. SCDD rep presented a report from the SAAC and SCDD meetings July 21-22, 2016. (GP Reached 5SA/ 3FA/ 6OTH)
- NVHRO Warmline Family Resource Network initiated a conference call between them and SCDD's North Coast, North State, North Valley Hills and Sacramento regional offices to discuss collaboration efforts in the counties covered by Warmline. WarmLine provides resources, support, training and consultation to families of children with special needs birth to age 26 in 26 counties in northern CA. They explained who they are, what they do and what their plan is to collaborate. The SCDD 4 regional offices all contributed to the conversation and a plan was developed for a collaborative relationship between Warmline and SCDD. (ORGs 2OTH – People Active 2FA/ 5OTH)
- OCRO SCDD Orange County staff facilitated for the July 19, 2016, SCDD Membership Committee meeting by scheduling interviews with FA and SA,

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compiling/ mailing/ posting the committee packet and agenda per Bagley-Keene requirements, and assisting with administrative functions related to the committee to ensure it ran smoothly. Part of this activity also required staff to field phone calls and questions from potential interviewees about SCDD, its role, and the function of the RAC and/or Council. (People Active 6SA/ 7FA/ 4OTH)

- OCRO SCDD Orange County staff presented on Self-Determination on Monday, July 18th, 2016 to a group of 16 consumers and family members. The focus of the training was an overview of Self-Determination including the five principles of Self-Determination, who is/is not eligible for the program, the individual budget, the independent facilitator, the financial management services (FMS), and phase-in information specific to Regional Center of Orange County. The PPT was adapted with permission from the Los Angeles Regional Office. (People Trained in Leadership 6SA/ 10FA)
- OCRO SCDD Staff provided support at the Regional Advisory Committee meeting on 7/11/2016. Introductions were done, including those in the general public. A quorum was established, and the agenda and minutes were approved. There was no public comment during this meeting. At this meeting, the local RAC provided input with respect to the Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Settings Final Rule for Council consideration. CalOptima provided updates as did Regional Center of Orange County (RCOC). RCOC also provided the RAC with a presentation on their quality assurance process as well as the status of the FDC closure and the RFP process for ARFPSHN's. Staff provided an update on local office activities, highlights for the past two month, and updates on collaboratives. Notable highlights included Orange County CPS II staff being appointed to the CalOptima Member Advisory Committee as the "Persons with Special Needs" Representative and the ability to soon utilize the Orange County office as an ESA site to help assess consumer work skills. This is a capacity building opportunity for persons with disabilities, in collaboration with DOR, in providing integrated worksites for CIE. (GP Reached 2SA/ 5FA/ 4OTH)
- OCRO Staff participated in the RCOC Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee that reviews the development and ongoing process of the self-determination program, including advancing the principles of self-determination and to ensure operation consistent with the requirements of the WIC statute. At this meeting, the following topics were discussed: (1) Outreach to the public and prioritizing our efforts to non-English speaking populations (2) Person-Centered Planning presentation by Joe Donofrio, CHOICISS (3) Presentation for Vendor

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Advisory Committee - VAC is not meeting in August. Email sent to VAC Chair on 7/14/2016 inquiring about getting added to the September VAC Agenda. (4) Independent Facilitator Presentation discussion and who to solicit for the presentation (5) Suggestions or request received via RCOC website - only 2 comments received just to be added to the interest list (People Active 4SA/ 3FA/ 4OTH – People Trained in Leadership 4SA/ 16FA/ 5OTH)

- SACRO SCDD staff attended and participated in the In-Home Respite Services Vendor Forum at Alta California Regional Center (ACRC) on July 19, 2016. There were 4 In-Home Respite agencies represented and the topics of discussion were the appropriate utilization of In-Home Respite hours, medication reminders vs. medication administration, Incidental Medical Services (IMS), mandated reporting and special incident reporting (SIR), wage increases, staff training and annual self-evaluation of agencies. SCDD staff explained the role of the SCDD and offered to provide training to all agencies and their staff and distributed the SCDD flier (People Active 8OTH – ORGs 3OTH)
- SACRO SCDD staff attended and participated in the Residential Vendor Forum at Alta California Regional Center (ACRC) on July 11, 2016. The focus of the discussion was the provider wage increase, the CMS rules and the Zero Tolerance Policy for Client Abuse or Neglect. ACRC Community Services staff requested feedback regarding focus areas: 1) Changes in the CMS rules that will impact the operation of homes: -With the increase in reimbursement rates, residential providers who currently serve 6 consumers will desire to move to 4, leaving 2 consumers without a home. Providers have difficulty finding quality staff and requested ACRC to provide the Direct Support Professional (DSP) Training at their offices. Additionally, IHSS reimbursement rates for staff is higher than a service provider can pay, leaving a limited number of applicants. The turn-over in licensing analysts is an issue for providers, they do not have consistent collaboration and assistance which leaves providers without support. ACRC offered this day to sign providers up for Technical bulletins from the Department of Social Services regarding any new changes in licensing. 2) Quality Assessment trends: -Residential vendors voiced concern over the lack of standardization in quality assurance visits from ACRC and Community Care Licensing (CCL) noting depending on the 'evaluator' the experience and outcome may be different. Understanding the service providers expectation for the hospitalization of a consumer and the consumer rights relating to signatures for medical procedures. Medical providers are often raising issue with consumers providing their signature

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for medical procedures. 3) What motivates providers to open a home?: - Residential vendors for the most part want to make a difference; they believe consumers appreciate and consider them family in many cases. In addition, providers appreciate that they help consumers achieve great potential and also educate the community toward inclusion. (People Active 500TH – ORGs 250TH)

- SACRO SCDD staff hosted and participated in the planning meeting of the Peer Advocacy Connection which is the planning committee for the Regional (semi-annual) Peer Advocacy Connection (PAC) workshop. The following agencies are involved in this collaboration: ACRC, ASAN, Supported Life Institute, SCDD, and DRC. There were 18 self-advocates and 6 other attendees at this meeting. This committee is made up of the chair person from each People's First Advocacy group in each of our 10-counties. Many of these individuals have the assistance of a facilitator for their group. The PAC meetings are coordinated by Ed Plon of Supported Life Institute's Self-Advocacy Project (funded by the Regional Center). The self-advocates make all major decisions related to the planning of the Regional PAC meetings. This group has outgrown the conference room at the Supported Life Institute so they asked if they could use our conference room. There are 11 Participating Chapters: ASAN-Sacramento (Part of Autistic Self Advocacy Network National), Auburn People First, Breaking Out of the Disability Box Capitol People First, Galt People First, Marysville People First, People First of Nevada County, Placerville People First, Roseville Metro People First, South Area People First -South Sacramento and Elk Grove, South Lake Tahoe People First, Yolo County People First. Peer Advocacy Connection (PAC) helps People First and other advocacy groups grow and supports advocacy by persons with developmental disabilities. Funded by ACRC, the PAC advances People First and peer advocacy in the ten-county area served by ACRC. Its many activities are guided by an Advisory Committee made up of advocates, facilitators and advisers from the region. The PAC provides resources, plans Regional Meetings and Leadership Seminars for People First and Self-Advocacy Group members as well as ACRC's Consumer Advisory Committee. Resources and training is also offered to the community in general to promote disability awareness and inclusion of all people. (People Trained in Leadership 18SA/ 60TH – ORGs 50TH)
- SBRO SCDD SBRO staff attended Inland Regional Center Board meeting. The meeting was called to order and the the minutes from the previous meeting were approved and there were no public comments made. There was an update given on Self-Determination regarding the advisory committees monthly meeting and

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scheduled trainings. The Board members posed several questions on the enrollment process and eligibility, which were addressed by the IRC staff that attends the meetings. The Chair of the Board gave a report regarding open seats on the IRC Board and their annual goals. The Associate Executive Director gave a report on staffing ratio improvements and that a survey sent out to staff should the majority of staff would like security eased around the building. The financial report was given as well as reports from several committees. The next Board meeting will be held on September 12, 2016. (ORGs 9SA/ 11FA/ 16OTH)

- SBRO SCDD SBRO staff collaborated with Inland Regional Center to co-facilitate the Self-Determination Program outreach and training for the community which was held in the SCDD SBRO within San Bernardino. The training presentation was designed to inform self-advocates, family advocates and other interested parties within the community about the new way of obtaining services through the Regional Centers. Each attendee received a copy of the SCDD power point presentation "Self-Determination", SCDD "Then & Now", SCDD SBRO "Trainings Offered" flyer, SCDD SBRO "Housing & Living Options" flyer, SCDD SBRO "Health Insurance Counseling & Training" presentation flyer, SCDD SBRO "Health Services & Accessible Providers" presentation flyer, along with the Disability Rights California publication of the Statewide Self-Determination program informational. (People Trained in Leadership 3SA/ 2FA/ 2OTH)
- SBRO staff co-sponsored the first Regional Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Person Centered Advocacy Forum in collaboration with other organizations and agencies. This forum provided an opportunity for the public to learn about HCBS, community settings, competitive integrated employment, and its impact to self-advocates and families in the community. Several members of the community and providers were provided an opportunity to provide questions to a panel from DDS, IRC, and to community programs on the impact of HCBS to their current services and supports. The Inland Empire region provides services to the largest catchment area of self-advocates in the state of California. There were many concerns regarding the assessment process, tools available to vendors on the DDS website, and how to adequately prepare families for the upcoming changes. DDS Assistant Deputy Director explained how to obtain resources for vendors and families to assess current states of programs, and encouraged the participants of the additional tools that are being developed. DDS and IRC also emphasized the importance of community input at these and future forums to assist in the development, implementation, and shaping in the application of future

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services, monitoring of these services, and the community impact on how these services will be delivered. IRC is developing a specialized unit to assist with questions, monitoring, and implementation of the changes, so that resources will be available to assist with the transition. Discussion was also provided on what will happen to programs that do not come into compliance by the March 2019 date, and how non-compliance can effect the funding of programs throughout the state. DDS stated that approximately 40% of the 6 billion dollar budget to the state is from the federal matching of funds through this waiver. An additional (4) forums will be provided to the area for a (5) series plan will be provided for the Inland Empire area to allow for self-advocates and their families to be part of the process. The next forum is planned for September 2016, and the collaborative efforts will continue in other regions throughout the state. Spanish translation was provided for the event. (GP Reached 26SA/ 100FA/ 9OTH)

- SDIRO At this bi-monthly meeting, the group was updated on the status of finances at the San Diego Regional Center, updates regarding two conferences were shared, Leading the Charge will be 11/30.16 and the HCBS/CMS Conference is on 8/3/2016. There was discussion regarding the increase in minimum wage and the effects it is having on the service providers. Especially enstive is the fact that the rate is different for surrounding cities. Issues regarding the "2 hour" rule were discussed. Committee reports were provided: Legislation, Leading the Charge, and Lanterman Coalition. One provider shared that there have been SDRC Program Managers that have denied referrals to providers when SDRC hires a person from that agency. If this happens to you, please call SDRC Executive Director directly. There was discussion regarding congregate living situations that have been "shut down" in other states and some local providers of large, on-site residential programs are concerned. \$1000.00 sponsorship approved for the Buddy Walk. Announcements: August 31, 2016 is SDRC Foundation's fund raiser, A Day at the Races. Conference on Transition (Poway) is October 1, 2016 Home of Guiding Hands golf tourney is October 28, 2016 Employment and Community Options has a new name - E & C O. website: www.optionsforall.org (ORGs 1SA/ 18OTH)
- SDIRO Attended the monthly regional center client advisory committee meeting (11 people were in attendance), the group reviewed the regional center board meeting and clarified questions the members had. The group felt it was the right decision to give an update on what the committee is doing at the regional center board meeting and plans to do it again at the next meeting. The group will

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previewed some of the Employment First Presentation that was created by the regional center for its staff. Next month the group will review the remainder of the presentation. (People Active 7SA/ 4OTH)

- SDIRO During the July, 2016 Regional Advisory Committee meeting, the members were provided an overview of the Final Rules of the Home and Community Based Services. During and following the presentation, the members were asked for feedback as to their thoughts/concerns/questions, etc. regarding the Final Rules. These questions and comments were then sent to the St State Council Headquarters office for further review and consolidation with other regional office query's. In addition, this was the first meeting for many of the members, although some new members have been participating as members of the public since applying for membership. It was nice to have the input of so many new individuals, and the conversation generated was very productive. (People Active 4SA/ 6FA/ 6OTH)
- SDIRO The full Leading the Charge Committee met to identify and assign committee leads. The program committee has already met twice, so Save the Date cards will be generated as soon as the hotel confirms; the registration committee was identified; program materials and handouts were identified; volunteers will be handled the same as last year; , etc. The hotel utilized last year was very favorably reviewed, so the committee is pursuing using this location again, since the trolley stops directly in front, there is ample parking, and the staff were excellent to work with. The structure and design of the day as far as presentations and workshops would look was discussed, and some suggestions were made as to if and/or who would receive an award this year. (ORGs 1SA/ 1FA/ 4OTH)
- SDIRO The Program Committee of the Leading the Charge Conference met to discuss the upcoming event, scheduled for November 30, 2016. The evaluations from last year were reviewed, the possible keynote speakers were discussed, and the topics of breakout sessions were identified and discussed. The conference schedule was planned, and since many of the transition age students and teachers leave shortly after lunch, the committee decided to have more breakout sessions relevant to self-advocates and students at the beginning of the day, so the attendees will not miss out on the opportunities to learn about the new and innovative changes coming to this system. The idea of having a Directors Cabinet or something similar was discussed in hopes of having top management of local agencies in attendance. Aside from the fact there is good information available at

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this conference, it means a lot to the self-advocates and their families to see the agency management staff willing to meet with and discuss the changes impacted everyone soon. Several ideas of how to manage this were discussed, and will be followed up with during the full committee meeting later this month. (ORGs 1SA/ 1FA/ 5OTH)

- SDIRO The San Diego Self-Determination Advisory Committee met, but there was not a quorum present, so no action could be taken. There was no update from the DDS task force available for presentation. The SCDD Statewide meeting that was held on June 21st was reviewed and discussed, and the committee will begin to send the meeting agenda and minutes to the SCD Headquarters office to be posted on their website. The Statewide Transition Plan was discussed, and there is some hope that it will be available for public comment during the month of September, but there is nothing confirmed yet. One of the Advisory Committee members had a draft of the power point presentation that is going to be given to the regional center staff, but there is not information as to when these trainings are going to be held. It does appear however that Independent Facilitators will come out of individual budgets. Staff agreed to re-send the application for new members, and follow-up will be done to see if other areas have had difficulty in keeping members, and for those members that do not show up, is there a policy or procedure anywhere to have them officially removed. The possibility of doing some trainings for the public with a disclaimer that these are NOT official meetings was discussed, as people are still very curious about what SD is. Since every constituent of SDRC will need to be informed of this option, suggestions were made as to how this would occur. The rep from SDRC did not think that a mailing would be done because of the cost. The rep from DRC offered to write an article for the "Communicator", so SDRC will be approached to see if space could be reserved in each edition for this. No presentation on SD has been presented to the Board of the SDRC. The idea of a brochure with pertinent information was proposed, so staff offered to follow-up on this. A checkbox could be added to the IPP forms to remind SC's that SD is an option for people that are interested. (People Active 5SA/ 7FA/ 3OTH)
- SEQRO Staff have been collaborating with Central Valley Regional Center by providing informational sessions to obtain names of those interested in the 141 spots available for Self-Determination. 2 FA and 1 SA attended the English session, both families added their 3 names onto the interest list. The Spanish session had 1 FA that family added their child on the list. (GP Reached 1SA/ 3FA)

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- SVMBRO SCDD staff has been active in carrying out the assignments resulting from the Self Determination Advisory Committee, including developing the agenda for next month. Material was approved by SDAC chair. (Prog/Policy Created 1SA/ 10TH)
- SVMBRO staff and Self Determination Advisory Committee members participated in a Self Determination Symposium sponsored by the San Andreas Regional Center. The symposium was attended by nearly 100 individuals and received training and information on the Self Determination Program, Facilitation, Person Centered Planning, and Financial Management. (People Trained in Leadership 67FA/ 400TH – ORGs 5)
- SVMBRO Staff attended Tri Counties Regional Center's Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) at the TCRC annex. Staff provided an update on what is occurring at the state level regarding self-determination. A presentation (see attachment) on fiscal management services (FMS) was provided by Wes Moss, a representative from Premier Health. Outreach was discussed and a list of self-advocacy groups and support groups were provided. TCRC reports they plan to do informational nights in the fall, once they have the materials from DDS. At those nights, they plan to have interested parties sign up for self-determination. There was discussion of holding the advisory committee meetings on a monthly basis, however the committee agreed that until DDS finalized everything, there was no point and the meetings will remain quarterly for now. Next meeting planned for 10/25/16. (ORGs 3SA/ 22FA/ 70TH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Advance Planning for End of Life Care	200	1000	350
DDS Public Meeting Notice on Reducing Purchase of Service Disparities	9	16	135
CA Office of Administrative Hearings is Accepting Advisory Committee Apps	5	16	15
Disability.gov 10 things to know about the ADA and Beyond	100	100	100
SCDD LA Office News Vol 59	100	100	100

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Special Ed Advocacy- Summer School Session 1	25	50	50
USC UCEDD Webinar: Taking Care of Yourself as Caregiver	10	100	100
ENewsletter-Seek SA Feedback from HSRI	590	610	613
ENewsletter-Free Dental Care for Children 3-16 in LA County	590	610	613
ENewsletter-Person Centered Advocacy Regional Forum Announcement	590	610	613
ENewsletter-USC UCEDD Training Announcement on Taking Care of Yourself as Caregiver of a Family Member with I/DD	590	610	613
ENewsletter – Weekly Training Announcement	590	610	613
“Autism Society of California Survey” The Autism Society of California launched its 2016 Survey! Calling all parents and adults with a Developmental Disability better understand your lives and experiences as well as the hopes and dreams you have. The findings of this research help support their work in improving the lives of all affected by autism and other developmental disabilities.	150	250	200
“Register for Your Chance to Create a Future for Your Loved One,” Attention Self-Advocates, Family Members, Educators and Professionals – Thursday, July 28, 2016 1:30pm-9:00pm at San Bernardino Valley College - Help design future employment and housing services! This is not a workshop - this is a free event to give everyone an opportunity for you to learn about the changes that are occurring or that are soon coming - and how those changes will directly impact you, you're loved ones and the individuals you may work with. We will have local and state policymakers available to answer your questions!	150	250	200
Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee meeting reminder	5	398	145
Self-Determination Advisory Committee Agenda for upcoming meeting	5	398	120
Self-Determination Webinar information	5	398	120

