



STATE PLAN ACTIVITIES

JUNE 2016

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- HQ Quarterly SSAN meeting on June 8-9, 2016. 15 of the 22 members attended. 3 member seats are vacant and 3 members are on medical leave. 1 member had a school/work conflict. All meetings include a resource table for members to share information, a legislative update, a SCDD update and a PADSA report. Members break into 4 workgroups on Legislation, Employment, Self-Determination and Newsletter. SSAN Members did the following: • Finalized a draft Memo of Understanding (MOU) to provide to SCDD Leadership on SSAN being a Cross Disability Training Network. SSAN will expand by inviting other Disability Organizations to join the Network and they will discuss who to invite at their next meeting. • Learned about supports being provided to individuals leaving developmental centers by the Volunteer Advocacy Services Project. • Voted to use new forms. • Received updated information about the Lanterman Coalition including their current budget positions, surveys they sent out to providers and their work with GOTV – Get Out The Vote. • Received a Legislative Update and learned more about Senator Mendoza’s SB 1072 on School Bus Safety and Assemblywoman Gonzalez’ AB 488 on protections for people currently working at Sheltered Workshops and Rehabilitation Centers. • Learned about the Free Adaptive Phones Program in California and how to call toll free at 1-800-806-1191 to get more information and find an office in their area. • Learned about the Importance of Peace Officers and how Senator Beall’s bill SB 11 and SB 29 go into effect on August 1, 2016 and will require additional training for officers regarding people with mental illness, I/DD, and substance use disorders. (People Trained in Leadership 17 SA/ 10 OTH)
- LARO staff drafted a guide to the ABLE Act based on the PowerPoint presentation developed by this office. It is to be used as a supplementary material with the presentation. This draft has been distributed for comment before finalizing.
- LARO staff provided assistance and support to the Self-Advocacy Board of LA County (SABLAC) as they held their June meeting and elected new officers. Officers are elected every three years following the bylaws of SABLAC. (People Trained in Leadership 8 SA)
- LARO staff provided assistance to members of the Self-Advocacy Board of LA County at the Voter Outreach conference sponsored by the California Federation of Independent Living Centers (CFILC). The two-day conference featured speakers that had successfully conducted voter registration drives, strategies to register voters with disabilities, and a session with Los Angeles area organizations to decide on the numbers of people we will get to register to vote and make a

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commitment to voting. Five SABLAC members attended the conference. (People Trained in Leadership 5 SA)

- LARO staff attended & provided technical support to the Westside Regional Center (WRC) Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on 6/1/16. Staff also distributed flyers promoting the upcoming Los Angeles event Effective Person Centered Planning on 6/25/16 as well as the availability of training as requested by the group. (People Trained in Leadership 8 SA/ 4 OTH)
- NSRO staff presented to the People First of Paradise Chapter on June 14, 2016 in collaboration with Far Northern Regional Center's Executive Director. The presentation was on the Governor's Budget for fiscal year 2016-17. The main highlights shared in the Budget were: money for raises for all programs, regional centers will have money to hire an Employment Specialist to help people get jobs, money for increases in the number of service coordinators so they can have smaller caseloads, and extra money for supported living agencies. The self-advocates asked many questions and requested an update about the budget in 6 months or so. (People Trained in Leadership 12 SA/ 2 OTH/ People Active 1 FA/ 1 OTH)
- NSRO staff provided technical assistance to self-advocate in Butte County who is interested in becoming a member of Statewide Self-Advocacy Network (SSAN). Self-Advocate was provided information about the network and member responsibilities. Application was completed and submitted, including a letter of support and 2 references were included, per the requirements. (People trained in Leadership 1 SA/ People Active 1 SA/ 1 OTH)
- NVHRO staff provided facilitation for SSAN member. Staff met with member prior to meeting to go over packet materials prepare member report and coordinate travel arrangements to and from meeting. Staff provided facilitation during meeting by supporting member to give feedback and suggestions and or input to the group. Staff discussed with member duties and other assignments he would be responsible for. (People trained 1 SA/ People Active 1 SA)
- NVHRO staff attended and participated at the SAC6 June meeting at Valley CAPS in Manteca. SCDD is a standing agenda item as a way to share information. Also the SCDD North Valley Hills Regional Advisory Committee chair participates at these meetings to give updates and get info for SCDD's RAC. SAC6 worked on their new brochure, Grant proposal to SCDD, Goals, planned future area meeting of self-advocates, committee reports from SCDD RAC, VMRC Board, CHOICES Institute, Ca Memorial Project, Statewide Self Advocacy Conference, SJ Mayor's

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Task Force, San Joaquin SSTAC, Amador SSTAC, DDS Consumer Advisory Committee, SSAN and VMRC & SCDD Statewide Self Determination Committees. They gave their CHATTER newsletter to be included in the SCDD North Valley Hills Newsletter to go out at the end of this month. Their next meeting will be September 10, 2016 in Soulsbyville (Tuolumne County). SCDD shared that the SCDD Facilitation Guide has been completed and send to SCDD for approval. The SAC6 would like to review and provide possible training on the topic on our 5 county area. (People Trained 20 SA/ 10 OTH)

- NVHRO staff provided technical assistance to the SSAN members for their June 6-7, 2016 meeting in Sacramento. Staff assisted with set up for the meeting as well as captioning during the two day meeting. Provided support to the Self Advocacy Coordinator as needed during the two days. (People Trained in Leadership 16 SA/ 1 FA/ 13 OTH)
- NVHRO staff provided technical support to the chair of the SSAN Newsletter Work group at the SSAN meeting during the work group time and again on June 24 to complete the DRAFT of the 6th Edition of the SSAN Newsletter. The chair emailed the articles and where he wanted them placed and staff "dropped" the article in place. The Final DRAFT was emailed to the chair and to the SCDD Self Advocacy Coordinator as the SCDD ED has said he must approve it before sending it out. (People Trained in Leadership 6 SA/ 2 OTH)
- OCRO staff met with the Orange County SSAN Representative to complete the member report and answer any questions he had in preparation for the June 8-9 SSAN Meeting in Sacramento (People Active 1 SA/ 1 OTH/ People Trained in Leadership 1 SA)
- OCRO staff collaborated with Integrity Cottages Housing to facilitate for their self-advocacy group. This meeting focused on drafting a letter to property management about having parking tags for staff and managers who support residents. The group's secretary and chair will be responsible to gather signatures and mail to the appropriate parties. (People Trained 4 SA)
- 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 provided at the SB RO 12 in the San Bernardino County area. 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

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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 3 SA/ 19 FA/ 15 OTH)

- SDIRO staff provided facilitation support to San Diego People First officers as they prepared for their July meeting and upcoming events. The officers will be hosting a community service project in July where they are making personal care item gift bags for a local women's shelter. The group also continues to work out details for their August Quarterly meeting and September Speech Contest. Several officers also discussed the Get Out the Vote project they will be doing in San Diego and invited the other officers to participate. Updates were provided by all officers on the projects and committees they are participating on. (People Trained 8 SA/ 2 OTH)
- SDIRO - Several members of the group met to work on creating a new presentation that would cover the concepts of self-advocacy. The group chose to use the "It's Your Choice" presentation from the www.ddssafety.net website as the basis for the new training. Through the planning process the committee members were very concerned with ensuring a portion of the training included opportunities for interaction and participation from the audience and made a concerted point to include these elements within the design of their training. Members of the committee collected and prepared the materials for the presentation to be held the first week in July. (People attained membership on boards 6 SA / 2 OTH)
- SDIRO staff assisted in the implementation of the 26th annual self-advocacy conference. There were 302 people registered for the conference and everyone except for 6 people attended the conference. The event included preconference activities which included making Anniversary/thank you cards that were sent to the Governor, Senate and Assembly members in Sacramento thanking them for their support of the Lanterman Act and recognizing its 50th anniversary. The opening keynote session with Jason Freeman session was very engaging and well received. Six workshops were offered for the participants to choose from during the breakout sessions which included workshops on: Voting, Changing Myself,

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How to Talk to your Local, State and Federal Representatives, Keeping a Job, Telling Your Story and Strengthening Your Self Advocacy Skills. One of the free time highlights was a local agency who is currently doing a project with freestyle weaving and they brought their loom to the conference to make a community tapestry with the conference participants. The other highlight is the banquet dinner and dance and as with tradition the participants at the conference really enjoyed the dance and the evening festivities. On the second day of the event the participants had the opportunity to attend a keynote presentation on Telling Your Story and a workshop on either Mindfulness or Open Microphone and Laughter Yoga. Following the workshops the street fair was held which highlighted micro-enterprises entertainment and a photo booth. Throughout the event staff provided ongoing support to the planning team to assist then making sure the conference runs smoothly and the self-advocates are empowered to take ownership of the event. Collaborators are UCP- San Diego, San Diego Regional Center, San Diego People First, Home of Guiding Hands, St. Madeleine's, Arc of San Diego, Self-Advocates. (People Trained in Leadership 280 SA/ 62 OTH)

- SDIRO staff co- facilitated the self-advocacy conference wrap up meeting. The planning team discussed the conference and how they felt the event went. Feedback regarding the change from Saturday/Sunday to Friday/Saturday was gathered and according to feedback and evaluations it was fairly evenly split between the opinions of liking and not liking the change. Positive feedback was received regarding the conference program and the speakers that presented workshops. The committee really felt the keynote address from Jason Freeman was very well received and related very nicely to the conference theme. During the street fair this year there were number of micro enterprises promoting and selling their products. Overall everyone felt the conference was successful and while the registration numbers were lower it still had a good feel to the day and everything appeared to run calmly and smoothly. Thoughts and ideas were gathered to be reviewed as the group moves into the planning for next years event. 14 people attended the wrap up meeting. Collaborators are UCP- San Diego, San Diego Regional Center, San Diego People First, Home of Guiding Hands, St. Madeleine's, Arc of San Diego, Self- Advocates. (People Attained Membership on boards 13 SA/ 8 OTH)
- 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, A self advocate, support staff

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from the Arc and a student from the Institute for Effective Education were the people/agencies that provided input for the newsletter. (ORGs 2 SA/ 4 OTH)

- SDIRO staff presented the commencement speech at the Urban Skill Center's 2016 graduation ceremony to 75 individuals and five graduates. The presentation focused on the importance of using self-advocacy in your life and provided living examples from each graduate as to how they demonstrate self-advocacy in their lives. The message concluded with stressing the importance of continuing to practice using advocacy skills in whatever method it made sense for them and in turn it will help them to develop their own self advocacy skills and become proud of who they are. In addition to providing the commencement speech SCDD staff had the honor of presenting a \$400.00 scholarship to one of the graduates. This student had applied for a FERIA Partnership scholarship after attending the FERIA Student Leadership training in November 2015. His plan is to attend a local community college next year and will use the money to assist in covering the costs of attending school. (People Trained 30 SA/ 25 FA/ 25 OTH)
- SEQRO was asked to join the 7th Annual Self Advocacy Conference Committee Meeting. There were 400 participants in attendance last year. 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. (ORGs 1 SA/ 4 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff responded to a request from the San Jose Public Library personnel to ensure adults with I/DD and their providers are aware of the free library programs now being offered specifically to adults with I/DD. In addition to staff promoting these opportunities via email, staff contacted the regional center as well as providers to increase awareness. Staff also collaborated with the San Jose Public Library on a second individual rights training. This training is scheduled for October. (ORGs 2 OTH/ Prog-Policies Created 1 OTH)

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Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Provider Staff Survey, Lanterman Coalition	230	500	300
Gary Owen, "Comic" Attacks the Disabled	10	15	17
"Get Out and Vote Today, It Matters"	200	600	226
Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee Meeting Notice/Agenda	10	15	17
Down Syndrome Conference – Stockton 2016	100	400	526
Asperger Support Groups in the Sacramento area	150	450	439
Self-Determination Workshop 2016 in San Jose CA	200	600	232
Gary Owen, "Comic" – 'Retarded' Comedy Routine pulled from Showtime.	10	15	17
Comedy Routine Pulled From Showtime	20	150	50
New Updates from HCBS Advocacy	590	610	613
Becoming ABLE Ready-Choosing the Right Program for You	590	610	613
ABLE Account Make Debut	590	610	613
ABLE Program in the US	590	610	613
#Vote Disability 2016 Conference	590	610	613
SABLAC FB	590	610	613
Training Announcement on PCP	590	610	613
SacBee on State Budget	590	610	613
CDCAN on State Budget and Budget Trailer Bills	590	610	613
17 th Anniversary of Olmstead Decision	590	610	613
2016-17 State Budget Signed by CA Governor	590	610	613
UCEDD USC Webinar on "Siblings as the Next Generation of Advocates" announcement	590	610	613
Self-Determination Symposium Announcement	590	610	613
"Invitation to Participate in a Careers in the Arts for People with Disabilities Dialogue!" The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), the National Arts and Disability Center (NADC), and the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP) invite you to participate in the upcoming Careers in	150	250	200

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the Arts Online Dialogue. Through this virtual conversation, we are gathering insights from artists with disabilities and their allies on the progress that has occurred over the past 10 years for people with disabilities in the arts, and seeking ideas from the community on how best to continue making positive change in the field.			
"SunLine Transit Agency" SunLine Agency will be holding four (4) public hearings to receive public comments to proposed changes in Fiscal year (FY) 2016/2017. The meetings will be held on July 5 th & 7 th , 2016 at the following locations: SunLine Transit Agency (Div-1) Tuesday, July 5, 2016 10:00am to 11:00am and 6:00pm to 7:00pm 32-505 Harry Oliver Trail, Thousand Palms & SunLine Transit Agency (Div-2) Thursday, July 7, 2016 10:00am to 11:00am and 6:00pm to 7:00pm 83-255 CA-111, Indio. SunLine is interested in public feedback in the proposed changes.	150	250	200
"Invitation to Participate in a Careers in the Arts for People with Disabilities Dialogue"	35	135	240
"The Benefits of Sexuality Education for Young People with Developmental Disabilities."	35	135	240
"DONetwork News: Take the SOS Accessibility Survey: Voters with Disabilities."	35	135	240
Self-Advocacy Meeting Announcement	300	808	200
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5 th Annual San Joaquin Affordable Housing Summit	15	44	52
Conservatorship Attorneys – Request for Recommendations			10
Call for Presenters for the "Celebracion de Familias Exceptionales" Conference	15	45	61
Invitation to the 10 th Annual Celebracion de Familias Conference to be held in Bakersfield at the Exceptional Family Center	15	46	62

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
E, T	Assisted FA regarding Self Determinaion, on RC Advocacy, ILS			

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T	Provided technical assistance to self-advocate served by ELARC regarding problems with his ILS provider. Advised him to develop a contract clearly spelling out what his expectations are.	1		
E	Provided technical assistance regarding Self-Advocacy and dealing with bullying from other self-advocates. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.	1	1	
T	Gave recommendations of Advocates to someone who was looking to find information for a friend having issues with school not following an IEP.		1	
E	Provided information to a parent regarding state testing for college. Student is on a 504 with accommodations for testing and parent was not sure if those accommodations applied to state testing for college.		1	
T	Gave recommendations of Advocates to someone who was looking to find information for an inter-district transfer denial of TK student.		1	
T	Self-Advocate called and wanted to know if our RAC meeting was open to the public.	1		
T	Parent had questions about Regional Center Eligibility letter and its impact on a Social Security Application. Referred to Office of Clients Rights for assistance in the appeal process. (age 3 on the spectrum)		1	
T	Parent called about parental rights under special education for his daughter, referred to Disability Rights California and the WarmLine Family Resource Center.		1	
T	Parent requesting assistance with her 3 rd grade son and desire for full inclusion. Referred to the WarmLine Family Resource Center.		1	
E	Received an email from a self-advocate who currently had no service coordinator, and was having a difficult time with regional center providing the necessary supports. Provided suggestions to call the "on-call" supervisor in that unit and speak directly to someone. If unable to speak to an individual, he was instructed to leave a physical message with the secretary to hand deliver to the supervisor, so that he would not be told "the message was never received" From there, I told him he could contact me again for further assistance, but never heard back.	1		
T	Provided caller with information regarding public speaking opportunities as well as resources for self-advocacy. .	2		
T	Provided three people information about Self Advocacy and various resources to develop Self advocacy skills.	2	1	
E	Provided information about self-advocacy and the projects SCDD is	1		

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	currently working on in relation to self-advocacy at a local level.			
T	Provided requested SCDD information to SA	1		
T	Assisted 5 SA with information regarding SA meeting/leadership conference/etc.	5		
T	Self-Advocate called asking about a staff person here at our office and wanted to know why the staff couldn't help this person (no more individual advocacy)- it was explained but the self-advocate was very mad by this information. DRC OCRA number was given should this person need assistance. She said "they don't help me" and hung up.	1		
E	Received an email about a possible collaboration on disability awareness in schools, particularly Lodi Unified. Staff emailed information about an activity the staff was involved in years ago in San Diego- called K.I.D.S. (Keys to introducing disabilities in schools). Plan to meet to discuss how we can modify this activity was discussed.	1	1	
T	Received a call from a SA who had applied to be on SCDD over 6 months ago and he wanted to know the status. He said he left several messages at SCDD HQ but no one has called him back. I explained that the process is very slow but the Membership Committee plans on meeting sometime in July and hopefully will make their decisions.	1		
F	Meet with SA/Others, to discuss client rights, complaint process, DRC, Regional Center Services, living arrangements/alternatives.	1	1	2

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- LARO As part of the I/DD Engagement, SCDD LA Office staff and our local Self-Advocate Board members participated in the two-day #VoteDisability 2016 GOTV Leadership Conference. The conference had about 100 attendees primarily from California with a sizable quorum from all over the US. Most of the meeting participants were people with disabilities, many from the ILC community. The remainder consisted of vendors (ARC, Tierra del Sol and others), advocates, parents and other community stakeholders. The aims of this conference were: 1. For people with disabilities to gain a sense of their potential electoral power 2. To learn about grassroots. Get out the Vote (GOTV) pushes that have produced significant results 3. To build sustainable momentum in organizations towards getting people with disabilities registered to vote and committed to voting by use of Voter Commitment cards 4. To develop regional plans to register voters and ask them to sign Voter Commitment cards The take-away and lessons learned: 1. GOTV takes a concerted and sustained effort – it is not an activity that will succeed with a tepid or half-hearted attempt to do it. All non-profits have a mandate to ask people if they want to register to vote. GOTV goes beyond registration as described below. 2. GOTV includes both getting people registered to vote and getting them to commit to vote. DONetwork and other organizations use Voter Commitment cards and persistently follow up for the latter. 3. GOTV is a multi-pronged process that includes: a. Developing a cadre of staff and volunteers who will commit to the GOTV effort including training, identifying their strengths, encouraging them to step out of their comfort zones etc. (ORGs 5 OTH/ GP Reached 143 OTH)
- LARO SCDD Los Angeles staff provided a one-hour training to the Westside Regional Center Board of Directors on 5/11/16 entitled, "Boardsmanship 101: The Role of a Regional Center Board and How to Conduct Business". Staff also distributed flyers promoting a training on Effective Person Centered Planning on 6/25/16 and the availability of training if groups request it. (People Trained 4 SA/ 13 FA/ 10 OTH)
- LARO staff attended the monthly special education task force meeting to discuss current issues in special education in the Los Angeles area. We had updates on a lawsuit filed against Pasadena USD, Chanda Smith case re: integration of special ed students, a 10th circuit court case that revisits the Rowley decision about what constitutes educational benefit that may go to the Supreme Court, and a 3rd Circuit decision about when the statute of limitations starts. These two cases will very likely have a significant impact on children in special education. (ORGs 6

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- LARO staff participated in a training conducted by Westside Regional Center staff for the Board of Directors in order to orient new and existing members as to the purpose and role of the each regional center department. Staff monitored the training and met with staff afterwards in order to provide input to improve future training. (People Trained 4 SA/ 15 FA/ 16 OTH)
- NBRO staff 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. 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, and Citizen Complaint Form. (People Trained 8 SA/ 1 FA/ 1 OTH)
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- NBRO staff presented information to self-advocate, social worker, and direct care staff on client rights per the Lanterman Act. Information was also provided on Disability Rights California, OCRA, Citizen Complaint form, and SCDD services. Contact information for the local Regional Center was provided as well. SCDD staff, Regional Center, and Aging and Adult Services is discussing alternative housing options to explore as possible placement options that may be considered for SA such as FHA, respite, ILS, lower level with 1:1, out of area placement. Materials distributed were a copy of Disability Rights California brochure, Office of Clients Right Advocacy brochure, SCDD brochure, copy of DDS Citizen Complaint form, Consumer's Guide to Lanterman Act. On behalf of SCDD North Bay a courtesy "Goodie Bag" was provided to the SA. The bag contained SA favorites, as reported by the local regional center, such as (playing cards, crossword puzzle book, art supplies/markers, cheese puffs, Gatorade). (People Trained 1 SA/ 3 OTH)
- NVHRO staff participated in a meeting to plan training for the fall of 2016 and winter/spring of 2017 focused on providing information on special education rights

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and responsibilities and the development of the Individual Education Plan. The trainings are scheduled to take place in Amador, Calaveras, San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Tuolumne Counties with a target audience of parents, care providers, professionals and the general public (ORGs 2 OTH)

- OCRO office hosted and facilitated a training on Person-Centered Planning, presented by Joe Donofrio, certified person-centered thinker and Executive Director of CHOICES. The objectives for the workshop included: the differences between an IPP and PCP, the tools and techniques to bring out what is most important to the person, and understanding the process and concept of person centered planning. (People Trained 3 FA/ 30 FA/ 7 OTH)
- OCRO Staff conducted a training on Social Security Disability Benefits & Work Incentives to 42 attendees, primarily students from the Coastline Community College's Traumatic Brain Injury program, although some teachers and other professionals were in attendance as well. Training objectives included: comparison between the SSI and SSA programs, evaluation of disability, (People Trained 25 SA/ 7 OTH)
- SACRO - Self-advocates from the Sacramento Region SSAN and RAC supported an information table at the People First of California PFCA Statewide Gathering at the Red Lion Woodlake Conference Center in Sacramento. Lisa Cooley and Tyler Busselen, both self-advocates handed out information on Employment First, Self-Determination, SCDD, and answered questions from other self-advocates (People Trained in Leadership 20 SA)
- SACRO SCDD staff attended and participated in the fourth annual meeting with Alta California Regional Center Consumer Advisory Committee (ACRC CAC) and Sonoma Developmental Center (SDC) consumers and staff at SDC on June 14, 2016. The purpose of the meeting at SDC was to provide outreach to self-advocates at SDC; informing them of the support and services they will have available to them as they transition to their new homes and life in the ACRC area. ACRC CAC Chair, Austin Taylor presented the CAC's purpose for reaching out to SDC consumers, stating the CAC will be there to support their transition and welcome their participation in the CAC. To alleviate any fears consumers may have, the ACRC CAC will assist in listening and advocating for a smooth transition. Additionally, other CAC members presented and provided information on their individual living situations and answered questions. There were 13 ACRC self-advocates, 11 ACRC staff, 4 parents, 8 consumers who live at SDC, 4 ACRC vendors at the meeting, 12 support staff and 1 SCDD staff. ACRC Executive

