



STATE PLAN ACTIVITIES

MAY 2016

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- LARO Staff assisted officers of SABLAC in their outreach efforts at the Southwest SELPA transition fair. Their goal was to recruit new and younger members for SABLAC. They also handed out their publication, Bandaging the Budget. (GP Reached 30 OTH)
- LARO Staff assisted the president of SABLAC to conduct the monthly meeting of the group. They are preparing for their officer elections, reviewing the bylaws so that everyone understood the requirements of each position. (People Trained 10 SA)
- LARO Staff, on behalf of SABLAC, posted four outreach pieces on voting on SABLAC's Facebook page. They included information about voter registration, a plain language voting guide, and barriers to people with disabilities in voting. (GP Reached 170 OTH)
- LARO Staff attended & provided technical support to the Westside Regional Center (WRC) Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on 5/4/16. Staff also distributed flyers promoting upcoming events: Effective Person Centered Planning on 6/25/16, the availability of Cycle 39 Mini-Grants, and the availability of training as requested by the group. (People Trained 12 SA/ 2 FA/ 5 OTH)
- NCRO Staff supported SSAN Legislative work group member to participate on teleconference call. Staff met with SSAN member prior to call to go over agenda and other meeting materials. 5/31/2016 Meeting was rescheduled to 5-31-2016. (People Active 1 SA / People Trained 1 SA)
- NSRO - SSAN has 4 workgroups and staff provided support to 3 SSAN workgroup meetings. Newsletter - met on 5/13; Legislative met on 5/17 and 5/31. Through the 3 meetings technical assistance was provided opening the conference call line and providing reminders of what the group's purpose, goals and objectives are. Staff provided guidance and helpful suggestions for improving leadership skills and ways to produce information to share with others. (People Trained 7 SA)
- NSRO Staff distributed SCDD Posters at the Statewide Self Advocacy Conference hosted by Supported Life and SCDD to 165 people. More than 500 posters were distributed to 135 self-advocates, 10 family advocates and 15 support staff. Many took multiple copies to share with others for education on achieving self-determination, Independence, Productivity and Inclusion. (People Trained 135 SA/ 10 FA/ 15 OTH)
- NSRO Staff provided support to create and present a power point presentation about SCDD and SAAC at the Statewide Self Advocacy Conference hosted by Supported Life and SCDD. 2 SAAC members presented the power point. 20 self-

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- advocates, 1 family advocate and 3 staff attended the presentation and learned about SCDD and SAAC. (People Trained 20 SA / 1 FA / 3 OTH)
- NSRO Staff provided support to organize and implement the May 25, 2016 SAAC meeting. Technical assistance was provided to the SAAC chair to prepare for the meeting and to the members to successfully participate in the meeting by agenda & power point development and note taking for meeting minutes and reports. (People Trained 6 SA/ 1 FA)
 - NVHRO Staff provided technical support to the Self Advocacy Council 6 to present two sessions, provide the Dating Game, and have an agency fair table with handouts. Also provided support to SCDD members and a SSAN member for their training sessions. The theme of the conference was "Get Connected" and brought SABE to California. (People Trained 15 SA/ 2 FA/ 2 OTH/ GP Reached 300 SA/ 25 FA/ 50 OTH)
 - OCRO staff facilitated a tour of Goodwill Industries Orange County for the Orange County SSAN Representative by coordinating transportation and availability of the involved parties. The tour occurred on 6/17/16. (People Active 1 SA/ 3 OTH/ People Trained 1 SA)
 - OCRO staff facilitated the Integrity House Self-Advocacy Group on Wednesday, May 18, 2016. The Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy presented on voting rights; there were 14 self-advocates who participated fully in the presentation and discussion about the topic. The focus of the training was specific to current primary and presidential election dates for voter registration, change of party affiliation, creating a personalized ballot, access requirements at voting locations, and right to assistance on voting day at the polls. (People Trained 14 SA/ 5 OTH)
 - OCRO Staff collaborated with Integrity Cottages Housing to facilitate for their self-advocacy group. This meeting focused on the presentations the group would like more information about, including SSA, Housing, OCTA Access, and Safety training. As discussed at the last meeting, SCDD staff will assist the self-advocates in 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. The self-advocates would like to have SCDD facilitate and help to arrange speakers as they need. Next month, in June hopefully, we are trying to secure a representative from Anaheim Housing Authority to discuss the section 8 housing choice voucher, although this has been a challenge to coordinate. (People Trained 10 SA)
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advocacy group. This was the third meeting, which focused on how to speak up for yourself, how to handle difficult situations, how to be a more effective advocate, and how to help others. Specifically, the self-advocates discussed: (1) having parking tags for staff and managers who support residents and can help out in critical, but non-emergency situations; (2) scheduling movie nights and games for Friday's for residents who don't have the transportation or financial means to go out on Friday nights; (3) schedule birthday parties and other activities at the Cottages to help maintain a support network at the Cottages. The self-advocates nominated a chair and secretary for the meetings. The self-advocates would like to have SCDD facilitate and help to arrange speakers as they need. Next month, in June hopefully, we are trying to secure a representative from Anaheim Housing Authority to discuss the section 8 housing choice voucher. (People Trained 11 SA)

- SDIRO Staff co-facilitated the monthly self-advocacy conference planning meeting. The planning team continued their discussions and created action plans for the final details regarding the conference. Registration numbers are low and strategies were discussed on how to boost up the registration numbers. Gathered a team of self-advocates to make REV UP the vote buttons to give away at the conference as well as San Diego People First buttons. Provided ongoing support to the planning team to assist in making sure the conference runs smoothly and the self-advocates are empowered to take ownership of the event. (People Attained Membership on Boards 13 SA / 8 OTH / People Trained 8 SA)
- SDIRO Staff facilitated the self-advocacy newsletter meeting with four people in attendance. Together the group identified topics and materials to include in the second edition of the newsletter and assigned tasks. They also discussed ways to modify and improve the newsletter based on feedback. The group also discussed adding a section for advertisement of micro enterprises. Neighborhood House, Access 2 Independence, the local ILC, A self-advocate, support staff from the Arc and a student from the Institute for Effective Education were the agencies represented at the meetings. (ORGs involved 2 SA / 4 OTH)
- SDIRO Staff provided support to the SDPF officers as they held their quarterly meeting. The topics that were presented were: Random Acts of Kindness, Acts of Services (Volunteerism) and Community Connections. The participants engaged in all aspects of the trainings and had the opportunity to make tags for their community service project that will take place in July. In addition to providing support to the officers as they ran their meeting, the self-advocates were

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supported as they managed the check in table and prepared the packets for each participant. A voter registration table was set up and information on voting in addition to voter registration forms were distributed by one of the SDPF officers. (People Trained 17 SA / 3 OTH)