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>		
	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”

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T	Provided technical assistance to SA regarding policy questions relating to the Self-Determination Pilot Project.	1		
T	Consulted with FA/SA regarding an upcoming person centered planning meeting with regional center in the Self-Determination pilot project	1	1	
F	Approached at a meeting by the vendor representative with concerns about the solvency of the vendor group CLASP (Coalition of Local Area Service Provider). Informed this person who missed the last CLASP meeting about the strategic planning meeting that will be occurring and that SCDD has been asked to participate.			1
T	Received a call from a VMRC SDAC requesting that I email out information she had obtained regarding upcoming trainings on Self Determination. Staff did send out the eblasts on the two events.		1	
T	Call from mom of 5 year old child with IEP who has issues in regard to appropriate placement. Mother referred son to VMRC but was denied. Child diagnosed with PDDNOS. Parents had questions about placement, special day class in contrast to regular education setting with support. Staff referred parent to Disability Rights and Ca Dept. of Education.		1	
T	Call from Dad of 25 year old son who is experiencing health problems at day program. Father feels he is not being adequately hydrated and protected from sun exposure. Staff referred to Disability Rights and the Clients Rights advocate.		1	
F	Assisted FA on HCBS regulations, self-determination facilitation, and program services		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Quality Assurance Project.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance to parent of an adult daughter served by SGPRC who had questions about the Self-Determination Program.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Self-Determination. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T/E	Provided information/feedback regarding SD/SDAC to 5 FA and 1 SA.	2	5	
T	Spoke with 3 SA regarding the SCDD OC RAC	3		
T/F	Consultation provided to FA and professional about RCOC fair hearing		1	1
T/E	Family advocate interested in Self-Determination trg. Referred to IRC website on upcoming SD training dates. Emailed one pager information on Self-Determination.		1	
E/T	Provided information about self-advocacy/voter education and the projects SCDD is currently working on in relation to self-advocacy at a local level.	1		1

Goal #3

Individuals with developmental disabilities and their families express the degree to which they are satisfied with their services and the extent to which they feel their needs are being met.

T	A parent is looking for guidance in selecting a new day program for their child in addition to mental health related services.		1	
T	A parent felt the regional center was telling them to commit fraud by billing EPSDT for non-allowable services. Provided suggestions for a solution to the problem		1	

Goal #4

Public safety agencies, other first responders and the justice system get information and assistance to be knowledgeable and aware of the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities so they can respond appropriately when individuals with developmental disabilities may have experienced abuse, neglect, sexual or financial exploitation or violation of legal or human rights.

- SVM BRO SCDD staff provided a three hour Crisis Intervention Training in Woodland to 18 law enforcement and security personnel. The training reviewed developmental services and best methods for response and treatment. (GP Reached 24OTH)
- NBRO staff and a local community agency provided a Feeling Safe, Being Safe training to children. Discussion on how to complete an emergency plan worksheet and fill out the emergency magnet was provided. Each child was given a red back pack with a list and encouraged to create their own first aid kit. Also, participants were provided with a guided tour of a local fire station. Each participant was provided the opportunity to climb inside the fire truck, take pictures with fireman, try on fire gear, hear the fire truck siren, and ask questions. Material provided: A red back pack with a bottle of water, snack item, and Feeling Safe Being Safe packet. (People Trained 30SA/ 25FA – ORGs 2OTH)
- LARO staff on behalf of SABLAC posted information on their Facebook page from the Governor's Office of Emergency Services and the Administration for Community Living on how to stay prepare for and stay safe in extreme hot weather. This includes information about cooling centers throughout the state for those who don't have air conditioning.
Links: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov/ICESite/Pages/Summer-Heat-Resources.aspx> http://www.acl.gov/NewsRoom/blog/2016/2016_07_07.aspx
(GP Reached 55OTH)
- OCRO SCDD Orange County staff attended the WE CAN Individual Prevention Task Force on July 8, 2016 led by the Medical Officer of the Orange County Department of Education. This task force is developing a community resource "tool kit" to help prevent child abuse in Orange County. This particular meeting was spent discussing the data collection process of Cal State University, Fullerton's Childcare Provider Survey. The guest from CSUF explained the differences between a survey they conducted about 10 years ago and the present survey as well as what they hope to discover and how they hope the data will be useful to other agencies. Thus far 505 agencies have been contacted and 71 have been completed to date. The target group of the task force are children who have been suspended from day care due to unceasing or severe behaviors so this survey will be helpful in pinpointing where the resources are most needed. A great many of those children have Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities or may have an undiagnosed I/DD, which means the family is likely not well supported in managing

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their child's behaviors. These children are at a much greater risk for abuse. In June 2016, each member of the group was tasked with contacting various community leaders/agencies to obtain hard data, current applicable resources, and processes used to address behaviors in child care as well as the "suspension" process. Due to time constraints, no reports were given in July. These reports are on the agenda for the August 11th, 2016 meeting. (ORGs 12OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
MTA LA Public Safety Outreach	590	610	613
Executive Summary on 2016-17 State Budget	590	610	613
Personal Safety for an Active Shooter Incident	590	610	613
Policy Update on Employment, Health Care, Disability	590	610	613
Wondering Bill Passes Senate	590	610	613

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	Consumer called about her son being cyberbullied and the manner the police used to handle it. Her son was hospitalized for stress after speaking with police. The family has moved from Union City to Brentwood and has no knowledge of regional centers. Referred to DRC and RCEB Concord.	1	1	
T	FA provided information about Get Safe forensic training program; information provided.		1	

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- BARO staff participated in Alameda County's Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) meeting to learn and discuss the Private Nonprofit Program (PNP) through the State Office of Emergency Services. See attachments. The PNP has demonstrated that it can benefit people with disabilities during a post-disaster recovery process, particularly when nonprofit providers in our service industry join in the process. After the presentation from Cal OES, SCDD staff continued conversations with Alameda County DD Council about pitching involvement to RCs. RCs could play a valuable role as an intermediary for Cal OES PNP, and from that role could manage the paperwork, process and MOUs for providers to join as PNPs that receive reimbursement for post-disaster recovery support for our community. Next steps include SCDD staff and Alameda Co DD Council staff finalizing pitch and making proposal to local RCs. This meeting was held in Fremont at the Family Resource Center. (ORGs 14OTH)
- LARO staff on behalf of SABLAC posted a link to a conference titled "Inclusion of People with Disabilities in Emergency Management: From Federal to Local held July 27 in San Francisco. It was hosted by the Pacific ADA Center and focused on strategies to engage people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in local emergency preparedness. (GP 55OTH)
- LARO staff on behalf of SABLAC posted information on their Facebook page from the Emergency Survival Program. The Emergency Survival Program (ESP), is an awareness campaign by Los Angeles County designed to increase emergency preparedness at home, in the community, at work and at school.
Link: <http://espfocus.org/default.htm>
Links: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov/ICESite/Pages/Summer-Heat-Resources.aspx> http://www.acl.gov/NewsRoom/blog/2016/2016_07_07.aspx (GP Reached 55OTH)
- OCRO staff participated in the Orange County Disability Access and Functional Needs Working Group (DAFN) at the American Red Cross on July 21, 2016. The group was presented with an Orange County Water/Commodity Procurement & Distribution Planning overview by the Water Emergency Organization of Orange County and reviewed the newly combined County and Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan as presented by the Emergency Management Division. Additionally, the Kids in Disasters Working Group provided a summary about plans to prepare data for a grant which plans to develop practical tools for school districts and families of children with disabilities when a major disaster impacts their lives. The next meeting will be Thursday, August 18th (10am) at the

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Santa Ana Red Cross. (ORGs 12OTH)

- SBRO staff provided Active Shooter training to a group of self-advocates, family advocates, and UCPIE staff regarding strategies and best practices to be utilized during an active shooter situation. SBRO staff defined what constitutes an active shooter situation, awareness of surroundings, response during an active shooter situation, how an individual should respond when law enforcement arrives at the event, information that should be provided to law enforcement, and other best practices. SBRO staff encouraged interaction from the group on analyzing evacuation and escape routes at their locations, the importance of creating an active shooter plan for a community based setting prior to an event, stakeholders that should be involved in plan development, staff training, and practice. The focus of the presentation was the 'Run, Hide, Fight' best practice initiated by Houston Police Department and is considered a best practice nationwide. This best practice is also endorsed by the Department of Homeland Security. SBRO staff did show the 'Run, Hide, Fight' Video to the group and provided guidance to additional resources available to the community for the Riverside county area. Professionals that work directly with our population and respite workers with UCPIE also attended the Active Shooter Training to better facilitate supports for the I/DD population in the community. Distributed Items: 1-pager on Riverside County Emergency Resources, Department of Homeland Security Active Shooter Event Quick Reference Guide. (People Trained 2SA/ 9FA/ 15OTH)
- SBRO staff collaborated with United Cerebral Palsy Inland Empire (UCPIE) to facilitate training on Emergency Disaster Preparedness (EDP) training for their agency's annual training of Respite workers within Riverside County. This EDP training was held in Temecula within Riverside County. The training was designed to provide attendees with information that they could use to plan for an emergency or a disaster such as fires, floods, earthquakes or medical emergencies. The presentation was accompanied by the "Feeling Safe, Being Safe" DVD that supports; Think, Plan, Do as well as the need for putting together an emergency disaster kit. Materials that were provided were the DDS "Feeling Safe, Being Safe" binder with personal safety materials and large magnet, SCDD supplies to include within an Emergency Disaster Kit and the 211 listing of all local "Cooling Centers" within the San Bernardino County area. (7.09.2016) (People Trained 9FA/ 16OTH)

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Title of Eblast		Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Japan Center for Disabled Attack		200	600	232
Emergency Preparedness Training Information		5	381	100

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	Spoke with Ready OC re: meeting dates for corporate advisory council			1

Goal #6

Young adults with developmental disabilities and their families get the information and support to be prepared for and experience a successful transition to adult life.

- LARO Manager worked with UCEDD USC to reach out to the three DOR districts covering LA County seeking collaboration opportunity to provide the needed transition support for students with disabilities, ages 16 to 21. This collaboration aligns with the WIOA focusing on serving youths with effective and meaningful transition support. (ORGs 3OTH)
- LARO staff provided training on the ABLE act to a group of parents and one young adult as preparation for their children's transition into adulthood. The ABLE act will give families new opportunities to save money for their children without jeopardizing public benefits. Four states have their ABLE systems up and running; accounts can be established in any state. (People Trained 1SA/ 12FA)
- LARO received numerous complaints in recent months pertaining to alleged practices in individualized education program (IEP) meetings of the Whittier Union High School District, a local educational agency (LEA). Alleged practices included lying in IEP meetings, intentionally providing inaccurate information to students and families, failing to provide a free appropriate public education (FAPE), and negotiating with students and families in bad faith. SCDD Los Angeles staff conducted research which included reviewing IEP documents, evaluations, reports, and other substantiating documents. SCDD Los Angeles staff also attended an IEP meeting and immediately thereafter met with school administrators to discuss the bad faith allegations and practices of the LEA. The issue was discussed and a resolution was achieved which resulted in changes regarding how information would be shared with students and families in future IEPs and settlement negotiations. (Programs/Policies created 1SA/ 2FA/ 4OTH – People Trained 1FA/ 1OTH – People Active 1OTH)
- NVHRO made telephone contact with Special Education Local Plan Area Units (SELPAS) from the 5 counties we serve. Staff asked SELPA representatives to inform of dates and locations of upcoming Community Advisory meetings. Staff plans on attending SELPA CAC meetings to familiarize CAC participants with the State Council on Developmental Disabilities and the role and function of the Council. Staff also will investigate areas where collaboration can occur in support of the State Plan. (ORGs 8OTH)
- NVHRO participated in a committee meeting where participants seek to maximize employment opportunities for adults with disabilities. Primary focus of meeting was to share resources, consider and discuss sub-minimum wage waivers, training opportunities, and future changes to this model. (ORGs 10OTH)
- SACRO hosted an informational presentation by David Nisson, titled

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"Accommodations to successfully attend college". David has Kanner/Savant autism and received a doctoral degree in physics at UC Davis. David relayed the importance of his personal attendant in all classes, his mother Mary; played a significant role in the success of his educational success. Mary quit her job to serve as his aide and was at his side in all situations, including in the laboratory — an unusual arrangement for a university. The partnership between UC Davis and the Yolo County Department of Employment and Social Services (IHSS), which provides funding that helps David's household, is an example of interagency success in helping disabled people's professional aspirations come true. (People Active 5SA/ 7FA/ 5OTH – ORGs 5OTH)

- SDIRO attended the monthly planning meeting for the Transition Symposium for Medically Fragile between the ages of 14 - 23. The focus of this conference is community supports in the areas of education, employment, day program, wellness, recreation, legal and self-care. Speakers for various workshops and exhibitors for the resource fair are being confirmed. A conference location has been confirmed and a site visit is scheduled for August to determine the workshop and resource fair layout. Bags for conference materials for attendees have been donated by a local agency. A caterer has been confirmed for the day of the event. Registration has gone out and committee members will also do outreach to families. Committee members in attendance were the following: California Children's Services, Together We Grow, San Diego Regional Center, Exceptional Family Resource Center, Access2Advocate, Maxim Healthcare, Exceptional Family Member Program (Military) and San Diego County Office of Education and Arc-San Diego. (People Active 3FA/ 17OTH)
- SDIRO This webinar discussed activities and services which have been proven to contribute to successful and seamless transition from school to adult employment. The role WIOA can play in facilitating seamless transition to employment of students and youth with significant disabilities. There was a focus on the new Pre-Employment Transition Services under WIOA, and the enhanced role of workforce development youth services. (People Trained 1OTH)
- SVM BRO staff met with Central Coast Regional Advisory Council member to discuss SCDD outreach efforts to SELPA CAC groups in San Luis Obispo County. SCDD staff will develop a plan of action to review with RAC. (People Active 1 FA)
- SVM BRO chaired the Disability Collaborative meeting on Transition and assisted with planning a Summit on financial planning. Collaborative active in recruiting

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new members and offering updated on Transition among all providers. The Collaborative has identified format of presentations. Next steps will include finalizing the schedule, selecting speakers, determining costs, and identifying a date. (People Active 12OTH/ ORGs 12OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
"Butte College – New Occupational Life Skills Program"	35	135	243
HCBS Final Rule Information	200	600	232
Announcement of Summer Activities in SCDD Sacramento Office catchment area	150	450	426
UC Davis Mind Institute's Summer Institute	0	100	100
WIOA Final Rules Are Released	13	187	188
Labor Department announces availability of \$15.6M in grants to help youth, adults with disabilities to thrive in the workforce - United States Department of Labor	13	187	188
ASAN Scholarship information	15	46	62
Labor Department announces availability of \$15.6M in grants to help youth, adults with disabilities to thrive in the workforce - United States Department of Labor		318	292
"ASAN Announces 2017 Autistic Scholars Fellowship!" Autistic Self Advocacy Network (ASAN) announce the second year of the <u>Autistic Scholars Fellowship</u> , a scholarship which provides 4 to 6 autistic students with a \$5,000 tuition scholarship to promote autistic leadership and create systemic change on their college campuses. Completed applications for the January 2017 scholarship period are due on Sunday, October 30th. Applicants will be asked to describe the current problems for autistic and other disabled students on their college campuses and to explain how their planned activities under the fellowship will enable them to address these problems. Fellows will be required to establish or participate in a leadership role within an ASAN campus chapter or a disability rights student organization, work to promote Autistic culture and community, and take steps to improve disability accessibility and inclusion on their college campuses.	150	250	200
"IRC Community Engagement Team - Workshop Series," The IRC Community	150	250	200

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Engagement Team invites IRC Consumers to a workshop series on navigating the job market. Tuesday, September 27, Tuesday, October 18, & Tuesday, November 15 all workshops run from 5:00pm-8:00pm. At In-Roads Creative Programs 851 South Mt. Vernon Avenue Colton, CA 92324. Topics of workshops are as follows: 1. Application/Resume Assistance – Interview Prep. 2. Mock Interviews – Employment and SSI. 3. Starting a Small Business.				
Information regarding a class on Communication for Students with Disabilities			171	
Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	Parent seeking information on SSI. Son has health problems and is seeking low income housing. He lives in Chino, San Bernardino. Referred to ROM San Bernardino Office of SCDD to assist to locate local housing resources.		1	
T	Provided information to FA and NBRC regarding micro business assistance, DOR, and adult transition planning.		1	1
E	Assisted SA on scholarship to university opportunities	1		
F	Met with an education professional and answered questions regarding post-secondary educational rights.			1
T	Assisted 1 FA on transition services for a recent college graduate		1	

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Children birth to 3 who are at risk of or have a developmental delay and their families receive the early intervention services they need to achieve their potential.