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- Director, Phil Bonnet, presented that ACRC is well represented at this meeting and will support thoughtful transitions to the ACRC area. John Decker, ACRC community services staff reported the development of housing options through their Community Placement Plan (CPP) submitted to and approved by the Department of Developmental Services. Including in this plan are day programs that will be utilized from consumers moving from SDC. To date, there are 50 consumers transitioning from SDC to ACRC area and there will be homes available for their choosing. (People Active 21 SA/ 4 FA/ 28 OTH/ ORGs 3 OTH)
- SACRO staff attended and presented at the Sacramento City Unified School Dist. (SCUSD) Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting on June 7, 2016. The SCUSD CAC is comprised of parents of students (general education and special education) enrolled in public, county, or private schools within the County SELPA; teachers, pupils, administrators, and agencies who are willing to serve on the CAC. SCUSD SELPA Director, Becky Bryant presented the Annual Special Education Service Plan and Budget Plan. Noted in the presentation are the reasons for the increased budget: 1. A rise in incidents with children with autism; and 2. A rise in the number of preschoolers entering the program. According to Ms. Bryant, the California Department of Education (CDE) has submitted a proposed monitoring plan which will follow special education students progress and SELPA's will be rated as a result of this plan. A parent inquired about "Inclusive Practices Schools". Ms. Bryant stated those goals have been put on hold. SCDD staff offered information on the role of the SCDD, highlighting inclusion in schools. In addition, staff presented the SCDD brochure and provided information regarding Employment First and Self-Determination. SCDD continues to cultivate trust-based relationships with educators and parents to result in ongoing and effective collaborations. (People Active 4 SA/ 12 FA/ 4 OTH/ ORGs 3 OTH)
 - SACRO staff attended the Yuba County Special Education Local Plan Area's (SELPA) community advisory committee (CAC) meeting for the purpose of providing information on the role of the SCDD and emphasized SCDD's vision for full inclusion for students with ID/D. Yuba County Office of Education Foster Youth Program coordinators were the featured presentation and spoke about the services they offer to foster youth in the school district. Referral for mentoring, tutoring, counseling and any other services to assist students to get educational services toward a high school diploma or certificate. It was noted that a portion of foster students receive services from the regional center. According to the

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presenters, state level Foster Care is changing to a new name/title and now referred to as "Resource Families". Beale Air Force Base parent shared the Department of Defense binder that is offered to families to keep all important documents, medical, school-assessments and IEP, independent living info., personal, etc. It was suggested that every family receiving regional centers services could benefit from this organizational tool. According to the Foster Youth Program coordinators, foster youth are served through the child protective services system at the state level and many are also consumers of the regional center. As a foster youth graduates, one service available to them is AB12 which assists foster youth find and secure housing. Child protective services oversees and funds this housing if the student continues school or work. (People Active 5 FA/ 4 OTH/ ORGs 4 OTH)

- SBRO staff collaborated with the Chair of the Inland Regional Center Supportive Living Service Vendor Advisory Committee (SLS-VAC) to coordinate a presentation on "Fair Hearings and Complaints within the Regional Center System" at the next VAC meeting. Initially the presentation was to be about the Individual Program Plan (IPP) process however, after speaking with the Chair of the group in depth, it was determined that the fair hearing, appeals and complaint process would be better for the group of professionals. The training presentation was an overview of the 4331 complaint process, time lines and appeals procedures, fair hearing process, time lines and tips on what to expect. All participants received a copy of the power point presentation along with a copy of SCDD handout "Then & Now" & Upcoming training information. (People Trained 17 OTH)
- SDIRO staff did training in collaboration with Disability Rights CA on voting with 9 transition students. The training covered the importance of voting, registering to vote and tips for successful voting. The training offered the attendees an opportunity to register to vote and to ask questions on the voting process. Handouts were provided to all attendees. (People Trained 9 SA/ 5 OTH/ ORGs 2 OTH)
- SDIRO staff facilitated a collaboration meeting with San Diego Regional Center, Disability Rights CA, San Diego People First and A2I to start creating a plan to conduct voter education outreach in the San Diego/Imperial region. The group identified the key elements for their plan which will include holding voter training and outreach events that will take place in five regions throughout San Diego and Imperial County. Each event will follow the REV Up model that covers the

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importance of voting, the right to vote, registering to vote and tips for successful voting. In addition there will be a focus on mobilizing and encouraging people to get out to vote on election day. In addition to these educational events the group will host a voter summit in October to help individuals understand and talk about the issues that impact people with disabilities, offer a hands on experience with voting and provide the opportunity to register to vote. (People Attained Membership on Boards 6 SA/ 3 OTH/ ORGs 5 SA)

- SDIRO staff participated in a wrap up meeting to review negative and positive feedback from the 2016 conference evaluation report. The group also discussed workshop topics, a theme and possible conference dates for next year's event. Those in attendance were: Parents, Arc-San Diego, San Diego Regional Center and San Diego Unified School District. (People Active 4 FA/ 4 OTH)
- SEQRO Regional office staff conducted training on Special Education Eligibility at the offices of Exceptional Family Center in conjunction with the Next Step Advocacy Ctr. Participants included 4 family advocates and 1 professional. Staff provided handouts on the eligibility process and how to get started on requesting assessments, etc. There were case examples and a question and answer session. (People Trained 4 FA/ 1 OTH)
- SVMBRO - As part of our ongoing effort to educate the community SCDD SV/MB staff attended the Parent's Helping Parents monthly meeting of families with adult children, Staff met with parents and discussed rights of the person with a developmental disability including the basics of SSI / SSA benefits. (People Trained 16 FA / GP Reached 16 FA)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Sacramento City Unified School District Meeting Notice: Special Meeting to present the annual Special Education Service Plan and Budget	100	700	229
Housing Bills Update	590	610	613
Public Meeting Announcement SCDD RO Merger	590	610	613
HCBS STP Online Training	590	610	613

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HCBS Updates - Tennessee, Kentucky, and Ohio have Been Approved by CMS of their STPs	590	610	613
Affordable Housing Resources from National Low Income Housing Coalition, i.e. Out of Reach 2016.	590	610	613
New Service Provider Rates Effective July 2016	590	610	613
"CDCAN REPORT (JUNE 24 2016): Breaking News - Department of Developmental Services Releases Letter To Regional Centers On Providers Rates Including Rate Increases For Direct Care Worker Wage Pass Through"	35	135	243
2.1 North Coast News – May June Newsletter	30	68	127
PCP Training Announcement	300	808	200
RCOC Transition Planning Announcement	300	808	200
Appsolute Fun AT Training Announcement	300	808	200
OneCare Connect Training Announcement	300	808	200
2016 USC UCEDD Community Education Conference	300	808	200
Successful Inclusion Strategies Training - Reserve a spot!	15	44	52
Successful Inclusion Training- Notice of Panel for Evening Training to include a special education Advocate and Attorney	15	45	61
IEP Training		318	292

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	Assisted FA with special ed concerns via language line		1	
T	Assisted FA with special education concerns		1	
E/T	Assisted FA with regional center eligibility concerns		1	
T	Assisted FA with regional center service concerns		2	

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E/T	Assisted FA with burial concerns and regional center		1	
E	Assisted FA with special ed concerns around IEE		1	
T/E	Assisted FA with school retention/special ed concerns		1	
T/E	Assisted FA self-determination questions		1	
T	Consumer calling with questions on how to ask for a change in service coordinator. Answer to question given over the phone	1		
T	Special Education referral list given to parent regarding IEP issue with school district.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, list of attorneys, placement and bullying. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
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T	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, list of attorneys, placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance to parent of a daughter served by ELARC regarding a denial of adaptive skills training during the summer months. Advised parent to request a written denial and file for a Fair Hearing.		1	
T	Parent needed clarification and language support (monolingual Chinese) on the purpose of QA survey. TA provided in Chinese.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, list of attorneys, placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		3	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Parents from Whittier USD requested IEP support. Info such as Special Education Rights & Responsibilities and Wrightslaw.com was provided.		3	
T	A wheelchair user was requesting info on curbside accessibilities, and was referred to 211 and City Accessibility Review Committee.	1		
T	Provided technical assistance to parent of twins served by SCLARC. The			

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	service coordinator has been on medical leave for several months and no replacement has been assigned. Advised parent to file a 4731 complaint.			
E	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, list of attorneys, placement and bullying. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.			
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F	Provided technical assistance regarding Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, list of attorneys, placement. 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. Advised her to file a 4731 complaint. She does not have access to the internet so I mailed her a hard copy.		1	
E	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Self-Determination. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Parent called regarding her sons 504 plan and would it continue if he attended a charter school.		1	
T	Madera Behavior Health called regarding a family that does not know what their child's educational rights are and the school district wants to place the child in an emotional disturbed class at another location before performing behavior assessments. Provided information and a list of trainings that the		1	

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	Sequoia Office can provide.			
T	Central Valley Regional Center service coordinator called regarding a school district wanting to place a client in an alternative school site. Information about viewing the site and program before parents sign the IEP was discussed using reference to the IEP training that the Sequoia office presented to service coordinators at Central Valley Regional Center.			1
T	Provided information to Central Valley Regional Center service coordinator regarding placement of her client at another school site, transportation and school wanting to change eligibility. Provided name and phone number of Fresno Unified Ombudsperson.			1
T	Social Worker called to learn what services our office provides and how they can become involved in the RAC and training opportunities. Directed to our website for information on trainings and meeting dates.			1
F	Parent Advocate needed information regarding laws pertaining to inclusion, mainstreaming and least restrictive environment to take to a meeting with Sanger Unified School District. Our office provided copies of Wrightslaw information on these topics and also provided information to Special Ed Rights and Responsibilities Book Disability Rights CA		1	
T	Parent called regarding the process for filing an Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) with a school district. SCDD staff referred to the WarmLine Family Resource Center.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance to a brother that was attempting to have his sister accepted for services through the San Diego Regional Center		1	
T	Provided resources regarding regional center services as well as housing information and other community resources.	2	1	
E	2.1 Informational and referral regarding IEP resources		1	
F	2.1 Provided ADA information to Recreation Board on individual rights			
F	Provided walk-in family advocate with training about rights related to regional center appeals process.		1	
T	Assisted FA regarding conservatorship information and also provided additional conservatorship resources		1	
E	Provided information to 3 FA regarding regional center appeals process.		3	
T	A parent was referred to our office from a service provider. The mother was having issues with Lodi Unified School District not following her child's IEP. Her child has Down syndrome and the mother felt like she was the only one dealing with such issues. I emailed her names and contact info to		1	

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	assist her with the issues she raised as well as an upcoming conference that SCDD is co-sponsoring called Best Practices in Education for children with Down Syndrome. She was very appreciative!			
E	Received an email from staff at Family Resource Network asking for information on several dental issues in our state. I emailed a lot of info to her that SCDD and our office had.	1	2	
T	Received a call from a parent with special ed IEP issues- after talking to the parent- staff found out that the child attends a Charter School and their child was not getting the services on the IEP. Many questions about who is to provide and misinformation she received from the Charter School. Referred the parent to FRN and later spoke with FRN who said they have had an increase in calls regarding Charter Schools and the blurry line regarding special ed services from an IEP.		1	
T	Received a call from a very irate parent who is the conservator of her 22 year old daughter. The mom is angry at regional center and her daughter's day program and said they are "in cahoots" and not following the rules of the conservatorship. I suggested she talk to DRC OCRA and she said "No they are worthless and have not helped at all", I suggested she speak to the Director of case management at VMRC and she said she had "talked to her and nothing has changed". I gave her the VMRC ED's name and number and the DRC OCRA's Director and suggested that she contact them. I explained that SCDD is not able to do direct advocacy any longer.		1	
F	Referred FA to OCRA, regarding concerns with possible rights violation of adult child. Provided information to FA regarding Lanterman Act and DDS website. FA having issues with NBRC. SCDD has contacted NBRC regarding these issues as well.		2	
F	Referred FA to OCRA, regarding concerns with possible rights violation of minor child. Provided information to FA regarding Lanterman Act and DDS website. FA having issues with NBRC. SCDD has contacted NBRC regarding these issues as well. FA and Vendor was encouraged to attend upcoming NBRC Board Meeting.		1	2
T	Referred FA to OCRA regarding concerns with IHSS denial of services. OCRA referred FA to attorney in southern CA for assistance with this matter. SCDD provided FA with DDS Consumer Complaint/Appeal Booklet.		1	
T	FA called wanting to understand RC CDER and other Intelligence		2	

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	assessment. SCDD referred FA to DDS CDER and Title 17 webpage. FA was also encouraged to review DSM language, visit CA/US Dept of ED website for more information.			
T	Provided assistance to FA regarding understanding transportation rights. What does Door to Door transportation services means. IDEA transportation information emailed to FAs. Referred FA to IHSS worker.		3	
T	Provided assistance to Vendor regarding client rights, DRC, Lanterman Act. Website information and brochures mailed.			
T	From Family Advocate re: son who is attending local school however, they want to exit him out at 17 yet father would like him to participate in TAY program to learn some life skills, vocational skills and increase socialization. Referred father to contact OCRA, DRC.		1	

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- LARO -- SCDD and its 13 regional offices, administer grants to community-based organizations to fund new and innovative program development projects. All projects are intended to implement the California State Strategic Plan objectives and improve and enhance services for Californians with developmental disabilities and their families. SCDD has allocated up to \$20,000 per regional office this year as cycle 39 program development grant. Based on the local needs, SCDD LA Office has selected the following goals to be implemented: State Plan Goal #3 - Housing, and State Plan Goal #4 - Health & Safety. SCDD LA Office participated in the grant proposal review process to ensure objectivity and quality of the selection process. (Prog-Policies created 1 OTH)
- 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 ELARC 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 ELARC, create a shared vision and a channel to leverage resources, cultivate trust-based relationships to result in ongoing and effective collaborations. (ORGs 2 OTH)
- LARO provided technical assistance and support to the LA Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) meeting on 6/27/2016 at LA Regional Office in Glendale. Presenters from ACCESS Services and NHSLA were invited to the meeting to share their programs and services to individuals with I/DD. SCDD LA Regional Manager shared LA Office updates and future training and events. Updates include end of fiscal year reports, such as SCDD LA Office reached its goals for all 8 regional centers by 6/30/2016 as part of the quality assessment (QA) and the National Core Indicators (NCI) survey in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 4571. QA and NCI survey data collection is a key aspect to support the satisfaction and success of I/DD services. Presentation on CMS Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) final rules was provided. An online link and hard copies to the HCBS survey were made available to RAC members and the public to seek feedback and input on HCBS final rules and settings. RAC Membership Committee reported that there are three SDAC vacancies with ELARC, WRC, and NLACRC respectively. SABLAC (Self-Advocacy Board of LA County): has been awarded a grant by PADSAs, a self-advocacy organization, to train grocery store employees on how to assist shoppers with disabilities. 5 SABLAC members attended the GOTV (Get Out to Vote) two-day conference in Pasadena as part of the DD Voter Engagement campaign. The next meeting is

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scheduled on 7/25/2016 at SCDD LA Office. (GP Reached 7 SA/ 7 FA/ 12 OTH/ ORGs 3 OTH)

- LARO Regional Manager and staff provided technical assistance and support to the 2nd Statewide Self Determination Advisory Committee (SSDAC) meeting per statute. SCDD LA Office is one of the teleconference sites. In addition to the 21 SDAC Representatives from statewide 21 Regional Centers, SCDD Chair also invited every local SDAC members to call in to the public conference. Best practices and tool development in effective preparation and implementation of self-determination once the waivers are approved were discussed. In addition to the discussion among SSDAC members and the public, the following presentations were shared during the meeting: Catherine Blakemore, Executive Director of Disability Rights California, who provided an update on the new language for self-determination program based on the 6/17/2016 Budget Trailer Bills, and discussed legal requirements and roles and responsibilities for all stakeholders involved in SDP. Jim Knight with DDS provided the status and update of the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver for Self-Determination, and regional center staff training. 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 in Leadership 5 FA/ 16 FA/ 2 OTH/ ORGs 3 OTH)
- LARO Regional Manager met with the 211 LA County Project Director of Developmental Screening and Care Coordination as part of the reconnection post AB 1595 to update SCDD LARO info with 211 LA County database. LARO also provided SCDD sponsorship policy and sponsorship request application checklist per request. LARO Manager shared the following to enhance further collaboration: "SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office: What We Do/Training & Event Calendar", "Self-Advocacy Board of Los Angeles County" brochure, and "AIDD Fact Sheet". (ORGs 2 OTH)
- LARO SCDD LA Staff provided training to the SCLARC SDAC and members of the public on the basics of facilitation. (People Trained in Leadership 2 SA/ 10 FA/ 4 OTH)
- LARO staff attended a meeting of the Westside Regional Center (WRC) Board of Directors on 6/1/16. Staff monitored board activity for compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies. SCDD staff also distributed flyers promoting an Effective Person Centered Planning training on 6/25/16 and the availability of training as requested. (GP Reached 21 SA/ 14 FA/ 19 OTH)

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- LARO staff attended a public meeting on June 14, 2016, of Westside Regional Center in order to provide input regarding the regional center's lack of compliance with mandated caseload ratios. Los Angeles office staff monitored the meeting and provided input. (GP Reached 5 SA/ 12 FA/ 23 OTH)
- LARO staff attended the DPSS Commission Meeting in order to stay current with DPSS work and to assess how that pertains to the disability community. The commission has a strong concern about the exponential rise in CalWorks families. They are also moving forward with expanding access to various DPSS programs. (ORGs 1 OTH)
- LARO staff attended the self-determination advisory committee meeting of Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center. At this meeting, Elizabeth Harrell of ELARC presented on person-centered planning. SCDD LA staff provided information on the current status of the waiver application and information about the upcoming SSDAC telephone meeting. (People Trained in Leadership 1 SA/ 18 FA/ 4 OTH)
- LARO staff attended the self-determination advisory committee meeting of South Central Los Angeles Regional Center. SCDD LA Staff provided a presentation on the role of the independent facilitator in self-determination. Staff also provided information on the current status of the waiver application and information about the upcoming SSDAC telephone meeting. (People Trained in Leadership 2 SA/ 10 FA/ 4 OTH)
- LARO staff drafted and distributed E-Newsletter #57 on June 6, 2016. Headlines in this edition included: Public Meetings Scheduled for SCDD Regional Office Merger; First Approved HCBS Statewide Transition Plan Available Online; Ohio Launches First ABLE Program in United States. SCDD L.A. Office staff drafted and distributed a Special Edition E-Newsletter on June 14, 2016 that included an announcement about an upcoming seminar on person-centered planning sponsored by the Inclusion Institute and the SCDD L.A. Office on June 25, 2016. SCDD L.A. Office staff drafted and distributed E-Newsletter #58 on June 28, 2016. Headlines in this edition included: White House Celebrates the 17th Anniversary of Olmstead Decision; New Service Provider Rates Take Effect in July; Governor Signs 2016-17 State Budget; Report on Affordable Housing Paints a Bleak Picture. There are currently 1,812 subscribers to the SCDD L.A. Office E-Newsletter. (GP Reached 1,812 OTH)
- LARO staff met with NLACRC SDAC liaison, Ruth Janka, to develop a proposed time-line of trainings for the SDAC to consider for its upcoming meetings per the request of the SDAC. The training proposal was developed in light of perceived community needs for information about self-determination. Ruth Janka will present the proposal to the SDAC. (ORGs 2 OTH)

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- LARO staff participated in the Consumer/Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Board meeting at UCEDD USC Children's Hospital LA (CHLA) to discuss community needs and future strategic planning for CAC to best support the I/DD community. Updates and global highlights of all CAC activities were provided and future direction was discussed at the board meeting. The Board also thanked members who are terming off. (ORGs 13 OTH/ People Attained membership on Boards 3 SA/ 5 FA/ 21 OTH)
- LARO staff provided support to SCDD appointees of the Harbor Regional Center (HRC) Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) and monitored the meeting on 6/8/16. Staff also distributed flyers promoting an upcoming event, Effective Person Centered Planning on 6/25/16, and the availability of training as requested by the group. (People Trained 6 SA/ 6 FA/ 8 OTH)
- LARO staff provided support to SCDD appointees of the Westside Regional Center (WRC) Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC), monitored the meeting on 6/14/16, and provided technical assistance as needed. Staff also distributed flyers promoting an upcoming event, Effective Person Centered Planning on 6/25/16, and the availability of training as requested by the group. (People Trained 10 SA / 11 FA/ 16 OTH)
- LARO staff provided training in English to a parent support group hosted by Progressive Resources, a service provider, on 6/21/16 to 24 attendees regarding an overview of the self-determination program. (People Trained in Leadership 2 SA/ 20 FA/ 2 OTH)
- LARO staff provided training in Spanish to a parent support group hosted by Progressive Resources, a service provider, on 6/21/16 to 18 attendees regarding an overview of the self-determination program. (People Trained in Leadership 1 SA / 15 FA/ 2 OTH)
- LARO staff provided training in Spanish to a parent support group hosted by Progressive Resources, a service provider, on 6/21/16 to 21 attendees regarding an overview of the self-determination program. (People Trained in Leadership 2 SA/ 17 FA/ 2 OTH)
- LARO staff, in collaboration with the Inclusion, presented a seminar on "Person-Centered Planning" for 53 individuals. Our speaker was Liz Harrell from Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center. The City of Torrance granted a fee waiver on the use of the seminar room (dollars leveraged = \$539 room rental and city staff). SCDD staff promoted the flyer again this month via our Los Angeles office newsletter (1800) and email blast (900) and at various meetings (200) that staff attended in the community. Staff handled all registration, room arrangements, refreshments, handouts, developed pre-post test and summarized results, and

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assisted the Inclusion Institute with the event accounting. A Spanish interpreter was available for those who needed it. The Inclusion Institute funded the interpreter and refreshments (dollars leveraged = 150 + 24 = 174) (GP Reached 2,900 OTH, People Trained 3 SA/ 25 FA/ 15 OTH)

- LARO took the lead on the California IDD Voter Engagement and collaborated with the 3 UCEDD programs and DRC. On 6/3/2016, SCDD LA staff met with representatives from the community stakeholders at the UCEDD USC Consumer Community Advisory Board meeting to discuss community education, outreach & voting engagement. SCDD LARO Manager shared the following voting info & resources to help enhance California IDD voter engagement and collaboration: Easy Voter Guide (<http://www.easylvoterguide.org/>) developed by the League of Woman Voters of California Education Fund, the California State Library, and the Common Knowledge Group Disability Rights California (DRC) Voter Hotline Flyer <http://www.simplesend.com/simple/uploadedimages/000525/files/2016ElectionDayFlyerJune72016.pdf>. DRC YouTube Video about the Voter Hotline at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l8SkMzS42cY> "One Vote: One Person One Vote" Website at <http://onevotenow.org/> California Counts article: "Closing the Gap in Voter Turnout for California's Disabled" at <http://www.caprдио.org/articles/2016/05/17/closing-the-gap-in-voter-turnout-for-californias-disabled/> #Vote Disability 2016 Get Out The Vote Leadership Conference June 15 & 16, 2016 Pasadena (<https://disabilityorganizing.net/> <https://www.scribd.com/doc/313193738/Will-Call-Ballot-Pickup-and-Ballot-Drop-Off-Locations> lists Will-Call-Pickup-Drop-off-Ballot information in LA County. <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-systems/oversight/voting-systems-used-counties/how-use-your-countys-voting-system/> lists voting systems used by Counties. SCDD LARO Manager also provided electronic versions of "A Guide to Vote" and "Vote in 2016" in the following languages: Spanish, Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, and Tagalog to help enhance voting information accessibility. (ORGs 12 OTH)
- NCRO - At the May meeting the full SDAC the group established a training workgroup. In June SCDD staff and the Statewide Self Determination Advisory Committee representative provided an update from the June 21, 2016 SSDAC meeting including information about the proposed statewide trainings for regional center staff. In addition, staff shared options, examples, and potential resources for the committee to review for community education and outreach activities throughout the region to open the conversation about person centered planning and general information about self-determination. During the pre-meeting process. Detailed training that contains specific information that is tied to specifics of the