- SEQRO SCDD was asked to join the 7th Annual Self Advocacy Conference Committee Meeting. There were 400 participants in attendance last. It's a unique event in the Central Valley as it offers the opportunity for youth and adults with disabilities, teachers, parents and professionals to gain awareness through exposure to resources and specific learning topics. Due to this year being an election year, there will be an emphasis on voting and the process. SCDD will provide a training on healthy eating habits as well as assisting the committee with finding speakers for the conference. Bebe Perez of Resources for Independence Central Valley has asked our office to also present the main conference session on "Voting". This will be close to 150 people for 2 session, for a total of 300 clients/staff trained on their voting rights. (ORGs involved 2 SA/ 4 OTH)
- Staff provided a rights and self-advocacy training to individuals with I/DD as one of the first offerings of the San Jose Public Library's Insiders program to individuals with I/DD. (People Trained 4 SA / ORGs 1 OTH)
- SVMBRO SCDD staff worked with the SSAN representative from Central Coast to assist the SSAN chairperson with the final draft of the Memo of Understanding between the SSAN and the State Council. (People Active 2 SA/ GP Reached 14 FA)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
The Story of the CA Self-Determination Law	590	610	613
Southwest SELPA Transition Fair Announcement	590	610	613
Effective Person-Centered Planning Training Announcement	590	610	613
PCP Webinar-Collaboration with USC UCEDD	590	610	613
Voting Resources and Information	590	610	613
SCDD LA Regional Office Training Flyer in English and Spanish	590	610	613

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Gift Basket Drive for San Diego People First Conference	5		100
Mains'l Services Inc. "Innovations Open House"	35	135	235
"SCDD North State Office Grant Cycle 39"	35	135	235
"iCan Bike 2016 Helping Individuals with Special Needs Gain Confidence through Bike Riding Yuba City Bike Camp"	35	135	235
"Using Supported Decision Making to Avoid Conservatorship: A training by the ACLU Disability Rights Program with Far Northern Regional Center"	35	135	235
"CICA Annual Meeting by Phone, Wednesday, May 18th, 2016 at 11 a.m."	10	40	65
"USC UCEDD - FREE webinar next week: Person Centered Planning"	15	50	160
"Butte County Public Authority Registry is looking for individuals to refer to In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) recipients for possible interview and hire. IHSS recipients are aged, blind and/or disabled."	35	135	235
"DRC Public Comment Survey Please help - Prioritize Disabled Access & Civil Rights"	35	135	235
Family Resource Network Newsletter	15	15	40
Special Olympics Newsletter	25	15	50
UCDavis MIND Institute Survey- We need your help	25	25	25
CHANGE.Org- Stop the comedian's use of the R-word	150	15	50
DO-Network Vote Disability Leadership Conference info	25	25	25
The Arc ACTION ALERT- stop comedian and Showtime from disrespecting people with disabilities.	150	15	50
Voting Accessible Advisory Committee Resources	25	15	15
DRC Hot Topics & News week of 5/25/16	15	25	15
Mike Walling SSDI/SSI Newsletter	25	25	10
Disability Is Natural newsletter-Daily Living & Life Skills	25	10	15
The Arc of CA- Voter Registration reminders & info	25	5	5
CDCAN Report- State Capitol Update	15	15	10
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""Reminder - Sequoia Regional Office Grant, Request for Applications"	9	37	38
Self Determination Symposium - San Jose July 9, 2016	11	38	43
Workshop Survey- Survey Monkey to see what trainings our email listing would like to see our office offer	15	44	52
USC UCEDD -FREE Webinar: Person Centered Planning	13	187	184
Self-Advocacy & Rights Training	13	187	184

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CMS, HCBS, Acronyms to become familiar with		318	292
Background Information on CMS HCBS New Rules		318	292
USC USEDD-FREE webinar next week: Person Centered Planning		318	292
"San Diego People First Self-Advocacy Conference". The 26 th Annual San Diego People First Self-Advocacy Conference on Friday June 3-4, 2016 at the Mission Valley Marriott, San Diego is an exciting multi-day event for adults with developmental disabilities. Through workshops, exhibits, social time and networking. The conference introduces participants to the Power and Importance of People First movement.	150	250	200

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	Spoke to FA about possible rights violation by daughter's day provider. Referred to DRC-OCRA.	1	1	
F	Referral to Far Northern Regional Center and Social Security Administration (SSA) for assistance with overpayment with SSI benefits.	1		
T	Provided caller information about Workforce Innovative and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and opportunities for youth that is 16.		1	
T	Provided information about housing programs in Butte County and referral to Housing Authority of County of Butte for housing opportunities.	1		
T	Referred a SA to contact the director of her day program, Self-Advocacy Council 6, service coordinator and OCRA if needed regarding an issue she is having with another SA at her day program. This SA does call frequently and we continue to give her contact info for those mentioned above.	1		
E	Higher education accommodation issues. Provided TA and appropriate referrals and resources.			1
T	Provided info to a SA regarding RAC membership	1		
T	Provided information to a parent on how to file for a hearing on denied services.		1	

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T	Early Start, due process, IFSP strategy. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	1
TE	Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	1
F	Assisted SSAN representative with SSAN report and scheduling/coordinating meetings with local community agencies	1		
T	Family Advocate, calling on behalf of son Received an IRC denial letter for Eligibility. Referred to OCRA.		1	
T	411 call, requested the Hemet Unified School District Director of Special Education. Referred to district contact..		1	
T	FM call received an IRC denial letter for Eligibility. Referred to OCRA.		1	
T	LA Family social services called for assistance with family denial letter for Eligibility from IRC. Referred to OCRA & Rolling Start.			1
T	SA, IRC consumer homeless with two sons. Stated that she has contacted her CSC but nothing has happened to better her condition. Referred to DRC, OCRA, and emailed 4731 compliant.	1		
T	Family Advocate, calling for an advocate for appealing IRC Eligibility Denial Letter. 5-10-2016 F/U w/FA/Mother re: Fair Hearing process overview.		1	
E	FA/Mother sent link to OCRA, Disability Rights California Lanterman Service Rights, and OAH re: previous decisions on eligibility appeals.		1	
T	Self-Advocate called re: IRC denial of eligibility for services Refer to Rolling Start for Advocacy Assistance	1		
T	Community members, RSVP to 05.24.2016 Self-Determination.			2
T	SA, Looking for Individual Advocacy regarding his living situation in his group home and wanting to live on his own. Referred to OCRA	1		
T	IRC staff, called to speak to SBRO CPS II. Gave message to SBRO CPS II			1
T	Family Advocate, had some questions regarding special needs child. Gave message to Shannon		1	
T	Family Advocate, Received a Denial for IRC eligibility needs some assistance with appealing. Referred to DRC		1	
T	Provided caller with information regarding the regional center, self-advocacy and rights.	4		
E	Provided information about recreation programs in San Diego County.	1		