- LARO Manager reached out to the newly appointed ICC Chair, Dr. Poulsen, who is also the chief pediatric psychologist at CHLA of UCEDD USC, seeking collaboration opportunity to provide the needed support for Early Start as part of IDEA - C program. The goal is to identify and reach to the unserved and underserved population with early intervention support. (ORGs 2OTH)
- NCRO facilitated the monthly meeting of the County Child Care Planning Council in July at the SCDD North Coast office. The 7 Collaborating agencies included Child Care Planning Council, Head Start, State Preschool, County Office of Education, North Coast Opportunities, Mendocino College Child Development program, Boys & Girls & private child care programs . The group discussed the progress of new bills & legislative issues and future goals for the 2016-2017 year. The group also discussed working on gathering data for the child care needs assessment to ascertain unmet needs of families and gaps in service for children with disabilities. The two meetings discussed statewide issues and legislation effecting general child care, early education and intervention services, legislation to develop pre-K guidelines, program measurement tools for all state and private child care facilities, and a funding increase for the statewide child development programs for low income families. The issues discussed would effect children's services to families in all four counties in our service area and early intervention programs and preschools that serve families that have children with disabilities and or provide assessments and screening of children with potential health issues and or disabilities. (ORGs 7OTH)
- OCRO collaborated with Help Me Grow Orange County to meet the needs of Orange County families and connect them to developmental services and resources to enhance the development, behavior, and learning of children birth through five years. Help Me Grow Orange County is part of Children's Hospital Orange County & University of California Irvine Early Developmental Services (EDS) that provides a continuum of developmental services for children and families, from when a parent first has concerns about their child's development or behavior to full diagnosis and intervention for those children with developmental delays. Today, SCDD Orange County staff met with these parents who are new to navigating the service delivery system to help them with SPED, IHSS, Social Security, housing, and Regional Center questions and help to make sense of the California service delivery system and what agency service/supports their children may be entitled to receive. This advocacy clinic entitled "Special Education and

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Regional Center Advocacy Clinic - Ask an Advocate" served 2 families face-to-face, unfortunately the other 4 confirmed families did not attend. The goal of this collaboration and advocacy clinic is to try to garner national support for other Help Me Grow organizations nationwide to replicate. (People Trained 2FA/ People Active 2OTH)

- OCRO met with the Orange County Head Start Inclusion Manager on July 12, 2016, to discuss how they manage children with challenging behaviors in their day care sites, including their "no expulsion" policy. The SCDD staff explained their involvement in the WE CAN Individual Abuse Prevention Task Force and the focus of that group to identify children most at risk for abuse. The WE CAN Task Force is taking a closer look at children who have been "excluded/expelled" from day care due to unmanageable behaviors. For this reason, SCDD staff met with the OC Head Start Inclusion Manager who thoroughly explained their process from creating nurturing and responsive relationships (100% of enrolled children receive these services), high quality supportive environments (70% of their children), target social emotional supports (15% of their children), and intensive intervention (5% intervention). They have very specific steps and varying professionals who they pull in along the way to assist the child, the day care center, the staff, and the families along the way. Although the Head Start program has not "expelled" a child for behaviors in many years, they will offer a "modified schedule" option to the parents when it becomes very difficult to manage the child at certain times of the day. Unfortunately, most parents are unable to accommodate anything other than full-day child care due to their work schedule and they must find alternate care for their child. This would not be recorded as expulsion by OC Head Start, but could certainly be interpreted as such by these few (estimated 6/year) families. (ORGs 2OTH)
- OCRO attended and participated in the Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Intervention (ICC) quarterly meeting on July 22, 2016. The ICC encourages a family-centered approach, family-professional partnerships, and interagency collaboration. Members of the ICC are appointed by the Governor. The council is comprised of parents of children with disabilities, early intervention service providers, health care professionals, state agency representatives, and others interested in early intervention. The ICC functions to advise and assist the Department of Developmental Services (DDS), the lead agency, in the development and implementation of the policies that constitute the statewide system of early intervention. The mission of the ICC is to promote and enhance a

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coordinated family service system for infants and toddlers, birth to 3 years, who have, or are at risk for having a disability, and their families, utilizing and encouraging a family centered approach, family-professional partnerships, and interagency collaboration. The ICC provides advice and assistance to the Department of Developmental Services: Regarding the statewide system of early intervention; About achieving the full participation, cooperation and coordination of appropriate public agencies in the state, and; A forum for public input. SCDD staff realize the shared vision to result in ongoing and effective collaborations, as the Family Resource Center Network in 58 counties, provides training for family strengthening. (People Active 5FA/ 300TH – ORGs 100TH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
"FNRC Presents Nurtured Heart Approach – A Training Series"	35	135	243
"Rowell Family Empowerment of Northern California – Special Event Flyer – Training for families with young children with behavior challenges."	35	135	243
UC Davis MIND Institute Summer Institute		167	120
"More Than Words" classes available		150	

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Early Start, due process, IFSP strategy. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues and the process of vrending service providers. Appropriate referrals and			1

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	resources were provided.			
T	Provided information regarding Help Me Grow Collaborative to 7 FA and 2 professionals		7	2

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The State of California will adopt an Employment First policy which reflects inclusive and gainful employment as the preferred outcome for working age individuals with developmental disabilities.

- LARO SCDD LA staff requested review of our "Why Work is Better" booklet by an Social Security Administration Representative. Updates and corrections to the booklet were made as a result of her review & input. The booklet will be republished including the changes. The booklet is provided at appropriate training venues and as part of technical assistance to enhance CIE. (ORGs 20TH)
- SDIRO participated on a LEAD Center webinar regarding the WIOA - and an analysis of key provisions. The Work Innovation and Opportunity Act was signed into law July, 2014, yet the information regarding it is still unfolding. This webinar offered further information regarding the various career pathways, how One Stop Centers will be involved, what a "Measurable Skill Gain" entails, how integrated education and training is not required of all Title II providers, but IS required for IEL/CE providers funded under section 243 of the act. However, even if a provider has to offer Integrated Education and Training, not all students are required to participate. Regarding performance and accountability, states must select 2 out of 3 options, which are employment retention, repeat employer customers and market share of employers. In addition, use of various data to reflect success was discussed. (7.12.2016) (Programs/policies created 10TH)
- SDIRO participated in a webinar The intent of this webinar was to learn about resources available to support implementation and hear about WIOA implementation from a disability perspective from leadership in DOL's Employment and Training Administration and Office of Disability Employment Policy, and from National Association of State Workforce Agencies and the National Association of Workforce Development Professionals. This webinar provided a great deal of information on various websites to learn more specifics regarding WIOA. There is a page for each State with facts and figures, resources for financial literacy, and many other resources related to the Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education and more. These are great sites to become familiar with, and share with local agencies. (7.28.2016) (ORGs 10TH)
- SVM BRO At the Service Providers Advisory Committee meeting SCDD staff informally proposed to the Regional Center Executive Director and the Service Providers Advisory Committee's Chair co-host a Best Practices in Day and Employment Seminar for providers. The aim of such a meeting is to introduce HCBS and Community Integrated Employment concepts to the day and employment provider community and offer examples of how programs adopted new principles and policies to better integrate their clientele into the community. Committee members were open to the idea. The chair person requested I put my

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proposal in writing so he can propose the idea to the regional center board of directors. (ORGs 12OTH)

- SVMBRO SCDD staff reviewed a provider’s application to a proposal request from Tri-Counties Regional Center for day and employment services. (ORGs 2OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
"Employment Strategies Webinar by GH"	35	135	243
Labor Department announces availability of 15.6 grants	0	0	100
ENewsletter-WIOA Final Rules	590	610	613
Personal Competencies for Transition and Employment	5		98
DDS Seeks Employment Success Stories – Competitive Integrated Employment Success Stories	232	500	300

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	An Employment Placement Specialist from the Elk Grove Unified School District contacted our office to inquire about the Paid Internship Program through DDS. Referred her to work with the SC at the regional center and			1

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	DDS.			
T	Parent requesting assistance with seeking paid employment or an internship experience for her daughter. Referred her to work with the SC at the regional center and DDS.		3	
T	Provided SA & FA with information on Employment 1 st and DOR services.	1	1	
F	Met with FAs and answered questions regarding how to access VR services		2	

Goal #9

Working age adults with developmental disabilities have the necessary information, tools and supports to succeed in inclusive and gainful work opportunities.

- BARO collaborated with local agencies to plan this year's College with a Disability Conference. This conference is an opportunity for students with disabilities, aged 14 and up, and their families to learn about the array of resources and supports available at the college level. This is the sixth straight year that the State Council has supported this event. Today's meeting centered around finishing the Save the Date flyer and email the group is planning to send out. Registration, food options, parking, speakers and surveys were also discussed at the meeting. The conference schedule and the time limits for the events of the conference were ironed out. centered around finishing the Save the Date flyer and email the group is planning to send out. Registration, food options, parking, speakers and surveys were also discussed at the meeting. The conference schedule and the time limits for the events of the conference were ironed out. (People Trained 40SA/ 110FA/ 120TH)
- LARO Manager attended the 2016 Southern California APSE Conference & Networking Event. The objective of the meeting is to promote competitive integrated employment for individuals with I/DD. Guest Speakers from DOR, SSA, UCEDD Tarjan Center at UCLA, and DDS discussed on competitive integrated employment (CIE) implementation practices and trends. Topics of discussion include Employment 1st, WIOA, HCBS Final Rule, youth transition to work, work incentives and benefit planning, advocating employment for people with disabilities and legal protection at workplace. SCDD provided handout materials after the meeting to enhance future collaboration with SoCal APSE partners and attendees. Handouts include 120 copies of each outreach materials titled "SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office: What We Do/Training & Event Calendar", "Why Work is Better", "Self-Advocacy Board of Los Angeles County" brochure, and "AIDD Fact Sheet". (GP Reached 10SA/ 60FA/ 50OTH)
- LARO began research and creation of a booklet on adult bullying. Some recent presentations on school and child bullying have yielded questions about adult bullying situations. In response to that, this booklet will address signs and solutions for adult bullying in social and community settings as well as workplace bullying. It will be written in plain language targeting adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. It should be completed by October, 2016.
- OCRO coordinated and met with the Life College TILE Program Executive Director and Director of Instruction on July 7, 2016. This meeting was set to determine what new and innovative types of services are provided to those with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities transitioning into postsecondary educational

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settings. The TILE Program provides classroom-based instruction covering the domains of Self Development (personal advocacy, conflict resolution, interpersonal relationships, personal planning, transition planning); Employment Training (job readiness, interviewing, business soft skills, resume writing, computer skills); and Living Skills (personal finance, personal health, food & nutrition, personal safety). Additionally, the community-based training exposes students to Employment Skills (coordinated internships) and Living Skills (housekeeping, meal preparation, travel & safety). The TILE Program is housed at the Irvine Valley College – ATEP campus in Tustin, CA. They are not currently vendored by Regional Center of Orange County or by the Department of Rehabilitation, so at this point in time, it may be cost prohibitive for many individuals who would benefit from this innovative PSE opportunity. (ORGs 20TH)

- OCRO participated in the Department of Rehabilitation Work Services Meeting on July 19, 2016. The purpose of the meeting is to inform DOR supported employment vendors and providers about new legislation, information, and any employment-related updates. This particular meeting was held to review the following documents: Orange County Regional Center & Department of Rehabilitation Transition to Adult Work Training & Competitive Integrated Employment Services Timeline; California Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE) Resources, Services & Funding (Training, Securing & Retaining CIE); Employment/Work Training Readiness Scale; Employment/Work Training Terms & Legislation; Regional Center/DOR/Adult Program Employment Rating Referral Chart; OC Employment Skills Development Chart; OC Pre-Employment Skills Development Chart. The group discussed the forms and provided comments about the process overall, any continuing struggles or areas of confusion, and how each agency hopes to move forward using these tools. Overall the forms were well-received and the vendors/providers seemed to appreciate the clarity on the regional center role and services offered. Additional agenda points covered were the WIOA provider letter (7/18/16), new job coaching rate increase, and the work incentive bonus provided by the Regional Center of Orange County. The next DOR Work Services Meeting is TBD once the 2016-2017 school year begins. (People Trained 350TH/ ORGs 150TH)
- OCRO participated in the Orange County Employment Advocacy Network (OCEAN) collaborative that meets monthly to identify issues and develop solutions to the changes that are occurring with respect to employment and day services. At this meeting, the following topics were discussed: (1) Workforce Innovation and

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Improvement Act (WIOA); (2) Chapman University Leadership Team Meeting; (3) FLSA Rule 71 affecting work-based learning opportunities for transition aged youth; and the (4) employment conference and resource fair. The flyer for the event and the vendor reply form were created and will be distributed widely to encourage vendor participation for the resource fair and to encourage as many self-advocates seeking employment, and/or their family members, to attend. OCEAN, established in 1991, is a professional association that assists members and employers in creating employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities. (People Active 6OTH)

- SACRO assisted in the planning and participated in the Northern California Business Advisory Council (BAC) Event hosted at Vision Service Plan (VSP) where local business leaders, workforce development programs and state agencies came together to hear presentations from two employers who have actively engaged in hiring people with ID/DD. Starbucks Coffee and Vision Service Plan (VSP) shared their vision and stories of hiring people with ID/DD; without the support they see consumers receive today! The BAC is for and about the needs of our business leaders and how we can engage to support them. The purpose of the event is to actively engage with business leaders and find out what their workforce needs are and have ongoing and effective collaborations with workforce training agencies. The BAC's mission is to connect business leaders with a supported employment agency and they will bring forward qualified applicants and they will train and support employees. Business leaders would like to expand diversity in their business, the BAC can help them attain that goal. (People Active 2SA/ 4FA/ 12OTH – People Trained 2SA/ 4FA/ 32OTH – ORGs 11OTH)
- SBRO attended Valley Wide Employment Expo committee meeting to discuss updates and assignments for this year's employment expo to be held on September 15, 2016 in Indio within Riverside County Fairgrounds. The meeting started with greetings, introductions and a review of the notes from last meeting. It was reported that the website was having coding problems and Logo's needed to be updated. Registration this year is up from last year at this time with a current total of 24 Employers with 422 open positions to be filled. Marketing was discussed and the event is being publicized throughout the Coachella Valley. It was suggested that 2 volunteers should work with the VIP's to get them whatever they need. Employer breakfast preparations are going as scheduled. Panera bread, Stater Bro's and Starbucks are all donating items. The Pre-Expo will be

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held at DPSS conference room with (2) sessions, 9-11:00 am and 1:30-3:30pm. The afternoon session will be open to those individuals with I/DD who may need additional assistance and the room will remain open and available for SCDD staff to work with job seekers who may need additional time. In addition, SBRO staff is collaborating with DOR to provide a pre-expo workshop over the weeks prior to the event in plain language for persons with I/DD, which will discuss how to dress for success, soft skills, and resume building. This collaborative meeting is set for 8/2/2016. Also committee agreed to provide SCDD with a table to at the event to use as a check in point for I/DD job seekers and to pass out information on SCDD. The next meeting will be held on August 16, 2016 and then weekly until the day of the event. (ORGs 11OTH)

- SBRO participated in the Riverside County Workforce Development Ad Hoc West Regional Committee to provide input for the 'Services for People with Disabilities Committee' for the I/DD population. During the meeting, SCDD SBRO staff requested that Workforce Development incorporate additional information on employment/wages and statistics for the I/DD population as it is currently not reflected in their matrix. This will assist with the SBRO and other stakeholders in assessment of the needs for our population and an accurate reflection of how many persons with an I/DD utilize services with their agency. Currently, many I/DD self-advocates are not registered with their department, but with the upcoming changes with WIOA and CIE it is anticipated this will change in the near future. SBRO staff will attend a meeting on 7/26/2016 to discuss what improvements to the matrix for Riverside county can be provided so that this data is captured. The committee also presented a survey in 2016 on the needs for the department on serving individuals with disabilities. They surveyed 197 people, but received 61 responses back at a response rate of 31%. These results will be used to develop a training plan for staff on disability awareness, ethics, confidentiality, civil rights, conflict management, and workplace diversity for persons with a disability within the organization. SCDD SBRO staff offered to provide orientation on SCDD services at one-stop locations to self-advocates who self-identify in the intake process, so that awareness of our services and the populations we served to included veterans 22 and under with I/DD as part of our collaboration efforts. Meeting set with Workforce staff for 7/26/2016 to discuss improving measurable data methods for Riverside County and encourage I/DD self-advocate participation on the local committee. (People Active 16OTH)
- SBRO participated in the San Bernardino County WDB meeting as a new member

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of the Special Populations Committee' to represent the I/DD population. During the meeting, SCDD SBRO staff requested that Workforce Development incorporate additional information on employment/wages and statistics for the I/DD population in the county. It is currently not reflected in their matrix. This will assist with the SBRO and other stakeholders in assessment of the needs for our population and an accurate reflection of how many persons with an I/DD utilize services with their agency. Currently, many I/DD self-advocates are not registered with their department, but with the upcoming changes with WIOA and CIE it is anticipated this will change in the near future. SBRO staff will assist the committee in gathering data on the current needs of the I/DD population. SBRO staff will also participate in a work-group with other stakeholders that work with our population. Staff offered to provide orientation on SCDD services at one-stop locations to self-advocates who self-identify in the intake process, so that awareness of our services and the populations we served to included veterans 22 and under with I/DD as part of our collaboration efforts. Staff was recommended to participate at the regular meetings for this new innovative committee for San Bernardino County, and provide input for systemic issues that affect the I/DD population and their challenges with CIE. (People Active 11OTH)

- SDIRO The Project College Committee met to do a final review of the Project College 2016 week. The surveys and evaluations were reviewed, and the week long program classes and events were reviewed and discussed. Ideas for improvements to the week in 2017 were briefly, as were the need for on-going trainings for students and parents regarding transition, and what to expect post high school. This was the first year that parents met with a gentleman working on his PhD at the beginning of the week, and also on the last day of the week. The information gathered from these meetings strongly indicate that students and families need much more information on post-secondary opportunities than they are currently receiving. The possibility of doing a second week was discussed, as there were more students than spots this year, but until such time as there is more funding available, that will probably not occur. The committee also brainstormed on how to distribute the information locally, as well as statewide. This year there was only one student from San Diego, and one student from Imperial selected for the program. (ORGs 4OTH)