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waiver will be presented after the waiver is approved. In addition, SCDD staff provided a copy of the presentation of the Home and Community Based Services waiver for the committee to review and discussion regarding the information will be included at the next meeting which are now going to be held on a monthly basis. (People Trained in Leadership 2 SA/ 3 FA/ 5 OTH)

- NCRO staff and the Chair of the Redwood Coast Regional Center's local Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) participated in the teleconference meeting. Topics discussed at the meeting including: an update from Disability Rights California regarding clarification of the responsibility of the local advisory committees in trailer bill language regarding the role and responsibilities of the local SDAC with respect to the rollout trainings of the Self Determination program. The meeting included an update of waiver status, update on regional center staff training, role of SSDAC in pre-enrollment training, role of SSDAC in setting agendas for local SDAC, and updates from the local SDAC on activities and issues in their regions. (People Trained in Leadership 1 FA/ 1 OTH/ ORGs 2 OTH)
- NSRO staff participated in the Butte County Coordinating Council's (BCCC) 21st Annual Recognition Celebration planning committee meeting on June 28, 2016. The majority of the committee members have been working on this annual event for over 20 years and the community looks forward to this celebration, especially consumers and families. The committee set the date for October 6, 2016 from 5-7:30pm, selected Laura Larson, Executive Director of Far Northern Regional Center to be the guest speaker and focus on the story of the developmental disability field in California in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Lanterman Act. Butte County Office of Education's Workability I students will be asked to if they are interested in participating by working the night of the event. Timelines for marketing and outreach were established and selection meeting set to review the nominations submitted by the community. (People Active 1 SA/ 1 FA/ 6 OTH/ ORGs 7 OTH)
- NSRO staff participated in the June 3, 2016 North State/Far Northern Regional Center Local Self-Determination Advisory Committee meeting. The meeting included approval of the September 18, 2015 meeting, report on March 3, 2016 State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee, report on May 25, 2016 Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee, presentation from FNRC's Person Centered Planning/Thinking Pilot and a planning session/discussion on: Education and Outreach of Community Members - Draft a Plan for Implementation; Education of Regional Center Staff: Draft a Plan for

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Implementation; Education of Provider Staff - Draft a Plan for Implementation; and Transformation to Person Centered Services from Traditional Group Services: Learning Opportunity and Support of Providers. Another discussion included Home and Community Based Services Setting Rules 2019 and Self-Determination: Understanding the relationship between new federal expectations and Self-Determination. (People Trained in Leadership 3 SA/ 5 FA/ 8 OTH/ ORGs 3 SA/ 5 OTH)

- NSRO staff participates in State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) as a member and participated in the June 22, 2016 committee meeting. The mission of DAC within the SCDD serves as an accessibility resource for all employees with disabilities. The DAC assists the Executive Director of SCDD and the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Office to create and maintain a workplace for all individuals to have equal and fair employment access and opportunity. DAC's Vision Statement is to ensure that all employees with disabilities are integrated and included in the SCDD workforce. The DAC promotes disability awareness and equal opportunities for all SCDD employees. During the June 22, 2016 meeting, committee discussed recruiting new members, goals/projects of the committee and strategies to obtaining the goals. Discussion included: Member recruitment (have diversity within our membership) Policy review - Hiring practices - Training - SCDD staff - Goals & Objectives (specific & measurable) - Communication and dissemination of information to all SCDD staff (ensure they have all the information they need to advocate for people w/disabilities – LEAP, accommodations, disability awareness, etc. - Workforce Analysis of SCDD - Outreach to the public, organizations, employers, people w/disabilities (LEAP Trainings) - The next meeting is July 27, 2016 at 10:30 (People Attained Membership on Boards 4 OTH/ Prog-Policies created 1 OTH)
- NSRO staff provided support to Chair of Far Northern Regional Center's local Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) by providing North State Office for participation in SCDD Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SSDAC) meeting on June 21, 2016. Staff listened and Chair participated in the teleconference meeting, representing local SDAC. Many issues discussed in the meeting including: local SDAC role and tools, update of waiver status, update on regional center staff training, role of SSDAC in pre-enrollment training, role of SSDAC in setting agendas for local SDAC, and updates from local SDAC on activities, trainings, etc. Many rich discussions occurred with each agenda item and actions plans developed for the next steps. (People Trained in Leadership 5 SA/ 15 FA/ 30 OTH)

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- NVHRO Assisted VMRC Board member review committee in interviewing new board members applicants. NVHRO staff assisted in asking questions and providing feedback regarding candidates potential to serve on the VMRC board. The interview committee was made up of VMRC staff, board members and the CLASP (vendor community) representative and SCDD. (ORGs 3 OTH/ GP Reached 1 SA/ 2 FA/ 5 OTH)
- NVHRO provided a public location for the SCDD Statewide Self Determination Committee conference call. The vice chair (FA) of the VMRC SDAC came to our office. Staff provided him with copies of the agenda and a private place in our conference room. Another VMRC SDAC also came to the conference room and spoke at the public comment period. The vice chair will write his report based on the info from this meeting and share at the August 30 VMRC SDAC meeting (People Trained in Leadership 2 FA/ 1 OTH)
- NVHRO staff attends and participates at the monthly Coalition of Local Area Service Providers (CLASP). SCDD is a standing agenda item along with VMRC and VMRC Board/Committee Reports. The major discussion at this meeting was the lack of info regarding the rate increases and the DDS survey. Many providers did not turn in the survey and it was communicated with them that it is really important to complete the survey to move forward. The CLASP group also discussed that lack of members who attend these meetings and ideas to change that. Also the current chair has done it for several years and really wants to step down. The group decided to put a work group together to discuss a strategic plan to build up CLASP and also discuss officer roles and responsibilities. SCDD was asked to attend this work group. They will meet in July. SCDD staff also gave handouts of items given out at the last VMRC Board meeting. Hazel Velazquez, Patient Coordinator for the Dental Surgery Center and Dr. Brian Adams came to CLASP to share their new dental services to individuals served by VMRC. They wanted to get the word out that the program is designed for patients with special needs. A flyer was given and SCDD sent it out as did VMRC. (People Active 15 OTH / GP Reached 15 OTH)
- NVHRO staff attends the monthly VMRC Board Meetings. Paul Billodeau announced that he will be retiring from VMRC as the Executive Director in December 2016. He asked SCDD staff to be on the hiring team for his replacement. SCDD staff commented at public comment with the same announcement given at the Consumer Services meetings- copies were handed out. The board voted on financial reports. There were committee reports given- Executive Director, Consumer Services, VMRC Consumer Advisory, Finance & Personnel, Executive, Strategic Planning, Nominating, CLASP and ARCA. It was

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announced that SCDD Staff, Dena Hernandez, will receive the VMRC Communitas Award at their July Annual Meeting. Handouts were given for the slate of officers for the fiscal year 2016-17, current board member term update, and the CA State Auditor Fact Sheet. (GP Reached 4 SA/ 5 FA/ 16 OTH)

- NVHRO staff attends the monthly VMRC Consumer Services meeting at VMRC. The agenda comprised of Public Comment which SCDD staff shared handouts on the UCP Rummage Sale event, The Arc of Amador & Calaveras 9th Annual Talent Show, Save the Date for the conference on Best Practices in the Education of Children with Down Syndrome, SCDD Legislation Positions Support List, and SAC6 upcoming Area Meeting. Also on the agenda was a report from the Clinical Director on the VMRC Autism Service Standard. The standard is out dated and the committee was asked to review for the next meeting. A report from Resource Development- update on ICF DD-N proposal. A Quality Assurance Report - a list of Alerts was passed out- nothing over 90 days. A report from Director of Case management and a Transportation report. This committee will not meet again until September 2016. (People Active 4 SA/ 2 FA/ 11 OTH)
- NVHRO staff completed the SCDD/NVH Summer Edition of the newsletter. All staff contributed to this edition. The e-newsletter was posted on the SCDD web page for NVH, sent out to our email list and a few hard copies were printed to disseminate at meetings. This edition contained a farewell to Family Resource Centers ED, CHOICES Conference, NCI update, SCDD Legislative update, Dental Services info, DDS Consumer Corner info on ICE, The Chatter- a SAC6 newsletter on self-advocacy, SAC6 next area meeting, SCDD/NVH Resource list, Transportation resources and a list of upcoming events in our area (ORGs 5 OTH/ GP Reached 200 SA/ 200 FA/ 200 OTH)
- NVHRO staff met with the coordinator of the VMRC Foster Grandparent & Senior Companions to discuss upcoming training opportunities and advisory committee updates. SCDD staff share information relevant to the volunteers on upcoming events legislation info and self-advocacy resources. (ORGs 3 OTH)
- OCRO - At the request of our RAC and due to a recent incident of alleged fiduciary abuse against a service provider, one RAC member and I met with the RCOE Executive Director and QA Manager to discuss the SIR and Corrective Action Plan (CAP) process and how Service Coordinators can play a more active role to ensure consumers mental health needs are addressed following allegations of abuse (regardless of substantiation). We recommended implementation of a process that following these incidents, the Service Coordinator should immediately reach out to the consumer and help them access mental health/counseling services, if needed. In this one particular incident, while the outcome of the

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investigation was unfounded, the consumer felt very foolish and betrayed and needed counseling, initiated by the parent, to help discuss these feelings and develop strategies to improve confidence. While RCOC reported that they do this each time, in this particular situation, they did not and through historical experience, several "fall through the cracks." There needs to be additional discussion on how to ensure the question is asked, possibly through something as simple as a checkbox on the SIR follow-up form that Service Coordinators complete. (ORGs 1 FA/ 2 OTH)

- OCRO staff attended the Regional Center of Orange County Board Meeting and Caseload Ratio Presentation on June 2, 2016. The board reviewed and approved the monthly sufficiency of allocation report from 4/16, contract and preliminary allocation for FY 2016-17 and the budget amendment; received the Executive Director's report and the Caseload Ratios presentation (caseload ratios are currently 1:83 with attention paid to workload when assigning cases); approved board membership changes; received a report from the Vendor Advisory Committee, Consumer Advisory Committee and ARCA (regarding the search for replacement of their director as well as board training requirements). Related to the developmental center system, Sonoma Developmental Center's certification status continues to negatively affect the budget of all regional center's statewide. Additionally, there are 79 RCOC consumer's remaining at Fairview Developmental Center. The approval to request to begin the RFP process to develop 7 ARFPSHN homes for Fairview movers has been sent to DDS. In an effort to address disparity, RCOC management met with local Catholic Parrish's to determine effective outreach strategies to the Spanish-speaking population in OC. (People Active 6 SA/ 30 FA/ 22 OTH)
- OCRO staff presented on Self-Determination on Wednesday, June 9th, 2016 to a group of 11 family members/consumers and professionals. 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 fiscal 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 1 SA/ 6 FA/ 4 OTH)
- SACRO staff attended Alta California Regional Center's Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) meeting at Alta Regional Center. 9 committee members and 6 members of the public were present. The vice-chair of the SDAC is a family member and facilitated the meeting today. Jason Lindo, Alta Regional Center (ACRC) gave an update on the status of the resubmission of the waiver by

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Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and DHCS. Mr. Lindo, ACRC, reported that there are now 1751 individuals on the SDP "interest list" at ACRC. All Service Coordinators have been briefly informed of Self-Determination and are encouraged to discuss it as an option at each IPP meeting, and to distribute SDP flyers. There is an emphasis to reach rural and diverse communities. Each member gave an update on Outreach Efforts. Future meeting dates are September 14th and December 14th. Joyce and Jason led the group through a test of the basic concepts of the Self-Determination program. DDS has completed 8 of the training modules for service coordinators. They are trying to complete the remaining 2-3 modules. Jason announced the SDP flyer has been translated into Russian, Hmong, Simplified Chinese, Spanish, and Vietnamese and they are posted on ACRC's website. (People Active 4 SA / 6 FA/ 5 OTH)

- SACRO staff attended the Supported Living Service (SLS) Vendor Forum at Alta California Regional Center (ACRC). The focus of the discussion was the supported living Quality Assurance tool that ACRC will be implementing every 2 years when there is a contract review. Additionally, the Zero Tolerance Policy for Client Abuse or Neglect was discussed. There were 25 SLS agencies represented and a total of 50 people representing the agencies. Other discussions: One SLS vendor shared of their upcoming staff training and invited all vendors present at this meeting to attend. The training is titled, "What Conversations That Matter Can Do" by Norman Kunc. An SLS vendor shared that if a provider has a staff person use their personal cell phone for agency use at any moment the agency can be legally accountable unless they give that employee a \$12 per month stipend. The amount of the stipend was determined by the attorneys who represented this vendor. (People Active 50 OTH/ ORGs 25 OTH)
- SACRO staff opened the phone lines and supported the local SDAC Chair, Lisa Cooley, to participate in the SCDD Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) meeting. An update on the Waiver was given by Jim Knight, Dept. of Developmental Services, Orientation and Trainings were discussed. Each local Chair gave an update on activities in their area (People Active 1 SA/ 1 OTH)
- SACRO staff participated in a collaborative meeting with 8 other agencies who serve people with intellectual or developmental disabilities (I/DD) to actively engage, create a shared vision and leverage resources, cultivate trust-based relationships to result in ongoing and effective collaborations. The following agencies were represented: WarmLine Family Resource Center, Independent Living Center, State Board of Education, CEDD at UC Davis, Yolo County SELPA CAC member, Children NOW, ARC of California and CCS 4 Families. Disability Rights of California and National Alliance for Mental Illness was invited but unable

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to attend. Organization staff discussed their primary focus, who they serve, work they perform, and top priorities for their organization. Focusing on how our agencies can coordinate efforts and reach more families and individuals with I/DD. Identifying intersections and expertise and strategies for mutual support for increased impact were discussed. (People Active 6 FA/ 5 OTH/ ORGs 8 OTH)

- SBRO hosted a teleconference location for community members for the Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SSDAC) meeting at the SBRO in San Bernardino County. The meeting was called to order and a quorum was established. First were welcomes, introductions, then the local self-determination advisory committee SDAC role and tools were discussed. Disability Rights California defined the new language written into the law re-defining the role of the SDAC. Encouraging increased collaboration with the Regional Center (RC), helping with outreach and trainings as well as providing critiques to the RC on their progress. Department of Developmental Services (DDS) staff provided an update on the wavier status from the Center of Medicaid Services required for federal funding. DDS continued by providing an update on RC staff training. Training material modules should hopefully be completed July 2016 and then will be translated into other languages. The training modules will provide the basic information history of the program, roles and responsibilities, services, facilitator, and fiscal management services. There will be 5 trainings throughout the state for RC staff to provide base information on the pre-enrollment meeting to ensure consistency of information. Videos will be made of the trainings and posted on-line. Then the Chair turned to the topic of protocol for the SSDAC in setting agendas at the local SDAC meetings. Agendas were to be created and posted 10 days in advance to ensure compliance with Bagley-Keene. All agendas and minutes were to be sent to SCDD headquarters for posting on the website. Lastly, agendas need to be created at the local SDAC meetings. Then each SDAC Chair provided an update on the progress within their local area. Next steps were discussed and then there was an opportunity for public comments and the meeting was adjourned. (Prog-Policies created 2 FA/ 2 OTH)
- SBRO Manager met with the Associate Executive Director of IRC in a standing Monthly meeting to discuss systemic issues at the facility. The issues discussed were a follow up on the Intake process at IRC, and the plan of action to inform families and the community as to the IRC intake process. As an update, IRC is discussing staffing issues, looking at the current design of the website to include the intake process, and possibly re-aligning some of the administrative staff (possibly adding an additional 2-3 staff dedicated to intake screening) who answer the phones to assist with their growing intake needs. As an addendum to this

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issue, on June 28th, they are seeking public input on the caseload ratios and the requirements, so that this information can be analyzed and provided to the community in regards to their ability to service the public. The caseload ratios for early start are in alignment per their IRC data of a 1:62 ratio for early start; however, the ratio for the remaining caseloads is much higher than the 1:75 ratio. The meetings will take place in Colton, CA and in Riverside, CA on the June 28th, 2016 date. IRC did distribute the updated information regarding the SCDD brochure, and our role regarding systemic issues for the staff at IRC. This was completed in an attempt to clarify referrals to SCDD SBRO for individual advocacy issues and assist the community with referrals for individual advocacy assistance per the meeting on May 11, 2016 with both the Executive Director and Associate Executive Director at IRC. In a mutual agreement with IRC and SCDD SBRO, these meeting will continue monthly to discuss and come up with a plan of action regarding systemic issues in the community. Next meeting is July 25th, 2016 at 2:00 pm. (ORGs 2 OTH)

- SBRO staff attended the multi-agency collaboration of the Riverside County CARE/Curtailing Abuse Regarding the Elderly and Dependent Adults Team meeting. The CARE Team was developed to bring together many professional agencies as a multi-disciplinary team with the same common goal to protect and advocate for those individuals within the community who are the most vulnerable. The monthly meeting generally has a training component and this month the training was provided by the Veterans Administration to discuss all the services and specific hot-lines and websites for particular those services especially Homelessness and Crisis Intervention. Several Agencies were in attendance; DPSS, Adult Protective Services, local Law Enforcement, Code Enforcement, District Attorney's Office, Community Care Licensing, Public Guardians Office, Riverside County Probate, Riverside County Department of Mental Health, Local hospitals, Social Security, In Home Supportive Services, Inland Regional Center, IEHP, Molina Healthcare, County Ombudsman, SCDD and Veterans Administration. (ORGs 56 OTH)
- SBRO staff attending the Access Advisory Committee to advocate for a systemic issue regarding the removal of bus route 50 from a location in the community. Removal of this route has created an undue hardship to persons with a disability who contribute to the ridership for Sunline transit along this route. The thoroughfare for this removed bus route is challenging due to the high traffic in this area and the distance between bust stops to public facilities, residences, and programs in the area. The SBRO Regional Manager spoke during public comment to advocate for this systemic issue, and to discuss a letter of support provided to

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the committee on April 29, 2016 from SCDD SBRO on this concern. SBRO asked for a reconsideration of the removal of the bus stop in the community due to the usage from self-advocates in the area. The Access Advisory Committee states that they are considering adding additional stops to a new route 53 for the area in question, and provided a copy of the service improvement proposals for the area that outlines new bus stops for the public. SunLine Transit Agency will be holding four (4) public hearings to receive public comments to the proposed changes to the service improvements. The topic will be evaluated and an update provided on September 13, 2016 at the next meeting. Other items discussed were a travel training video that Sunline is developing for persons with a disability on their services and access to the transportation system. They are also addressing ADA compliant issues at various stops (no sidewalks, dirt, etc) and other barriers regarding transportation in the Coachella valley that need to be addressed. (ORGs 1 SA/ 17 OTH)

- SBRO staff facilitated the monthly meeting of the Self-Determination Advisory Committee at the SBRO located in the county of San Bernardino. The meeting was called to order and the quorum was established. Introductions were conducted and completed. The approval of the meeting agenda and the minutes from last meeting on 5/24/2016 were also completed. There were no public comments. SDAC member phoned into meeting. The Chair asked SCDD to share information, and SCDD asked IRC if they could give a date and time that they would commit to meeting with the SDAC to discuss collaboration of outreach trainings. IRC could not commit to an exact date and time but stated that they would commit to future collaborations w/the SDAC. IRC training unit stated that they would contact SCDD and discuss possible dates and locations and then SCDD could inform SDAC members. It was discussed that possibly at the next Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC) meeting the SDAC could participate in the training process however, the Chair of the VAC is terming out as of next month. It was suggested that the Chair of the SDAC attend the IRC Board meeting and introduce herself to the new Chair of the VAC, who will be appointed on that date. PCP video presentation was suggested to be tabled until July meeting and also SCDD offered to provide a power point and open discussion on the HCBS waiver program at the August meeting. OCRA stated that she would inquire into obtaining a conference call line for the purpose of the community calling into meetings. Meeting was adjourned. (ORGs 1 SA/ 5 FA/ 6 OTH)
- SBRO staff provided community outreach training regarding the Self-Determination Program overview offered by Department of Developmental Services to be delivered by Regional Centers. This training took place within the

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SBRO and was co-presented with Inland Regional Center. The training materials used were the SCDD one pager "What is Self-Determination?", Self-Determination NOW! and the SCDD power point presentation. The presentation was designed to provide members of the community with an overview of the basic principles of Self-Determination program information. (People Trained in Leadership 4 SA/ 3 FA/ 5 OTH)

- SDIRO - The main agenda item at this meeting was to hear from Self-Determination Pilot Project participants that have remained in the program. There are only two individuals remaining in Self-Determination, but their stories were interesting, and provided an opportunity for members of the committee and the public to ask questions as to how their services are different under the guidelines of self-determination. From what the participants families stated, it sounded as if the main benefit of self-determination was the opportunity to do more social activities with staff than the regional center would otherwise allow. One participant indicated that they felt empowered by the ability to hire and fire - which they felt made programs and people accountable, and was life changing for this person. This individual also enjoyed the fact that the Fiscal Management Service handled all the paperwork and timesheets. Although this cost is taken from the individual budget, they felt it was worth it. Another aspect was the fact they believed they were able to pay staff more than what an agency would pay someone. Following this presentation, the Principles of Self Determination were reviewed, and the Chair talked about what these principles mean. The representative from the regional center said she had sent out an informational sheet regarding self-determination to the service coordinators, but she did not have a copy with her. The issue of needing to reach out to 100% of the consumers regarding self-determination was briefly talked about, but should be easy enough to accomplish with a mailing. A new day and time for the meeting will be added to the next agenda for discussion. (Prog-Policies created 4 SA/ 8 FA/ 8 OTH)
- SDIRO - The planning committee met for the first time on June 21st to begin planning for the third annual "Leading the Charge" Conference. The intent of the conference is to provide education and information on new and innovative services to self-advocates, their family members, transition teachers and students, professionals, and others. This initial meeting was hel to select a date, which was decided as November 30, 2016, select the hotel, which will again be the Doubletree Hotel, and start identifying possible speakers and topics. The group also reviewed the Satisfaction Surveys from last year, and talked about possible improvements for this year. The program scheduled the next meeting for July 15, and a Doodle Poll will be sent out to schedule the next full committee meeting.