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- LARO staff conducted a training on Bullying to one of South Central Los Angeles Regional Center's (SCLARC) parent groups held at L.A. Care's Lynwood site. Only 2 parents showed up which surprised SCLARC staff given the popular topic. SCDD staff modified the presentation so that it was more of a small group discussion. The parents were given a copy of SCDD L.A.'s publication, "Enough is Enough: Anti-Bullying Strategies for Students with Developmental Disabilities, Their Families and Their Schools." The discussion covered selected parts of the booklet, stressing the importance of using the IEP process to address bullying, the benefits of bystander training programs, and other strategies as well as sharing experiences and Q and A. Staff also took the opportunity to explain the role of SCDD. (People Trained 2 FA/ 2 OTH)
- LARO On 5/19/16, staff completed final development of a PowerPoint for a webinar scheduled for 5/26/16 sponsored by the USC University Center for Excellence on Developmental Disabilities (USC UCEDD). Staff also performed a mock presentation in order to ensure all deadlines would be met during the actual webinar. (ORGs 2 OTH)
- LARO On 5/26/16, staff provided a one hour webinar sponsored by the USC University Center for Excellence on Developmental Disabilities (USC UCEDD). (People Trained 7 SA/ 38 FA/ 63 OTH)
- LARO On May 21, 2016, staff conducted outreach and attended a meeting of the Westside Moms Parent Support Group. Staff engaged in a question and answer session with all members regarding their greatest concerns surrounding special education. All questions were answered and predominantly related to IEP strategy, due process, and independent educational evaluations. There were 13 attendees and the session lasted for three hours. Staff also distributed flyers promoting upcoming events: Effective Person Centered Planning on 6/25/16, the availability of Cycle 39 Mini-Grants, and the availability of training as requested by the group. (People Trained 13 FA)
- LARO Staff attended the monthly special education task force meeting to discuss current issues in special education in the Los Angeles area. The discussion revolved around the lawsuit filed by parents in LAUSD against closing segregated school sites as implemented under the Chanda Smith modified consent decree. (ORGs 6 OTH)
- LARO Staff provided training to SABLAC on the ABLE Act. They were excited to hear about the new possibilities for saving money without jeopardizing their benefits. (People Trained 10 SA)

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- 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. (People Trained 1 FA / 1 OTH)
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- OCRO staff hosted BCBA Anthony Hamedi, Founder and Director of Hope Autism Therapies, to conduct a parent training on "how to use ABA to help your child with a disability" for 6 parents and 4 professionals. This workshop covered the following topics: (1) what is ABA, (2) how it can help you, (3) how to obtain ABA services, (4) finding the best fit provider, (5) typically assessed skills in ABA, (6) functions of behavior, (7) behavior change programs and behavior shaping. (People Trained 6 FA / 4 OTH)
- SACRO staff served as a planning team member and sponsor for the 21st Annual Statewide Self Advocacy Conference from May 6th-8th, 2016. Planning team meetings were monthly throughout the year and sponsorship from SCDD provided printed materials, name badges and ribbons, folders, and various office supplies for the 350 self-advocates in attendance. SCDD continues to promote inclusion, independence and self-determination and ways for self-advocates to have a voice and this conference upholds and supports this vision. There were 30 self-advocates who participated on the planning team, giving it a theme name of "Get Connected". The self-advocates lead all sessions, gave speeches, and also acted as the moderators of each session. There were 30 sessions to attend, as well as an opening presentation, and social activities (karaoke, dating game, and dance). Self-advocate attendees were from all over California as well as Hawaii, Arizona, Guam, and Nevada. The National Western States SABLE (Self-Advocates Becoming Empowered) held their annual meeting during the Self-Determination Conference. These visiting self-advocates were warmly welcomed during a "getting to know you" dinner on Thursday night hosted by local self-advocates on the Planning Committee. The conference provided an opportunity to learn about housing, employment, secondary education, learning to self-advocate, self-

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- determination, emergency preparedness, healthy living, communication, crime prevention, starting a business, exercise, making your own choices, gaining control over your life, achieving your dreams, starting a business, preventing cyberbullying, marriage, and so on. (People Trained 350 SA/ 25 FA/ 25 OTH).
- SACRO staff presented SCDD information on a resource table at the 21st Annual Statewide Self Advocacy Conference from May 6th-8th, 2016. There were 350 self-advocates in attendance. SCDD offered printed information on topics of Self-Determination, Employment, Emergency Preparedness, IPP Planning, Transition, In Home Support Services (IHSS) and Independent Living. SCDD's informational flyer was available and Cal Fire Emergency information bags were given away as well. SCDD continues to promote inclusion, independence, self-determination and employment and as such poster boards were developed and posted. A sign in sheet was provided to increase the number of people we can send information to through MailChimp. (People Trained 350 SA/ 10 FA/ 20 OTH/ GP Reached 15 FA/ 10 OTH)
 - SACRO staff and SCDD Sacramento Regional Office Regional Advisory Committee attended a presentation/training titled, "Lessons Learned from Educational Inclusion and What it means for all Children", presented by Nelia Nunes, Parent advocate. Ms. Nunes presented the struggles, trials, the learning curve for school administrators and teachers along with the positive outcomes of full inclusion for her daughter, their family, teachers and students. Their family journey was explained and presented step by step and is an inspirational story of success. (People Trained 8 SA/ 8 FA/ 4 OTH)
 - SACRO staff led a training at DDSO (Developmental Disabilities Service Organization) Short Center North in their Employment + program, Self-Advocacy Skills 101 class on identifying and planning for your hopes and dreams. 25 students attended. (People Active 25 SA/ 2 OTH)
 - SACRO staff participated in the 6 Steps to Success In Special Needs Planning workshop organized by the Elk Grove School District for parents of special needs children. Michael Pearce of Pearce Law lead the workshop. I was given the opportunity to share with the attendees the mission and activities of SCDD. During break time, 8 families approached me to ask questions about services. Information about conservatorship, power of attorney, alternatives to conservatorship, and trusts and wills was discussed with families. (People Trained 1 SA 75 FA/ 5 OTH / People trained in system advocacy 8 FA)
 - SDIRO staff, in collaboration with San Diego Regional Center, presented training

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on voter education was presented to 30 young adults who participate in a job club. The training covered the importance of voting, the right to vote, registering to vote and tips for successful voting. The training offered the attendees the opportunity to register to vote and ask questions about the voting process as well as what to do if they have a difficulty in accessing the polls on election day. Packets were provided to all who attended the training. (People Trained 30 SA/ 7 OTH)