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Think Work Invitation to join a Facebook discussion group on Employment	9	16	135
WIOA Updates	590	610	613
SB1159 Legal Rights to Work	590	610	700
WIOA Final Rules Webinar Announcement	590	610	613
Work Incentive and Reasonable Accommodations Webinar	590	610	613
WIOA Final Rules released	300	808	200
Labor Department announces \$15.6 million in grants to help with CIE	300	808	200
WIOA Final Rules Webinar information			162
Jobtoberfest Save the Date and invitation to employers	5	381	100
Leading the Charge Conference Save the Date sent	5	398	120

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
F	Discussed DOR and the lack of support for employment of people with disabilities in Stanislaus County. Referred the person to the Employment Network and to have this as an agenda item at a future meeting.		1	
T	Received a call complaining about DOR services. Provided info regarding rights & remedies to access DOR services.	1		
F	Met with FAs and answered questions regarding how to access VR services		3	
T	Communicated with 1 professional regarding OCEAN Collaborative			1

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T/E	Provided technical assistance to 3 FA regarding access to DOR/employment options.		3	
T	Assisted 1 FA interested in a new postsecondary educational program in Orange County		1	

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- LARO staff on behalf of SABLAC posted Tips to Beat the Heat on their Facebook page. These are general tips to avoid heat-related illness during hot weather. Links: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov/ICESite/Pages/Summer-Heat-Resources.aspx> http://www.acl.gov/NewsRoom/blog/2016/2016_07_07.aspx (GP Reached 550TH)
- LARO staff participated in a meeting of the Transitions Coalition, a group of governmental departments, service providers, health care plans, advocates and family advocates who meet to share resources and information about issues concerning seniors and older individuals with developmental disabilities. Information was shared concerning how to discuss end of life issues with individuals with developmental disabilities. SCDD Los Angeles staff shared their experiences in discussing the issue with families and consumers in an attempt to support individuals' effort in approaching and discussing those they serve on the subject. Additionally, SCDD Los Angeles staff shared a flyer regarding trainings they are available to provide anywhere in Los Angeles county for a group of at least 12 people. (ORGs 90TH – People Active 1SA/ 7FA/ 40TH)
- NCRO staff participated in the “Wild About Health” fair committee meeting in July be held in October, 2016. The 18 Collaborators include the FIRST 5, Healthy Kids Mendocino, Mendocino College Nursing, Mendocino Community Health Clinic, Inc., North Coast Opportunities, Redwood Community Services, Savings Bank of Mendocino County, the Shriners Hospital, the Soroptimist Club of Ukiah, Ukiah Unified School District, Ukiah Valley Medical Center, Ukiah Valley Rural Health Center, Boys and Girls Club of Ukiah, Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center, Dr's, Dentists and other medical staff, 2 Rotary Clubs, ARC Family Resource Center. SCDD staff was able to get the ARRC to donate \$500 for the fair activities. The event will include over 20 booths with health, dental and eye screenings, health and nutrition education, eye and dental exams, and immunizations. All medical exams and activities are free. Shriners Hospital will be hosting a free screening clinic for children in need of specialized services for orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries and cleft lip and palate and will provide. Fun interactive activities to raise awareness about the health of children include a basketball tournament and a bike safety course. Kids without helmets will be given a free one. Other activities are a kids' bike challenge course, bean bag toss, health related games, basketball hoop contest, and other fun games. SCDD is assisting with finding volunteers and will be helping wrap prizes for the drawing. The committee is hosting this free children's health fair at the Alex Rorabaugh

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Recreation Center on the Grace Hudson Elementary School campus. The Event is being sponsored and paid for by a variety of community donors. Dollars Leveraged \$500 (ORGs 25OTH)

- NCRO continues the planning and implementation for the Cycle Without Limits" Bike Camp project and taught 11 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to ride a bicycle. Collaborators on the event are the County HHSA Health Department, Prevention and Planning, Family Resource Center, the Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center staff, United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay, Ukiah Unified School District. SCDD staff were instrumental in finding the funding for the camp. The cost associated with the project: gym use for the week \$2,000, the trainers and the bikes @ another \$5,500 for a total cost of \$7,500. The Bike Camp provided by United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay was held at Recreation Center from July 24th to the 29th from 9:00 to 12:00 each day. It is one of the new projects offered at the ARRC Recreation Center. This camp provides a 5 day instructional program with one hour and 15 minute sessions each day that teaches children and adults on how to ride a conventional two wheeled bicycle or an adapted cycle. Parents and volunteers came on the Sunday for an orientation. North Coast staff is continuing to provide technical assistance to the planning team and helped with grant writing, donors, volunteers, fliers, contracts, gym usage and cleanup, insurance, projectors and logistics. to publicize the event SCDD staff went to People First meetings, Day Programs, Redwood Coast Regional Center, local bike Shops, Rotary and other service clubs, KZYX radio station and Healthy Mendocino newsletter, Mendocino Strider's, Safe Bike routes to School program and sent fliers out to our email lists. Articles were published in the local papers twice that reach about 40,000 subscribers. One of the nice things about the camp is that the instructors can adapt a child's own bike to be more rideable and with adaptive equipment attached to the bike the parents can practice with their child when camp is done. Dollars Leveraged \$7,500 (People Trained 11SA/ 15FA/ 12OTH – GP Reached 130SA/ 350FA/ 40,000OTH)
- NSRO participated in monthly The SCAN Foundation California Regional Coalitions conference call on 7-7-16. We received an update on the Whole Person Care Pilots in California from Jackie Bender, Director of Policy, California Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems (CAPH). Most updates relate to the timeline; 18 counties applied including all 12 counties with with a county hospital. Also, although it is competitive, there is potentially enough money to fund all robust applications. The review process is between now and the fall. It was

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recommended to Regional Coalitions to have a conversation with their county: find out who applied from your county or find out why they didn't apply. Sharon Rapport, Associate Director, California Policy, Corporation for Supported Housing (CSH) – slide show included as attachment provided legislative updates on housing and homelessness. She discussed two (2) trends: increase in homelessness (e.g., 18 percent more in L.A.) and increase in the average age of persons who are homeless. These two trends are driving legislative and county supervisors' interest in homelessness. Solutions begin with adequate supply of affordable housing (e.g., rent assistance and non-profit development of housing) Two interventions also show evidence: 1) rapid rehousing 2) those with health and social service needs need supportive housing – comes with services voluntary to the resident Also “housing first” is a model of interest to legislators and supervisors: get someone housed before services. In Northern California, there are ten counties in a partnership. It was encouraged to discuss and connect with health plans about this issue. (People Active 5SA/ 43 OTH – ORGs 25OTH)

- NSRO participated in the planning, organizing, and outreach of the Rowell Family Empowerment of Northern California (RFENC) Rural Children's Health Conference on 7-29-16 in Redding, CA. The conference opened with Cristina Jade Pena, M.P.P and discussed Senator Pan's Senate Select Committee on Children with Special Needs, then a Mental/Behavior Health panel with representatives from Kings View Counseling, HHS County Mental Health, State Director with Beacon Health, Director of California Department of Health Care Services, Behavioral Program Manager for Remi Vista, Inc. The afternoon included California Children Services Redesign presentation by Director of Policy and Program Development at Partnership HealthPlan of California and a panel presentation on telehealth. Conference attended by 53 people. (People Trained 23FA/ 30OTH – ORGs 19)
- NSRO participated in The SCAN Foundation funded regional coalition, Diversability Advocacy Network (DAN) for monthly meeting on 7-14-16. The focus of the meeting was to discuss the 6-23-16 Medi-Cal 2020 Conference and identify areas for improvement and areas that were successful for planning the next conference in 2017. The scope of work for the grant requires an annual regional conference. The coalition agreed that the conference was successful and 100 people attended. Copies of the ppt presentations need to be provided in the conference packet, 9 speakers may be too many or agenda needs to be organized differently. Having more than one MC is suggested, food was excellent and well received, facility was very accommodating and affordable. Conference Take Away

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- Need for more training for the "Basics" in understanding Medi-Cal Managed Care, understanding how to access their health care, health plans and knowing their rights. Sandra Rose, California Health & Wellness will be contacted to participate in this training need in the counties served by the plan. A subcommittee was formed to develop a policy and communication agenda for DAN. (People Active 7OTH – ORGs 6OTH)
- NVHRO met with co-chair and director of Healing in Motion for a debrief meeting the 2nd Annual Brain Health event that was held in June. Here we discussed event attendance, positives and negatives about event and overall cost. Once we have the final numbers in, all bills are paid and grant monies have been received, we plan to meet with entire committee for a formal wrap up meeting and begin planning for next year's event. (ORGs 3OTH – GP Reached 8SA/ 9FA/ 24OTH)
- OCRO attended the CalOptima Member Advisory Committee on July 14th, 2016 as the newly appointed representative for Persons with Special Needs (2 year term). The Committee received a presentation by Easter Seals of Southern California regarding the services provided and re-branding efforts; an update on enrollment by CalOptima's Chief Operating Officer; discussion about changes to the Health Network Minimum Enrollment Requirement; explanation of the Health Education and Cultural Linguistic Group Needs Assessment; and update on the California Children's Services Redesign; explanation and update on the 5th round of the Intergovernmental Transfer Funds; and the Federal and State Legislative and Budget update. There was also extensive discussion about concerns regarding CalOptima customer service, specifically that the information provided to consumers may be different with each different representative; CalOptima shared that they will work to ensure customer service has access to the same information to help consumers. Another member shared that their physician was changed without being noticed. The next meeting will be Thursday, September 8th, 2016. (People Active 20OTH)
- OCRO attended the In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Committee meeting on July 21, 2016. The Committee met to address the following agenda items: Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) presentation; Approval for Survey Monkey questions for IHSS providers, recipients, and advisory committee surveys; Report of monthly teleconference with California IHSS Consumer Alliance (CICA); Legislative updates; Advisory Committee Budget Report; Public Authority Executive Director/California Association of Public Authorities (CAPA) Report (tabled until August meeting); IHSS Public Authority end of month report; and

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Social Services Agency updates. Additionally, the Social Services Agency (SSA) announced and introduced the intended appointment of their new Executive Director. SCDD Orange County staff requested data on the FLSA violations, which began 7/1/16 (after a few month grace-period), to which they responded 21 violations with only 1 being issued a formal violation due to a one-time-only pardon for the other 20 providers. The next IHSS Advisory Committee meeting will be August 18th, 2016 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. (People Attained Membership 4SA/ 2FA/ 10OTH)

- OCRO constructed the agenda, posted the agenda per Bagley-Keene requirements, and facilitated the Health Care Task Force on July 13, 2016. Members met to address the following agenda items: Fixing Denti-Cal report from the Little Hoover Commission; Nursing Care Vendor Funding Changes presented by the RCOC Medical Director; increase in regional center vendor rates; and determination of the Task Force's future agenda items. Denti-Cal remains sub-standard in providing dental care for Californians; The Little Hoover Commission constructed a report with 11 recommendations to the State of California to help improve the dental health of its Medi-Cal recipients. Upon review of the report and recommendations, the Task Force has overall concerns that the suggestions for improvement do not present actionable time-lines or hold the State accountable for changing the abysmal delivery system. In an effort to assist those who receive Deni-Cal, The Legal Aid Society is soliciting any specific stories which they can use to help promote legislation directed at Denti-Cal. The Regional Center of Orange County recently changed the policy for Participant-Directed Services (ex: respite) where a nursing assessment is no longer a requirement; however, if the ID team or family/consumer is requesting additional support, the regional center is still willing to fund a nursing assessment to provide any necessary training and recommendations. The Task Force reviewed the DDS memorandum regarding new provider rates effective 7/1/16. The next Health Care Task Force meeting will be October 12th, 2016 from 1:30pm to 3:00pm. (ORGs 8OTH – People Active 1FA/ 7OTH)
- OCRO coordinated and met with the Wellness Center West Program Director and Assistant Program Director on July 25th, 2016. This meeting was set to determine what specific types of services are provided to those with dually diagnosed with mental health and developmental disabilities and how our offices can collaborate to serve this underserved dually-diagnosed population. The Wellness Center West program currently serves 415 members and they encouraged our ongoing

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participation to train their members on cross-disability resources such as Social Security Administration, IHSS, and affordable housing. The Wellness Center West program is one of three Wellness Center's in Orange County providing services to those who are over the age of 18 and have a mental health condition. They provide: Classes (art, cooking, goal setting, computer, stress management, writing, yoga, dancing, NAMI peer to peer, music, etc); Support Groups (women's, men's, NAMI connection, DBSA, and 12-step meetings); Housing & Employment (resume writing, mock interviews, advocacy in keeping current living arrangement); and Community Outings. They strongly encourage peer support/instruction in each of the classes and support-groups they host. The goal for member participation is to reintegrate into their local community in all aspects of their life (employment, socialization, recreation). (ORGs 2OTH)

- OCRO participated in the CalOptima Community Alliances Forum Planning Committee, designed to develop, strengthen, and sustain positive relationships with community-based organizations that care about community health to ensure access to quality health care. The forum's purpose is to discuss current health issues, share information and resources, and build partnerships regarding community health issues. This meeting focused on the topic for the next forum, a presentation by Jane Chai from the Orange County Health Care Agency on "Healthier Together" focused on The Orange County Health Improvement Plan, the foundation of Orange County's Healthier Together, a community-wide initiative that aligns public and private resources within the public health system to improve health for all communities in Orange County. (ORGs 10OTH)
- SDIRO brought together several people who were interested in putting together a health and wellness event to be held in September. The group met and created a plan of events for the day long training. The event will include basic health checks, a resource fair, workshops on managing your healthcare needs, mind and body, self-esteem, reading food labels and serving sizes. The group would like to offer lunch to the participants as part of the learning process on serving sizes and reading nutrition labels and is pursuing sponsorship for the event. (ORGs 2SA/3FA)
- SVM BRO assisted SSAN chair to form a Patient Advisory Sub-committee for Valley Medical Center and Stanford Neurology Department. Committee members have been selected. This sub-committee will meet and inform the SSAN chair of personal experiences when receiving treatment at these medical facilities. The SSAN chair was recently appointed to Patient Advisory Committee of Valley

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Medical and Stanford. SCDD Staff will assist chair with forming committee and holding meetings. (People Trained in Leadership 1SA/ 1OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
"California's new Vaccination rule takes effect Friday"	35	135	243
"[IHSSCoalition] URGENT: NF/AH waiver renewal: Please read, circulate this notice and act! First meeting is THURSDAY"	35	135	243
"Tailgate Food Giveaway in Los Molinos July 22nd 9am to Noon"	35	135	243
USC UCEDD Webinar: Taking Care of Yourself as Caregiver	35	135	243
California's new child vaccination rule takes effect Friday	30	68	129
"Tobacco Cessation for People With Disabilities"	35	135	243
"IHSS Exceptions Update (FLSA)"	35	135	243
Taking care of yourself as a Caregiver Webinar		1500	
Assistive Technology Low Interest Loan Program	200	700	150
ABA Coverage Expanding Nationwide	0	100	100
OneCare Connect Training Information	300	808	200
"Find My Food" information	5	381	100

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F	Briefed Health Fair committee members on what SCCD role is in community			15
E	E-mailed One Page Profile/Person Centered Planning tool to assist FA to facilitate communication with medical professionals/ER staff		1	
T	Referred 1 Family Advocate to Butte County Public Authority IHSS Supervisor regarding concerns with intake process and notifications of acceptance or denial documentation.		1	
T	Referred 1 Family Advocate to OCRA for assistance with service billing issues that haven't been resolved for 2 years. The service is for her adult child who is the consumer of FNRC.		1	
T	Referred 1 Family Advocate to OCRA for assistance with out-of-home Respite services for their son who receives FNRC services. Family frustrated with FNRC for not being more proactive with unmet need in Butte County.		1	
T/F	Referred 18 People to State Disability Insurance (SDI) for assistance related to eligibility, appeals, general questions related to their disability, information about location and phone number, questions related to their paperwork, etc.			18
T	Referred 1 Family Advocate to OCRA related to Far Northern Regional Center's denial of requested safety equipment (alarm system for the parameter of property) and wanting assistance to file appeal		1	
T	Assisted FA with ABA and insurance concerns		1	
T	Provided FA with information regarding occupational therapy through the Children's Hospital Central California		1	
T/E	Communicated with 3 professionals and 4 FA regarding a specialized CalOptima program		4	3
T	Provided information about role of SCDD to community hospital personnel			1
E	Emails to 4 professionals to coordinate upcoming health care task force collaborative			4
E	Information provided regarding speech therapy services and navigating the Medi-cal system.		1	
T	411 caller senior citizen, wanted information regarding Medicare. Referred to HICAP			1

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- LARO hosted and participated in the CA DFEH presentation on employment and housing protections. Phoebe Liu, Senior Staff Counsel IV with DFEH made a presentation on DFEH overview and facilitated a Q&A session on various employment and housing issues and legal rights centered on individuals with I/DD and their families. As the hosting agency, SCDD LA Regional Office staff provided handout materials after the meeting to enhance future collaboration with meeting attendees. Handouts include "SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office: What We Do/Training & Event Calendar", "Self Determination Information Sheet", "Self-Advocacy Board of Los Angeles County" brochure, and "AIDD Fact Sheet". (People Trained 4SA/ 5FA/ 5OTH – ORGs 2OTH)
- NCRO participated in 2 housing committee meetings with the Homeless Continuum group to discuss the housing options for the 1.3 million in housing development funds and progress in meeting with county and City officials to garner support of various proposed projects. Currently the Rural Community Housing Development Corporation is the largest provider developing low income housing in our four county area and now has a contract with the Mendocino County's Behavioral Health Division to develop new low income housing. They discussed the Arcata Bay housing complex in Humboldt County recently opened and using it as a model. The committee has presented development options to Fort Bragg, Willits and Ukiah City Councils during May and June. The Fort Bragg and Ukiah City councils are not supportive of the housing projects and want it located in some other area of the county. As of the date of this report, several issues need to be resolved before the project can move forward. (ORGs 18OTH – Public Policymakers Educated 10OTH)
- SACRO hosted a presentation given by Alta California Regional Center's (ACRC) Alfonso Carmona, Director of Adult Services on the Community Placement Plan (CPP) and housing development. Specifically, speaking on housing options for consumers moving from Sonoma Developmental Center (SDC). Ongoing and effective collaborations. ACRC has 54 consumers who lived at SDC, with 14 placed into homes in the community in the last fiscal year (FY). ACRC plans to have homes completed in development and available for 18 more consumers who will be moving from SDC in the FY 2016-17. Additionally, ACRC's Community Placement Plan (CPP) outlines 18 new homes to be completed in the FY 2016-17. Housing options and support for people with complex medical and behavioral issues take considerable thought and planning, consequently a CPP plan submitted to the Department of Developmental Services is a three year process.