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- SDIRO attended the monthly regional center client advisory committee meeting (9 people were in attendance), the group reviewed the regional center board meeting, clarified questions the members had and decided it would be important for the CAC to give an update at future board meetings to inform the board of what the projects and tasks the CAC is currently working on. Due to the absence of several members at the next CAC meeting the group will preview the Employment First Presentation that was created by the SSAN and review the Regional Center's Employment First Policy training plan. (People Active 6 SA/ 3 OTH)
- SEQRO staff attended Central Valley Regional Center Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) meeting in Fresno, seven committee members, and six members of the public were present. The following topics on the agenda were discussed. The May 17, 2016 minutes were approved. Information was provided and discussed regarding Central Valley Regional Center Caseload Ratios. The committee members and members of the public gave input on the draft copy of the "skit" on self-determination that will be presented by consumers and will be filmed for video presentation. - The SCDD staff along with CVRC staff will be doing more informational meetings in the end of July pending location confirmation. (ORGs 2 SA/ 6 FA/ 5 OTH)
- SEQRO staff provided support at the Regional Advisory Committee meeting on 6/8/16. The RAC introduced and welcomed old members as well as members of the general public. A quorum was established, and the agenda was approved. M/S/C to approve the minutes from the April 13th, 2016 meeting. Public comment included input from Bebe Perez of Resources for Independence Central Valley and Pam Scarano a local vendor. Community Reports were given by Sidney Jackson and Aaron Olson of the Central Valley Regional Center. SCDD Staff updated the RAC on the new appointments to the RAC and that we are still seeking applicants to apply for the committee. Aaron Carruthers, Executive Director of SCDD was in attendance and spoke on many issues including the upcoming State Plan, The ABLE Act, the Grant Cycle 39 process as well as the vacancies currently on the State Council. Yoland Cruz updated the Regional Advisory Committee on the activities our office has been doing. These include trainings, a Housing Collaborative as well as an Educational Review Collaborative. (GP Reached 5 SA/ 3 FA/ 12 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff has been active in carrying out the assignments resulting from the Self Determination Advisory Committee, including developing the agenda for next month. For the outreach sub-committee a draft of marketing material was developed for review and approval by the members. Material was approved by

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SDAC chair. SDAC served as public meeting site for SDAC Statewide Meeting (Prog-Policies created 1 SA/ 1 OTH/ People Trained in Leadership 1 SA/ 2 OTH)

- SVMBRO, in collaboration with Imagine Services of Santa Cruz, held the monthly meetings of the Self Determination Facilitation Learning Community. One meeting was held at the SCDD offices in San Jose, the other was held at the Imagine offices in Santa Cruz. At the training an update on Self Determination roll-out in California (People Trained 3 FA/ 2 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
IPP Basics, what you need to know.		150	30
2016 So Cal APSE Conference and Networking Event	590	610	613
CECY Careers in the Arts for PWD Online Dialogue	590	610	613
2016 So Ca APSE Conference & Networking Event Announcement	590	610	613
National Foundation for Autism Research Grant announcement			231
The Next Generation of Advocates Webinar		483	
"Public Meetings for the Consolidating of the Silicon Valley/Monterey Bay Central Coast Offices."	35	135	240
"Tailgate Food Giveaway June 24 9a-12p"	35	135	240
3.1 Public Meetings for the Consolidating of the Central Coast and Silicon Valley/Monterey Bay	30	68	127
3.1 Este Aviso Público es para revisar las fronteras de la Oficina Regional de la Central Coast y las de la Silicon Valley/Monterey Bay Regional Office	30	68	127
Reminder to complete NCI surveys	300	808	200
RAC Meeting Notice	300	808	200
RCOC SDAC Meeting Notice and Agenda	300	808	200
Reminder to complete NCI surveys	300	808	200
SAVE THE DATE conference on Best Practices in the Education of Children with Down Syndrome	15	44	59

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Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
E,T	Assisted FA with Self Determination			
T	Parent calling regarding nursing hours funding assistance from San Diego Regional Center. Referred her to Disability Rights CA		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Quality Assurance Project.		1	
T/F/E	Requested info on the SSDAC teleconference and was referred to SCDD website for detailed meeting info.		2	2
T	Requested attendance on People 1 st Committee meeting, and was confirmed for January 2017.	1		
F	SAs/FAs/Service Providers were seeking clarification on CMS HCBS settings. Training and resources were provided.	7	7	12
T	Provided technical assistance regarding Quality Assurance Project.		1	
E/F	Connected caller with SDPF officers regarding a study that will look at character traits and to provide an opportunity to gather self-advocate input regarding the design of the tool.	9	1	
E	3.1 Information about current status of Self-Determination Program and local Self-Determination Advisory Committee meeting.		2	
T	Provided information regarding Person-Centered Planning to 4 FA		4	
E	Assisted professional with questions about the regional center quality assurance process.			1
E	Received an email from Warmline wanting to collaborate since they now cover 3 of our counties. A conference call was scheduled for July.		1	5
E	Received an email from a new vendor of VMRC’s asking about the Self Determination Advisory Committee and the Coalition of Local Area Service Provider meetings. Information was given and he attended the CLASP meeting and plans to attend the VMRC SDAC in August.			2
T	Referred FA to local Regional Center, OCRA regarding concerns with O77 daycare services. Contacted RC on behalf of parent, to request that		1	

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	parent be contacted as soon as possible.			
T	Provided information to Aging Services on Regional Center Services, DRC, DDS.			1

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- LARO staff provided a flier on public safety titled "DDS SafetyNet - For Health, Safety, and a Better Life" developed by the DDS as attached. The flier was distributed at a public meeting to enhance public safety for individuals with I/DD and their families. (GP Reached 7 SA/ 7 FA/ 12 OTH)
- OCRO staff attended the WE CAN Individual Prevention Task Force on June 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 many current resources for families, child care providers, and children in the Orange County community as well as the data which supports the target group of the task force will be children who have been suspended from day care due to unceasing or severe behaviors. 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 their child's behaviors. These children are at a much greater risk for abuse. 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. The next meeting will be in July 2016, TBD. (People Active 6 OTH)
- OCRO staff met with the Medical Director of the Orange County Social Services Agency (OCSSA) on June 14th, 2016. This meeting was set to explore ways in which our two agencies could collaborate beyond the SCDD Orange County membership on the WE CAN Task Force, a public safety outreach related to abuse treatment and prevention. The Medical Director of the OCSSA is relatively new to Orange County and wanted to gain insight into the SCDD and the role we play in supporting those with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. OCSSA has provided training regarding abuse detection and reporting procedures to the Orange County Department of Education nursing staff in at least one district thus far, which has resulted in increased reporting from schools. We discussed the I/DD population and the assistance requests received by SCDD Orange County from families and consumers regarding special education, ABA/behavior services, child care, regional center, housing, SSI, and IHSS technical assistance. According to OCSSA, the data proves that children with Autism and other similar disabilities are at a significantly increased risk for abuse due to their increased behaviors. The SCDD Orange County office will continue to participate in the WE CAN Individual

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Prevention Task Force with OCSSA to provide insight and support for those at-risk for abuse. (ORGs 2 OTH)

- OCRO staff participated in the Orange County Disability Access and Functional Needs Working Group (DAFN) at the American Red Cross on June 16, 2016. The group was presented with a Deaf Culture training from the Regional Director of OC DEAF, an overview of personal pharmaceuticals during a disaster by a pharmacist from OC Health Care Agency, and a review of the Anaheim City Emergency Operations Plan. The group also reviewed the following items: -Functional Assessment Service Team Report -Unaccompanied Minors and the plan for ER teams to go to the minors rather than move them to a centralized location. -Kids in Disasters (KIDs) Working Group Report The next meeting will be Thursday, July 21st (10am) at the Santa Ana Red Cross. (People Active 25 OTH)
- SBRO Manager attended the class as a precursor to providing trainings to new recruits and graduates on the I/DD component of the trainings to the cadets. Currently, other public agencies including Inland Regional Center (IRC) staff provide this training component, but SCDD staff would also like to provide this training either in conjunction with or in addition to IRC staff for these groups. The curriculum is already developed as provided by SCDD and can be utilized to provide this training component. Information was provided to DBH as part of our participation in the training on our curriculum, and they will add us to the list of trainers as needed. This class had 46 attendees that were law enforcement officers from throughout San Bernardino and Riverside Counties. SBRO is reaching out the Riverside County Sheriff CIT to attend the trainings and offer SCDD as a trainer for the I/DD component of this mandatory training for law enforcement. (People Trained 46 OTH)
- SBRO Manager participated in a 32-hour Crisis Intervention Team training with the DBH and the SBCSD. The training provided education and strategies on mental health disorders, strategies on identifying mental health issues, consumer panels, information on the Department of Aging and Adult Services, Veterans (TBI & PTSD)services, Early Intervention, Coalition Against Sexual Exploitation (CASE), Suicide by Cop, Crisis Walk-In Centers, Transition Aged Youth (TAY) services, Community Crisis Services, and Intellectual and Developmental Disability (I/DD)Trainings for new law enforcement officer recruits.
- SBRO Manager participated in an active shooter workshop and training provided by Homeland Security contract agency Aegis, and the Riverside County Sheriff

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Department. This is a 6-hour course that provides education and simulation exercises to the civilian participants to train them on providing this information and to increase their knowledge on active shooter situations and are encouraged to share this information with the community. SBRO Manager is working on developing a curriculum to add to the Emergency Disaster Preparedness and Public Safety training state plan goals. In order to ensure the accuracy of the curriculum prior to its presentation, SBRO staff has reached out to the President and CEO of Aegis who provided the training to verify the accuracy of the information in the curriculum as its developed. The curriculum that SCDD will develop will discuss how to: (Run) Escape during an incident, (Hide) Barricade and lock down & (Fight) Fight back using improvised weapons (only if absolutely necessary) Report information to law enforcement and a video (Run, Hide, Fight by Houston PD - <https://youtu.be/5VcSwejU2D0>) There were 55 participants from the community who received a certificate of completion from this training after completion of the 6 hour civilian active shooter prevention and response training. The training required education, knowledge and application exercises by simulation completions with 5 "live" active shooter drills during the course of the instruction. Two trainings on July 9th & 23rd are already scheduled by SBRO for the United Cerebral Palsy Inland Empire (UCPIE). (People Trained 55 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
School Bus Safety – SB 1072 Testimony	10	15	17
library Tours and Pedestrian and Bicycle Traffic Safety Education for Adults w/ I/DD	13	187	188

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Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
F	Met with Citizen Voice representative to discuss how Safety Out information can be distributed statewide for people with I/DD.			1
T	FA requested information about Get Safe program and upcoming trainings; information provided.		1	
T	Consultation provided to community professional about school grounds public safety/students' rights/complaint process.			1
E	Verified distribution of public safety information through OC Sherriff's Department			1

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- LARO staff, on behalf of the Self-Advocacy Board of LA County, posted on their Facebook page an emergency preparedness tool developed by the Minnesota Council on Developmental Disabilities. "Feeling Safe, Being Safe" is a quick workbook for people with disabilities to prepare for emergency situations. Users will be asked to practice telling people about their personal needs and inquire about safety at their workplace. (GP Reached 1,813 OTH)
- NCRO - The 10th Annual Disability Expo provides a free opportunity for persons with disabilities, seniors, caregivers, family, friends, and members of the public, at one location to gather information about a multitude of programs, services and technology. Information and education at this event is the key to giving people the tools to direct the choice of services they receive and to live safely and independently in the community. SCDD was named as a sponsor for the event and made available on-site In Case of Emergency Cards and Med-cards and the Health One-page profile and promoted the upcoming Get Safe self-advocate training. Other community partners and agencies participating at the event included: Pacific Gas & Electric, Humboldt Transit Authority CA Telephone Access Program, North State Assistive Technology, Hamilton Relay Accessible telecommunications, College of Redwoods Disabled Students Disabled students programs, Eureka Police Department How to prevent fraud and scams, City of Eureka Pedestrian safety campaign, Social Security Administration, Enriching Lives, North Coast Rape Crisis Team, Humboldt Domestic Violence Serv. Support & Crisis Assistance, CA Dept. of Rehabilitation Services, LightHouse of the North Coast Blind & low vision services, The Low Vision Store Blind & low vision technology, People First of Eureka, Chance 4 Change, IHSS Care Provider Registry Referral, Elite Caregivers In-home care caregiver agency, Redwood Healthcare Services Skilled nursing services, Humboldt Senior Resource Center, St. Joseph Health care, Humboldt Allies Substance Abuse Prevention, Hope Center Wellness center, Reading Services of the Redwoods On-air access to printed publications, Humboldt Caregivers, Area 1 Agency on Aging Senior, Making Headway Center Traumatic Brain Injury services, Redwood Coast Regional Center, California MENTOR, Del Norte Supported Living Services, Juice Plus/Tower Garden Vegetable, Eureka Veterans Center Veteran Services, Tri-County Independent Living (GP Reached 50 SA / 20 FA/ 20 OTH/ Dollars Leveraged 250.00)
- OCRO staff met with the Assistant Emergency Manager at the Orange County Sheriff's Department Emergency Operations Center on June 29th, 2016 to receive

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an overview of the EOC and its functions in an active state. We discussed the Disability Access and Functional Needs (DAFN) emergency plan and the overall process in place for those with disabilities in Orange County when the Emergency Operations Center has been activated for use by the local communities. We will continue our collaboration on the Disability Access and Functional Needs Task Force (DAFN) and continue to look to one another for community support and resources, as needed. (ORGs 2 OTH)

- SACRO staff met with Gary Dietrich, President of Citizen Voice, www.citizenvoice.org. He developed a SafelyOut packet for people with disabilities to leave a door tag on their door if they are evacuated or need to be evacuated during an emergency. There is other basic information in the bag as well, including 2 pens. He provided 150 of these bags for me to distribute at the Supported Life and Self-Advocacy Conferences. He would also like to discuss distribution of SafelyOut around the State. Since SCDD regional offices do many trainings in their communities with families and individuals with I/DD, SCDD would be able to distribute these materials at any trainings. Staff will inform Managers about this resource. (ORGs 2 OTH)
- SACRO staff trained 60 adults with I/DD and 10 staff at Studio 700 on Emergency Preparedness, using the "Prepare for an Emergency" SCDD PowerPoint. Feeling Safe, Being Safe packet with additional inserts, as well as the Safely Out Kit and resources were explained and distributed. Training was coordinated by a self-advocate who attends this program and is a new RAC member (People Trained 60 SA/ 10 OTH)
- SACRO staff was invited to attend the Disaster Relief Task Force at the District Resource Center in Sacramento which represents 450 churches throughout Nevada and in California - north of Fresno. The Task Force plans to train pastors to understand and support the unique needs of individuals with I/DD in their congregations and in their communities at large - emergency situation. They requested that SCDD staff offer a 2-hour training on I/DD issues (history, service system in CA, specific issues pertaining to I/DD, preparing and supporting during emergencies) to 1500 ministers from 450 churches. Vance Taylor, Chief of Access and Functional Needs for OES was also present and shared his observations of evacuation shelters during the first in CA last year - and how they were not accessible. Mr. Taylor also announced OAFN launched a new webmap tool for resources throughout CA that could assist people with AFN during a disaster. Web link is: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov/Cal-OES-Divisions/Access-Functional-Needs>.

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(People Active 10 OTH/ ORGs 5 OTH)

- 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 San Bernardino County. This EDP training was (1) of (3) trainings throughout the Inland Empire. 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. In addition, the attendees were given a Department of Homeland Security "Active Shooter" quick reference guide that provides information on the (3) options individuals have; Run, Hide, Fight in the event of an active shooter. (People Trained 7 SA/ `5 FA/ 6 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
"Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) 2016/2017 funding for Phase 33 has been released for Tehama County"	35	135	243
Help Kids Cope App	300	808	200

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Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
	None			

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- LARO staff participated in the Consumer/Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting at UCEDD USC Children's Hospital LA (CHLA) to discuss community needs and future strategic planning for CAC to best support the I/DD community. Alex Phuong, a newly graduated student from CSULA as well as a member from Chinese Self-Advocacy Group Empowered (SAGE) and author of the Pacific Alliance on Disability Self-Advocacy (PADSA) mini-grant, provided an overview on Chinese SAGE and looked for feedback for future development. One of the goals of the USC UCEDD's 5-year grant is to bring more minorities into the Self-Advocacy Movement. Parents with mainstream self-advocacy groups was a common message that encouraged their adult children to challenge their cultural values of "respect for elders" and a freedom of decision-making that their children might not be ready for and that might place their adult children in peril or at risk for being taken advantage of. The UCEDD then began a process of helping Chinese adults with DD to form a self-advocacy group, Chinese Self-Advocacy Group Empowered (Chinese SAGE), under the organizational umbrella of the Chinese Parent Association for the Disabled (CPAD). This agenda item describes Chinese SAGE's success in receiving a mini-grant from the Pacific Alliance for Disability Self-Advocates (PADSA) to train and support Chinese SAGE members to learn about the voting process and ultimately to vote in the November elections. 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". (ORGs 13 OTH/ People attained membership on boards 3 SA/ 5 FA/ 21 OTH)
- NSRO staff participated in Butte Glenn Partners in Transition meeting on June 9, 2016. This is a committee where information and resource sharing occurs, as well as networking. The representative from Butte Glenn Community College has been reporting over the last year about the development of Occupational and Life Skills Noncredit Certificate of Completion Program. The focus of the Occupational and Life Skills Program is to prepare students for community integrated employment. The two separate levels of certification may be obtained through an occupation specific certification and a Butte Glenn Community College certificate of Completion. Students who successfully complete the program will have proof of competencies through these certifications presented to potential employers. The required core classes include: Occupational and Academic Assessment,

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Workplace Communication, Literacy for Career Building, Mathematics within Industry, Career Exploration, Strategies for Employment, Occupational Certification Workshop, and Experiential Vocational Training. (People Active 2 SA/ 2 FA/ 7 OTH/ ORGs 7 OTH)

- NVHRO staff attended a presentation by SCDD grant recipient Transitional Coaching and Development Institute at a transitional classroom setting in San Andreas. The presentation concerned transition from educational to adult services with an emphasis on independent living and employment. It was offered by 3 self-advocates who attend TCDI. Staff observed content, delivery, and audience reception to the presentation. In addition to the students, 3 staff viewed the presentation. (People Trained 11 SA/ 3 OTH)
- NVHRO Staff attended the Stockton Unified School Districts Young Adult Transition Class annual graduation ceremony. One of the students graduating was a past Work Ability Student for our office. SCDD is recognized annually at this event for being a work site for the work ability students. (GP Reached 16 SA/ 25 FA/ 15 OTH)
- NVHRO staff provided facilitation and participation in a group designing methods of improving transition services for students in Stanislaus County. Crafted meeting notes for group (ORGs 10 OTH)
- SDIRO - At the monthly Transition Coalition meeting, the main focus was the review and finalization of the Transition Needs Assessment that will go out to all the students in the various districts in San Diego and Imperial County from middle school to transition as well as district personnel, teachers, and families. The intention of the survey is to assess the needs and interests of the students and their families, as well as to determine their preferred days/times and locations for these trainings. While the past trainings offered were well received, the numbers of people attending were not as large as we would like to see, so we are also asking if people prefer longer, more comprehensive trainings, or should we stick to the single topic issues? The issue of distribution was also addressed, and key individuals, district personnel, agencies that send newsletters, etc. were identified so that we can reach as many people as possible. The upcoming Statewide Transition Alliance that will be held in San Diego in December was also discussed, and one of the committee members is going to reach out to the people planning this event to see if they could offer either a "student" or a "1 day" rate, so that more individuals with disabilities in transition could attend. The keynote speakers were discussed, and the local people submitting presentation ideas were reviewed

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as well. Two members of this committee participated in the San Diego Unified School District Transition Fair last month, and the feedback we received from families about this event was discussed as well. Additionally a review of Project College was given, and efforts to increase local participant attendance was also discussed. There were two programs outside of San Diego that are considering replicating in their area, so that might allow for more local students to attend, as currently we take the 12 most qualified candidates, and two individuals came from Colorado this year, and many students were from the Orange County area, and one from Victorville. (ORGs 5 OTH)

- SDIRO staff attended the monthly Medically Fragile Symposium planning meeting for the Transition Planning Symposium to be held on October 1, 2016. The committee has decided to focus on Transition to Adulthood for medically fragile youth ages 14 - 21. The theme is "Step Into The Future With Care". A variety of workshop topics have been identified and committee members are in the process of confirming speakers. A location has been confirmed and a Save The Date flyer has been developed and is being distributed. A registration form for exhibitors is being developed and will be ready for distribution by beginning of July. The registration for participants is being developed and will also be ready for distribution the beginning of July. Those in attendance were: California Children's Services, Together We Grow, Kaiser Permanente, Arc-San Diego and Inland Special Education Local Planning Area. (People Active 12 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff attended the Disability Collaborative meeting on Transition and assisted with planning a Fall Summit on financial planning. Staff appointed chair of the Collaborative. Collaborative active in recruiting new members and offering updated on Transition among all providers. (People Active 12 OTH/ ORGs 12 OTH)

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WinCo Foods Employment Opportunities Flyer	20	40	45

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Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T	Tech Support to FA regarding transition: Post-Secondary vs. Diploma			
T	Provided technical assistance regarding accommodations and supports for students in college. Appropriate resource was provided.	1		
T	Discussion with parent and consumer about art programs or options during the day, as they have been informed there are no programs to serve him at this time. Advocacy and rights discussed and recommendations to the CRA at the regional center.	1	1	
T	Parent seeking as special needs trust attorney as she states, “In a mess with social security saying my Special Needs Trust is missing Medicaid language”. Referred parent to an attorney who handles special needs trusts.		1	
T	Parent requesting advocacy for son entering high school. Referred parent to WarmLine Family Resource Center.		1	
T and E	Spoke to and provided information and technical assistance regarding Transition from middle to high school, as well as from high school to transition program to three different families		3	

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- LARO staff participated in the Consumer/Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting at UCEDD USC Children's Hospital LA (CHLA) to discuss community needs and future strategic planning for CAC to best support the I/DD community. Dr. Marian Williams, CHLA staff, provided an overview on "Help Me Grow" and looked for feedback and support. "Help Me Grow" is a network being implemented nationally to help identify young children with developmental or behavioral delays and link them with early intervention services. First 5 LA is supporting the launch of Help Me Grow in Los Angeles County. The kick-off meeting to plan the implementation was held on May 20, 2016. Help Me Grow has four components: 1. Health Care Provider Outreach (train child health care providers to use developmental screening tools and collaborate with others in the service system) 2. Community Outreach (increase awareness about the importance of early screening and connection to services) 3. Centralized Access (provide a referral service for families and providers to help families link with services) 4. Data Collection (track screening and linkage outcomes to inform the service system) SCDD LA Regional Office staff has been an active member to support the launch of Help Me Grow, and will continue the partnership and collaboration via UCEDD USC CAC. (ORGs 13 OTH/ People Attained Membership on Boards 3 SA/ 5 FA/ 21 OTH)
- NCRO staff facilitated the executive committee meeting of the County Child Care Planning Council monthly meeting on June 29th. The 5 Collaborating agencies included Child Care Planning Council, Head Start State Preschool, County Office of Education, North Coast Opportunities, Mendocino College Child Development. The group discussed the progress of new bills and legislative issues and discussed progress towards the annual goals, new hires for Council positions, budget priority expenditures and marketing materials for early childhood education and intervention services. The group discussed issues and new legislation regulations effecting general child care, major changes to after school programs, early education and intervention services, the Impact grant collaboration project with First 5 Mendocino County and funding increase for the statewide child development programs. (ORGs 5 OTH)
- OCRO staff 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

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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 Regional Center Advocacy Clinic - Ask an Advocate" served 4 families face-to-face and 1 parent by telephone. 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 5 FA/ People Active 2 OTH)