- SDIRO, In collaboration with San Diego Regional Center, Disability Rights CA a training on voter education was presented to 35 people in Imperial Valley. The training covered the importance of voting, the right to vote, registering to vote and tips for successful voting. The training offered the attendees the opportunity to register to vote and ask questions about the voting process as well as what to do if they have a difficulty in accessing the polls on election day. Packets were provided to all who attended the training. (People Trained 29 SA/ 6 OTH / ORGs 3 OTH)
- SDIRO Staff coordinated and facilitated the monthly planning meeting for both the 2016 parent conference and wrap up discussion on the sibling event. The group reviewed the sibling event and identified strategies and areas to change for the next sibling event. Thank you letters to all volunteers were distributed and based on the low number of returned completed evaluations from the families who had a child come to the sibling event a new evaluation will be mailed to each family. The planning team is still in the process of determining what their workshops will be for the October conference. (People Active 3 FA/ 6 OTH / ORGs 9 OTH)
- SDIRO Staff presented a power point training on "Getting Regional Center Services Through Your IPP". The training discussed 5 major points: what is the IPP, who is the IPP team, how to prepare for the IPP, purchase of services guidelines and services available through the regional center. The training was held at the San Diego Marine Corp Recruit Depot in their Family Member Services building. One parent attended this training. (People trained 1 FA)
- SEQRO, on a monthly basis, the staff and the H.E.A.R.T.S Connection staff coordinate this event that focuses on helping educate parents, students and parent mentors to navigate the special education system. "The H.E.A.R.T.S Connection Family Resource Center is staffed by parents and family members of children with disabilities and/or special health care (People Trained 2 FA/ 2 OTH)
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children with disabilities and/or special health care needs. Staff at the Family Resource Center provide families with parent to parent support, advocacy, training and assistance, resource coordination and information." The SCDD staff provided a presentation that focused on: Benefits for Children (under age 18), Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Benefits for Adults (over age 18) Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Benefits for Adults (earned benefits)– Social Security Disability Income (SSDI), Social Security Disabled Adult Child (SSDAC), Evaluation of Disability, Work Incentives, Information for Representative Payees. (People Trained 2 FA/ 2 OTH)

- SVMBRO - May is Williams Syndrome Awareness month. The requested acknowledgment about Williams Syndrome Awareness Month was provided by the office of Representative Evan Low. Regional Center commemorated May as Williams Syndrome Month and added the acknowledgment from Evan Low to its Facebook page. (People Active 1 FA/ 4 OTH)

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PCP Webinar Announcement-a Collaboration between SCDD LA Office and UCS UCEDD	590	610	613
9th Circ Court Rulings in Chanda Smith and School District's Obligation to Assess for Autism	590	610	613
3.1 USC UCEDD Person Centered Planning Webinar	30	68	127
Self-Determination Training Announcement	300	808	200
RCOC Transition Planning Workshop Series	300	808	200
PCP Training Announcement	300	808	200
Appsolute Fun: IDevice Apps for Early Learning Training Announcement	300	808	200
The Arc of CA- Voter Registration reminders & info	25	5	5
CDCAN Report- State Capitol Update	15	15	10
Resolving an IEP Dispute: 6 Options to Consider newsletter	1	45	5
CMS, HCBS, Acronyms to become familiar with	13	187	184
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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	Referral to RC for eligibility intake assessment		1	
T	SA called and wanted to live with his girlfriend and needed help. He had called the wrong county, lives in Ventura County, gave him phone numbers for that area to call.	1		
F	Discussion with an SA on the self-determination presentation at the People First meeting 5/2/2016.	1		
F	Spoke to FA regarding the Workability program basics, benefits, who to talk to about getting into the program.		1	
F	Spoke to FA regarding Authorized representative forms/process, referred to Dawn Morley for further information.		1	
F	TA to agency representative regarding alternatives to conservatorships.			1
T	Follow up on ADA laws with a program on SA rights			1
F	Spoke to SA and provided technical assistance about advocating for themselves and speaking up with job coaches	1		
T	Referred Parent to Warmline Family Resource Center, Disability Rights California, and Office of Human Rights.		1	
T	Referred Parent to OCRA for accessing out of home respite.		1	
T	Provided information to a FA on possible solutions to an issue regarding regional center and lack of services to her sister who was hospitalized and the FA wanted to plan for her sister upon discharge from the hospital. Referred her to DRC OCRA and VMRC Director of Case Management.	1	1	
F	Assisted 4 family advocates during resource fair with trouble shooting special education concerns		4	
T	Assisted FA with special ed concerns		1	
E	Assisted FA with special education concerns and IPP/RC concerns		1	

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E/T	Assisted FA with provider concern		1	
T/E	Assisted SARC staff on special ed concerns			1
T/E	Assisted SARC staff and parent on special ed concerns		1	1
F	Assisted 8 family advocates during conference with special ed concerns		8	
T/E	Assisted FA with special ed, regional center and 51/50 concerns		1	
T/E	Assisted SARC staff and parent with special ed concerns		1	1
F	Assisted 11 family advocates with special ed concerns		11	
T	FA called regarding her son's rights being violated by the school. Son is not being accommodated while at the library at school. He has echolalia type behaviors and is constantly getting kicked out of the library and because his mother works for the school, she is asked to take him home. Referred to OCRA –Fresno		1	
F	Three families were prepared for their Regional Center eligibility cases. Staff guided them on how to start the Regional Center eligibility process		3	
T	Central Valley Regional Center service coordinator and parents called regarding child with autism and his behaviors in the general education setting with a behavioral aide vs. child attending an autism program at another school same district and being mainstreamed into the general education setting with support. Parents chose the autism program with mainstreaming for their child.		2	1
E	Central Valley Regional Center service coordinator emailed us regarding a parent that claims she is homeschooling her child. The only "education" that appears to be provided is through an ABA provider doing Autism Behavior Services. Child is due for educational assessments and Regional Center was wondering if the Fresno Diagnostic Center could assess since the child is not being served by a school district. Diagnostic Center is not an option and staff guided her to contact the child's school district to assess.			1
E	A teacher from a special day class emailed us for a parent to ask if staff could attend a meeting with parent and her twin girls. The meeting is to monitor the progress and behavior of the girls. According to the teacher the girls are doing better and parent has no concerns at this time. Staff suggested that if parent had any questions or concerns regarding her twin girls in the future that she may contact our office for technical assistance.		1	1
T	FA called regarding her son and the placement the district is providing him until the end of the school year due to his ongoing verbal outbursts and		1	

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	destructive behavior with his peers and school personnel. Staff provided the parent with Disability Rights CA information to obtain/review their special education rights and responsibilities book.			
T	Parent called wanting staff to attend her children's IEP meetings in Corcoran, CA. Referred to California Special Needs Advocacy.		1	
T	Parent called wanting staff to attend IEP meeting with her. Her son is 7 years old with autism and is placed in a SDC. When her son is disruptive in class the teacher removes him from the classroom and an aide goes with him. There is no behavior support plan in place. Parent really wants an advocate at the IEP meeting, so staff referred her to California Special Needs Advocacy.		1	
T	Parent was seeking representation of her child at an IEP meeting. Referred her to California Special Needs Advocacy.		1	
E	Parent contacted us regarding her 5 year old child with Down Syndrome. He will be attending Kindergarten in the fall. When she contacted his home school, she was told that full inclusion is something that has to be earned? She stated that they made it clear that most of the kids that need that kind of "care and support" are provided transportation to another school within the district. Staff referred her to California Special Needs Advocacy.		1	
E	Parent of a second grade son with Down Syndrome emailed us needing assistance with (ESY) Extended school year for her child in a special day class. The school district has told her that he does not qualify for ESY. Parent was given eligibility requirements for ESY services under state law along with some federal regulations. This information along with the educational codes were taken from Disability Rights CA Special Education Rights and Responsibilities Book. Parent will be able to present this information to her school district, to prove that her child does qualify for ESY.		1	
E	Assisted FA with special education concerns		1	
T/E	Assisted FA with truancy and special ed concerns		1	
T	Assisted FA with special ed concerns		1	
T	Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, list of attorneys, placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		2	
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T	Provided technical assistance to parent regarding the regional center appeal process. Provided links to OAH, Rights Under the Lanterman Act, and DRC Fair Hearing guide.		1	
T	Regional Center issues, IPP strategy, fair hearing. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
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TE	Assisted one mother re: information on special education and legal options including attorney listings		1	
T	Provided technical assistance to parent regarding the Quality Assessment Project and how to get services from the regional center.		1	
F	Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, list of attorneys, placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		12	
T	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 who has not received any services from the regional center. Provided link to Rights Under the Lanterman Act.		1	
T	Provided technical assistance to sibling of consumer currently living out of state who will be moving to the L.A. area soon. Discussed the type of community living options available and advised sibling to request her brother's current state DD agency to contact the L.A. regional center and discuss specific transition plan.		1	
T	Employment and appropriate supports.		1	
TE	Assisted a man with autism to understand ADA and Section 504 as they pertain to higher education	1		
TE	Assisted a mom to understand her options when a service coordinator is		1	