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Homes developed through the CPP typically are existing in the community but need to be renovated, however a model of home called the Adult Residential Facility for Persons with Special Health Care Needs (ARFPSHN) serving people who are medically fragile and require 24/7 licensed nursing supports. These homes are developed specifically to serve the most medically fragile persons previously residing at a Developmental Center. ARFPSHN's are unique as the consumer will never have to leave the home, if the provider retires, a new provider is assigned to the home. In addition to the CPP housing information, Mr. Carmona shared that ACRC has partnered with a dental clinic, developing specialized services for consumers. The dental clinic will be an addition to an existing dental office in the Sacramento area, offering 8 chairs and the specialized training to staff to best meet the needs of people with ID/DD. This is a much needed service and will be available to consumers living in neighboring counties as well. (People Active 5SA/ 7FA/ 5OTH – ORGs 4OTH)

- SBRO collaborated with the Fair Housing Council of Riverside County to provide community training regarding accessible housing and living options. SCDD staff coordinated to utilize the community room free of charge at the Grace Mellman Library within Riverside County to facilitate the community outreach training. The Fair Housing Council presented on housing programs, services provided, waiting list information, discrimination, access and free counseling available to the community. SCDD presented on Living Options for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities within the regional center system. The materials provided to attendees included; Fair Housing power point and the SCDD power point presentation "Living Options for People with Developmental Disabilities", Disability Scoop "10 Things to Know about Housing", Housing Authority of the County of Riverside "Programs (Vouchers, Affordable Housing)", SCDD "Then & Now" one pager, SCDD "FREE Training Opportunities Available", Federal Trade Commission (FTC) publication "Building a Better Credit Report" (in both English and Spanish), FTC publication "Renting an Apartment or House" (in both English and Spanish), Handouts SCDD Then & Now, Updated SCDD Trgs Offered, SCDD flyers for upcoming trainings on; Housing, HICAP, MOLINA, IEHP Healthcare. (People Trained 6OTH)
- SEQRO The Purpose of this summit is to 1. Advocate. Bring together a diverse group of interested partners and stakeholders from across the state to bolster advocacy for affordable, healthy neighborhoods and communities throughout the San Joaquin Valley. 2. Educate. The proposed summit format is as follows: Registration, Exhibits and Continental Breakfast 1. Call #2 Action Items: Finalized

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Session Descriptions, Started Speaker & Sponsor Follow Ups, and Sponsorship Solicitation 2. Registration as of 6/15/2016: 3. Sponsorships as of 6/15/2016: \$7,050 4. Call #4 will take place on July 20, Call #5 (Final Call) will be 1 week prior to Summit Inform: Speakers - Housing & Health: o Clinica Sierra Vista is an option, Louis Medina can help reach the Chief of Programs, who can facilitate an ask to the Executive Director – Jenna/Alicia will follow up with Louis o David Erickson, Federal Reserve Bank of SF is another option – Alicia will follow up with Leilani o Third option is Reinvent South Stockton – Jenna/Alicia will follow up with Carol Ornelas - Housing & Education o Carol Ornelas has ideas – Jenna/Alicia will follow up with her - Morning Keynote – “Housing and Anti-Poverty” o Dr. Toulou Thao is an option – Jenna can connect with Cynthia Abbott/Toulou o Fresno Mayor Ashley Swearengin is an option, she has been motivational for many groups in the area, works closely with HSR, huge supporter of housing and homeless in Fresno (First Steps Homes), number of housing initiatives – Michael Duarte (ORGs 2SA/15OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Statewide transition plan regarding nursing care including ICF waiver		225	
Accessible Housing Universal Design	590	610	613
CA Treasurer Tackles Affordable Housing Crisis	590	610	613
Low Income Housing opportunities information	5	381	100

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"

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T	10.1 Assisted SA individual seeking information on free smoke alarms & batteries	1		
T	Consumer called about clarification on rules and resources for housing for her mother. She is the conservator. Referred to Legal Aid Society, DRC, San Francisco County Dept. of Housing and Behavioral Health	1	1	
T	Assisted provider regarding supported living tenant dispute			1
E	Received an email from HQs regarding a complaint about her roommate's living situation. Contacted the individual and provided consultation and referrals for licensing authority.			1
E	Provided information to 6 FA regarding affordable housing.		6	
E/T	Assisted 3 FA with community facility placement options w/consideration to least-restrictive environment .		3	
E	Housing Access outreach to community developer			1
T	Self-Advocate needed assistance with Housing. Referred to Office of Homeless Services, Housing & Employment Program SB, Rolling Start, Catholic Charities, Public Housing Waterman Garden Office, Public Housing Redlands Office, Riverside and Mo-Val Housing Authority.	1		
T	Self-advocate called re: desire to move to another program. Referred to OCRA & DRC	1		

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- LARO arranged a presentation to the Regional Advisory Committee on the availability of housing and the status of housing development in LA County. The presenters were Frances Jacobs from Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center (ELARC) and Jack Darakjian, CEO of Modern Support Services, a supported and independent living provider. Frances Jacobs with ELARC has worked on several housing development projects with community partners that include set-asides for people with developmental disabilities. She discussed the projects and challenges in developing housing. Jack Darakjian advocates at a local level for city housing commissions and authorities to include set-asides for people with developmental disabilities when they approve affordable housing projects. Currently he has worked with Glendale's Housing Authority to include these set-asides for an approved project. SCDD LA Staff will partner with him in his final push to secure the set-asides and will encourage self-advocates to join in the effort as well. Finally, Phoebe Liu from the California Dept. of Fair Employment and Housing discussed the way in which they address issues of housing discrimination. (ORGs 3OTH)
- OCRO coordinated and met with an independent housing developer and staff on July 14, 2016, in the City of Irvine. This meeting was requested by the developer in order to obtain technical assistance regarding overall housing needs and concerns for those with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities. SCDD Orange County staff provided the developer with input about pertinent licensing regulations, resource development regional center processes, and consumer housing needs based on SCDD Orange County staff interaction with the local community. (ORGs 2OTH)
- SACRO attended and participated in the Housing Now board meeting on July 21, 2016. SCDD staff actively engaged to create ongoing and effective collaborations. To affirmatively further fair housing, HUD has directed local jurisdictions to have a plan to identify and address impediments to fair housing. This includes having enough housing for people of all incomes in integrated communities. There is also a need to have low income housing close to quality schools and access to fresh foods. Identifying consumers are at risk of homelessness, the Housing Now organization is continuing its mission to create affordable housing. Housing Now representatives met with statewide regional center community service managers to inform them of the Legacy Homes Program. A Housing Now board representative is offering to assist Independent Living (ILS) and Supported Living service (SLS) vendors in the application process with consumers. This process can be difficult, resulting in the lack of applications received for people who have

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ID/DD. SCDD staff offered to establish and host a forum, where ILS and SLS vendors, along with consumers and family members could meet to learn the application process. (People Trained 30TH, People Active 1SA/ 60TH)

- SVMBRO reviewed a 5 providers' applications to a proposal request from Tri-Counties Regional Center for independent living services, 1 application for an Adult Residential Facility, and 1 application for a Residential Facility for Elderly. (ORGs 20TH)
- SVMBRO participated in the reviews of 7 requests for proposal (RFPs) for Tri Counties Regional Center (TCRC). The review process entailed reading over the applications for various housing options (adult residential, elderly residential and supported living services), scoring the applications and uploading them to a TCRC file sharing site. TCRC will then choose which, if any, applicants to approve for development. (ORGs 10TH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Inclusive Housing Focus Group Notice and RSVP link	9	16	135

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
F	Assisted individual seeking information about housing options for two Regional center clients living in a motel.			1

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T	Spoke with three area landlords and rental agencies regarding housing availability for individuals with developmental disabilities			1
E	Provided information and recently released video link about the, "Treasurer Tackles California's Affordable Housing Crisis" to FA		1	
E	Multiple emails re: request to speak at the Santa Ana Planning Commission to discuss developer buying-out (paying fee) in lieu of building affordable housing			1

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- BARO Staff met with the Parent Program Manager of the Primary School, Mrs. Shawneece Stevenson. The Primary School is a school start-up founded by Priscilla Chan, that uses evidence-based best practice to provide an integrated health and education model. They are expecting about 10% of children served in this first pilot year to be those with developmental disabilities, many of which have received or would have been eligible to receive early start services. They are working closely with Ravenswood Family Healthcare Center. This healthcare center serves many children and adults with disabilities in low income and high disparity communities. The Primary School will function somewhat as a charter school, with a lottery system. They are targeting low income and culturally diverse communities within East Palo Alto and the Belle Haven neighborhood of Menlo Park. This project kicks off at the end of August and serves children starting at age 3. Staff discussed the importance of evaluating this model for scale and for serving a larger % population of children with disabilities (15% +). Next steps: As the school year kicks off, book meeting with the members of the Directors team, and explore additional ways the Primary School can engage with families with disabilities and partner with providers in the area. The Parent Program will feature bi/multi-lingual parent support groups and educational opportunities, and will reach out to families with children with disabilities, as they did when they held two focus groups specifically for those families with children with special needs. This meeting was held in East Palo Alto. (Programs/Policies Created 1OTH)
- LARO participated in the monthly teleconference of the Paratransit Riders' Coalition (PRC). These meetings utilize a variety of technologies to enable more transit-impaired individuals to participate - some on Google Hangout, some video-conferencing, and some by phone. (Attachment - Agenda) .This meeting covered three primary issues: 1) Planning for a subcontractor of Access Services (ASI) to come to the August tele-meeting of the PRC. Global Transit came a few months ago, but due to technological problems, the meeting was cut short. The plan is to address dispatch, hold times, and general communication issues with them. 2) At the last LA RAC meeting, a guest speaker from ASI spoke among other things, about the drastically reduced emergency back-up system of Access due to funding problems. Staff brought this information to the Coalition, which also has 4 members of Access' Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC) on it. Although this is not entirely new, they now plan to put this on a future CAC meeting agenda with the goal of gathering information from Access - how many requests they get? how many are provided? how are the rides prioritized? how many vehicles are

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available for this service? Future action will depend on this fact-finding which could take several months to get to the agenda and then eventually, a response from ASI. 3) A PRC member brought up an issue of more and more riders giving up on taking ASI trips because of frustration with the service. Twenty years ago, then-Area Board 10 contracted with an individual to research and write a report on the experiences of riders (in one area), including those who quit using ASI out of frustration (data which was not captured by ASI themselves). Interesting that the problem persists today. The PRC tabled this for further discussion and possible action. (ORGs 100TH – GP Reached 9SA/ 50TH)

- NBRO met with the American Canyon Family Resource Center in regards to providing information on services and supports available to individuals/families with I/DD. American Canyon has a high Asian clientele which happens to also be a minority population that is under represented in receiving their fair share of regional center services. SCDD staff made plans to collaborate with American Canyon to provide future outreach and training opportunities within that community. Information and materials provided to the agency for distribution is SCDD flyers, North Bay Regional Center brochures, Self-Determination Program fact sheets, Lanterman Act booklets, supported employment and voter registration/information, DRC/OCRA flyers, community committees (i.e. CAC, SDAC, RAC), etc. (ORGs 10TH – GP Reached 10TH)
- NCRO is in a collaboration with the "Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center" ARRC" and ARC Family Resource Center to continue serving intellectually and developmentally disabled and individuals with Autism once a week to provide a variety of recreational activities as well as skill development and self-advocacy workshops. The Recreation center has been involved in developing programs at the ARRC for developmentally disabled, Special Olympics and other kids and adults with disabilities to improve opportunities to be out in the community and to meet the strategic plan goals of being an inclusive recreation center. Staff assisted the Special Olympics program in Ukiah to schedule their use of the building for basketball practice in Jan. and Feb. of 2017. The ABC Day programs serving intellectually and developmentally disabled and folks with Autism are also using the Recreation center once a week to provide a variety of recreational activities as well as self-advocacy workshops. There are usually anywhere from 15 to 30 individuals that attend. The City wants to charge the ABC a monthly rental fee of \$540 or 6,480 per year. SCDD staff was able to get a scholarship for the use of the building for this group. The cost of the Gym use as well as the meeting rooms

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is expensive so SCDD was able to get them a scholarship to save the group from paying building rent. SCDD staff has been involved in increasing activities for adults with disabilities to improve opportunities to be out in the community. A mailer was sent out to the recreation donors mail list. One donor donated \$2,000 to continue to support activities at the ARRC that are inclusive for those with autism and other developmental and intellectual disabilities. Dollars Leveraged \$8,400 (Programs/Policies Created 10TH – General Public Reached 30SA/ 9000TH)

- NVHRO made contact with transportation providers, and county transportation administrators to determine when and where social service transportation advisory committee (SSTAC) meetings occur that allow the public the opportunity to express their views on public transportation options in the county of residence. Staff also investigated how an individual should express a an unmet need, concern/complaint or file a grievance in regard to transportation services. (ORGs 50TH)
- NVHRO participates on the IHSS Public Authority Advisory Committee. Today's discussion was again about the ruling for OT for providers. Since the ruling took place last year most folks or coming up on the one year mark for violations to be enacted if the time-card /OT rules aren't followed accordingly. At this meeting we brain stormed about ways the Public Authority (PA) could support people to avoid penalties for exceeding or violating the overtime rules. PA has already held several time card trainings to ensure people are filling time cards out correctly in an effort to avoid theses penalties. PA staff also mentioned that some providers are becoming creative about manipulating time sheets as way to get more overtime pay. (People Active 4SA/ 40TH)
- OCRO met with the Regional Center of Orange County Family Support and Community Outreach Coordinator to discuss and highlight local resources which may benefit consumers, but are not well-utilized or well-known among the many agencies providing services to those with I/DD. During this meeting, a few systemic issues were highlighted as follows: consumers being denied regional center services based on a cursory review of documentation instead of through the eligibility intake appointment/assessment; families not understanding IEP/IPP consent rights; RCOC disparity and their plans to address the problem such as providing support/training to the Service Coordinator's providing case management to the under-served populations. (ORGs 20TH)
- SBRO attended the City of Palm Springs Human Rights Commission meeting to

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represent the I/DD population. This 9 member commission meets to promote and protect the diversity of our community and to improve human relations through education and community awareness. Currently, the I/DD population is not represented regarding systemic issues that affect the I/DD population in the community. SBRO staff provided input about the SCDD organization, the needs of our population and offered to attend future meeting and provide input regarding systemic issues for the Palm Springs area (i.e. transportation, accessibility, and sidewalk improvements in areas with no pathways). This is the initial meeting with this organization, and SBRO staff will convey the concerns of self-advocates in the area regarding the services they receive and their concerns. The City of Palm Springs provides a platform for the Human Rights Commission to report these key issues to the City Council and address systemic issues. (People Active 13OTH)

- SDIRO attended the Vendor Advisory Committee and received an update regarding the board of the San Diego Regional Center, and an overview of the budget and fiscal issues. There is an upcoming conference regarding the Home & Community Based Services that was addressed. Since provider rates have been increased, there was a great deal of discussion among the vendors as to how the increases would be provided to staff members. Learned that the Department of Developmental Services is putting together a request for proposal for someone to do a rate study, the SDRC gave an 8% increase across the board for all SDRC staff, and the pay scales were adjusted accordingly. DDS will also be sending out a \$15 million statewide request for proposal on "Thinking Out of the Box" for vendors and community partners to achieve compliance with HCBS Final Rules. Staff announced that there is going to be training on the Signs and Symptoms of Dementia for service providers on September 12th, and there is a Voting Summit scheduled for October 14th at the Ballard Center, but if agencies would like a training provided to their consumers regarding voting prior to that, they should contact our office. (ORGs 24OTH)
- SEQRO met with the College to Career (C2C) at Fresno City College to see how SCDD can collaborate with them in their transition program. SCDD will provide training on SSI to the students at the College to Career program. (ORGs 20TH)
- SEQRO met with the TILE program at Fresno City College to see how SCDD can collaborate with them in their transition program. SCDD will provide training on Self-Determination, Self-Advocacy and Voting Rights to the students at the TILE program. (ORGs 20TH)
- SEQRO The Vendor Advisory Committee meets every other month to discuss

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issues that might arise for vendors of the Central Valley Regional Center. The vendors shared information and concerns about their perspective organizations. Central Valley Regional Center provided Budget Report, Executive Directors Report, Community Services Report, CMS New Rule Update and upcoming workshop attachment. Central Valley Regional Center also provided an update on Self Determination and a short Power Point on Employment Project Search. The Sequoia Regional Office provided updates on what the office staff has been doing in the community. The Department of Rehabilitation discussed competitive integrated employment and completely eliminating sub minimum wage. (People Active 37OTH)