- OCRO staff participated in the Orange County Child Care and Development Planning Council's "Inclusion Collaborative" that meets monthly to ensure that children, age 0–12, with disabilities have equal access to all types of child care and education programs. At this meeting, the following items were discussed: -The surveys developed by this collaborative and the Early Childhood Mental Health Collaborative went out to 2,650 child care providers and State preschools and to date 180 surveys have been completed. The CSUF Center for Social Science Research that will collect, aggregate, and analyze the data, reported that at least 714 surveys will need to be completed in order to have statistically significant results. Survey completion should be within the next month or two. -The CCLD Legal Counsel agreed to reword, remove, and/or modify the language on CCLD Form 200A re: non-ambulatory licensure to provide care for children who are unable to exit independently in an emergency. -Legislation regarding SB172 (staff vaccines), SB 277 (child vaccines), and Pesticide Management certification training were reviewed. Members from the OC Child Care and Development Planning Council conducted training on this topic to 30 child care providers at Children's Home Society. There was discussion to translate the PowerPoint in threshold languages and conduct ongoing trainings, especially in Spanish, to CHS providers to ensure compliance. -Discussion of SPED ineligibility for children at age 3 in spite of delayed social/emotional development. SCDD addressed pending MOU with TASK to identify trends in special education and address them systemically. (ORGs 14 OTH)

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Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Story Time in American Sign Language	100	200	126
"Have You Heard the News! Group Music Therapy Update", Coachella Valley Autism Society (CVASA) is offering Group Music Therapy sessions for children with Autism and their siblings between the ages of 3-10. Music Therapy works with kids to increase their social skills, increase their fine and gross motor control along with assisting with some basic educational goals all while singing, dancing, and playing instruments. CVASA's Group music Therapy is held every first Tuesday of the month between 5-6pm at the Palm Desert Library.	150	250	200
Nature and Nurture Make it and Take if Sensory Box		310	17
Exceptional Family Resource Center Camps, Sports and Recreation Activities		310	17
"Rural Children's Health Conference"	35	135	243

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	
E	Sent E-Mail to Dr. Robin Hansen, UCD MIND Institute to collaborate with the Summer Institute at the UCD MIND in August 2016.			1
T	Parent requesting assistance with summer school. Referred parent to WarmLine Family Resource Center.		1	
T	Parent requesting SCDD to spread the word on a support group for families with children with I/DD that she is forming in south Sacramento.		1	
T	Provided information regarding Help Me Grow Collaborative to 8 FA		8	

Goal #8

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 made a presentation on the SSI Work Incentives to family members of individuals who will be transitioned into competitive integrated employment (CIE) from sub-minimum wage positions. Presentation topics include the following SSI work incentives: California's Working Disabled Program (WDP) Impairment-Related Work Expenses (IRWEs) Section 301, Vocational Rehabilitation Program Student Earned Income Exclusion Ticket-to-Work Plan for Achieving Self-Support (PASS) Individual Development Accounts (IDA) Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE Accounts) A step-by-step calculation and navigating DB101.org to demonstrate why work is better than just receiving SSI income was presented. A referral to the two Work Incentives & Planning Assistance (WIPAs) in LA County was shared with event participants for additional individualized assistance and support. SCDD LA Regional Office also provided handout materials 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 11 FA/ 4 OTH/ ORGs 2 OTH)
- NSRO staff provided a training on Employment First to Far Northern Regional Center Board of Directors on June 24, 2016. The training utilized the PowerPoint developed by the Statewide Self-Advocacy Network and addressed what the State Council on Developmental Disabilities is and the goal of the federal and state laws are to support people with developmental disabilities to achieve: self-determination, independence, productivity and community integration and inclusion. Also discussed the history of Employment First in California and accomplishments over the years. Discussed Competitive Integrated Employment, Customized Employment and Micro-enterprise Businesses. The training included how to access resources through the regional center for referrals to supported employment agencies, Department of Rehabilitation and the importance of self-advocacy through the entire process of the employment process. (People Trained 4 SA/ 5 SA/ 10 OTH/ ORGs 3 OTH)
- NVHRO staff 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 assistive technology, the upcoming election and voter registration. (ORGs 11 OTH)
- SDIRO attended both the "pre" Employment First, and the actual Employment First meetings. Unfortunately due to there being no quorum present, the business of the committee was discussed, but no action was taken. The committee was provided with an update on the Work Innovation and Opportunity Act, and one member that was unable to attend sent word of her concern that by reducing the

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committee to only those members in statute, the voice of the family was being lost, and this was unfortunate. The need for "Bridge" funding was discussed, as this is necessary for a successful transition, and it was suggested that at future meetings a status report be provided on this process. There was also an update on the CIE Blueprint, which is currently at the Department of Finance. The Structural deficit was also identified, and the suggestion was made that video-conferencing be employed in both the north and south so that former members can still participate in these meetings without having to travel. (ORGs 2 SA/ 8 OTH)

- SDIRO participated on the Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP) Webinar titled "Employment First State Leadership Mentoring Program (EFSLMP) Employer Engagement". This was an outstanding webinar provided by ODEP, and had a panel of presenters that employ people with disabilities in competitive, integrated employment. The various four presenters all had a positive experience in hiring people with disabilities, and have continued to support these individuals for years in their jobs. One presenter had been approached by a job developer that was with an agency. Since hiring the first woman with a disability, they now have 17% of their workforce as people with disabilities. The employer said they are in the top 3% of productivity, top 2% in attendance, and top 1% in attitude. While having to modify some equipment, overall the accommodations have been minimal. This employer also credited the success to the agency learning the business, their equipment, etc. and being able to provide appropriate supports and suggestions. The City of Seattle also presented, and while initially the job developer was funded through a Department of Vocational Rehabilitation grant for 18 months, the city has continued to hire people since 1998. Initially the job developer designed 30 positions where they could identify barriers, then went about dispelling myths and changed attitudes of other employees. There are now over 100 people with disabilities in 16 departments. 80% of these individuals have office jobs, 5% are in Parks and Janitorial, and the remaining 15% are in other departments. Each presenter addressed the differences made in the lives of their employees both with, and without disabilities. All of the information provided was valuable, and will be helpful in supporting local agencies to place people with disabilities in integrated, competitive employment. (ORGs 5 OTH)
- SDIRO participated on the three subcommittee calls of the Employment First Committee. As staff support to the new Chairperson of the Employment First Committee, it was informative to hear the perspective of various members of the committee that were able to participate on the call. The member representing the Department of Rehabilitation suggested that the agenda for future meetings be driven by the Employment First goals; the California Department of Education

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representative suggested a comprehensive guideline regarding Competitive, Integrated Employment for Persons with Disabilities be developed; one member from a UCEDD thought it would be important to articulate the roles and responsibilities of all agencies represented on the committee, as well as identify the expected outcomes, and what work the committee can be doing. There were many ideas presented, and another member from a UCEDD said she thought the last Employment First meeting had been a good one, and that strategies had been identified to promote CIE. These calls were very helpful to provide a complete picture of the committee for the new Chairperson. (ORGs 1 SA/ 10 OTH)

- SDIRO staff participated in a meeting to review and select four applicants with a disability attending college to each be awarded a \$1000.00 scholarship. A general committee meeting was held to review work being done by subcommittees to plan and prepare for the 2016 October Jobtoberfest Employment Fair. Those in attendance were the following: Downtown Impact, San Diego Regional Center, Disability Rights CA, Towards Maximum Independence, Sycuan Indian Reservation, Employment Development Dept., Dept of Rehabilitation, Episcopal Community Services, Outreach Consulting, Qualcomm, St Vincent de Paul, Alzheimer's Association, Deaf Community Services and San Diego Community College District (People Active 3 SA/ 20 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff with manager of Workability Program has arranged for student to receive vocational training at our office one time per week for two hours. The student is developing a website for the Roadmaps to Employment and Roadmap to Residential Placement. These Roadmaps are currently available as power points. The Disability Collaborative believes web access to the Road maps will be more accessible to the public (People Trained 1 SA/ 2 OTH)

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CIE, share success stories with DDS	2000	150	50
Employment Referrals	590	610	700

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Employment Referrals: Antartica/An Audition opportunity	590	610	613
Employment News	590	610	613
Invitation to participate on book on individuals with disabilities and employment	300	808	200
CIE Success Stories	300	808	200

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	TC from DDS staff requesting SCDD to encourage individual's around the state to share their stories with DDS about Compleitive Integrated Employment (CIE). SCDD staff provided information via MAILCHIMP.			1
E	Provided a parent with information on post-secondary educational opportunities in the community, as well as programs that could support her son on a college campus out of town (CIE and CLE) as well as more information on various employment agencies, and multiple transition resources.		1	
T	Provided CIE/day program information to FA		1	

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- LARO Regional Manager connected with GCC's Disabled Student Center to provide the needed support and seek further collaboration. GCC has a new vocational training program designed for students with autism to match their potentials with the required job skills. Detailed information can be accessed at <http://www.latimes.com/socal/glendale-news-press/news/tn-gnp-gccs-new-program-for-adults-with-autism-matches-potential-with-skills-20160507-story.html>. The new training is the result of GCC's new partnership with the Uniquely Abled Academy, which is part of the Uniquely Abled Project, based in Valley Village. The project works with educators, nonprofits and corporations to place high-functioning adults with autism in high-performing and well-paid jobs. SCDD LA Regional Manager shared the new shift on competitive integrated employment under the new WIOA with GCC Workability staff. SCDD LA Regional Office also provided handout materials 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". (ORGs 2 OTH)
- NSRO staff participated in a collaborative Social Security Work Programs Video Project that has been a long process to produce a video that will be housed on Glenn County Office of Education's (GCOE) website targeted for parents and students to learn about work incentive programs for those receiving SSI and SSA benefits. The video was also produced in Spanish. The committee is now at the editing phase of the video production - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_rl3s-_p7y0 . After all edits are made, the video will be put on DVDs to use in the classroom, meetings, community trainings, etc. 2 consumers that attend 7th Street Centre of the Arts participated in the filming of the project and were paid minimum wage for their work. This is a challenging subject to explain in plain language. The project did a great job at addressing the work incentive programs while received benefits under Social Security Administration and kept the videos to approximately 30 minutes. Leveraged Funds: GCOE established contract with Mains'l - 7th Street Centre of the Arts - \$4,000 Far Northern Regional Center - In Kind Donation of small conference room for filming project (People Active 2 SA/ 1 FA/ 5 OTH/ Orgs 4 OTH)
- NVHRO - The SCDD North Valley Hills Project College Team (SCDD staff and Program Specialist from Lodi Unified SELPA) staff flew to San Diego to observe a few days of the Project College event. Staff met with the SD Project College Team that included the SCDD San Diego/Imperial office. Staff were able to observe and

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interact with the students during the three days there. Our team is in the beginning stages of trying to replicate Project College for our area. We have had several meetings and the team determined that going to San Diego to actually see how it lays out would be helpful on our end to get more collaborators interested in this concept. Our goal is to model the SD Project College, which is really organized and utilizes several partners. Our team is going to try to work with the University of the Pacific in Stockton on this model. While in San Diego, SCDD staff was able to meet many of the collaborators who offered assistance to us as we proceed. It was a worthwhile and productive trip. The 12 students at the SD Project College were really a wonderful group of students and seems to really gain knowledge and experience that will help them in college. On the last day, staff was able to attend the parent/student reunion and it was a really emotionally charged gathering. A very positive experience. Our team member from San Joaquin County Office of Education SELPA was unable to make the trip at the last minute- but will meet with the two of us who did fly to SD to gather next steps. (ORGs 3 OTH)

- NVHRO staff worked for quite a while to complete a contract renewal between SCDD and Central Valley Training Center to employ four adults with developmental disabilities and a job coach to provide janitorial services 4 times a month in our office. Scope of work was reviewed and new invoice processes were put into place. The contract will be for one year. (ORGs 2 OTH/ Prog-Polciies created 1 OTH/ People Trained 4 SA)
- OCRO staff e-mailed all Orange County adult transition teachers and coordinators to inquire about whether their school sites, and in turn students, are being directly impacted as a result of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) Rule 71 on internship programs. This rule may have possible unintended consequences on adult transition students between the ages of 16-22. Essentially, this new rule states that students cannot do the same/similar type of work as other employees, thus benefitting the employer, at a for profit business without receiving minimum wage compensation. There are some circumstances under which individuals who participate in “for-profit” private sector internships or training programs may do so without compensation, but most school districts in Orange County feel that how they presently provide workability does not fall within the test. Timing of the email was not ideal, as most districts went out on summer break, but the results received thus far are as follows: Santa Ana Unified School District lost 30 job sites directly affecting 150 adult transition students Saddleback Valley Unified School District

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lost 19 job sites affecting 32 adult transition students Newport Mesa Unified School District has 20 for profit sites and it may impact 60-70 students Tustin Unified School District lost 4 job sites affecting 9 adult transition students. The loss of these sites for unpaid work experience has a huge impact on the school's ability to provide services for adult students. If schools have to pay all of the adult transition students, they would not be able to provide real life, on the job, work experiences for these students who are preparing to enter the workforce when they leave the transition program. School districts do not receive enough money to cover all of the students they would need to pay. Additionally, it would impact the high school program and their ability to provide paid work experience to prepare those students who may not have post-secondary education goals. (ORGs 31 OTH)

- OCRO staff participated in the Orange County Employment Advocacy Network (OCEAN) subcommittee to prepare/plan for the October employment conference and resource fairs. All speakers are confirmed for this event and next steps include creating the conference flyer, preparing materials for distribution, and reaching out to vendors for the resource fair portion of the event. The full OCEAN collaborative meets monthly to identify issues and develop solutions to the changes that are occurring with respect to employment and day services. OCEAN, established in 1991, is a professional association that assists members and employers in creating employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities. (ORGs 4 OTH)
- SACRO staff attended and participated in the UCD Think Transition meeting at UCD Mind Institute, Sacramento. The purpose of this meeting is to explore resources and best practices for individuals with ID/DD transitioning into college and employment. Joshua Hori, Assistive Technology Specialist at the UC Davis campus was the guest speaker today. Joshua demonstrated technology that he uses with students at the college. He shared the computer applications that can assist with students learning. Most popular with students, he shared technology, Sonocent Audio Notetaker, so a student doesn't have to write notes anymore, it highlights your audio while you read it. This is available at no cost to the student. Also, Trello, is popularly used as a project management tool for students. Resources and information about the challenges for college bound youth who are on the autism spectrum was shared. According to the article "Despite Smarts, Few On The Spectrum College-Bound" by Meredith Kolodner, The Hechinger Report June 10, 2016 notes a pilot program on five campuses at the City

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University of New York, where the number of students who disclosed that they are on the spectrum has more than doubled since 2012, has shown promising results. Faculty who oversee the REACH peer mentoring program recognize vast differences in the behaviors and abilities of people on the spectrum, there is no one-size-fits-all solution. REACH is built around a combination that works: weekly workshops (which are open to all students with disabilities) and one-on-one peer mentorship seem to meet a lot of students' needs. According to the article, autism experts say that the peer mentor model is one of the best. Drexel supports all students requesting a peer mentor the choice to identify as being on the spectrum or not, in reality all students identified themselves. (People Active 1 SA/ 2 FA/ 7 OTH/ People Trained 1 OTH/ ORGs 6 OTH)

- SBRO staff attended the Southwest Regional Committee meeting of the Workforce Development Board (WDB) that was held at the Southwest Workforce Development Center in Murrieta within Riverside County. Welcome and Introductions were completed and then reports were requested from group members. One Stop Operations Committee discussed the numbers of individuals who have attended the sites. They are going to be asking individuals "How did you hear about us?" to better track what is effective. The Youth Committee stated that they are trying to get their Youth Center up and running before the end of July 2016. Focus will be on ages 16 - 24 generation "Z" for WIA & WIOA. Services for people w/disabilities is preparing for Oct. 2016 employment outreach w/ Riverside employers, job seekers and DOR collaboration. Committee is looking for several outreach efforts. Moving forward the chair gave a brief report and then there were group discussions on Workforce and Economic Stimulation efforts, local apprenticeship programs, taking business to the next level and minimum wage. There were no public comments and the meeting was adjourned. (ORGs 17 OTH)
- SDIRO - The week long college living experience kicked off the afternoon of Sunday, June 19, 2016, and went until the afternoon of Friday, June 24, 2016. The program was attended by 12 students with various disabilities that will either be attending college in the fall, or entering their senior year of high school, and then attending college. The students attended classes from 9:00 am until 4:00 every day, enjoyed a variety of evening activities daily, and learned how to navigate the campus, manage a meal card that was pre-loaded with a set amount of money, and had the experience of living with roommates. (ORGs 8 OTH)

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APSE Regional Institute		51	142
Audition Flyer for Sony Pictures		167	20
Benefits to Hiring Those on the Spectrum		150	113
Employment Support for Young Adults with Disabilities Webinar			85
The Implications of WIOA for Seamless Transition for Youth with Significant Disabilities Webinar			210
Partnerships in Employment Systems Change Funding Opportunities			210
Scholarship Opportunities for Post- Secondary Education	18	378	39
9.1 Invitation to Participate in Careers in the Arts for People with Disabilities Dialogue!	30	68	60
9.1 RCRC Client Advocate Candidate Job Announcement	30	68	127

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 employment and appropriate supports.		1	
T	Caller looking for job-finding resources for a cousin with disabilities. Referred to Verdugo Job Center		1	
F	Referred 5 people to California Department of Labor Standards Enforcement for assistance with employment issues			5

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F/T	Referred 2 people to Social Security Administration for employment related issues and status of benefits.	1		1
E	9.1 Provided information and resources regarding State application process and resume wiring	1		

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- LARO staff, on behalf of the Self-Advocacy Board of LA County, posted on their Facebook page an article and audio file titled, "Women With Disabilities Need Reproductive Health Care." Link below: <http://wvtf.org/post/women-disabilities-need-reproductive-health-care#stream/0> (GP Reached 1,813 OTH)
- NSRO staff met with Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center Board and Tina Tyler-O'Shea in June to continue planning for the "Cycle Without Limits" Bike Camp project teaching individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to ride a bicycle. Collaborators on the event are the County HHS 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, and the Boys and Girls Club. The ARRC is paying \$4,000 to rent the gym for the project for the week as well is paying for the trainers as for all the trainers. The cost of trainers and the bikes @ another \$5,500 for a total cost of \$9,500. Three family advocates are participating in the project planning. The Bike Camp sponsored by the Recreation Center and provided by United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay will be offered in the summer from July 24th to the 29th. It is one of the new projects that will be offered at the Open ARRC Recreation Center. This camp provides a 5 day instructional program that teaches children and adults on how to ride a conventional two wheeled bicycle or an adapted cycle. Parents and volunteers will come on the Sunday before for an orientation. North Coast staff is continuing to provide technical assistance to the planning team and getting the flier and registration forms out to potential participants. Staff went to People First meeting, bike Shops, Rotary, Mendocino Striders, KZYX radio station and put in the Healthy Mendocino newsletter, and gave out fliers. Fliers are being sent to the School District Special Education Coordinators, Family Resource Centers, Mendocino College Athletic Directors, Mendocino College, Nuestra Alianza, all Schools, Transition programs, supported living programs, Boys and Girls club and many others. Staff wrote several articles for the recreation newsletter about the bike camp and other inclusive programs being offered at the ARRC. The newsletter goes out to 887 community members. (ORGs 3 FA/ 5 OTH/ GP Reached 20 SA/ 30 FA/ 887 OTH/ Dollars Leveraged \$2,375)
- NSRO staff participated in the planning, organizing and coordination of our regional coalition's Diversity Advocacy Network's annual conference titled "Medi-Cal 2020: Opportunities for Integration and Collaboration" on June 23, 2016 in Chico. The conference was attended by 100 community members and included 9 professional speakers. The opening speaker was Margaret Tatar, Managing

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Principal, Health Management Associates, who addressed the "Future of Medi-Cal Managed Care in Rural California," she moderated a panel discussion on "Models of Integrated Care." The panel presenters were: 1) Sandy Henley, Epidemiologist - Butte County Public Health Department 2) Amy Turnipseed, Director of Policy and Program Development - Partnership HealthPlan of California 3) Sandra Rose, Director of Health Programs - California Health & Wellness 4) Kristin Free, Medical Social Worker - Enloe Post Acute Care Team Our luncheon program was Social Determinants of Health and Connectedness - Luncheon Presentation by Celeste Jones, Professor - School of Social Work, CSU Chico & Seema Sehrawat, Professor - School of Social Work, CSU Chico The conference ended with PRIME Program for District Hospitals - Presentation by Sarah Muller, Vice President of External Affairs - California Association of Public Hospitals) & Rhonda Grandi, Clinics Director - Eastern Plumas Hospital District. Dollars Leveraged: \$2,000 - The SCAN Foundation Grant awarded to Disability Action Center that houses DAN Coalition. (People Trained 3 SA/ 2 FA/ 95 OTH/ Orgs 6)

- NSRO staff provided a support letter of Ampla Health's efforts in its grant application for a new medical clinic in Magalia, California. Ampla Health is in the process of preparing a request for a New Access Point (NAP) Grant in Butte County through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Human Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Ampla Health's grant application represents a wonderful opportunity to provide greater healthcare coverage for Butte County residents, which is needed. Ampla Health serves persons with disabilities, including persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities, senior citizens, low-income populations, those who are medically under-served, and others who are unemployed or are without adequate financial resources. Ampla Health represents the largest provider of preventative and primary medical, dental, behavioral and ancillary services to uninsured, under-insured and under-served minorities and other general residents who face multiple barriers to obtain healthcare service within its six-county service region. The award of a New Access Point Grant to Ampla Health will directly contribute to improving existing and expanding patient access to healthcare, and result in improving this population's health statistics (People Active 1 OTH/ ORGs 1 OTH)
- NVHRO - The Brain Health 5K Walk/Run took place on June 25th 2016. The event had over 200 registered participants, 20 volunteers and vendors from Walgreen's, Golden One credit union, Dignity Health, and San Joaquin General Hospital. The Brain Walk doubled the number of participants from last year. Participants and

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volunteers came from, San Joaquin, Amador, Calaveras, Stanislaus and other counties. Participants were given informational bags that included SCDD materials along with other Health related information around Stroke prevention and awareness. Staff participated on the planning team and served as co-chair for the event. SCDD gave \$999.00 in sponsorship for this community, cross disability event. Stockton's Mayor Sliva kicked off the event. Radio personality for 105.5 Jim T Chong (AKA WOKSTAR) was the emcee for the event. Dollar's Leveraged were from water donation from Walgreens. Walgreen's was also a major contributor for the event, donating cases of water for the aid stations and finish line. Staff sent e-blast about the run to community partners, such as day, programs, VMRC and other vendors. In addition Staff coordinated with Vendors, Medical response team, event coordinator and sponsors throughout the entire planning of event. (GP Reached 12 SA/ 15 FA/ 173 OTH/ Dollars Leveraged \$500)

- NVHRO staff is Co-chair for this event- The Brain Health 5K Walk/Run team. The mission is to bring awareness about Stroke prevention and aftercare. The team wants to get the word out about risk factors and signs if someone is having a stroke, what action should be taken. Planning committee went over vendor forms, finalized course map and chose desert give aways. (People Active 2 SA/ 4 FA/ 4 OTH)
- NVHRO staff provided support to the SSAN representative from our area and our SCDD Representative at the Brain Health 5 K Run/Walk in down town Stockton. SCDD staff George Lewis was co-chair of this event and will complete an activity report on SCDD's sponsorship of this great event. Stockton Mayor, Anthony Silva gave opening remarks at the event. (Public Policymakers Educated 1 OTH/ People Trained in Leadership 2 SA)
- OCRO staff constructed the agenda and facilitated the Health Care Task Force on June 7, 2016. Members met to address the following agenda items: ABA funding transition presented by the CalOptima Behavioral Health Medical Director; Community Placement Plan Homes for those moving from Fairview; The Medi-Cal 2020 / 1115 Waiver Renewal process from CalOptima's Director of Government Affairs; and determination of the Task Force's future meeting schedule. CalOptima has enrolled about 950 children with Autism into ABA services through Beacon Behavioral Services thus far. About 600 of those enrolled came into services independently rather than through regional center. The mean is about 8 hours/week of ABA services, according to the Behavioral Health Medical Director. He reported that things are going smoothly and he anticipates that as Beacon