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	not responding adequately to requests			
T	Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, list of attorneys, placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.		1	
TE	Assisted a grandmother to understand what RCs can and cannot fund; also described how to get better services through IEP		1	
T	Assisted 3 family advocates to navigate RC appeals process re: denial of copayments, personal assistance services, and day care		3	
F	Met with 1 FA re mediation with RCOC		1	
T	Assisted 3 FA on special education services and supports		3	
T	Molina called on behalf of mother looking for assistance with son's IEP. Referred Other to T.A.S.K & OCRA			1
T	Prof. from EXCEED, requested a SSI & Wages training for EXCEED location in Hemet. Available every 2 nd & 4 th Thursday of the month.			1
T	Community Member re: IRC consumers' rights to ILS services while living with family.			1
E	Community Member sent ILS/SLS portion of Living options powerpoint to assist with better understanding ILS laws			1
T	Family Advocate, Language Lines (Spanish) was used. FM having issues with school with IEP and services being taken away. Referred FM to DRC, OCRA & emailed IEP materials.		1	
T	Family Advocate was referred to SBRO staff. Looking for some Advocacy for her child's filing against school teacher. 5-10-2016 F/U w/ FA/Mother, gave information and instruction overview for filing District uniform complaint procedures (UPC).		1	
E	Family Advocate emailed SBRO following Employment Summit re: educational concerns, problems w/ assessments, diagnosis, goals, progress with goals and overall documentation and follow through with IEP. Family now has an attorney but not much is happening and the school year is ending. Parents are reluctant to file due process but have several major issues with the district follow through with IEP goals.		1	
T	Family Advocate Provided TA of compliance complaint procedure with CDE		1	
T	Family Advocate assisted with navigating the system and educational rights		1	
E	Family Advocate follow up to phone conversation sent email with		1	

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	resources and referrals			
T	Family Advocate wanted to gather more information re: the district Uniform Complaint Procedures and to obtain further information about what to expect after filing.		1	
E	Emailed Family Advocate a copy of UCP brochure from CDE website and encouraged follow up.		1	
T	Family Advocate called re: incorrect information rec'vd by IRC CSC re: NO Self-Determination program in the Inland Empire.		2	
E	Emailed Family Advocate flyer for Self-Determination training and agenda for SDAC meeting afterwards, Plus RSVP'd both for training		2	
T	Family Advocate w/ SB Co. Superintendent of Schools initially was calling to RSVP for Alternatives for Conservatorship presentation for a Family Advocate whose 18 y/o child she is working with. Family Advocate placed on waiting list C/B# 909-786-8849. In addition, mailed resource materials for future use (Minors and the Law & Turning 18)		1	1
T	Family Advocate called regarding rights of residents within CCL & IRC vendored facilities. Mother has issues because daughter was prescribed a special diet due to her food allergies and the care provider is requiring the resident to pay for her own food. Also, the water tastes bad at the facility and the residents are required to purchase their own bottled water. Referred mother to OCRA, Ombudsman, IRC/CSC, IRC QA liaison, County Water Department, Public Health along with 4731 complaint form.		1	
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T	FM calling on behalf of daughter.. Daughter is being moved to a different IRC Pomona to IRC received a NOA letter from IRC stating the respite hours were to change from 80hrs to 30hrs, pushing In home support services. Has contacted OCRA but they have not returned phone call.		1	
T	FA, calling on behalf of son. Requested to speak to SBRO CPS II, son was given another child's medication yesterday. Mother doesn't feel		1	

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	confident that the school is capable to administer son's medication after the way the school handle the situation that occurred. Mother had to take son to ER and the mistake could have put her son in a coma. Needs advice on how to file a complaint.			
T, E	Assisted family with getting a 504 changed to an IEP after District failed to comply with their own 504 plan.		1	
T	Parent called for technical assistance regarding eligibility for regional center services for her daughter. I spoke with her at length, provided her with information about the process, and suggested once she gathered all of her records to call me back, and we could review them. On 5-16-16, received the requested information and reviewed with parent. Parent will move forward with applying for services for her daughter.	1	1	

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- LARO staff attended the meeting of the Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center (FDLRC) Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) on May 5, 2016. The FDLRC SDAC's role is to analyze issues, identify steps and processes, and develop recommendations for FDLRC as it goes forward with the implementation of the Self-Determination Program. At this meeting the committee was given an update on the current status of the SDP, an overview of the CMS HCBS Final Rule as it applies to Self-Determination, and an overview of the outreach efforts being undertaken by FDLRC in collaboration with the SDAC. (ORGs 3 OTH)
- LARO staff drafted and distributed E-Newsletter #54 on April 14, 2016 to 1,813 subscribers. Articles in this edition included an announcement of our upcoming Independent Facilitator training at Cal State University, Northridge, an article about the first CMS HCBS Waiver application approved in Tennessee, a link to resources available on work and benefits, and an announcement about a higher education scholarship offered to students with disabilities. Staff also drafted and distributed a Special Edition E-Newsletter on April 25, 2016 to 1,813 subscribers about the \$20,000 SCDD Mini-Grants. (GP Reached 1,813 OTH)
- LARO staff attended the meeting of the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center (SGPRC) Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) on May 11, 2016. The SDAC's role is to analyze issues, identify steps and processes, and develop recommendations for SGPRC as it goes forward with the implementation of the Self-Determination Program. At this meeting the committee: reviewed documents from the recent SDP Workgroup from March and April; reviewed and approved a one-page informational flyer on the SDP to be distributed to SGPRC staff, consumers, and family members; and discussed the SGPRC SDP outreach campaign and finalized dates for presentations. (ORGs 3 OTH)
- LARO staff drafted and distributed E-Newsletter #55 to 1,813 subscribers on May 10, 2016. Articles in this edition included the history of the Self-Determination Program in California, a report on our Independent Facilitator training at Cal State University, Northridge, an announce about a free webinar on Person-Centered Planning, and a reminder about the \$20,000 SCDD Mini-Grant. Staff also drafted and distributed E-Newsletter #56 on May 20, 2016 to 1,813 subscribers. Articles in this edition included an announcement about an upcoming seminar on "Effective Person-Centered Planning," a reminder about the free webinar on Person-Centered Planning, links to resources available to help people exercise their right to vote, an announcement about different training topics the L.A. office is available