- SVMBRO attended the Service Providers Advisory Committee for San Andreas Regional Center and reported on and HCBS final rule regulations and a survey to be distributed by SCDD, the need to recruit self-advocates, and self-determination. (People Trained in Leadership 13OTH)
- SVMBRO completed an Ask-the-Advocate column for a Family Resource Center in Monterey County. The article described the differences between Federal and State definitions of developmental disability on how that might impact qualifying for regional center services. (GP Reached 777OTH)
- SVMBRO met with the chairperson of LEO's Haven an adaptive playground being planned by a group of advocate parents in Santa Cruz County. With chairperson strategy develop to inform community of this new park facility. Chairperson introduced to Monterey Bay Provider Network. Chairperson advised to introduce herself to regional center local office, regional center director, and regional center board. Chairperson advised to give a brief presentation to regional center board at upcoming meeting. Chairperson advised to request information about LEO's Haven be added to SARC Facebook page. (GP Reached 24OTH)
- SVMBRO met with the executive team of Tri-Counties Regional Center to review activities at Tri-Counties, particularly HCBS roll out and Self Determination. SCDD updated the Tri-Counties staff on activities within the Central Coast region. (People Active 4OTH)
- SVMBRO met with the new Executive Director of the Parents Helping Parents program in San Jose. Director and I discussed the developmental service system, and how our organizations collaborate. SCDD staff met with Outreach manager and agreed to develop an Outreach and Presentation Calendar that can be shared by both organizations and other family resource centers to better determine what audiences are being met and topics reviewed and conjointly master plan outreach

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strategies within our catchment areas. (People Active 3OTH)

- SVMBRO participated the Tri-Counties Town Hall meeting. The meeting was a community outreach allowed for individuals and family members to dialog with regional center administration about current level of services including opening of new home, and the current budget. SCDD introduced itself to members of the Support Network, a parent group that advocates on behalf of those with developmental disability. (People Active 35SA/ 6FA/ 6OTH)
- SVMBRO - The information shared by Jim Knight at the CMS task force meeting was discussed (see CMS activity report). Participants are encouraged to keep an eye on a few things. First, the new rate study which will hopefully address the long term needs of the system. Who DDS selects to do the study will be important. It's also important the study include all types of providers. Second, it was discussed that getting adequate additional money for compliance with the CMS new rule is critical since only 15 million has been budgeted and several hundred million will most likely be needed. Third, self-determination is a big game changer and something more to keep an eye on. It was mentioned that with the money the system has just received takes care of about 1/3 of the problem. DC closure and placement was discussed. Date for Self Determination information nights not yet set - planning for early fall. A SELPA rep mentioned there will be a transition fair on 10/15/16 in Ventura County. (ORGs 25OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
"Free Workshops for Tehama County Residents. Educational Activities for the Whole Family. Brought to you by Tehama County DSS and TCCAA"	35	135	243
TLCPCP Resource	0	5	50
Agenda For Regional Advisory Committee and Coffee Social	15	46	62
"Let's Go Fishing" California Fishing Association is a group that organizes and provides fishing trips for Seniors adults, People with disabilities, & Troubled youth. Trips include baits hooks, weights, poles, fishing license. 4 hours of fishing, clean	150	250	200

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catch, hot lunch BBQ on land fishing one day vacations.			
USC UCEDD Webinar "Taking Care of Yourself"		347	
Sent information regarding a very good speaker that is also a self-advocate			15
Office of Administrative Hearings Advisory Committee Application		398	171
CFILC Technical Assistance Loan Program	5	398	100
Applications training opportunities	5	381	100
Involved Exceptional Parent Day Conference Save the Date information		398	
Free Saori Weaving Classes available	5	381	
IHSS updated information	5	398	120
Access Ability Fair	5	381	

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E	Assisted individual seeking information about regional center vendorization, recent legislative changes and service categories.			1
T	Assisted FA parent with information on child support services in Mendocino County		1	
T	Individual called wanting Chance for Change, had wrong number, gave numbers to local resources.		1	
F	Assisted families with resources to acquire adaptive equipment for bikes and other equipment		8	
F	Provided information about CalFresh and SSP eligibility to FA		1	
F	Assisted parent with information about Special Olympics and how to reach coordinator		1	
F	Gave a tour to Foundation & other donors of the Cycle Without Limits Bike Camp			4
F	Gave FA community resources to help daughter with behavior issues and		1	

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	to help improve living skills			
T	Referred 1 Family Advocate to Chico State's Accessibility Resource Center (formerly DSPS) for tutoring information for her daughter.		1	
T	Referred SA to ILS and North Bay Legal for assistance with SSI/SSA denial. SA is not regional center affiliated.	1		
T	Provided FA with information on Protective Supervision hours including the definition of severely impaired.		1	
T	Provided updated information on SCDD North Bay office to 211 Helpline Center.			1
E, T, F	Shared email regarding the passing of retired Chief Deputy Director, Laurie Hoirup- spoke with RAC members who called about this as well as talked face to face with several people regarding this and the need to send sympathy to her family.	3	2	10
T	Referred FA to Clients Rights Advocate and Disability Rights of CA re Regional Center eligibility appeal		1	
T	Question regarding IHSS protective supervision for clients leaving the DC			1
T	Provided SA with information regarding IHSS	1		
E	Provided technical assistance regarding failure to provide a reasonable accommodation under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).		1	
T	Received a call concerning ACCESS eligibility; referred to ACCESS Customer Services	1		
T	Provided technical assistance regarding failure to provide a reasonable accommodation under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).		1	
E	Provided training information to community family support group		1	
T/E/F	Assisted 16 FA and with navigating service delivery system and accessing resources from IHSS, RC, SSA, OCTA, etc.		16	
T	Assisted 1 professional with ABA questions			1
T	411 call, requesting Rancho Cucamonga DPSS.			1
E/T	Family Advocate sent Alternatives to Conservatorship handout and referred to OCRA & DRC for individuals advocacy issues w/IRC & Social Security eligibility		1	
T	411 call, requesting San Bernardino Cal-Fresh.			
T	Family advocate wanted individual assistance w/appealing IRC denial. Referred to OCRA		1	
T	411 call, requesting Redland DPSS.			1
T	Family Advocate wanted information re: how to complete the juror		1	

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	summons received with Self-advocates name on it whom is an IRC consumer. F/U w/FA instructed her to contact IRC/CSC and request IRC provide CDER information to explain SA functioning level.			
T	411 call, requesting San Bernardino Social Security.			1
T	411 call requesting San Bernardino Medi-cal #. Gave intake number.			1
T	Self-advocate is facing possible homelessness at the end of August 2016. SA is physically disabled and is looking for resources. Referred to SB Co. Homeless Partnership, 211, SB Co. Homeless Shelters, United Way and Catholic Charities.			
T	411 call, wanting San Bernardino Social Services.			1

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- BARO - The main focus for the executive committee this meeting was to discuss that the DDC is not in compliance with the board of supervisors operating procedures concerning boards and commissions and terms of office. Even though the DDC by-laws do not state how long a person could serve on the board, it is the understanding of the executive committee that the DDC has to follow the same operating procedures and the board of supervisors for Alameda County. Therefore, no appointee could serve on the board for more than 12 years consecutively and therefore currently, there are 10 board members out of 27 who are ineligible to continue to serve as a member and 3 more members who will not be eligible as of 1/17. We also discussed the East Bay Legislative Coalition will meet on Wednesday August 3, 2016 to reopen discussion concerning the state budget. Also, there are 2 housing bond act that will be on the November ballot. The Health and Wellness committee plans to join forces with the Forensics Task Force who were given a lot of money to develop crisis homes and services. They are also working on trying to expand the Denta-Care provider network. They are planning a training for the psychiatrist. The Transition Team continues to meet to discuss the College Conference scheduled for September 24, 2016 in Orinda. The East Bay Employment Task Force is scheduled to meet on August 5, 2016 to discuss building the capacity of TDS (Tailor Day Services) and SE providers. Futures, EBI, and ARC received a grant from Long's to focus on these areas. The grant will be used to hire a media firm to connect with other employers. Future meeting is to discuss the Brown Act and term limits per County policy. (People Active 2SA/ 1FA/ 5OTH – ORGs 2SA/ 1FA/ 5OTH)
- BARO - This month's DDC meeting focus on the annual planning meeting. There were 6 focal groups each working on different topics to discuss and/or present for the coming year. Group 1 focused on employment and student transition from school to employment. Group 2 focused on disaster awareness the VOAD group, and involving the regional center in disaster preparedness. Group 3 focused on transition from 0 to 3 years of age as well as 5 to 22 years of age and social recreation. Group 4 focused on Legislative action and advocacy and ways to enhance our media outreach committee. Group 5 focused on health and wellness, the Affordable Health Care Act, navigating through the maze for portable equipment, and expanding dental services because UCSF has closed another unit. Would like to explore virtual dental through the UOP program. Group 6 focused on young adults and miscellaneous topics such as IDD forensics task force, crisis services, and senior and dependent adult abuse. (People Active

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- LARO attended and monitored the Los Angeles County Commission on Disability meeting to determine if there are any opportunities for collaboration. Staff discovered several areas of overlap including concerns about the paratransit system in LA County, accessible/affordable housing, employment, and education. The developmental disabilities community is represented on the commission by Steve Miller, former CEO of Tierra del Sol, a services vendor. LA Staff have some concern about the apparent lack of people with developmental disabilities on the commission. As of now, LA staff will continue to attend commission meetings and seek to establish points of collaboration with this commission and its members to further improvements in areas of common concern. (ORGs 2OTH)
- LARO provided an one-hour training to 12 attendees of the Transitions Coalition, a group of governmental departments, service providers, health care plans, advocates and family advocates who meet to share resources and information about issues concerning seniors and older individuals with developmental disabilities. The purpose of the training was to provide attendees with a broad background of current issues impacting individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. While some of the attendees were family advocates, many were professionals that would serve individuals with developmental disabilities and their families in numerous contexts. Issues reviewed in the training included but weren't limited to self-advocacy, self-determination, Employment First, CMS/HCBS regulations, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), development of the California state budget, disparity in the provision of regional center services, and developmental center closures. (People Trained 1SA// 7FA/ 4OTH – ORGs 9OTH)
- LARO attended & provided technical support to a joint meeting of the Westside Regional Center (WRC) Political Action & Outreach Committee (PAOC) and WRC Client Services Committee on 7/6/16. SCDD Los Angeles staff provided feedback regarding monitoring of service providers and the transition to the HCBS new rules. Because it has been mentioned at previous meetings that there seem to be few trainings in the community for families and self-advocates, SCDD Los Angeles staff distributed to attendees a flyer describing the trainings SCDD Los Angeles staff can provide to any group of 12 or more people in Los Angeles county. Appreciation was expressed for doing so. (People Trained in Leadership 5SA/ 5FA/ 8OTH – ORGs 3OTH)
- SACRO hosted training on the Home and Community Based Services Settings

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Rules on July 26, 2016. The training covered information on 1) The definition of the HCBS waiver and rules; 2) What the rules mean to consumers and/or providers; and 3) What is a Transition Plan. (People Trained 5SA/ 7FA/ 5OTH – ORGs 4OTH)

- SDIRO met with Poppy DeMarco-Dennis, who is the local Democratic Party Disability Representative. Ms. DeMarco-Dennis had reached out to find out what our "platform" was, so I asked to meet with her to share information. During the course of this meeting, I was able to share information with her regarding post-secondary opportunities for people with disabilities, since that was of keen interest to her. Additionally, I addressed the issues surrounding employment for people with disabilities, the school bus legislation that is being promoted at this time, and numerous other areas of concern that her sub-committee might be able to assist with. (ORGs 1OTH)
- SVMBRO staff is in dialog with the chair of the Statewide Self Advocate Committee to arrange a Get Out the Vote workshop presented by the League of Women Voters. A local independent and day and employment provider has agreed to host the training for its clientele and others in the community. Currently a date to host the workshop is being arranged. (GP Reached 1SA/ 13OTH)
- SVMBRO - The HCBS advisory group developed a draft outreach document with info mainly pulled from federal fact sheets. This root document, developed using plain language, can then be used to create other documents. The draft will be shared with Sacramento next week for approval. (See attachment of draft). Jim Knight, Assistant Deputy Director of DDS, called into the meeting and addressed several questions that had been provided to him prior. Some key points explained were: 1. Provider self-assessments may need to be enforced if there is poor participation. Site visits or other action will be needed. It's still unclear if all providers will need to do the self-assessment or, given the State's large number of providers, if a random sampling will suffice. Initially, DDS will be involved in some of the assessments on site to get consistency. 2. Only three states have approved transition plans as CMS requires a lot of detail but it's not all black and white. California hopes to submit a plan by October, however, the self-assessment process will likely start before then. 3. For providers under heightened scrutiny but who meet the three criteria, the state will be allowed to disprove the CMS assumption by submitting evidence saying why that provider is ok. If CMS then concurs, that provider would then fall into the regular ongoing review process. An example might be a service provider who is located on the

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same grounds as an institution - if they can demonstrate they comply with the three key rules and CMS agrees, then the heightened scrutiny process would be done and regular ongoing oversight would take effect. Also, what may meet requirements in one location may not meet them in another as it's based on individual needs. 4. Some of the CCL rules may be in direct conflict with the CMS new rule. DDS would appreciate any input on which specific CCL regs and/or policies conflict. It's unclear if some of the conflicts may involve the Fire Marshall as well (locked bedroom doors). 5. The State budget includes 15 million for providers to make modifications in order to meet the CMS requirements. DDS will be getting out guidelines to providers on how they can apply for this. Info needed from the providers includes: identifying the areas they are not compliant in; a plan to resolve the non-compliance; the cost to resolve it; and any barriers to getting into compliance. DDS knows that 15 million may not cover what is needed so more data is needed to support and obtain more money. Jim Knight plans to attend the next CMS final rule task force in person in September. (ORGs 25OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Public Notice - Amendments to Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver and 1915(i) State Plan	30	68	129
Medicaid HCBS Final Rule Survey-We want to hear from you	30	68	129
New DOJ Publication "Beyond the Cases: 26 Years of the ADA"	30	68	129
The California Memorial Project - September 19th, 2016 Save the Date	30	68	129
State Council July 22, 2016 Council Meeting Summary	9	16	135
Marty Omoto CDCAN July 18 Report	0	100	100
SJ BHS 2016 Guide to Farmer's Markets	100	100	100
ESSA- The Every Student Succeeds Act Information to the Educational Review Collaborative		5	14
OAH is Accepting Advisory Committee Applications	15	46	62

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ESSA-The Every Student Succeeds Act Update on Proposed Federal Regulations on Statewide Assessments and Innovative Assessments to the Educational Review Collaborative			5	14
Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
	N/A			

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- LARO attended the Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center's public meeting on caseload ratios on July 13, 2016. Lanterman's Programs and Services committee reported on caseload ratio data and FDLRC's plans to reduce ratios in the future. 12 members of the public made up of 4 family members, one self-advocate, and 7 service providers attended. It was reported that FDLRC has been out of compliance on caseloads for many years due to budget constraints and various legislative mandates. This year's state budget includes \$17 million for 200 new service coordinators statewide, 6 allocated for FDLRC. These funding increases are based on a core staffing formula of \$42,097 per service coordinator that was established 15 years ago and hasn't been adjusted for inflation. FDLRC's actual cost to hire a new service coordinator is \$60,668. It was also reported that FDLRC would need to hire 31 new service coordinators in order to remain in compliance with required caseload ratios. (General Public Reached 12OTH)
- LARO engaged a Spanish translator to translate our "Support for Parents" brochure; then staff formatted it to look the same as the English. This is a brochure of support resources for parents of young babies who have or may have a developmental disability. The importance of Early Start programs and support from Family Resource Centers and parent groups is stressed. This brochure, in English and Spanish, will be enclosed in a mailing with our Pediatrician Outreach Flyer and sent to pediatricians in Los Angeles County next month (August 2016). The intent is for pediatricians to be able to hand it to families of babies at risk of or newly diagnosed with a developmental delay, to provide them some immediate resources for support.
- LARO staff were invited to attend and support a board meeting of Opening Doors, a coalition of non-English speaking parent support groups who are composed of parents and individuals with developmental disabilities. Groups that speak Spanish, Mandarin, Japanese, Vietnamese, and Korean are represented in the coalition. SCDD Los provided technical assistance and shared information about self-determination, the HCBS new rules, nonprofit management, self-advocacy, and voting. Additionally, various trainings available through SCDD Los Angeles staff were shared with the group. (People Active 6FA/ 1OTH – ORGs 5)
- NSRO participated in Rowell Family Empowerment of Northern California (RFENC) Multicultural Committee on 7-18-16. Meeting included updates about various community events and resources and agency updates. The committee discussed organizing an event or conference that provided education, awareness and connection for ethnically diverse families within the region. Through

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discussion, a tentative title developed for the conference "Exploring Cultural Diversity in Rural Communities - Everyone matters." It will be hosted by the RFENC Multicultural Committee in Partnership with SCDD North State Office and Far Northern Regional Center. Location and dates were discussed and the format of the conference. Community Leaders / Parents as guest speakers, Spanish support group leaders hold a forum (Q&A?), having some dancers / drummers there, maybe charge \$10-15 for cost of food and/or other cost of conference. Next steps will be to coordinate meeting with Far Northern Regional Center about contributions of ideas and funding. (People Active 2FA/ 6OTH – ORGs 5OTH)

- NVHRO participates on planning committee for the annual Multicultural Health and Community fair event to be held on October 8th 2016 from 10-2pm. Staff continues working with self-advocates to provide musical performance at event free of charge. Staff is also working with other agency's to provide information and or free services at the event, like haircuts and dental screening. These efforts are all collaborative with a variety of community resource agencies. (ORGs 2SA/ 10OTH)
- OCRO hosted the Fiesta Familiar Spanish Support Group on 7/25/2016, attended by 24 monolingual Spanish-speaking parents. The training was an open forum presented/facilitated by Fiesta Educativa Outreach Coordinator, Cecilia Mercado, on IEP/special education advocacy, including turning emotions into advocacy, as many of the parents just recently obtained a medical diagnosis for their child. The training and support group lasted from 10:00am to 12:30pm. Fiesta Educativa was founded in California in 1978 to inform and assist Latino families in obtaining services and in caring for their children with special needs. Fiesta Educativa was formed by family members and professionals who recognized the need to provide assistance and advocacy to these Spanish-speaking families. As an ongoing collaboration between the two agencies in an effort to serve monolingual Spanish-speaking families in Orange County, the SCDD Orange County Office hosts all of Fiesta Educativa's parent support group and committee meetings. (People Trained 24FA – ORGs 2OTH)
- OCRO - The Fiesta Educativa Advisory Committee met to discuss the annual Fiesta Educativa conference that will be held on October 14 at the River Arena in Anaheim. This conference is expected to serve 400+ primarily monolingual Spanish-speakers and will offer educational workshops on topics including: special education, behavior intervention, assistive technology, autism treatment, IHSS and SSI, regional center, community resources, respite services, immigration, nutrition,