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expands their ability to serve more children, their wait times and customer service will improve. Community Placement Plan for Fairview Movers: Regional Center of Orange County has requested DDS approval to develop (through the RFP process) 7 ARFPSHN facilities for those with specialized health care needs. RCOC has 79 consumers remaining at Fairview Developmental Center. Review of the Fixing Denti-Cal report will be addressed at the next meeting due to time constraints in June. The next Health Care Task Force meeting will be July 13th, 2016 from 1:30pm to 3:00pm. (ORGs 11 OTH/ People Active 1 SA/ 1 FA/ 9 OTH)

- OCRO staff helped organize, plan, and facilitate for the CalOptima Community Alliances Forum 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 Forum held a panel presentation entitled "Bridging the Changes in our Community." With even more changes to Medi-Cal on the horizon, the panelists shared each organization's role in the outreach and enrollment efforts for eligible children into full-scope Medi-Cal in Orange County. Panelists included: • Georgina Maldonado, executive director, Community Health Initiative of Orange County • Michael Ueda, Medi-Cal Program administrative manager I, Social Services Agency • Le Nguyen, associate director of customer service, CalOptima More than 160 people from the community attended. Recent changes to Medi-Cal services, as well as those in the future were explained by Candice Gomez, executive director of program implementation at CalOptima. The panel also shared innovative Medi-Cal outreach efforts in Orange County, the enrollment process for eligible Medi-Cal recipients, and services available to all Medi-Cal members. (ORGs 160 OTH)
- OCRO staff 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 was primarily a work day (putting packets together, registration set-up, logistics for the event) to get everything ready for the Forum taking place this Wednesday. The planning committee is not only responsible to develop the content and topic for the Forum, but also the labor that goes into hosting a conference serving 200 attendees. (ORGs 12 OTH)

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- OCRO staff received the presentation by the Palliative Care Program Medical Director (HOAG Hospital) and the Vice President, Outreach & Advocacy (Alzheimer's OC) for feedback. The presentation focused on the nature of suffering and the goals of medicine; the differences and similarities of Palliative and Hospice; cultural and spiritual concerns related to end-of-life issues; methods to overcome barriers to person-centered care for people at the end of life. The history of hospice was discussed as well as the overall treatment intent when determining hospice/palliative care; the likely members of an interdisciplinary team; and barriers to implementing palliative care. Often, the family and/or patient aren't prepared for "the end," and even the treating physician may be in denial because it signifies failure. Unfortunately, this means the patient may not receive comfort measures at the ideal time. Advance Health Care Directive (AHCD) and Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) were reviewed. (ORGs 5 OTH)
- SACRO staff attended the Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee (MCDAC) meeting at First 5 Sacramento Commission. About 25 agencies, medical establishments, dentists, family members, and advocates attend. About 30 individuals and 2 family members are active on the committee. Dental Plans gave updates on their activities and utilization trends. It was proposed that a subcommittee be established to focus on Anesthesia/Hospital Dentistry for children and adults with disabilities or behaviors. There was discussion about the lack of response to questions posed to DHCS regarding access to dental services and denials from Medi-Cal or dental plans for treatment. Discussion involved next steps to take to have a stronger influence and increase success of improving access to care. Another CDA Cares event offering dental services to the community is scheduled for October 14-16, 2016 in Stockton. (ORGs 20 OTH/ People Active 30 OTH/ Prog-Policies created OTH)
- SBRO staff collaborated with community stakeholders and coordinated a specialized training presentation on the Medicare insurance benefits, policy protocols, appeal rights, billing, claims and fraud abuse prevention. Harbage was to present on the California Coordinated Care Initiative, Medi-Cal and Cal MediConnect however, they did not attend due to a scheduling issue. The presentation was held at the San Bernardino Regional Office of SCDD and was very well received by all those who attended. Materials disseminated were; the training offered by SCDD SBRO, "Health Services & Accessible Providers" trainings provided by IEHP & Molina Healthcare, SCDD "Then & Now" flyer,

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"Housing and Living Options" training by SCDD SBRO and various handouts provided by the presenters. The next combined training event is scheduled for 08-04-2016. (People Trained 3 SA/ 1 FA/ 5 OTH)

- SBRO staff collaborated with Molina Healthcare to provide a community outreach presentation titled "Health Services and Accessible Providers" within the local community. SCDD SBRO staff coordinated with the City of Ontario in San Bernardino County, to use a venue within their Senior Citizens Center (free of charge) to host this informational event. The items discussed at the training were regarding the services, information about bridge2access, coordinated care, wellness, transportation and advocacy services. This training was provided in spanish for the participants, and translation services were provided by Molina staff for the pre/post survey data. (People Trained 10 SA/ 4 FA/ 2 OTH)
- SDIRO met with the Director of Education and Outreach from the Alzheimer's San Diego office to discuss the possibility of doing a training for service providers regarding the early signs of dementia/Alzheimer's Disease; communication techniques to employ with these individuals; etc. The individual was very receptive to this idea, and was looking for ways to reach this very population. Given that enthusiastic response, staff proceeded to check what the interest level would be among residential and day program staff, and since it was considered important and of interest, plans are being made to conduct this training in the early part of September.
- SDIRO staff attended the monthly wellness committee meeting. The group discussed the regional center's decision to suspend the committee due to the fact two long-standing committee members, one of which was the chairperson have left the committee and no one from the regional center has offered to take on the responsibilities of chairing the committee. The latest version of the YeHaw! newsletter was finalized and will be distributed. Collaborators are San Diego Regional Center, Home of Guiding Hands, Arc San Diego, San Diego People First and various other community organizations. (ORGs 6 OTH)

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NF/AH waiver renewal 30 day public comment period			300
San Diego Access and Crisis Line Information	12	322	105
California's CalFresh Program		361	17
Free Mental Health First Aid Trainings - English		310	117
Free Mental Health First Aid Trainings – Spanish		310	117
Summer Sports Spectacular		310	20
Understanding Your Medicare and Medi-Cal Benefits	12	310	17
Eat Right, Future Bright! Learn Key Nutrition Strategies & Tips for Managing Prader-Willi Syndrome		310	34
Brain Development Imaging Laboratory – 5 Year Study		167	17
2016 Cool Zones helps seniors and people with disabilities stay cool during hot summer days		361	145
"Urgent! Take action to save SHIP (HICAP)"	35	135	240
"Act Now – Federal HICAP Funding at Risk"	35	135	243
"The NF/AH waiver renewal: DRC comments"	35	135	243
Excessive Heat Warning June 19-21	300	808	200
What agencies serve Medi-Cal Enrollees? Mental Health and Autism Insurance Project	13	187	188
Recruiting Patient Advocates	13	187	188
What agencies serve Medi-Cal Enrollees? Mental Health and Autism Insurance Project		318	292

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Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T, E	Assisted family with lack of ABA services due to waitlists		1	
T, E	Assisted family with APS and vendor concerns		1	
E,T	Assisted Family with mental health resources for her son’s needs.		1	
T	Offered tech support FA regarding health care needs at day program.			
T	Referral 1 person to Butte County Behavioral Health for counseling and other related services	1		
T/E	Referred 1 family member seeking assistance from California Children’s Services in Butte County.		1	
T	Referred 1 family member to Office Of Clients’ Rights Advocacy with assistance to appeal denial for Respite Services		1	
T	Adult Protective Services (SPS) nurse called regarding a consumer living with family and is being neglected. Referred APS nurse to OCRA and to DDS, ACRC liaison.			1
E	Received an email from a parent requesting dental services access for her son who requires sedation and possibly hospitalization to perform dental procedures. Referred to medical team at the regional center.		1	
T	WarmLine Family Resource Center (FRC) staff contacted SCDD staff regarding a call they received from a parent who requested assistance with son with severe behavioral outbursts and is a danger to self and others. Family is at the point of needing to contact law enforcement. Suggested the FRC staff encourage the parent to contact the Regional Center for behavioral support/assessment and also suggested the parent contact their local police dept. to alert and inform them they may need assistance at some point, as a way of collaborating for best support.			1
T	Parent requesting information on community resources for leisure activities in the Sacramento Area for her adult daughter. Referred to WarmLine and		1	

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	also provided information on the YMCA, Parks and Recreation and Sacramento State College activities websites.			
T	Parent requesting help with 13 year old daughter who has issues with mental health (hospitalized 2x), school attendance, behavioral needs as well. Referred parent to the Regional Center, WarmLine Family Resource Center and to National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI)		1	
T	Provided information on resources for a family to pursue regarding the health insurance they are paying for to insure that their daughter receive the best health care possible, as well as information regarding the various agencies and businesses they could explore regarding the problems they were experiencing with the wheelchair provided to their daughter.		2	
F	4.1 Provided Adult Protective Service & RCRC complaint information to a service provider regarding the care of two clients served by RCRC.			1
T	Provided information about role of SCDD in the health care system to community hospital personnel			1
E	Emails to 4 professionals to coordinate upcoming health care task force collaborative			4
T	FA requested dental resources for those with I/DD; information provided.		1	

Goal #11

Individuals with developmental disabilities have access to affordable and accessible housing that provides control, choice and flexibility regarding where and with whom they live.

- LARO staff mailed two copies of our Housing Resources Guide to families who requested them at the Southwest SELPA transition fair. This is in addition to approximately 15 begin distributed at the fair. (GP Reached 17 FA)
- OCRO - Anaheim Housing Authority's Housing Services Manager, Grace Stepter, conducted a housing access training for 19 persons with disabilities as part of the Integrity Cottages (Anaheim) self-advocacy group. She provided information on transitioning from a project-based voucher (such as the Integrity Cottages) to a portable Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher, where to find affordable housing, HUD payment standards, and general information on eligibility and rules. Several self-advocates inquired about the portability of the voucher, what happens to their individual voucher if they get married and then similarly, what happens to the voucher upon a divorce. She also provided information on the AHA home ownership program as well. (People Trained 19 SA/ ORGs 2 OTH)
- OCRO staff facilitated the Integrity House Self-Advocacy Group on Wednesday, June 15, 2016. The Santa Ana Housing Authority presented on housing vouchers and the current affordable housing process/system; there were 17 self-advocates, 6 staff, and 3 community members who participated fully in the presentation and discussion about the topic. SCDD Orange County staff facilitated the Integrity House Self-Advocacy Group on Wednesday, June 15, 2016. The Santa Ana Housing Authority presented on housing vouchers and the current affordable housing process/system; there were 17 self-advocates, 6 staff, and 3 community members who participated fully in the presentation and discussion about the topic. The focus of the training was specific to the wait list (2-5 years), application process (now on-line as of 2015), frequency of openings (monthly attrition helps open wait list), eligibility (income, disability, VA), rent comparables/standards (process of determining how much the housing authority will pay, roommates (need separate leases), and current vacancy rate in Santa Ana (2.7%). (People Trained in Leadership 17 SA/ 0 FA/ 9 OTH)
- SBRO staff collaborated with the Fair Housing Council Riverside County and staff at Sheltering Wings day program facility to provide a community outreach presentation on Housing and Living Options free of charge at their facility in Blythe within Riverside County. Staff with Fair Housing was unable to attend but asked for SCDD staff to present on their behalf. The Fair Housing Council presentation was 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. The

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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", SCDD "Advocacy Alert on Independent Living Services/ILS" one pager, 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). (People Trained 4 SA/ 5 FA/ 3 OTH)

- 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. (ORGs 2 SA/ 15 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Affordable Housing Opportunity	3	361	134
City of Long Beach Housing Choice Voucher Open Wait List	300	808	200

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	Assisted FA regarding Housing			
T	Call from APS regarding emergency residential placement			1
T	Consumer requesting information about housing availability in the	1		

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	Sacramento area.			
T	TC from Robert R. Self-Advocate. Wants to move to another county and get ILS assistance to find an apartment. Encouraged him to work with his SC to explore options.			
F	11.1 Provided information to FA regarding out of area Section 8 housing resource and referrals		1	
F	11.1 Housing information regarding section 8 housing units being built for seniors in Ukiah	1		
F	11.1 Provided ADA housing information at behavioral Health Board			
F	11.1 Provided information to SA regarding Section 8 housing resource and referrals, saving money, and other local resources			
P	11.1 Assisted regional center staff regarding client housing options and alternatives. Informed the staff about housing discrimination resources and provided contact to RCRC – OCRA in the event that the barrier to housing/denial of application.	2		1
P	11.1 Called rental agency regarding client housing options for two people with disabilities and given other resources for assistance	2		
P	11.1 Assisted a parent whose daughter is a regional center client regarding family of 7 being evicted and gave the client housing options, alternatives and discrimination resources and provided contact to RCRC – OCRA, victim assistance Program, No. CA Legal Aid		1	
E	Provided information to 1 SA and 2 FA regarding affordable housing in Orange County	1	2	
E	Assisted FA with community resources for community facility placement options w/consideration to least-restrictive environment.		1	
T	Referred SA to Disability Rights and Clients Rights Advocate for assistance with a Regional Center appeal on a denial of services to provide resources for independent residence.	1		

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Affordable and accessible housing units are developed in local communities to expand housing options for individuals with developmental disabilities.

- LARO hosted and participated in a presentation on affordable housing. Alex Visotzky, Policy & Development Analyst of NHSLA provided an overview of NHSLA and discussed affordable and accessible housing in the LA County. In addition to his PowerPoint presentation, which is attached, he also shared the following advocacy activities to push for affordable housing in LA: Build Better LA—BBLA policy will be on the ballot in November (although not quite in layman's terms), which will require affordable housing and good jobs in any new development near transit or any development that seeks a zone change. This policy is being pushed forward by the Alliance for Community Transit. Linkage Fee—This is a proposal from LA Mayor Garcetti, which would place a fee on any new development that could then be used to preserve and create affordable housing units. The fee is still in its infancy in terms of policy design, and there's going to need to be a good deal of advocacy to ensure that it's a strong policy that actually helps preserve and create housing for people at all income levels. Measure R2—The transportation ballot measure that will be voted on in November. If it passes, there will be more work to make sure that some of the funding in the "Local Return Funding" goes to the people and places that need it most in the form of 1) housing for low- to moderate-income people and preventing displacement, 2) access services & paratransit, 3) active transportation infrastructure that creates safe streets for everyone. SCDD LA Office will forward the above info to SCDD LPPC for systemic advocacy to enhance affordable and integrated living for individuals with I/DD and their families. (People Trained 7 SA/ 7 FA / 12 OTH/ ORGs 2 OTH)
- NCRO staff participated in housing discussion at the Behavioral Health and Recovery Board. Staff as part of the housing committee discussed the housing options for the 1.3 million in housing developments funds and progress in meeting with City Councils to get support for the projects. Rural Community Housing Development Corp. is looking for support from the City councils in funding and or donated land. Members of the housing committee attended the Behavioral Health Board to advocate for more housing for low income clients and people with disabilities. Several projects being worked on are a 30-40 unit complex and the Tiny House project as well as a proposed 80 unit complex. Without support the housing complex will not move forward and the funding could be returned if progress is not made soon. (ORGs 9 OTH/ Public Policymakers Educated 5 OTH)
- SVM BRO staff coordinated a meeting between San Andreas Regional Center manager and Housing Choices Coalition Manager to discuss Request for

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Information needs of the Santa Clara County Housing Authority. At the meeting it was agreed Housing Choices Coalition would write the RFI to describe how housing services are provided to those with developmental disability through the regional center / vendor method of service delivery. Staff offered support for the RFI and reviewed draft document. (ORGs 3 OTH/ People Active 32 OTH)

- SVMBRO staff coordinated a meeting with new Bay Area SCDD service manager, new Golden Gate Regional Center Manager, the director of Kelsey Residential Services, and the director of Brilliant Connors. Purpose of meeting was to facilitate introductions and begin dialog on developing the housing concepts of Kelsey in the Bay Area housing market. (ORGs 5 OTH/ People Active 5 OTH/ Orgs 4 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Affordable Homes planned at the Great Park	300	808	200

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
E	Assisted Provider with Housing Development			1
T	Foster care professional requested information about regional center eligibility for a foster youth.			1

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- LARO hosted and participated in a presentation on ACCESS Services, the consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA) for Los Angeles County. Access Services is responsible for the administration of ACCESS, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) mandated paratransit transportation program for Los Angeles County. Louis Burns, Customer Services Administrator, provided an overview of ACCESS and facilitated a Q&A session. The following info was shared in both English and Spanish:
http://accessla.org/riding_access/gaining_eligibility.html
http://accessla.org/riding_access/access_riders_guide.html The presenter took several questions from the audience and would follow up with responses the following weeks. 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 7 SA/ 7 FA/ 12 OTH/ ORGs 2 OTH)
- LARO staff attended a meeting on June 3, 2016, of the Community Advisory Committee for the University of Southern California University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities. Staff provided technical assistance and input regarding community needs, feasibility of proposed plans, and as requested. Collaborators: University of Southern California University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, Disability Rights California, Chinese Parents Association for the Disabled, Family Resource Centers Network for Los Angeles County, Westside Regional Center Consumer Advisory Committee, National Association on Mental Illness, Team of Advocates for Special Kids, Westside Family Resource and Empowerment Center, Family Focus Resource Center, Fiesta Educativa, 211 LA County, UC Davis MIND Institute, and Tarjan Center at UCLA. (ORGs 13 OTH/ People Attained membership on boards 2 FA/ 21 OTH)
- LARO staff participated in the monthly teleconference of the Paratransit Riders' Coalition. A variety of issues were discussed including how complaints are handled, reservation data, meeting with another Access Inc subcontractor, and accessibility concerns about the new Expo light rail line. SCDD suggested that Coalition members who are also members of Access Services' Consumer Advisory Committee, request information from Access staff pertaining to their technology and routing software and also about the size (square miles served as well as number of riders) of each of their subcontractors since some of the

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problems may be related to their unequal sizes. (People Active 9 SA/ 3 OTH/ ORGs 4 OTH)

- NCRO staff continue to facilitated and monitor meeting issues between the City of Ukiah and the Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center in providing and accommodating inclusive programs at the Recreation facility for about 110 participants. The city schedules basketball league time and programs like Special Olympics and Adult Day programs have had difficulty getting any time on the calendar for their activities. The Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center is providing full scholarship to the two programs so they are able to have activities at this site and North Coast staff also negotiated with the City to provide time for the inclusive programs making sure that the city did not schedule them at times that did not work for the groups making it impossible for the groups to use the building at all. (Prog-Policies created 1 OTH/ ORGs 4 OTH/ GP Reached 110 SA)
- OCRO staff attended the Connection Cafe sponsored by Help Me Grow OC on June 2nd, 2016. During this event, staff had an opportunity to meet and network with around 50 state/county/city agencies and local providers serving young children who are at-risk or diagnosed with intellectual/developmental disabilities. SCDD Orange County staff promoted pertinent upcoming trainings as well as access to our regular e-blasts in addition to an overall summary of the services we offer our community. Staff also discussed details regarding future collaborations between Help Me Grow and SCDD Orange County Office in an effort to ensure the maximum amount of children/families are served through our work together. (ORGs 50 OTH)
- OCRO staff attended the Regional Center of Orange County Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC) meeting and promoted the upcoming Person-Centered Planning and APPsolute Fun Trainings. Additionally, the SCDD Orange County staff suggestion to construct a task force for vendors working with consumers moving out of Fairview Developmental Center was presented to the group. The following topics were also discussed: --RCOC has 79 consumers remaining at Fairview Developmental Center. RCOC has requested approval from DDS to develop 7 ARFPSHN facilities for those moving from Fairview into the community. -The CalABA Executive Director presented on AB 1715 which proposes to change certification requirements for those providing ABA-specific behavioral services. - Interest by ABA providers in obtaining electronic signatures from families rather than expending resources to drive around Orange County gathering signatures on time sheets at the end of each month. -Discussion about concern from some

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providers about the ability for anyone to receive updates from CCL for their licensed facilities/day cares/etc by visiting CCL website and requesting email notifications. -Information shared by OCTA regarding same-day taxi service, which may help serve people who are no longer on the route. The VAC is comprised of service providers who volunteer their time to attend meetings where service provider needs, issues and concerns are shared and discussed with RCOC. The VAC members serve a vital function as representatives of the service provider community as a whole, providing advice and counsel to the Board. (ORGs 32 OTH)

- OCRO staff collaborated with Family Support Network's Wraparound Department, and 36 vendors, to support and participate in the annual Wraparound Resource Fair, which educates over 150 wraparound staff on community resources, public benefits, and services that benefit children who are at risk of placement in a group home. Vendors included: Healthy Families, Dept. of Child Support Services, Center for Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disorders, OC Domestic Violence initiative, Regional Center of Orange County, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), Olive Crest, Read OC, etc. The following materials were distributed: IEP Basics - 72 copies Special Education Basics - 101 copies Adult Transition Basics - 81 copies Regional Center Eligibility - 65 copies IPP Basics - 65 copies IHSS Basics - 107 copies Social Security Handout - 115 copies ReadyOC materials - approximately 75 emergency wheels, family preparedness plans, and AlertOC publications Primary Care Physician guide to early intervention - 20 copies (GP Reached 150 OTH/ ORGs 36)
- OCRO worked with RCOC Management Team to develop a conference scholarship policy, something RCOC did not have in the past, based on the feedback from several families who reported that RCOC was subjectively selecting whom to award scholarships. This policy will be used when parents request to attend fee-based conferences, trainings, and workshops and due to financial need, require RCOC funding in order to participate. RCOC funding for scholarships helps to empower parents and self-advocates and give them the tools they need to effectively advocate for themselves or their children. (Prog-Policies Created 2 OTH/ ORGs 2 OTH)
- SDIRO staff attended the Accessible Services Advisory Committee meeting. During the meeting there was a recap on the transportation strike that had occurred at the end of May and into the beginning of June. The paratransit drivers had been on strike and despite the number of drivers not reporting to duty, MTS

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worked very hard during that time to minimize the impact on the transit clients. It was reported MTS was able to meet the demand but were asking people to consider holding off on taking non-essential trips until after the strike had resolved itself. SCDD publicly acknowledged MTS for working with its clients and partners so diligently during this event. Specifically the staff were very responsive to our concern regarding how they would meet the need for the upcoming self-advocacy conference to which a number of people attending the event would be coming via paratransit services. Fortunately, the strike ended but through collaboration and communication a contingency plan was created and if needed could have been implemented. (People Active 3 SA/ 12 OTH)