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to conduct, and an article about the National Low Income Housing Coalition's Trust Funds. Staff also drafted and distributed a Special Edition E-Newsletter on May 27, 2016 to 1,813 subscribers reminding subscribers of the \$20,000 SCDD Mini-Grants. (GP Reached 1,813 OTH)

- LARO staff provided an overview and update of the Self-Determination Program (SDP) to members of the South-Central Los Angeles Regional Center (SCLARC) Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC) on May 11, 2016. 35 VAC members attended. Staff and SCLARC VAC members discussed how the SDP will impact the way services will be provided in the future (ORGs 2 OTH)
- LARO staff collaborated with and attended the local self-determination advisory committee meeting at SCLARC. No quorum was established; no motions were addressed. SCDD LA staff shared the following information with the meeting participants: 1. SDP Waiver update 2. Proposed timeline from the SSDAC workgroup 3. SCDD LA Regional Office's upcoming training on person-centered planning (PCP) was shared. SCLARC shared its SDP Fact Sheet based on the information provided by SCDD LA Regional Office. SCLARC indicated that they will continue to outreach and prepare for self-determination once it is rolled out. The next meeting will be scheduled in July or August. (People Active 2 SA/ 2 FA/ 7 OTH)
- LARO staff collaborated with and attended the local self-determination advisory committee meeting at SGPRC. A quorum was established at the SDAC mtg. There were great public interests and participation at the meeting. SCDD LA staff shared the following information with the meeting participants: 1. SDP Waiver update 2. Proposed timeline from the SSDAC workgroup 3. SCDD LA Regional Office's upcoming training on person-centered planning (PCP) was shared. SGPRC shared its SDP Fact Sheet based on the information provided by SCDD LA Regional Office. SGPRC indicated that they will continue to outreach and prepare for self-determination once it is rolled out. SGPRC SDAC members who have been utilizing their bi-cultural and bilingual skills to actively volunteer/outreach to the Spanish, Filipino, Chinese, and African American underserved communities to promote SDP. (People Active 3 SA/ 21 FA/ 8 OTH)
- LARO staff manned a table at the Southwest SELPA transition fair to share information with parents and young adults about the State Council and to distribute various relevant publications. About 40 people stopped by the table with 15 who signed up for the LA office newsletter and to order publications. (GP Reached 40 OTH)

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- LARO staff attended a meeting of the Westside Regional Center (WRC) Board of Directors on 5/4/16. Staff monitored board activity for compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies. Staff also distributed flyers promoting upcoming events: Effective Person Centered Planning on 6/25/16, the availability of Cycle 39 Mini-Grants, and the availability of training as requested by the group. (GP Reached 19 SA/ 25 FA/ 20 OTH)
- LARO staff finalized venue arrangements (obtained fee waiver) and created flyer for a 6-25-16 seminar on Person-Centered Planning, to be co-sponsored with the Inclusion Institute. The flyer which was also translated into Spanish, was distributed via our newsletter (1800), our U.S. mailing list (250), an email blast (900 addresses), passed out at various meetings and trainings (approx 250) attended by SCDD L.A. staff = 3200. Also posted on SCDD's website (number of hits unknown). (Breakdown by SA, FA, and Other unavailable.) (GP Reached 3,200 OTH)
- LARO staff provided support to SCDD appointees of the Harbor Regional Center (HRC) Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) and monitored the meeting on 5/11/16. Staff also distributed flyers promoting upcoming events: Effective Person Centered Planning on 6/25/16, the availability of Cycle 39 Mini-Grants, and the availability of training as requested by the group (People Trained 2 SA/ 9 FA/ 6 OTH)
- LARO Regional Manager and Staff attended North Los Angeles County Regional Center's quarterly Strategic Planning Committee meeting. The focus was primarily on building an ongoing strategic plan to meet the needs of NLACRC clients under the new CMS HCBS settings. Topics of discussion included services and support for employment, housing, transportation under WIOA and the new CMS HCBS settings. SCDD LA Regional Manager shared information regarding impact for the I/DD community under WIOA including pre-employment transition services, supported employment services with competitive integrated & customized employment, and the gradual eliminations on sub-minimum wage. SCDD LA Staff also shared the new CMS HCBS settings and the attached SDP updates and resources. The Committee discussed the following solutions to address housing issues faced by many adults with I/DD in LA County. 1. Help connect SAs to testify at the city housing committee to push for affordable and accessible housing; Provide authority to regional centers to provide startup funding for residential services for non-profit organizations who meet the new CMS HCBS settings; 3. Regional Centers help clients apply for section 8 program with HUD early on to

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expand their housing options. SCDD LA Manager shared the Cycle 39 Grant Request for Proposal with the public to seek community program/service to meet the housing needs in LA County. (ORGs 6 OTH/ People Trained 4 SA/ 6 FA/ 8 OTH)

- LARO provided technical assistance and support to the LA Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) meeting on 5/23/2016 at PCDA in Pasadena. Presenters from PCDA and DRC Investigation Unit 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 provided handout materials to enhance future collaboration with all meeting attendees. Handouts include "Cycle 39 Grant RFP" fliers, "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". RAC Membership Committee reported that there are three SDAC vacancies with ELARC, WRC, and NLACRC respectively. SABLAC: SCDD LA Office Staff provided ABLE Act presentation at the 5/15/16 SABLAC meeting. SABLAC will participate in the 2016 Transition Fair in Lawndale on 5/25/16. Elections for new officers will occur in June. Two SABLAC members and also RAC member presented at the SSAN Supported Life Conference in Sacramento on Dating, Marriage and Disability. The next meeting is scheduled on 6/27/2016 at SCDD LA Office. (GP Reached 6 SA/ 7 FA/ 12 OTH/ ORGs 3 OTH)
- LARO staff attended North Los Angeles County Regional Center's self-determination advisory committee meeting in Lancaster. Dr. April Lopez' letter to regional center directors was provided and discussed. Several committee members agreed that NLACRC has been very supportive of the SDAC. The SDAC requested that SCDD LA staff and NLACRC manager, Ruth Janka, meet and propose a training schedule for the SDAC meetings so that all topics are covered thoroughly and timely. This will be presented at the next meeting. (ORGs 4 OTH)
- LARO staff provided a training to the Harbor Regional Center (HRC) Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) at their meeting on 5/11/16 about the Role of the Facilitator. Staff also distributed flyers promoting upcoming events: Effective Person Centered Planning on 6/25/16, the availability of Cycle 39 Mini-Grants, and the availability of training as requested by the group (People Trained 2 SA/ 9 FA/ 6 OTH)
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- NCRO- The Redwood Coast Regional Center and SCDD - North Coast Self-Determination Advisory Committee held their regularly scheduled meeting. The group had decided that they will meet quarterly until the waiver is approved however, after attending the Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee, the Chair (FA) discussed with the group that there were activities that could be undertaken by the group. The group decided to establish a training workgroup to develop the message that the committee members to take to their communities in order to outreach to the all individuals and families that did not contain specific information that would be dependent upon provisions in the waiver. (People Active 4 SA/ 3 FA/ 4 OTH/ ORGs 3 OTH)
- NSRO Staff participated in Far Northern Regional Center's Board of Directors meeting on May 20, 2016 by providing a presentation on SCDD updates and programs including status of Program Development Grant Cycle 39 and reviewed the State Plan Goals for North State Office's Request For Proposal, including deadlines and details. Information was provided on Medi-Cal 2020 upcoming conference, including speakers, topics and registration information. Information flyers were provided on Program Development Grant Cycle 39 and Medi-Cal 2020