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and early intervention, among other topics. SCDD will be have an exhibitor booth and was offered to conduct a presentation provided that simultaneous Spanish translation services are secured, which is in process of being investigated. As far as the planning process, SCDD will help to create the parent evaluation and program for the event. (ORGs 9OTH)

- SEQRO alongside CVRC are working together to find creative ways to bridge the service gaps that currently exist. We are reaching out to pillars of rural communities to see if they can help us develop ways to outreach and inform families and regional center consumers about the services available and ultimately eliminate the barriers. (ORGs 2OTH)
- SVMBRO met with task force member to identify a strategy to conduct church outreach as a means of improving disability awareness within the community but also to educate ministerial staff on identifying and advising families about developmental disabilities and how to refer families for services. (ORGs 10TH)
- SVMBRO - The Disparity Taskforce met to report on its ongoing projects, including researching the promotora model, the completion of the video shoots for the training program being developed, and outreach effort to the African American community. Committee members concentrating on African American inclusion met with the Parents Helping Parents program and a strategy to better outreach the medical and therapeutic community. (ORGs 8OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
LatinoNet Announcements:Planning meeting for FSN, community events and job openings	30	68	129
"Update of resources, events & activities to help strengthen families in Butte County"	35	135	243

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F	Gave a FA resources and information on the Bike Camp to be able to hold the bike camp in Fort Bragg		1	

Collaborative Partners

- A2I
- Access 2 Independence
- Access OC
- Access2Advocate
- Achieve School
- ACRC In-Home Respite Service Vendors
- ACRC Residential Vendors
- Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services
- Alameda County CHDP
- Alameda County Public Health
- Alameda DD Council
- Alegria Community Living
- Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center
- Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center Director
- Allan Smith DDS Liaison
- Alta California Regional Center
- Alta California Regional Center (ACRC) Community Services staff
- Alta Regional Center Independent Living and Supported Living vendors
- Alzheimer's OC
- ARC
- Arc - Butte County
- Arc - San Diego
- Arc - San Francisco
- Arc- Imperial Valley
- ASAN (Autistic Self Advocacy Network),
- Asian Community Mental Health
- Assembly Member Eggman
- Autism Society of Inland Empire
- Bank of America
- Bay Area Support Services
- Behavioral Health an Recovery Board Committee members,
- Bet Tzedek Legal Services
- Boys and Girls Club of Ukiah
- Butler Valley

Collaborative Partners

- California Children's Services
- California Coalition for Rural Housing
- California Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH)
- California Elwyn
- California Health and Wellness
- California Mentor
- California Vocations, Inc.
- Californians for Disability Rights
- Californians Living Independent and Free
- CalOptima
- Canyon Springs Community Facility
- Casa de la Familia
- CDCAN Disability Rights
- Central Valley Regional Center
- CES
- Chair of FNRC SDAC and member of SCDD SSDAC
- Changing Tides
- Chase Employment Services
- Child Care Planning Council
- Children & Families Commission of OC
- Children's Cause OC
- Children's Health Initiative of Orange County
- Children's Home Society of Orange County (CHS)
- Children's Hospital of Orange County
- Children's Nurturing Project
- City Ambulance
- City of Bakersfield
- City of Clovis
- City of Palm Springs Human Rights Commission
- City of Stockton
- City of Ukiah
- Coalition of Local Area Service Providers
- College 2 Career
- Comfort Connection/RCOC FRC
- Community Action Partnership

Collaborative Partners

- Community Catalyst
- Community Center for the Blind
- Community Interface Services
- Community Partnership for Families
- Community Resources for Independent
- Compass
- Contra Costa DD Council
- County HHSA Health Dept. Prevention and Planning
- County Office of Education
- Creating Behavioral and Educational Momentum
- Crimson Center
- David Nisson, self-advocate
- Department of Developmental Services
- Department of Mental Health
- Department of Rehabilitation
- Department on Aging (HSA)
- Desert ARC Palm Desert
- Disability Action Center
- Disability Rights California
- Disabled Resource Center
- Disparity Task Force
- DOR Greater LA District
- DOR LA South Bay District
- DOR Van Nuys Foothill District
- Downey Padres Unidos, a Spanish-speaking Parent Support Group
- DREDF
- Easter Seals
- Easter Seals Southern California
- Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center (ELARC)
- Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center Board
- Educate Advocate
- EFRC
- Employment and Community Options
- Employment Development Department
- Enriching Live

Collaborative Partners

- Exceptional Family Member Program (Military)
- Exceptional Family Resource Center
- Expandability
- Fair Housing Council of Riverside County, Inc.
- Family Resource Center
- Far Northern Regional Center
- Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
- Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
- Fiesta Educativa
- Fiesta Educativa Orange County
- FINE Inc.
- FIRST 5 Mendocino
- Frand D. Lanterman Regional Center (FDLRC)
- Fresno City College, College to Career (C2C)
- Fresno City College, TILE Program
- Fresno Housing Authority
- Fresno State University
- Friends of Children with Special Needs
- Futures Explored
- GGRC (RC)
- Golden Gate Regional Center
- Goodwill Orange County
- HAS SJ mental health
- HCAR People Services
- Head Start
- Health Plan of San Joaquin
- Healthy Kids Mendocino
- Help Me Grow Orange County
- Home of Guiding Hands
- Homeless Continuum of Care Committee
- Hope Services
- Housing Choices Coalition
- Housing Consortium of the East Bay
- Housing Now Sacramento board
- Imagine

Collaborative Partners

- Imperial Valley People First
- Imperial Valley SELPA
- INALLIANCE, Inc.
- Independence for Life Choices
- Independent Housing Developer
- Independent Living Center of Southern California
- In-Home Supportive Service Advisory Committee, Orange County
- Inland Regional Center (IRC)
- Institute for Effective Education
- Integrated Resources Institute
- Integrity Cottages Housing Development
- Integrity House
- Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) on Early Intervention
- Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Intervention committee representing: Parents, Providers, Head Start Agency, Department of Developmental Services, Department of Health Care Services, Department of Mental Health Care, Department of Social Services, Department of Public Health, California Department of Education, Agency Preschool Services, and WarmLine Family Resource Center .
- Jewish Family Services
- Jewish Vocational Services
- L.A. Care Health Plan
- L.A. Care Health Plan Family Resource Center
- L.A. County Commission on Disabilities
- La Familia
- League of Women Voters
- Learning Rights Law Center
- Legal Aid Society of Orange County
- Legal Services of Northern California
- LEO'S Haven
- LIFE
- Life College TILE Program Director of Instruction
- Life College TILE Program Executive Director
- Los Angeles County Commission on Disability
- Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health

Collaborative Partners

- Maxim Healthcare
- Mendocino College Child Development
- Mendocino College Nursing
- Mendocino Community Health Clinic, Inc.
- Modern Support Services
- Molina Healthcare
- Monterey Bay Provider Network
- Mutual Housing staff
- Neighborhood House
- NOCCCD School of Continuing Education Self-Advocacy Class Instructor
- North Coast Opportunities
- OC DEAF
- OC Dept. of Ed Medical Officer
- OC Health Care Agency
- OC Social Services Agency
- OC Transportation Authority
- OCRA – Far Northern RC
- OCRA – Inland RC
- OCRA – Orange County
- OCRA - Redwood Coast RC
- OCRA – SCLARC
- OCRA – South Central LA RC
- OCRA -- Westside Regional Center; Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center; North Los Angeles County Regional Center; Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center
- Open Doors Now
- Opening Doors Coalition
- Orange County (OC) Sheriff Department
- Orange County Asperger's Support Group
- Orange County Head Start
- Orange County Social Services Agency Medical Director
- Pacific Alliance for Disability Self-Advocacy
- Pacific Redwood Medical Group
- Parent Care Network
- Parents Helping Parents
- Passages-Area Agency on Aging

Collaborative Partners

- People's Care
- People's First Chapter Chairs (SAC area)
- Peppermint Ridge
- Person Centered Services (PCS)
- Person Centered Services (PCS)
- Planned parenthood
- Pre-K teachers
- Premier
- Premier Health Services
- Progressive Employment
- Project Independence
- Reaching for Independence
- Real Connections Child Development Institute
- Redwood Coast Regional Center
- Redwood Community Services
- Regional Center of Orange County
- Regional Center of Orange County (RCOC) Family Support and Community Outreach Coordinator
- Regional Center of the East Bay
- Resource for Education, Advocacy, Communication, and Housing
- Resources for Independence Central Valley
- Riverside County Workforce Development Board
- Rolling Start
- Rotary
- Rowell Family Empowerment of Northern California
- Sacramento State University
- Sacramento Works
- San Andreas Regional Center
- San Andreas Regional Center, Service Provider Advisory Committee
- San Bernardino County Workforce Development Board (WDB), Special Populations Committee
- San Diego Community College College 2 Career
- San Diego County Office of Education
- San Diego People First
- San Diego Regional Center

Collaborative Partners

- San Leandro School District
- Savings Bank of Mendocino County
- SCDD Clients' Rights Advocate (CRA) Canyon Springs
- SCLARC SDAC
- Self-Advocacy Board of LA County
- Self-Advocacy Council 6
- Self-Advocacy Project
- Self-Advocates of San Diego
- SELPAS in Tuolumne, Calaveras, Amador, San Joaquin, and Stanislaus Counties.
- Senator Galgiani
- SETA
- Shasta Community College
- Shasta Community Health Center
- Shasta County Head Start
- Shasta County SELPA
- Shriners Hospital
- So Cal APSE
- So Cal Housing Collaborative
- Social Security Administration
- Soroptimist International of Ukiah
- South Central Los Angeles Regional Center
- South Central Los Angeles Regional Center board
- South Central Los Angeles Regional Center Family Resource Center (SCLARC FRC)
- Southside Art Center
- Special Kids Crusade
- Special Kids, Involved Parents (SKIP)
- Special Olympics
- Special Parents Information Network (SPIN) - a family resource center
- SSAN Representative (OCRO)
- St. Jude Medical Center
- State Preschool
- Statewide Self Advocacy Network
- Supportability

Collaborative Partners

- TCRC providers
- Team of Advocates for Special Kids (TASK)
- The Cerebral Palsy Center
- The Primary School
- The SCAN Foundation
- Thumbs Up (Calaveras)
- Together We Grow
- Toolworks
- Tri Counties Regional Center (TCRC)
- UC Davis
- UC Davis MIND Institute
- UCEDD Tarjan Center at UCLA
- UCEDD USC
- UCP San Diego
- Ukiah Unified School District
- Ukiah Valley Association for Habilitation (UVAH)
- Ukiah Valley Medical Center
- Ukiah Valley Rural Health Center
- United Cerebral Palsy
- United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) Drail
- United Cerebral Palsy of the Inland Empire (UCPIE)
- United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay
- United Cerebral Palsy San Diego
- United Cerebral Palsy Santa Maria
- University of San Diego
- University of The Pacific
- University Of the Pacific (UOP) Healing in Motion
- Unyeway
- Vacaville Fire Department
- Village Dental
- Vision Service Plan
- VMRC
- VMRC Board members, Staff and family members
- Warmline Family Resource Network
- Water Emergency Organization of Orange County

Collaborative Partners

- Wellness Center West
- Westside L.A. Affiliate of National Association on Mental Illness
- Westside Regional Center (WRC)
- Westside Regional Center (WRC) Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC)
- Westside Regional Center (WRC) Political Action and Outreach Committee (PAOC)
- Westside Regional Center Self-Determination Advisory Committee
- Whittier Union High School District
- Work Training Center
- WorkFirst Easter Seals
- WRC Family Resource Center (WRC FRC)
- YMCA Childcare Resources

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- BARO -- Continue questions about ABx2 1 funding not yet answered -- vendors and providers are cautious and would like more clarification.
- BARO RC staff openings-- 20 open service coordinator / case manager positions at RCEB. Concern over the surplus of RC budgets across the state, due to lack of providers and lack of providers that can provide services in a culturally competent manner and in consumers' spoken language. Collectively we are hoping to track improvements in this area w the roll out of ABX 2-1 funds. While RCEB is helping providing down-payment funds for group homes for consumers exiting Sonoma DC, Often properties are going for over asking and our community cannot compete with all-cash offers.
- BARO This chapter is learning the process portion of meeting holding, including Robert's Rules, etc. That being said, there may be more focus, at this time, on process rather than outcomes. It was noticed that several items had been reported each meeting but not addressed, such as connecting with a provider about a requested training or in collecting money for an event held last year. Staff can assist this chapter in addressing outcomes-based meeting techniques, should they be receptive in this area.
- BARO This SDAC operating in a bit of a 'frozen' status, concerned to move forward on training and outreach out of fear that the community's questions cannot be answered or that the info given will not fit with what actually passes with our waiver. Staff worked to calm concerns and encouraged forward movement.
- HQ The SSAN workgroup is member-driven. In talking with the chair of this workgroup, she stated that she often doesn't know what she is supposed to talk about on these calls. She did email the members a few days before to remind them of the call and said they could email her info if they couldn't make the call. No one did. She stated that she doesn't think it is needed to meet each month but rather just at the SSAN meetings. She will bring this up at the SSAN September 2016 meeting.
- LARO – SCLARC This SDAC is poorly attended even by its own members. There was not a quorum at this meeting and no members of the public attended other than the interpreter. It appears that they don't have a clear understanding of their role. SCDD LA staff will seek opportunities to provide information about the purpose of SDACs at future meetings.
- LARO Attendees indicated they felt disempowered and unable to provide input to the regional center. They had therefore sought the assistance of SCDD Los Angeles staff to provide them with the information and strategies needed to

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participate meaningfully on the committee.

- LARO Complainants were unfamiliar with the state compliance complaint as a method for alleging that a school district or special education local planning area (SELPA) failed to follow the law. Because of this lack of familiarity and the systemic nature of the complaints, SCDD Los Angeles staff will provide requested technical assistance at a future time.
- LARO Discussed about the emerging needs to align policies and enhance DD service system meeting the increasing & changing DD population in LA County. WRC had a recent leadership change that impacted the entire WRC community. The new ED of WRC and SCDD LA Office have been working together to provide the needed support to families and clients to go through the transition.
- LARO Ignorance and lack of familiarity with the details of the HCBS new rules make it difficult for regional center committees to provide meaningful input to regional center staff. SCDD Los Angeles staff asked if additional information were needed for committee members and there was a universal need expressed for such. WRC staff agreed to provide additional information regarding the new rules at future meetings or offline.
- LARO In past Westside Regional Center board meetings and other public forums of WRC, numerous individuals complained that there weren't sufficient marketing materials from the regional center that described the services they may provide. Because of the common complaint, SCDD Los Angeles Office staff distributed two flyers at the board meeting, "Common Regional Center Services for Adults" and "Common Regional Center Funded Services for Children Ages 3-18 and Their Families". Additionally, because individuals have complained about a lack of trainings available from WRC, SCDD Los Angeles staff distributed flyers about the trainings that can be provided to the public free of charge by SCDD staff. Further, flyers promoting an upcoming presentation on IEP strategy were made available to the public at this meeting as well.
- LARO It appears to be an ongoing concern accessing regional center services based on the complaints received from the I/DD community in LA County. Common complaints include not knowing what is available and how to access the needed support from their regional centers. Although all 21 regional centers in CA are contracted by DDS, they operate independently from one another, including the 7 regional centers in LA County. This practice has added complexity for FAs and SAs to navigate the service system and effectively seek the needed supports. A summary to analyze complaints and appeal cases specifically from the 7

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regional centers in LA County over a period of time will help identify the pressing issues and trends within the I/DD community in LA.

- LARO Many complaints continue to be voiced monthly concerning the excessive wait time for DDS to submit the waiver application to CMS and the fact that DDS has never met any of the deadlines it has set for itself to do so. The Self-Determination Advisory Committee has developed numerous strategies in an attempt to speed along the waiver application process, including visiting local legislators and supporting the self-determination movement that is starting to develop.
- LARO SCLARC FRC requested SCDD Los Angeles staff conduct this training. Unfortunately, the FRC's outreach efforts only yielded 3 attendees. The FRC explained that they are redeveloping their speaker series and so they hope to develop a cadre of attendees for their presentations.
- LARO Self-advocates mentioned that they continue to feel bullied by others, including peers. Although the target audience was parents of school aged children, a copy of the Los Angeles Offices' publication, "Enough Is Enough, Anti-Bullying Strategies for Students with Developmental Disabilities, Their Families, and Their School", was provided to CAC members because much of the content also applied to adults. Because of this emerging need, the Los Angeles office plans on producing an equivalent guide that is geared for adults. This was communicated to the CAC.
- LARO The group indicated that the many changes happening systemically are confusing to many parents and self-advocates. SCDD Los Angeles staff acknowledged these changes and provided information about the trainings provided by SCDD Los Angeles staff.
- LARO Typically, substantiating documents for allegations are missing, incomplete, or fail to be compelling. In this case, documents related to this school district greatly substantiated the allegations made against them. SCDD LA Office will continue to monitor the stated concerns and apply systemic approaches to effectively address any reoccurring issues.
- NBRO Children with Autism may have noise sensitivity issues.
- NBRO Due to local Regional Center high rate of staff turnover, SA/FA are not familiar with who their service coordinator is which in turn often times causes delays in, or denials of, service needs.
- NBRO Families/Vendors were unaware of self-determination, many said that this is the first time they heard about Self-Determination.