- SDIRO staff participated in the monthly In Home Supportive Services Advisory Committee meeting. There was a presentation and discussion on how to use the Public Authority's website for consumers, providers and the general public. Staff gave a report on the monthly California In Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance teleconference call. One of the speakers on the call gave a presentation on their peer mentoring program and how they do consumer and providers trainings in the Los Angeles County area. Those in attendance were: Public Authority, In Home Supportive Services, local health care agencies, care providers, Molina HMO and family member. (People Active 4 SA/ 1 FA/ 10 OTH)
- SEQRO - The Creative Center invited the Sequoia Regional Office staff to do a presentation on Voting rights and requirements. There were 85 self-advocates (46 completed the survey) 6 family advocates and seven professionals. The audience was interested in registering to vote, and they will be filling out voter registrations as part of an independent living skills assignment. (GP Reached 85 SA/ 6 FA/ 7 OTH)
- SVMBRO held its bi-monthly RAC meeting. At the meeting members focused on priorities to focus on as the RAC returns to being active. Those priorities include Membership development, development of a legislative workgroup for the entire community, and attention to behavioral and mental health needs of the developmental disability community. Particular tasks of interest are: Build a Get Out the Vote Campaign, expand the Direct Service Provider Training to be more inclusive of trends in Autism and provider self-care. (People Trained in Leadership 2 SA/ 3 FA/ 4 OTH)
- SVMBRO held its quarterly RAC meeting. The meetings are now quarterly and include a focus on an update from Regional Center. The community was given the opportunity to discuss with regional center needs and concerns. The topic of

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conversation focused mostly on transportation. Also at the meeting HCBS Final rule regulations. The committee advised that SCDD prepare a survey and send to its list serve to get input from the general public about their perceptions of the coming regulations. (People Trained in Leadership 2 SA/ 1 FA/ 6 OTH)

- SVMBRO staff attend Vendor Advisory Committee meeting at Tri-Counties San Luis Obispo regional center. Staff gave input regarding the Workforce Integrated Opportunities Act. While at Tri-Counties staff also attended the HCBS Final Rules meeting, and the Employment First meeting. (ORGs 26 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff attended the San Andreas Regional Center Board offering updates on the consolidation of SCDD Central Coast and Silicon Valley, Monterey Bay regions. Staff added community comment to the regional center's public hearing regarding service coordinator caseloads. Staff attended the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Lanterman Act hosted by San Andreas Regional Center. Staff also attended the Quality Assurance Committee of the Regional Center and informed the members of the development of the Patient Advisory sub-committee being formed for Valley Medical Center and Stanford Neurobiology (People Active 3 SA/ 10 FA/ 9 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff attended the Service Providers Advisory Committee and reported on and HCBS final rule regulations and a survey to be distributed by SCDD. Staff also gave update regarding consolidation of SCDD offices. (People Trained in Leadership 22 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff participated in seven public hearings regarding the consolidation of the Silicon Valley, Monterey Office with the Central Coast office. One meeting was held in each of the affected counties. General comments focused on the loss availability of staff in the two regions. Suggestions to reduce the loss of staff availability included enhancing the use of technology, seek resources, and or hire more staff. (People Active 13 SA/ 10 FA/ 12 OTH)
- SVMBRO, at the request of the director, wrote an article for the agency newsletter to give brief description of coming HCBS Final Rule. (GP Reached 400 OTH)

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Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Federal Funding Opportunities			300
List of San Diego Farmers Markets - English	5	310	120
List of San Diego Farmers Markets - Spanish		310	120
Understanding Social Security & SSI Benefits and Special Needs Trust Seminar		310	87
Lawyer Referral and Information Service Information	5	327	
Free Summer Lunches for Kids - English		327	17
Free Summer Lunches for Kids - Spanish		327	17
Balboa Park Free Museums - English	5	327	117
Balboa Park Free Museums - Spanish		327	117
Twilight in the Park – Balboa Park Spreckels Organ Pavilion 2016 Summer Concert Series		401	
AASR Summer Programming and Camps	13	187	186

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E, T	Assisted Family member suggesting leads and strategy to market the development of a new playground for kids with adaptive features		1	
T	Informed parent about ABLE Act, and SCDD membership		1	
F, T	TA regarding resource directory			
T	Advocate assisting a family with an In Home Supportive Services issue			1

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	called to ask what else she could do to provide advocacy assistance. Technical assistance and referral given over the phone			
T	Technical assistance given to a consumer regarding an In Home Supportive Services issue	1		
T	Referral given to parent regarding SSI issue.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding discrimination on the basis of race and disability. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
E	Provided technical assistance regarding discrimination on the basis of race and disability. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance regarding failure to provide a reasonable accommodation under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).		1	
E	Caller upset that wheelchair broken by L.A. City's cracked sidewalk. Referred to L.A. City Bureau of Street services, 3-H, 2-1-1, ILCSC	1		
F	Provided a copy of Regional Center Eligibility paperwork to a family advocate who has a grandson with Autism.		1	
F/T	Referred 19 people to Employment Development Department – State Disability Insurance (SDI) for assistance for applying for benefits, appeals, benefits status, not receiving benefits checks, and general questions about benefits.			19
T	Referred 1 person to California Department of Motor Vehicles			1
T & E	Provided information and support to a family that was having a difficult time locating a more appropriate school for their son, who moved from one level of a non-public school to another, and was extremely unhappy, acting out, refusing to attend. Discovered that part of the problem was the fact that the student was being hurt on the playground and during other times of the day by the more aggressive students, and was not being given support by the professional staff on campus. Provided suggestions regarding the possible abuse that was occurring, who to involve, and where to go for assistance from the district that was providing funding for this program. Provided names and contact information regarding several other non-public schools that they might contact, and suggested they re-visit the possibility of him returning to the regular public school with the appropriate services in place.		2	
E	Received a Power Point presentation from an individual in the community that formerly attended the Mayors Committee on Disability, and had many concerns regarding the transportation system for individuals that utilized			1

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	wheelchairs – as he himself has relied on this mode of translocation for 6 years now. Since moving to the city of Poway, he has not found the transportation services any better than they were in San Diego, so he and another individual are doing a presentation for Poway on this subject, and he wanted me to review and provide input on his presentation, which I did.			
T	13.1 Referred caller to DRC OCRA –RCRC Regarding Eligibility/Intake and TBI Resource Sites		1	
T	13.1 Adult foster adopt child benefits resource referral to Medi-Cal Managed Care provider and Social Security Administration Contacts.		1	
F	13.1 Gave out local program information to a care provider seeking employment in the care of people with disabilities			1
E	13.1 Contact with local financial services agency regarding issues with local Social Security Administration office and representative payee process.			1
E	Community partner outreach follow-up to SCDD for upcoming Family Autism Night			1
T	Provided self-determination program updates/information to 1 FA		1	
E	Assisted 10 FA on special education services and supports		10	
T	Assisted 19 FA with navigating service delivery system and accessing resources from IHSS, RC, SSA, etc.		19	
T/F	Provided information on hosted Appsolute training to 2 FA both via telephone and face-to-face		2	
E	Provided information to FA about a Special Needs Trust		1	
T	Referred FA to the California Department of Education to discuss her grandson's IEP and to Valley Mountain Regional Center to address her concerns in regard to the advisability of having her grandson assessed for regional center services.		1	
T	Referred FA to Clients Rights Advocate and Disability Rights of CA re Regional Center eligibility appeal		1	
T	Referred FA to Disability Rights, CRA and Office of Administrative Hearings for RC eligibility appeal information. Referred to DOR for resource information		1	
T	Received a call from a SA who wanted to help his mom who is on disability be able to work some hours as she is losing her home soon. Staff gave State Disability info as well as info to the benefits counselor at DRAIL.	1	1	

Goal #14

Public policy in California promotes the independence, productivity, inclusion and self-determination of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.

- LARO staff, on behalf of the Self-Advocacy Board of LA County, made seven posts on Facebook about voting including a voter survey from DRC and updates on the Get Out the Vote Conference attended by SABLAC members. (GP Reached 143 OTH)
- NBRO staff participated in a community outreach meeting to discuss community inclusion including individual rights and how to advocate for those rights. Attendees were provided with a brief on the role of the SCDD. The Lanterman Act, Regional Center, Self-Determination, and Disability Rights is mentioned. HCBS rules, community based day services, and employment options were highlighted as well. Collaborative partners discuss services familiar to them such as CAC, RAC, SSAN, community events, etc. SCDD staff let it be known that SCDD is available to provide community training on a variety of training topics and interested parties should contact SCDD for coordination. Outreach was designed as a Q&A to help disability service providers (i.e. day programs) begin the process of strategic planning with emphasis and focus on community integration/inclusion. (People Trained 21 OTH)
- SACRO staff attended Alta California Regional Center and North Bay Regional Center's provider advisory committee training on the new Center for Medicare Services (CMS) rules given by guest speaker Karen Flippo from the Institute for Community Inclusion. Ms. Flippo detailed the CMS changes as it relates to federal guidelines. Her current work focus is on state systems and integrated employment, organizational development, technical assistance and training. Community Life Engagement refers to supporting people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to access and participate in their communities outside of employment as part of a meaningful day. Community life engagement, access and participation in their community with wrap around supports is a realistic and necessary goal according to Ms. Flippo who quotes "Inclusion, is inclusion, is inclusion". Despite some differences, each data source indicates that community life engagement supports are rapidly expanding to meet the increasing demands. "One person, one job" is Karen Flippo's message. She has witnessed other states success, California is behind and must tap into the vocational rehabilitation funding as they have a responsibility to serve people with I/DD. (People Active 12 FA/ 80 OTH/ ORGs 52)
- SDIRO attended the City of San Diego Accessibility Advisory Board meeting since they indicated on the agenda they were going to discuss new housing regulations. Unfortunately, the presenter was only versed in the 2 incentive categories that he

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was familiar with, and those were parking and zoning. The gentleman presenting had no answers regarding how many units need to be made accessible to qualify for these incentives. In addition to this agenda item, the committee reviewed letters that went out to the Chargers football team in the event that they do build a new stadium in San Diego, regarding concerns about Universal Design. Staff did discover that hearing loop technology is being installed in the City Council room, so that anyone with newer hearing aides will be linked automatically to the microphones, and will no longer need to request the headphones. The committee also briefly spoke about a Disability Awareness Event being planning for October, and a new Chairperson was elected. (ORGs 2 SA/ 1 FA/ 14 OTH)

- SEQRO staff attended the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Stakeholder Meeting. ESSA was signed into law in December 2015, and goes into full effect in the 2017-18 school year. ESSA will replace the No Child Left Behind Act. California must submit an ESSA State Plan to the U.S. Department of Education. The State Plan will describe the State's implementation of standards, assessment, accountability, and assistance programs and will move us toward California's goal of having a single, coherent local, state, and federal education system. Staff has signed up to receive any new ESSA-related information, including opportunities to participate in the development of the California ESSA State Plan. (People Active 5 FA/ 31 OTH ORGs 9 OTH)
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Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Public Notice for Consolidation of Silicon Valley/Monterey Bay Office	200	726	100
Survey re: Outreach programs for voters with disabilities	5	310	68
Public Notice for the Consolidating of the Silicon Valley/Monterey Bay Central Coast Offices - English	5	327	398
"CDCAN – List of Trailer Bills in Print So Far"	35	135	240
"CDCAN-Links to all Trailer Bills – Summaries of Developmental Services, Health and Human Service Budget Trailer Bills– Vote on Main Budget Bill and most of Budget Trailer Bills set for Wednesday "	35	135	240
14.1 Governor Brown Signs 2016-2017 State Budget	30	68	127
Paul Lee School Bus Safety Law Passes Senate Education Committee	300	808	200
Voting Information and Resources	300	808	200
Public Meetings for the Consolidating of the Central Coast and Silicon Valley/Monterey Bay Offices	300	808	200
FIRST APPROVED HCBS STATEWIDE TRANSITION PLAN AVAILABLE ONLINE	300	808	200
FW: Public Meetings for the Consolidating of the Central Coast and Silicon Valley/Monterey Bay Offices	15	44	52
Several Scholarships available for the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Act	13	187	186
Public Meetings for Consolidation of CC/SV-MB offices	13	187	186
SV/MB July RAC Meeting Notice & Agenda	13	187	186
SARC Self Determination Symposium	13	187	188
Reminder - Public Meetings for the Consolidating of the Silicon Valley/Monterey Bay Central Coast Offices			

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Federal Funding Opportunities	13	187	188
Volunteer Opportunity: ILRC Get Out the Vote		318	292
Public Meetings for Consolidating Silicon Valley/ Monterey Bay Central Coast Offices		318	292
Reminder - Public Meetings for the Consolidating of the Silicon Valley/Monterey Bay Central Coast Offices		318	292
Federal Funding Opportunities		318	292
RAC Meeting Announcement			6
HCBS Survey Request		318	292

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
E,T, F	Assited FA regarding DSP training curriculum development			
F	Vendors were seeking clarification on CMS HCBS settings. Training and resources were provided.			6
T	Coordinated efforts for a parent and son to present at next RAC meeting.	1	1	
T	Received a call from an Education writer from the Sacramento Bee requesting information for an article on Free and Appropriate Education (FAPE). Referred to the WarmLine Family Resource Center.			1
E	Information provided to community professional about AB 1715 (ABA provider licensing)			1

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- LARO took the lead on the California IDD Voter Engagement and collaborated with the 3 UCEDD programs and DRC. On 6/3/2016, SCDD LA staff met with representatives from the community stakeholders at the UCEDD USC Consumer Community Advisory Board meeting to discuss community education, outreach & voting engagement. SCDD LARO Manager (ORGs 12 OTH)
- 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, 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. As far as the planning process, SCDD will help to create the parent evaluation and program for the event. (ORGs 21 OTH)
- OCRO hosted the Fiesta Familiar Spanish Support Group on 6/17/2016. The training was an open forum presented/facilitated by Fiesta Educativa Outreach Coordinator, Cecilia Mercado, on IEP/special education advocacy and IHSS that lasted from 10:00am to 1:00pm. SCDD staff provided information on IHSS overtime rules (with Spanish-translation support). 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 36 FA/ ORGs 2 OTH)
- SDIRO participated in a meeting to plan the upcoming 2016 FERIA conference for Spanish speaking parents who have a child with special needs. The 2016 conference will be held on November 5th, 2016 at Southwestern College and the theme will be: Supporting Latino Families' Culture and Language: Building Bridges to the Future. Various workshop topics were identified and will include a wide range of topics. Diana Pastora Carson an advocate, family member and author has accepted the invitation to be the keynote speaker at the conference. A discussion regarding the 2015 student leadership strand was conducted regarding the

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distribution of three scholarships to the seniors that attended the event. If possible the scholarships will be presented at the graduation ceremonies of each student. SCDD staff presented one of the scholarships to a student at his graduation ceremony. South County SELPA, Exceptional Family Resource Center, San Diego Regional Center, Arc San Diego, TASK, San Diego Unified School District, SDSU, Azusa Pacific College, California Southern Optimist Clubs, Parents Institute for Quality Education, Southwestern Community College, Disability Rights CA, Sweetwater Union High School District and parents. (ORGs 13 OTH)

- SEQRO - Each year since 2007, Exceptional Family Center has been hosting the "Celebracion de Familias Excepcionales" conference which is dedicated to the empowerment of parents who have children with developmental disabilities. The conference provides attendees with various topics from experts in the field of developmental disabilities attend various educational workshops and visit vendor booths in an engaging and educational setting (ORGs 5 SA/ 15 FA/ 4 OTH)
- SEQRO staff conducted training on Transition to Adult Life at the offices of Exceptional Family Center in collaboration with H.E.A.R.T.S Connection. Participants included 1 self-advocate and 10 family advocates and 1 professional. Staff provided a handout on the services available at transition age along with a presentation and PowerPoint. The training focus was on the following: What is transition, who is involved, what services are available, goals and objectives, age of majority. (People Trained 1 SA/ 10 FA/ 1 OTH)
- SVMBRO attended and provided information on rights and services at the Juneteenth Celebration San Jose. SCDD staff informed the broader African American community of services for those with developmental disability, emphasizing the need for early intervention. (GP Reached 29 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff gave a presentation to a Latino parent group, at the San Benito Library on Navigating the Special Education system. The training was provided in English and Spanish. (People Trained 10 FA)

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Collaborative Partners

- 211 LA County
- A Child's Place
- A2I
- Abilities Unlimited
- Abridgeclub.com
- Access 2 Independence
- ACCESS Services Los Angeles
- Achieve School
- ACRC Community Services staff
- ACRC Executive Director, Phil Bonne
- ACRC SD Advisory Committee members
- ACRC vendored providers
- Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center Director
- All Orange County Adult Transition Programs
- Alliance for Children's Rights
- Alta California Regional Center (ACRC)
- Alta California Regional Center Consumer Advisory Committee (ACRC CAC)
- Alta California Regional Center Day and Employment Services vendors
- Alzheimer's San Diego
- Alzheimer's Association
- Alzheimer's Orange County
- Anaheim Housing Authority
- Arc of Butte County
- ARC of California
- Arc of San Diego
- ARC Studio 700 Day Program
- ARCA
- Area 1 Agency on Aging Senior
- Area Agency on Aging
- Assemblies of God Ministers
- Autism Behavior Services
- Autism Spectrum Interventions
- Bank of America
- Beale Air Force Base staff

Collaborative Partners

- Behavioral Health and Recovery Board Housing
- Boys and Girls Club, Rotary
- Brilliant Coners
- Brittnee Gillespie, OCRA
- Bumps to Babies
- Butte County Coordinating Council
- Butte County Office of Education
- Butte Glenn Community College
- CA Dept. of Rehabilitation Services
- Calaveras USD Transition Classes
- California Children's Services
- California Coalition for Rural Housing
- California Federation of Independent Living Centers (CFILC)
- California MENTOR
- California Vocations, Inc.
- CalOptima
- Canyons to the Sea OT
- Casa de la Familia
- CCESS Services of LA County
- CCS 4 Families
- CEDD at UC Davis
- Celebracion
- Center for the Blind
- Central Valley Regional Center
- Central Valley Training Center
- CFILC
- Chance 4 Change
- Child Behavior Pathways
- Child Care Planning Council
- Children and Families Commission of Orange County
- Children NOW
- Children's Cause OC
- Children's Health Initiative of Orange County
- Children's Hospital of Orange County
- Chinese Parents Association for the Disabled

Collaborative Partners

- Chinese Self-Advocacy Group Empowered (SAGE)
- CHOICES Institute
- CHOICES/Joe Donofrio
- Citizen Voice
- City of Bakersfield
- City of Clovis
- City of Eureka Pedestrian safety campaign
- City of Ontario
- City of San Diego
- City of Stockton
- City of Torrance
- City of Ukiah
- City of Ukiah Council
- Coalition for Rural Housing
- Coastline Community College Special Programs and Services TBI class
- College of Redwoods Disabled Students Disabled students programs
- Comfort Connection/RCOC
- Community Access Center
- Community Action Partnership
- Community Stakeholders committee members
- Community VOC. SVCS (ADP)
- County HHS Health Dept. Prevention and Planning
- County Office of Education
- Creative Center
- DCSS
- Deaf Community Services
- Del Norte Supported Living Services
- Department of Child Support Services
- Dept of Rehabilitation
- Dept. of Health Care Services (DHCS)
- Desert Arc
- Dignity Health
- Disability Action Center
- Disability Rights CA
- Downs Syndrome Action

Collaborative Partners

- Downtown Impact
- Easter Seals
- Edison High School
- ELARC
- ELARC SDAC
- Elder Law Center
- Elite Caregivers In-home care caregiver agency
- Employment and Community Options
- Employment Development Dept.
- Enriching Lives, North Coast Rape Crisis Team
- Episcopal Community Services
- Eureka Police Department How to prevent fraud and scams
- Eureka Veterans Center Veteran Services
- Exceptional Parents Unlimited
- Expandability
- Family Focus Resource Center
- Family Resource Center
- Family Resource Center - Exceptional Family Resource Center
- Family Resource Center staff
- Family Resource Centers Network for Los Angeles County
- Family Resource Network
- Family Resource Network (Matrix Parents)
- Family Resource Network(FRN)
- Family Soup staff
- Family Support Network
- Far Northern Regional Center
- Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
- Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
- Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
- Fiesta Educativa
- Fiesta Educativa Pritchard Services
- First 5, California Dental Association (CDA)
- First Transit
- FNRC Service Providers
- FNRC Staff Support

Collaborative Partners

- Fort Bragg City Council
- Fresno Housing Authority
- Fresno State University
- Gary Dietrich
- Glenn County Office of Education
- Golden Gate Regional Center
- Hamilton Relay Accessible telecommunications
- Harbor Regional Center Self-Determination Advisory Committee,
- Head Start
- Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP)
- Health Plan of San Joaquin Community Center for the Blind
- Healthy Families
- Help Me Grow
- HOAG Hospital
- Home of Guiding Hands
- Homeland Security
- Hope Center Wellness center
- Hope Services
- Housing Choices Coalition
- Humboldt Allies Substance Abuse Prevention
- Humboldt Caregivers
- Humboldt Domestic Violence Serv. Support & Crisis Assistance
- Humboldt Senior Resource Center
- Humboldt Transit Authority CA Telephone Access Program
- IHSS Care Provider Registry Referral
- Imagine Supported Living Services
- Inclusion Institute
- Independent Living Center
- Independent Options
- Inland Regional Center Vendor Advisory Committee
- Inland Special Education Local Planning Area
- Institute For Effective Education
- Integrated Resources Institute
- Integrity Cottages Housing Development
- International Conference of Police Chaplain

Collaborative Partners

- Jim Uhey
- Juice Plus/Tower Garden Vegetable
- Kaiser Permanente
- Karen Flippo, Institute for Community Inclusion
- Legal Services of Northern California
- LGBT Center OC
- LIFE Day Program
- LightHouse of the North Coast Blind & low vision services
- Lodi Unified School District
- Los Alamitos Unified School District
- Los Angeles Dept. of Public Social Services
- Mains'l Services - 7th Street Centre of the Arts
- Making Headway Center Traumatic Brain Injury services
- Maxum Therapy
- Mendocino College Child Development
- Mental Health Advocacy Services
- Mercedes Diaz Program
- Milestones
- Molina Healthcare
- Monterey County Board of Education
- MTS
- National Association on Mental Illness
- NCRO local preschools
- Neighborhood Housing Services of Los Angeles County (NHSLA)
- Next Step Advocacy – EFC
- NLACRC SDAC liaison
- North Bay Regional Center
- North Coast Opportunities
- NorthState Assistive Technology
- OC DEAF
- OC Dept. of Ed Medical Officer
- OC Health Care Agency
- OC Read
- OC Social Services Agency
- OC Transportation Authority

Collaborative Partners

- OCRA (ELARC)
- OCRA (FNRC)
- OCRA (HRC)
- OCRA (RCRC)
- OCRA (SCLARC)
- OCRA (SCLARC)
- OCRO (IRC)
- Olive Crest
- Orange County (OC) Sheriff Department
- Orange County Adult Transition Task Force
- Orange County Department of Education
- Orange County Social Services Agency (OCSSA) Medical Director
- Outreach Consulting
- Pacific Gas & Electric
- Pacific Redwood Medical Group
- Palo Alto Unified School District
- Paralyzed Veterans Association (PVA)
- Parents Helping Parents
- People First of Eureka
- Peoples Care
- People's First of California, Inc.
- PFCA
- Plumas School teacher
- Pre-K teachers
- Premiere Health Care
- Progressive Resources
- Public Defender
- Qualcomm
- Reading Services of the Redwoods On-air access to printed publications,
- Redwood Coast Regional Center
- Redwood Healthcare Services Skilled nursing services
- Regional Center of Orange County
- Resources for Independence Central Valley
- Retired Officer - Police Department
- RICV, Self-Determination Advisory Committee Members