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Conference. Also, a presentation was provided on Statewide Self Advocacy Network (SSAN) including mission, goals, projects and accomplishments. The 2014-15 SSAN Annual Report was provided to the members. Staff are included in the development of FNRC's Board of Director's meeting agendas which support the relationship and collaboration between agencies. (People Active 7 SA/ 6 FA/ 8 OTH / ORGs 4 OTH)

- NVHRO - RAC meeting was held at the Arc of Amador & Calaveras (Calaveras Campus). Patricia Green from VMRC attended the meeting to give their report. Agenda in common drive. The guest speaker and presented was Diana Powell- a self-advocate from Tuolumne County. She gave her presentation on going from Homeless to Home Proud. It was really well received. Art Valdez: Art noted sensory movies in Manteca and Lodi and a mother's picnic in Lodi at Peirano's winery with a get together planned quarterly. He also spoke of a Facebook page called Autism Families of San Joaquin and shared that he continues to promote a challenger league to be part of Pacific Little League. (GP Reached 3 SA/ 3 FA/ 8 OTH)
- NVHRO is a standing agenda item on the monthly Coalition of Local Area Service Providers (CLASP). At this meeting - information was shared about the Cycle 39 RFP's, SAC6 meetings and next RAC meeting. The vendors talked about upcoming holiday schedule for the next year as well as rate increase and the DDS survey. (GP Reached 25 OTH)
- NVHRO staff attended the VMRC Consumer Services and Board meeting monthly at VMRC. Consumer services meeting discussed Clinical info, Resource Development update, Quality Assurance update and Case Management updates. Staff shared info on transportation resources and flyer developed by SCDD. At the board meeting, they approved budget info, SAC6 report, May Human Resources Report and May Caseload report. (GP Reached 6 SA/ 6 FA/ 15 OTH)
- NVHRO - The CHOICES Institute met to debrief about the April 2106 conference. Our office tallied the evaluation forms and items were discussed and the fiscal report was given. The committee had an election of new officers and will not meet until August 2016 to plan the 30th Conference in 2017. (GP Reached 3 SA/ 2 FA/ 10 OTH/ ORGs 15 OTH)
- OCRO staff presented on Self-Determination on May 24, 2016, to a group of 25 professionals, consumers, and family members. The focus of the training was an overview of Self-Determination including the five principles of Self-Determination, who is/is not eligible for the program, the individual budget, the independent

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facilitator, the financial management services (FMS), and phase-in information specific to Regional Center of Orange County. The PPT was adapted with permission from the Los Angeles Regional Office. (People Trained in Leadership 2 SA/ 20 FA/ 3 OTH)

- OCRO staff participated in the RCOC Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee that reviews the development and ongoing process of the self-determination program, including advancing the principles of self-determination and to ensure operation consistent with the requirements of the WIC statute. At this meeting, the following topics were discussed: (1) Outreach to the public and prioritizing our efforts to non-English speaking populations (2) FMS presentation by 24hr HomeCare (3) Presentation for Vendor Advisory Committee (4) PCP Presentation status update (5) Suggestions or request received via RCOC website - only 2 comments received just to be added to the interest list (People Active 4 SA/ 2 FA/ 3 OTH/ People Trained in Leadership 2 SA/ 6 FA/ 4 OTH)
- SACRO assisted with the presentation given by self-advocate Zach Miller and 2 high school students on "Public Speaking for Self-Advocates" at the 21st Annual Statewide Self Advocacy Conference on May 6, 2016. Presenters gave tips and techniques to increase public speaking skills, discussed how to share your personal story in a way that is meaningful and powerful for others to hear. Presenters had the attendees break into smaller groups and practice speaking skills with each other. There were 40 self-advocates at this session. Prior to this session, the SCDD staff coordinated the self-advocate to visit the Sacramento Waldorf School and meet with a speech and debate teacher and 2 high school students who are part of the Speech and Debate Team. They planned the session together and then lead the session as a group. (People Trained 40 SA/ ORGs 2 OTH/ GP Reached 2 OTH)
- SACRO staff assisted with the presentation given by self-advocate, Lisa Cooley regarding "Self-Determination - What is it and When will it happen?" at the 21st Annual Statewide Self Advocacy Conference on May 6, 2016. Lisa Cooley informed the audience how the Self-Determination Program will be a new way to have control over their money that pays for services, leading to new service options. Ms. Cooley gave information about how to get on the list for Self-Determination and her session offered printed information regarding the topic as well. There was an opportunity for the audience to ask questions, and the most commonly one was "When can I get this service?" There were 350 self-advocates in total at the conference and 55 in attendance at this session as well as 2 family

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members and 6 other attendees. Many comments from self-advocates requested clarity when referring to the "FMS - Financial Management System" and the "Facilitator" components of Self-determination. (People Active 50 SA/ 2 FA/ 3 OTH/ People Trained in Leadership 3 OTH)

- SACRO staff attended Alta Regional Center's Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting at ACRC. Topics of discussion were: The Governor's May budget revise this Friday, proposed new funding for regional centers for caseload reduction and additional service coordinators, 2 additional meetings this week with Nancy Bargman, Director of DDS, regarding Sonoma DC closure. A discussion of Federal Waiver reimbursements - 55% of people receiving regional center services are on the Waiver. ACRC is not projecting a deficit this year. Discussion of trip planned for June 14th to Sonoma Developmental Center to hold the CAC meeting with residents of SDC who are from ACRC's catchment area. Self-Advocates presented updates regarding their various boards including: SCDD's Regional Advisory Committee, Association of Regional Center Agencies Consumer Advisory Committee, Peer Advocacy Committee, and Alta California Board of Directors. Several individuals who had lived at SDC at some point in their lives volunteered to speak at the SDC meeting. SCDD staff explained that under contract with DDS, staff will be conducting Movers and Longitudinal study surveys of individuals who have moved out of state developmental centers. (People Active 18 SA/ 5 OTH/ ORGs 3 OTH)
- SACRO staff hosted and participated in the planning meeting of the Peer Advocacy Connection which is the planning committee for the Regional (semi-annual) Peer Advocacy Connection (PAC) workshop. Participants reviewed evaluations from the last meeting and developed the agenda and potential presentation topics for the October meeting. SCDD staff suggested reaching out to individuals living in care homes and encouraging them to attend future meetings. SCDD staff also suggested the committee develop a flyer that explains the Regional PAC meeting in more detail to help with marketing and increasing attendance. David Lopez, Client's Rights Advocate at ACRC said he would discuss the Residential Unit Supervisor if Ed Plon and several self-advocates could come speak with the Residential Service Coordinators to inform them about the Regional PAC meeting and encourage them to spread the word to the self-advocates and care providers they work with. Three self-advocates volunteered to assist Ed with this outreach efforts. Plans were made to develop a flyer at the next meeting. There were 18 self-advocates and 6 other attendees at this meeting.