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- NBRO POS disparity as it relates to Asian families.
- NBRO RAC meetings should be held at a time and place that gives the opportunity for all members including community to be able to participate in meetings. Finding days and times for meetings that majority of members agree on is difficult at this time.
- NCRO As of the date of this report, several issues need to be resolved before the project can move forward. The Fort Bragg and Ukiah City councils are not supportive of the housing projects and want it located in some other area of the county. A decision needs to be made by the Board of Supervisors on whether to use the available funds for one 30-40 unit project or a small project serving fewer clients. Finding match funds or land to swap is needed in order to have a larger project.
- NCRO Child care at training and transportation for families to attend workshops is an emerging issue. Agencies forget the many stresses families have and one of them in finding and paying for quality child care while they attend training.
- NCRO Due to the geographical area, the SDAC meetings are conducted via video conference and phone which presents challenges to meeting participants.
- NCRO During the meeting it was helpful for Council staff to learn that there is a need to provide information about Self Determination as the individuals who met with us indicated that they were not familiar with the program.
- NCRO Limited opportunities for intellectually and developmentally disabled and individuals with Autism to recreate or provide a space for workshops and skills development.
- NCRO Many parents wanted to bring the bike camp back so others could participate but it is very expensive so may difficult to find the funding.
- NCRO This is a free health fair to families. Most attendees are Spanish. Getting enough free resources to give out in Spanish and free prizes has been more difficult than thought but we are succeeding.
- NSRO Education on the "Basics" is needed for understanding Medi-Cal Managed Care. This is important in accessing health care and understanding how to exercise your health care rights. This is a new project that has emerged from the 6-23-16 Medi-Cal 2020 conference.
- NSRO Families need support in understanding their child's disability, health and educational needs. Warmline Family Resource Center will be a great addition to our family empowerment center, Rowell Family Empowerment of Northern California. North State Office will assist in educating community about a new

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resource for families and assistance.

- NSRO Increases in homelessness and increases in the average age of persons who are homeless are growing trends in California.
- NSRO Many system changes in the area of health care. Information and education needs to be ongoing because it is confusing to process all the details of the changes. Through conferences and trainings, the region can become increasingly more aware of how to access and how to advocate for their child's health needs or client's health needs. Through advocacy, knowledge increases and services improve.
- NSRO Multicultural Committee is focusing on organizing a Regional Conference to improve cultural barriers throughout our communities through bridging support, education and meaningful access to families of children and adults with diverse abilities.
- NSRO SCDD DAC needs to increase membership in order to accomplish the goals of the committee. Outreach strategies are being developed and implemented to invite new members to the committee. Staff will be speaking to the Managers next month to discuss SCDD DAC and explain the purpose, requirements and mission of the committee. It is the goal that with new outreach strategies new members will apply.
- NSRO The CMS rules will be implemented in 2019. Staff is working with Far Northern Regional Center to continue to provide education and support to assist consumers, families and service providers to learn about the new rules and transform the service system in our region.
- NSRO The Recognition Celebration also coincides with Disability Awareness Month! Information and education is provided through the presentation and program. This year will also include information about the Lanterman Act, with celebrating 50 years since it became law and created the service system.
- NSRO The SAAC Chair participates on many committees and projects. Despite having facilitation support, staff have to remind both the Chair and his facilitator of what he committed to and/or planned for upcoming meetings. Staff has often had to assist in writing the Chair reports since the Chair and/or his facilitator forgot to do it. Staff assists with reports and then the chair will forget to present the information.
- NSRO The SSAN Chair recently started receiving tailored day service support so the impromptu meetings have been less. The chair wants to generate a strong product but does not have strong SSAN peer support and this often results in staff

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- assisting the SSAN Chair to assist so a productive product can be generated.
- NSRO There are 3 SSAN officers but only 1 participated in the meeting. Officers will commit to doing various activities and/or to attend meetings but then do not always follow through. Staff continues to have to provide reminders of the commitments and this often results in staff assisting the SSAN Chair doing the work of the other officers so a productive product can be generated. Other work included assisting Chair with draft agenda, flyer and draft member action report development.
 - NSRO Until CMS approves California's Self-Determination Waiver, the program cannot be implemented. Department of Developmental Services (DDS) reports they have "informally" resubmitted the waiver and are working with CMS for technical assistance. DDS hopes it will be formally resubmitted soon, but it be posted on DDS' website prior to that submission, per statute for public comment. However, FNRC's SDAC will continue outreach and education about the program.
 - NVHRO A new funding mechanism for family resource networks now has Warmline taking on 26 counties where another provider had those counties a year ago.
 - NVHRO Better and earlier outreach efforts to people who live in residential care settings in San Joaquin is needed. The committee will address this at its full committee meeting.
 - NVHRO Committee members still have great concern about language barriers some providers may have in understanding what the new changes mean for them and or how to correctly fill-out time cards
 - NVHRO The lack of familiarity of special education administrative units with the activities of the State Council.
 - NVHRO The public in generally unaware of SSTAC meetings and their function and lacks information on how to best have concerns and unmet needs expressed in a way that is heard by transportation administrators.
 - OCRO Children's Home Society contracts with 2,474 childcare providers in Orange County, yet there are only approximately 122 infant preschool providers and 103 school-aged (4-12 years) providers are listed as providing "inclusive childcare," even though the ADA mandates that all child care centers/programs are to make every effort to accommodate the needs of children with disabilities. The providers who attended the training said that there is "fear" in serving children with disabilities and not being able to adequately respond/provide for the child's unique needs. Some providers were also concerned that they would have to

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fundamentally alter their program in order to serve children with disabilities.

Breakdown of providers in Orange County: • Family Child Care providers: 1,484 • Child Care Center providers: 898 • Licensed Exempt Centers: 92

- OCRO Due to the many agencies involved, the group requested a list of regional center services codes and what they specifically provide so they may better understand how the regional center may support students. Some agencies are still unclear about the role of the regional center in the work services system.
- OCRO Emerging issues identified by RCOC and SCDD during the course of today's meeting: (1) consumers being denied regional center services based on a cursory review of documentation instead of through the eligibility intake appointment/assessment; (2) families not understanding IEP/IPP consent rights; (3) RCOC disparity and their plans to address the problem such as providing support/training to the Service Coordinator's providing case management to the under-served populations.
- OCRO FLSA (IHSS overtime) violations are now being issued and tracked by the SSA; the concern is that the punitive consequences for violations, including very small infractions, will lead to disqualified providers and consumers who are left without supports required to maintain health and safety.
- OCRO In fiscal year 2013-14, HMG served 2,345 family members with 64.5% having Medi-Cal as the primary insurance and 62.7% have an annual household income less than \$29,000. HMG Community Liaison reported that a lot of parents they serve need more resources and education and help to better advocate for their children with disabilities in navigating the California DD service delivery system and hence the rationale for the partnership.
- OCRO Many of the resources available to children who have not yet been diagnosed with an Intellectual/Developmental Disability can take months before regional center eligibility is established or other mental health services are in place, which leaves the children and their families especially vulnerable during that time.
- OCRO One consumer and one family advocate both shared about their trouble with regional center because they were discouraged to apply when they were younger (20 years ago) because they weren't "disabled enough" but now that they need services, the eligibility criteria are far more strict and they are left without help, primarily with employment.
- OCRO One of the goals of DAFN is to increase public awareness about those with disabilities and what they may need during an emergency, which is currently one

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of the barriers the group seeks to resolve with their 2016 goals and objectives.

- OCRO Overall, RCOC spends \$23,108 per White consumer (all ages), \$15,073 per Asian consumer, and \$12,112 per Hispanic consumer (2016 data). There is no doubt a similar trend in Hispanic students receiving special education services, as many parents at today's support group said that their children with disabilities who qualify for special education are not receiving a free and appropriate public education (in their opinion) as identified by lack of services to support IEP goals.
- OCRO Several employment vendors discussed challenges in creating new group supported employment sites due to minimum wage requirements. Similarly, local school districts reported that they are struggling to secure Workability/TTP sites due to restrictions with DOL requirements and inability to use for-profit sites.
- OCRO The California Department of Education (CDE) and the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) continue to work together to identify the Early Start homeless children. The only way they can identify the children is if they are affiliated in a social service system, that gives them an identifying number for tracking. The CDE is required to improve the identification of homeless children and enable those children to participate and succeed in school. It was noted that there are many more children who are not identified. The CDE homeless liaison focuses on 211 and wrap around services to provide support to children and families.
- OCRO The Fiesta Educativa Annual Conference is the only major Spanish-speaking conference of its kind in Orange County. According to the 2014-15 Purchase of Service disparity data, Regional Center of Orange County spends approximately fifty percent less on purchase of services per Hispanic consumer compared to their White counterparts (\$12,000 compared to \$23,000, respectively). This conference is needed in order to educate the Hispanic community and monolingual Spanish-speakers about the services and supports they are entitled to receive under the Lanterman Act and/or IDEA and how to go about advocating for such services.
- OCRO The Life College TILE Program does not provide any type of financial aid or reduced-fee enrollment assistance, at this time. Although the cost of this program is significantly less than others of its kind in Southern California, this remains a foreseeable barrier for consumers who may wish to access this program.
- OCRO The Little Hoover Commission "Fixing Denti-Cal" report does not present actionable time-lines or hold the State accountable for changing the abysmal

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delivery system. The proposed legislation that was in play when the report was written has since been sidelined and no other legislation has been drafted to date.

- OCRO The statewide housing crisis for adults with developmental disabilities is starkly evident in Orange County, which is home to 20,011 persons with I/DD; of which approximately 1,250 reside in the City of Irvine. Because this city is considered a high-cost area, there are very few adult residential facilities in this city and even less affordable apartments thus displacing consumers out of the communities in which they grew up, went to school, and developed relationships within.
- OCRO Wellness Center West - This program opened in February 2016 and many referral-sources are not yet aware of the services they provide to the community.
- SACRO A residential provider shared that he would like to change his license from a 6 bed home to a 4 bed home however he has 5 consumers living at his home currently. This is a dilemma some providers face as they want to downsize given the reimbursement rate has been adjusted to be more advantageous. Consumer rights in providing signatures for medical procedures as medical providers are often raising issue with consumers providing their signature as informed consent for medical procedures. Concerns voiced from providers over the continual turn over in staff at Community Care Licensing (CCL), noting their analyst changes frequently causing lag time in processing necessary documents, waivers, etc. as well as keeping ahead of new regulations and requirements. ACRC offered this day the link to CCL's Technical Bulletin website for any updates on changes and/or additions to community care home responsibilities. Providers shared their struggles with finding quality staff and requested of ACRC to assistance with the mandatory Direct Support Professional trainings by offering to hold the trainings at the regional center. Providers must pay new staff while in training but many times the staff leave after the training, many go to work for IHSS, as they pay more.
- SACRO An effective way to educate communities is to present a conference at which consumers, families and professionals may learn. Topics at the conference included: independent living, health and safety, Social Security (SSI), In Home Supportive Services (IHSS), Individual Program Plans (IPP), Individual Education Plan (IEP), work and job training, recreation, augmentative and alternative communication, advocacy, assistive technology, Self-Determination; and Employment First.
- SACRO Concern was discussed regarding the likelihood of many program and home closures resulting in consumers losing their day programs and/or living

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situation. Everyone who receives, or provides, HCBS services may be affected by the new CMS rules. Activities are happening now to help California meet these new requirements, before the implementation deadline of March 17, 2019. A staff person who works at an activity day program serving many consumers in the same building said that the activity day program recently sent a letter to consumers and families notifying them that they will soon be closing their doors.

- SACRO Historically, people like David Nisson never had the opportunity to consider college, let alone dream of a STEM career as a research physicist. The advocacy support of his mother, Mary created the environment through accommodations during class, labs and testing for David to have a better chance to succeed. The creative ways partnerships were formed through the university, Employment agency and social services took countless hours and advocacy on Mary's part. Many consumers do not have the opportunity for such networking advocacy.
- SACRO In-Home respite vendors are not designated to provide Incidental Medical Services (IMS) which allows workers to administer medication and the provision of incidental medical services - gastrostomy feeding, colostomy/ileostomy, and urinary catheter care, therefore, families with children and adults who require this care are left to only have respite during limited hours and/or not at all. In-Home respite providers do not want to receive the IMS designation as it increases liability and insurance costs. There is also concern about how available in-home respite and specialized respite services are in all 10-counties.
- SACRO Leaders from Starbucks, UC Davis and California State University, Sacramento that they are absolutely aligned with our vision and understand the value we can offer but need support to overcome the structural barriers in their administration. BAC plans to schedule a meeting with them to work on how they can reach their corporate/administrative leaders to find ways around the structural barriers that are limiting their ability to expand their partnerships with us.
- SACRO Participating in People's First Chapters is a great way for self-advocates to learn about services and learn to speak up for their rights. Members in these chapters are very active and increase their knowledge and skills as the result of each training and meeting.
- SACRO The application process and paperwork in securing affordable housing is difficult to navigate and complete, resulting in the low incidence of consumers with ID/DD benefiting from affordable housing options.
- SBRO Data collection methods for the Workforce and Employment Development

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Departments do not accurately reflect the unemployment rate or needs for the I/DD population. This is due to the I/DD population not being registered with these agencies. WIOA and CIE may impact this and other agencies in the population they serve. Proactive measures need to be taken to update matrix information, provide outreach for I/DD populations seeking CIE and train staff.

- SBRO In the Inland Empire, self-advocates and their families have expressed huge concern regarding the lack of information and opportunities to be a part of the upcoming changes to services pertaining to HCBS. Vendors and programs have also voiced a concern regarding how to implement changes to their programs, and equally, how to inform families of how the changes will impact how they will receive their services. This forum will provide DDS with the information and feedback from the community, so that they can be a part of this systemic change that impacts the state. Currently, in the Inland Empire, there are concerns regarding the lack of information and movement with programs that provide services to self-advocates and their families throughout the region. Many vendors have not made efforts to implement changes to their existing programs, or made any efforts to inform families of these changes. This forum encourages vendors to utilize the current assessment tools (not finalized) on the website to look at their services within their program, and the forum also provides an opportunity for self-advocates and their families to be a part of the process. Further, providing the information in all areas throughout the catchment area and addressing disparity issues when providing the information is an issue that was also discussed at the Forum.
- SBRO Traditionally, trainings of this nature are not inclusive of persons with mobility issues and cannot run, or persons with a disability that may exhibit behaviors, or are unable to comply with the 'Run, Hide, Fight' principles (i.e. hold hands above the head, keep quiet, run or evacuate quickly due to a wheelchair or other mobility concerns). This is often due to physical or intellectual disabilities that are not addressed in the traditional trainings. By incorporating strategies specific to the needs of our population, providing this training can support self-advocates and help them plan for their individual needs. By addressing these unique concerns, self-advocates can better create a plan that encompasses their individual concerns and issues, work with their families and stakeholders to ensure supports are available or addressed for their challenges, and provide a platform for 'best practices' to be created and utilized for the I/DD population.
- SDIRO The numbers of individuals with disabilities who are registered to vote is

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low. In addition many individuals with disabilities are unaware of their right to vote and the accommodations that can be made to make voting more accessible.

- SDIRO There still continues to be a need and an expressed interest in health education. Due to the past success of the leadership symposiums that focused on health and wellness, SCDD staff has formed a planning committee that will take on the task of planning and hosting a wellness event in September.
- SEQRO Disparity of services provided by the regional center continues to be an issue that impacts families in rural areas and those that are culturally diverse. The SCDD and CVRC are looking at ways to bridge that gap and so this taskforce has been created and we are currently outreaching to stakeholders that can help us reach those areas.
- SEQRO Self-Determination is new to these families and some don't seem to understand the concept as well as others. Although we try to give examples they seem to fear the mistakes they can make along the way.
- SEQRO The Central Valley commonly denies children in special education the ability to be in an inclusive educational environment. Families are told that they (districts) don't do inclusion, other excuses include children not benefiting from inclusion.
- SEQRO The College to Career (C2C) program is new to Fresno City College and they are struggling with getting the 40 students they want to have for the fiscal year. SCDD Sequoia office will be sending emails regarding the program to try and help C2C with recruitment. TILE program is an on-going program that has proven to be a success.
- SEQRO The San Joaquin Valley has long suffered as the epicenter of the nation's housing crisis. As of December 2011, unemployment rates ranged between 14.7% in Madera County to 18.7% in Merced County, well above state and national averages. Poverty rates are also some of the highest in the nation, ranging from 15.7% in San Joaquin County to 24.6% in Merced County, as of the 2010 census. Additionally, several valley cities have consistently ranked in the top five hardest hit foreclosure areas in the nation, with 1 in every 140 housing units in San Joaquin County in foreclosure in January 2012. These already sizeable challenges have been exacerbated by the loss of redevelopment agencies and consistent budgetary uncertainty among local agencies which makes it harder for people with developmental disabilities to access housing.
- SVMBRO As people with developmental participate in community activities it is important members of the public particularly first contact and emergency

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professionals have disability awareness and are prepared to handle emergency situations positively.

- SVMBRO Direct Service Providers often are entry level employees. Ongoing training is a continual need of providers. Education on Lanterman Act and the rights of people with developmental disabilities is important and contributes toward the improvement in quality of service delivery.
- SVMBRO Parents may understand rights as relating to their son or daughter being bullied, but they need to understand a functional way to address the concern when it occurs.
- SVMBRO Slow roll out of Self Determination in California is prohibitive. The committee has agreed to focus activity on Outreach. Currently the SDAC is working out its role as an advisory group to the regional center.
- SVMBRO The Disability Collaborative is dedicated to preparing families for transition of children to adult services. This is the third Summit being planned. This Summit will focus on the financial planning needs families need to consider for their adult children.
- SVMBRO This RFP review process was eye opening. Unfortunately, almost all of the applications/service summaries this staff reviewed were poorly written and the applicants clearly had very limited knowledge of not only requirements but also person centered planning. This is concerning when considering the need for new providers and the shortage of quality applicants. The individuals submitting the applications are those who would be in charge of the proposed service and staff, yet they themselves lack critical understanding of the system and the individuals to be served.