Collaborative Partners

- Riverside County Department of Behavioral Health (DBH)
- Riverside County Department of Public Social Services
- Riverside County Sheriff's Department
- Riverside County Southwest Workforce Development Center
- Rotary
- Rural Community Housing Development Corp.
- Sacramento City Unified School District Community Advisory Committee (SCUSD CAC)
- San Andreas Regional Center
- San Benito Board of Education
- San Bernardino County Sheriff Department (SBCSD)
- San Diego Community College District College 2 Career
- San Diego People First
- San Diego Regional Center
- San Diego State University Interwork Institute
- San Diego State University State University Nursing Program
- San Diego Unified School District
- San Joaquin County Office of Ed- SELPA
- San Jose Public Library
- San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors
- San Marcos Unified School District
- SANDAG
- Santa Ana Housing Authority
- Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
- Santa Clara Housing County Authority
- SCDD Bay Area
- SCLARC
- SCLARC SDAC
- SCUSD Director of SELPA
- Self Advocacy Council 6 (SAC6)
- Self- Advocates
- Self-Advocacy Board of LA County (SABLAC)
- Self-advocates from Sacramento Region
- Sheltering Wings
- Social Security Administration

Collaborative Partners

- Sonoma DC self-advocates
- Special Grace Ministries
- Special Olympics
- SPIN
- SSAN Orange County Representative
- St Vincent de Paul
- St. Joseph Health Health care
- St. Madeleine's
- State Board of Education
- State Preschool
- Stockton Mayor's task Force
- Stockton Unified School District
- Sunline Transit Agency
- Sycuan Indian Reservation
- Talk About Curing Autism (TACA) representatives and families
- Tarjan Center at UCLA
- Team of Advocates for Special Kids
- Team Vacaville
- The Arc of Ventura
- The Low Vision Store Blind & low vision technology
- The No Stigma Speakers Bureau of Tulare County
- The Phoenix Project, USA
- Together We Grow
- Towards Maximum Independence
- Transitional Coaching and Development Institute (TCDI)
- Tri-Counties Regional Center
- Tri-County Independent Living
- UC Davis MIND Institute
- UCP
- UCP- San Diego
- Ukiah Unified School District
- United Cerebral Palsy Inland Empire (UCPIE)
- United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay
- United Way OC
- University of Southern California University Center for Excellence in

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Developmental Disabilities

- University Of the Pacific
- Urban Skills Center
- Vance Taylor, Office of Access and Functional Needs/Office of Emergency Services
- VMRC
- Vocation Plus Services
- WarmLine Family Resource Center
- We Care A Lot Foundation
- Westside Family Resource and Empowerment Center
- Westside Regional Center
- Westside Regional Center (WRC) Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC)
- Westside Regional Center Board of Directors
- Westside Regional Center Consumer Advisory Committee
- Work Incentives Planning & Assistance (WIPA in LA County)
- Work Training Center
- Workability Program in Glendale Community College (GCC)
- WorkFirst Easter Seals
- Wraparound Orange County
- Yolo County SELPA CAC member
- Yuba College staff
- Yuba County SELPA staff

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- A decision from HHSA and the Board of Supervisors on whether to use the available funds
- for one 30-40 unit project, or one or more smaller projects (total 8-12 units) or 80 units. Will the project be a single or mixed use, site availability and afford-ability and timing for use of existing funds is another problem the housing committee is facing.
- HQ SSAN wants to be member led but continues to rely on a lot of staff support to conduct business that they say they want to do on their own. SSAN officers will commit to doing tasks then not follow through. One SSAN officer is limited to 1 day that she can meet and then often does not show up to the set meeting or leaves early because she overbooks herself. SSAN leadership continues to not communicate well with each other. Set pre-meeting conference on each day and they are late. SSAN members need a clear directive from SCDD on what SCDD would like to see SSAN accomplish. SSAN members have been encouraged to come up with an idea which resulted in a draft MOU. The MOU is lacking in some areas as SSAN leadership wasn't hearing what members were asking at the meeting and chose not to follow staff suggestion when SSAN members were asking what type of trainings SSAN should be working on developing and what other cross disability groups SSAN should reach out to regarding joining SSAN. Members continue to report on their trainings and presentations but then do not always report how many people were trained or participated in the event. Members have been given forms and other tools to use but it does not always happen.
- LARO A recent study (<http://smlr.rutgers.edu/research-centers/disability-and-voter-turnout>) found that people with disabilities turn out to vote in smaller numbers than people without disabilities. As advocates it is critical that we focus our attention on encouraging the people we serve to exercise their rights to vote. Increasing the numbers of people with ID/DD that vote is a critical step in achieving needed systems change.
- LARO A recent study (<http://smlr.rutgers.edu/research-centers/disability-and-voter-turnout>) found that people with disabilities turn out to vote in smaller numbers than people without disabilities. Language barriers add to the lower voting rate of the population. Therefore, SCDD LARO Manager provided electronic versions of "A Guide to Vote" and "Vote in 2016" in the following languages to enhance voting info accessibility: Spanish, Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, and Tagalog.
- LARO Again, complaints were voiced concerning the excessive wait times for DDS to submit the waiver application to CMS and the fact that DDS has never met

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any of the deadlines it has set for itself to do so. Additionally, there was discussion about not holding any more SDAC meetings until DDS submits the waiver application to CMS. Ultimately it was decided to hold a meeting in July to see if DDS submitted the waiver, giving the committee a chance to provide input to DDS about it.

- LARO An emerging need for SAs and FAs to be connected effectively with the needed info and referrals in housing, employment, transportation, health care, legal assistance and crisis services etc., has been gathered based on the increasing number of advocacy calls to the LARO. 211 LA County provides information to help connect callers in LA County with the needed social services and support; therefore, it is critical to collaborate and ensure the 211 information provided meeting the needs of I/DD callers.
- LARO As of the May 2016 board meeting, minutes had not been distributed since October 2015. Because of SCDD Los Angeles staff intervention, the minutes were provided at that May meeting. Additionally, the May minutes were made available at this meeting.
- LARO Discussed about the emerging needs to align policies and enhance DD service system meeting the increasing & changing DD population in LA County. Affordable housing, competitive integrated employment, and inclusive social recreational support are among these emerging needs. ELARC and SCDD LA Office have been working together since the enactment of Self-Determination pilot, and will continue to collaborate.
- LARO Families look forward to this innovative ways of service delivery, however, many of them are frustrated with the slow implementation time-frame.
- LARO HCBS, WIOA, and Employment 1st have all shared the new focus on real work for real pay in the real world. Set the limitations on sheltered work programs and sub-minimum wages will be the future trends. Engaging all stakeholders early on to advocate competitive integrated employment (CIE) will be critical for an effective transition and implementation on CIE.
- LARO Per a recent study at <http://smlr.rutgers.edu/research-centers/disability-and-voter-turnout>, it pointed out that people with disabilities have lower voting rate than people without disabilities. It is critical that we focus our attention on encouraging and empowering people we support to exercise their rights to vote. Increasing the I/DD voter engagement is a critical step in achieving the needed systems change.
- LARO RE: WRC Unfortunately, some staff presented information and assumed attendees understood more than they did. Subsequent to receiving input expressing this idea, staff reviewed previously presented material and changed the style of the presentation to ensure all could understand it.

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- LARO Resistance to changes and fear of losing existing services raised in response to the HCBS final rule. Sharing updated/accurate information and providing training to all stakeholders will help address the emerging concerns. Making sure the needed support is in place during the shifting will bring about positive outcomes and help with an effective transition.
- LARO Self-advocates mentioned that sometimes they 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 leadership 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.
- LARO SSDAC members and the public shared their concerns in the lack of consistent resources, information, and training
- LARO Statistics and feedback from community inputs indicate that there is a great need to access affordable housing. Developing the affordable and integrated living environment takes time and collaboration from all stakeholders, which may include financial education, affordable lending, neighborhood revitalization and advocacy.
- LARO The fear of losing SSI and medical benefits has posed a great employment barrier. Understanding of different work incentives can help address these concerns.
- NBRO Community services focused on inclusion (i.e. classrooms, work, sports, clubs, church, shopping). Lack of knowledge on individual rights/self advocacy and HCBS rules/waiver
- 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. CPP Rates and CMS Rules are said to be affecting vendors. Availability of community housing for individuals with behavior needs. CPP rates and CMS rules are said to be having a direct impact on the amount of vendors willing to provide housing options/services to I/DD consumers. Local Regional Center recently released new RFP for community housing but no start up funds are available. Bay area real estate prices are high and reimbursement rates for CCL homes may not be profitable for area.
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- NCRO 1-An informal conversation with some regional center service coordinators indicate that Self Determination has not been widely shared with staff. 2-Still waiting for the waiver...
- NCRO As of the date of this report, several issues need to be resolved before the project can move forward.
- NSRO Ampla Health is proposing a new medical clinic to address the unmet health care needs of the underserved and underinsured community residents in the rural and sparsely populated areas within and around Magalia. The New Access Point (NAP) Grant will assist Ampla Health to address the identified high levels of need and improve the health of underserved populations within a community where there currently no other Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) clinic.
- NSRO DRC reported new language added to the Self Determination Law that includes underserved communities, collaboration with self-advocacy and family organizations. It also says that regional centers must collaborate with SDAC on trainings and outreach planning that must address underserved populations. This new language requires Governor's signature by June 30, 2016 to be official. CMS has not approved California's Self- Determination Waiver and therefore program cannot begin.
- NSRO Education, Employer Networking, Job Availability, Awareness of Resources, Sheltered Work and Subminimum Wage and the Transition to Integrated Competitive Employment
- NSRO Medi-Cal 2020 offers many new programs that hope to improve and increase services to recipients. California includes 1/3 of the state is insured by Medi-Cal Programs. Of the 1/3, 80% of people are enrolled in Managed Care and 20% are part of Fee For Service Program. Medi-Cal Programs are becoming a competing insurance program in California and becoming very political!
- NSRO Next step for implementation is meeting with Director of Contract Education and the plan is to begin the new program in the Fall. Instructional materials still need to be organized for implementation.
- NSRO Resource provided called: How to Have an Effective DAC will be reviewed and discussed at the next DAC meeting to be used as a tool to strengthen and guide SCDD's DAC.
- NSRO The topic of Work Incentive Programs under Social Security Administration is very complex and difficult to understand. The Social Security Administration (SSA) representative who has been employed for 40 years with SSA, continued to express how hard it is to simply the topic of the project. This complexity causes

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many people with developmental disabilities and their families, to encourage people not to work for fear of losing their benefits.

- NVHRO – Project College - Our team had not been able to fully engage with community partners YET on the Project College concept- but now that we have more details and have seen how it lays out- we are confident that we can attempt replicate this in the future.
- NVHRO -An issue that came up was SAC6 members completing agreed upon tasks in between meeting opposed to just having the coordinator do everything. A plan was developed to discuss the idea of work groups and communication of deadlines and find out what support is needed. - Learning how to take notes to give a report and giving a report is something the group would like assistance with. SCDD is willing to provide support in this area.
- NVHRO Having a conference call with such a large number of participants was difficult. Not starting on time may have been a factor for many people who ended up hanging up.
- NVHRO Re: SSAN The DRAFT was completed on time however several of the Newsletter members did not submit their articles in time. Because the SCDD ED must review it- it really takes a long time to get it posted and disseminated.
- OCRO A noted barrier to implementing palliative and/or hospice care is that often the family and/or patient aren't prepared for "the end," and even the treating physician may be in denial because it signifies failure. Unfortunately, this means the patient may not receive comfort measures at the ideal time.
- OCRO AB 1715 was presented on and discussed at length, which proposes to change certification requirements for those providing ABA-specific behavioral services. Vendors are concerned that this bill, if passed, will limit access to services and increase costs of such services.
- OCRO As discussed today with the OCSSA Medical Director, the first impression of the Social Services Agency is that if they are called for any reason, the children will be taken away and placed in the foster care system. This impression may keep families from reaching out for help when they are overwhelmed. The Medical Director is aware of their reputation and has made efforts to contract with trusted local agencies to work with families who have reached out/been referred for support as a preventative measure to help families better manage stress, which may help to prevent child abuse.
- OCRO As of April 2016, RCOC reports that 15.7% of their consumers are in individual supported employment, 24.0% participate in group supported employment, and 15.1% are in facility-based employment. There are 378 consumers participating in site-based activity centers (service code 505) and

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1,951 consumers participating in community and site based adult development centers (service code 510).

- OCRO Children and Families Commission of Orange County reported that they have seen an increase in SPED ineligibility for children at age 3 in spite of significantly delayed social/emotional development. While she did not have percentages/statistics available, she noted a significant increase in trying to work with school districts to address this trend. SCDD advised of pending MOU with TASK to identify trends in special education and address them systemically.
- 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 Issue Request form submitted to the Council on 6/22/2016.
- OCRO Many Orange County families have a difficult time differentiating between the IPP and PCP because the regional center uses them interchangeably. Many parents in the audience seemed overwhelmed at how different it is from a traditional IPP meeting (that last one-two hours) and the time that the parent and providers must invest in successful person-centered planning.
- 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 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 This conference policy was developed as a result of an emerging issue/barrier whereby parents were reporting to the SCDD Orange County office, via technical assistance calls, that they were requesting RCOC funding for conferences and trainings, but were denied, and RCOC was not able to provide a board-approved conference policy or POS guidelines that specifically stated the criteria they needed to meet to be awarded the scholarship. Many parents and self-advocates believed that the process was subjective and based on RCOC's opinion of the consumer and/or the family member.
- OCRO Transportation continues to be a barrier in terms of the SSAN

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Representative being able to participate in community trainings, especially those that take place in the evening. While he has OCTA Access paratransit service, they are not always reliable in terms of pick-up or drop-off times and sometimes will leave before the scheduled window time.

- SACRO A parent of senior student who received services through SELPA shared her frustration over the inequality and inconsistency of services across the district for all students with disabilities. Her concern is that there are gaps in quality services in certain schools, that one school has more supports than other schools although they are in the same district. The CAC Chair recommended an ad-hoc committee be formed to look at outcome data for student achievement and identify what is working and also to identify concerns to properly bring them forth for discussion so steps toward solutions can be made to solve the issues.
- SACRO According to the article "Despite Smarts, Few On The Spectrum College-Bound" by Meredith Kolodner, The Hechinger Report June 10, 2016 faculty note the most challenging things about college for some students on the spectrum is the abrupt shift in support. It was mentioned that many colleges have more adjunct staff who are not as familiar with the students therefore not as aware of the students who are on the autism spectrum.
- SACRO Advocates, family members, self-advocates are eager for more information on SDP and eager to spread the word about this program in their communities. They are eager for training materials and detailed policies and procedures. These are not available yet, as the SDP Program is not yet approved by CMS. People are encouraged to continue to spread the word with the caveat that some information is not yet known.
- SACRO Families and independent individuals with I/DD have difficulty finding time and transportation to attend events, informational meetings, etc. Strategies to make it more convenient, for example, offering a training at three different days/times and for half day only. Making information available on-line and cross referencing with agencies email lists. Gather resource lists from various agencies to make ONE resource list or website to refer families and individuals.
- SACRO Just this morning, there was a fire in this county and people were needing to evacuate from neighborhoods near the fire. There is an ongoing need to train self-advocates about emergency preparedness and to develop a Plan and a Kit.
- SACRO One SLS vendor shared that while ACRC is performing their Quality Assurance Tool and interviewing the consumer there may be times when the consumer cannot be left alone with the interviewee for safety reasons. ACRC stated they would determine this on a case by case basis.
- SACRO People with disabilities often have difficulty putting together an

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emergency kit that will sustain them for several days during an emergency. SafelyOut was developed so they can indicate on their door whether they have evacuated or need assistance. Many State agencies have mandates to provide this information and information about resources at their agencies to people with disabilities and functional and access needs, however, they have difficulty locating or contacting those individuals to share information and resources.

- SACRO There continues to be very limited access to anesthesia dentistry in the Sacramento region. Access to services has reduced over the past year. Advocacy with the medical plans and DHCS continues.
- SACRO When planning for evacuation there are many issues to consider. The needs of people with access and functional needs are the same as all people, with additional considerations. Some of these include: physical accessibility issues, rare medications, behavioral issues, linguistic issues, communication issues, comprehension issues, and trust issues. Vance stated that 5 of the 6 fatalities during the Middletown fires 2015 were people with access and functional needs.
- SACRO Yuba County Office of Education continues to make efforts for inclusion in schools, however reported this day they have limited resources in support staff. The SELPA director today offered a calendar of Student Transition Work Group - Transition Services Manual Development Timeline to articulate transition needs and develop transition processes and resources.
- SBRO An emerging issue is the slow response of the public transportation system for systemic changes involving our population regarding bus stops, access, and compliance of the stops along the bus routes in the Coachella Valley. The SBRO plans to participate and join the committee, so that input can be provided on these systemic issues and concerns for the community.
- SBRO The caseload ratios for the service coordinators and IRC are continually increasing in number, and this can impact the services and supports received by self-advocates and their families. In an effort to improve these services, IRC has scheduled two caseload ratio meetings for public input, so that they can address these concerns. In addition to the caseload ratio's concern, the ongoing concerns regarding the amount of staffing needed to provide adequate services to address intakes and that process are still evident. Suggestions regarding the website design, outlining the intake process on the website, and additional staffing are still being reviewed by the IRC Executive team. SBRO will follow-up monthly regarding the plan of action to address these concerns, as well as the monitoring of joint supports to the self-determination program and other systemic concerns.
- SDIRO Due to a strike of paratransit drivers there were limited resources available for individuals requiring this type of transportation assistance, it would be helpful to

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cultivate alternative transportation plans in the event paratransit services are compromised again.

- SDIRO Families and youth have very little information on services and supports available for people who are medically fragile and ready to transition from school to adulthood.
- SDIRO One of the big issues that has become a barrier for a number of individuals is the cost of the conference. Unfortunately the cost to put on an overnight conference at a hotel has increased dramatically and that naturally creates a barrier to access for individuals. The group will explore options as to ways to keep registration fees lower which could include reducing the conference to a having a one day event, exploring regional center vendorization and fund-raising. Several members brought up the accessibility of the sleeping beds. Several self-advocates were concerned with the fact that while they had an ADA accessible room and could get into the room they could not access the bed safely because it was too high. Another issue they encountered was the fact that and the bed is on a platform which prevents a wheelchair from being able to go slightly under the bed for closer access. Some of the members agreed to follow up with customer service at the Marriott to provide them with this feedback. They felt this was especially important because they are not the only people who use ADA rooms and wheelchairs.
- SDIRO There is a low percentage of people with disabilities who are registered to vote. Many people with a disability are either unaware that they can vote or don't know the process and don't know that accommodations can be made to make voting accessible.
- SEQRO Finding a venue that can accommodate over 400 participants that is accessible and affordable has been an issue. The committee has scheduled a tour of another facility on July 6, 2016. We are hoping to make a decision regarding the venue at that time. The committee also discussed the written duties of the volunteers for the conference, so that there will be no confusion this year. Workshops, keynote speakers, party rentals and giveaways were also addressed.
- 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

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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.

- SEQRO There is a need for volunteer advocates to be trained on special education for those families who are struggling to obtain services and eligibility for special education.
- SVMBRO Housing vouchers are offered to those with low and no income. Special populations can be designated. Generally, veterans, homeless, elderly, and physically disabled have been identified. There is a need to increase the awareness of the Housing Authority about the housing needs of those with developmental disability.
- 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 Spanish speaking families appear to encounter substantially more problems with both understanding their special education rights as well as receiving appropriate services from the school districts in certain areas.
- 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 The Vietnamese community is the fourth largest in Santa Clara county but one of the least represented in the developmental services community
- SVMBRO To attend to the housing needs of those with developmental disability, development of new models of residential care and connecting stakeholders in the area of housing is essential.

EMERGING ISSUES (Please describe emerging issues that have been encountered for this month while delivering Technical Assistance)

CCRO	During one of the calls, it was reported that one of the regional center offices was down by 5 service coordinators and this was greatly impacting service coordination (i.e., having phone calls returned and questions answered, etc). As this would most likely be impacting more than just the reporting family, it is an emerging issue to follow up and monitor.
CCRO	RAC members identified the following as priorities: Collaboration among stakeholders in the area of mental health for Dual Diagnosis.
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	Legislative Outreach, Legislative Forum, and Get Out the Vote.
CCRO	Community Member identified the need to update DSP training to include training on autism and self-care for providers.
LARO	Many of those to whom technical assistance was provided regarding both special education and regional center reported they believe staff from the respective agencies have lied to them, intentionally misled them, or failed to respond to them at all.
LARO	Increased questions from service providers concerning CMS HCBS final rule and settings.
NBRO	Denial of RC services, IPP Basics
NBRO	Concerns with quality of services from medical provider/hospital
NBRO	IEP process
NCRO	An influx of contacts and technical assistance calls relating to the lack of housing availability in the region. Staff is providing information and resource as appropriate and, in one case, is collaborating with the local (RCRC) DRC-OCRA to verify if one instance was potentially discriminatory housing practices.
NSRO	Accessible information for generic resources is lacking. Staff made contact with all agencies about improving access and consider implementing new ways of outreach and contact.
NSRO	Advocacy assistance is needed for many families and occasionally call thinking North State can help. Staff always refers to OCRA and follows up to ensure families receive help.
NSRO	Many people obtain office number seeking assistance from many state agencies. Staff attempts to track how they received North State contact and what agency referred them.
NVHRO	A call and at a training (and after a discussion with Family Resource Network) there appears to be many questions about CHARTER SCHOOLS and the rules that govern them in regards to providing special education services.
NVHRO	Each month we hear from people that DRC OCRA will not or cannot take their cases and therefore there is no one to help them with individual advocacy. Lack of resources available at Office of Clients Rights Advocacy to assist individuals in fair hearing.
NVHRO	The Valley Mountain Regional Center is represented throughout appeal process (informal, mediation and State level) by council. Valley Mountain Regional Center consumer with a diagnosis of autism has no available assistance or support.
OCRO	RCOC not providing Notice of Proposed Action to families when services are requested.
OCRO	RCOC refusing to fund for another service, such as PAS or daycare, while the consumer is receiving ABA therapy due to parent participation provision – SCDD is supporting legislation AB 2809 - as there are many families whose children receive ABA after school while the parent is still at work.
OCRO	RCOC pending DDS approval for ARFPSHN development for those moving from Fairview Developmental Center.
OCRO	RCOC Quality Assurance process is lacking in regards to supporting alleged victims during incident investigations.

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SDIRO	One issue that is emerging and making things especially difficult for self-advocates is the new telephone system that the San Diego Regional Center has obtained. People are no longer able to call the unit directly, but must input the name (by spelling it) for the service coordinator – which often times poses a problem for self-advocates. When this issue was addressed, I was assured that each self-advocate has the information on how to contact their service coordinator, complete with accurate spelling. When challenged that this is not happening, the reply was that they had not heard anyone was having difficulty. When pointed out that people cannot complain because they cannot get through – it was lost on the particular individual. This issue will be pursued further with a higher level of management, and if necessary, addressed at the board of directors meeting.
SDIRO	Generic parenting services are sometimes very complicated and confusing and when someone is new to the system it is hard to know how to work through the system to get adequate supports. Additionally if they are not yet regional center eligible they families do not have access to a case manager to guide them through the service delivery system.