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This committee is made up of the chair person from each People's First Advocacy group in each of our 10-counties. Many of these individuals have the assistance of a facilitator for their group. The PAC meetings are coordinated by Ed Plon of Supported Life Institute's Self-Advocacy Project (funded by the Regional Center). The self-advocates make all major decisions related to the planning of the Regional PAC meetings. This group has outgrown the conference room at the Supported Life Institute so they asked if they could use our conference room. The following agencies are involved in this collaboration: ACRC, ASAN, Supported Life Institute, SCDD, and DRC. (People Trained 18 SA/ 6 OTH/ ORGs 5 OTH)

- SBRO Regional Manager met with the Executive Director of Inland Regional Center (IRC) regarding the intake process and referrals. We discussed concerns brought forth by our self-advocates and their families regarding the intake process, services, and access to the facility. We also discussed the SCDD role and responsibilities and we provided them an updated brochure and the trainings offered by our office. During the discussion, we brainstormed ideas to assist the community with understanding the roles, processes, and services of regional center. This office suggested that IRC post some of their processes to their website, and provided an example from San Diego Regional Center on how they have addressed this concern and assisted the families. The link to the processes used for an example is as follows: link <http://sdrc.org/>. The SBRO Regional manager requested a monthly standing meeting to discuss issues and concerns from the community and to follow-up with any concerns. The next meeting is scheduled for 2pm on June 13, 2016. (ORGs 3 OTH)
- SBRO staff collaborated with Premier Healthcare to present on the role of the Financial Management Services (FMS) within the Self-Determination program (SDP) as well as Inland Regional Center (IRC) to co-facilitate the training to the community members. The meeting was held within the SCDD San Bernardino Regional Office Conference room. The presentation also had a specialized component entitled "Navigating Financial Management Services (FMS)" which was presented to the group by a FMS provider who works throughout the state of California and could give training participants a better understanding of the role of the FMS. Materials that were distributed to the group were; Premier healthcare "Navigating FMS", "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 Self-Determination program information. (People Trained 8 FA/ 6 OTH)

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- SCDD staff provided technical assistance and updates to the committee members regarding Self-Determination, trainings to the community in english and spanish, and increase in outreach to the community by IRC on the program. SCDD staff also informed committee that training was provided on April 19, 2016 to IRC training unit so that outreach can be provided to the community. Updates on CMS and DDS were provided to the committee from both IRC and SCDD staff. IRC and SCDD staff co-presented their second collaborative training on May 24, 2016 prior to the SDAC meeting. IRC and SCDD discussed providing possibly more trainings to IRC staff due to recent feedback from the community members and IRC staff that they do not have a clear understanding of the SDP program to appropriately discuss the program with consumers and/or families. In addition, Premier Healthcare provided a training on Navigating Financial management Services (FMS) for the group. All attendees were provided pre & post evaluation survey and the survey results are as follows; (People Trained 1 SA/ 6 FA/ 7 OTH)
- SDIRO - At the bi-monthly Regional Advisory Committee, staff provided a power point presentation on the Final Rules for the HCBS Waiver. These changes will have some impact on the way services are provided, and it was helpful for the members to be exposed to more information, since they may be questioned about what these changes will mean for people in the community. (GP Reached 5 FA/ 2 OTH)
- SDIRO At this bi-monthly meeting, the group was updated on the status of finances at the San Diego Regional Center, and a request was also made for those providers who were asked by DDS to respond to the salary survey, to please do so. The Legislative Forum update was provided, and there was a great deal of discussion regarding the HCBS rules. The Arc San Diego and the San Diego Regional Center are planning a one day conference open to providers only, to address how these changes will impact services. Someone from Louisiana that was formerly with the Arc in that state has been asked to come out and present. From the discussion heard, it seems as if agencies are more concerned about how they can remain the same and still obtain funding, rather than learn how they can provide a meaningful change in their program to meet the guidelines of HCBS. The Southern CA Housing Collaborative stated that they had another groundbreaking ceremony for another development that will have 7 fully accessible units for clients and families of the regional center. Staff reminded vendors about the Request for Proposals that are currently out, as well as the upcoming Self-Advocacy Conference and Project College. A request was also

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made by staff to share with clients and their families that the Self-Determination Committee is continuing to take applications, and need in particular members from the Imperial County. (ORGs 1SA/ 1 FA/ 18 OTH)

- SDIRO Attended the monthly regional center client advisory committee meeting (8 people were in attendance), the group reviewed the regional center board meeting, clarified questions the members had and created a plan to better understand the material that is presented at the board meeting. The group also discussed their involvement in the Employment First trainings that would be done for staff, providers and the community. At the next CAC meeting the group will preview the Employment First Presentation that was created by the SSAN. (People Active 6 SA/ 2 OTH)
- SDIRO Upon request for training and support in understanding WIOA by the staff at a local agency SCDD staff provided training and the opportunity to talk about how their organization will be impacted by the systemic changes that are coming. During that meeting resources were shared in addition to suggestions on how they could start looking at the ways they currently provide services and how they will need to be transformed in the near future. (People Trained 4 OTH)
- SVMBRO In collaboration with Imagine Services of Santa Cruz, State Council SV/MB staff 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 was discussed along with principles of person centered planning, and how fiscal management is likely to operate. (People Trained 2 FA/ 4 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff met with the chair and vice chair and regional center staff of the SDAC for the Central Coast area. At the meeting a flyer to be mailed to all Tri-County consumers was reviewed, edited, and approved. It will be mailed out to in the POS announcements that are to go out in June. SCDD staff stated they will take on the task of providing outreach to the community to inform them of self-determination and the status of the roll out. (ORGs 2 FA/ 2 OTH/ Prog-Policy created 2 FA/ 2 OTH)
- SVMBRO - The Outreach Committee of the Self Determination Advisory Committee was held this month. This sub-committee was formed to address the outreach needs for Self Determination. The group agreed to use the SSAN presentation and developed an action plan to begin providing trainings. SCDD staff carried out the direction of the committee and created a fly flyers and

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procedures. The committee will meet next month. (People Trained 1 SA/ 2 OTH/ Prog-Policy Created 1 SA/ 2 OTH)

- SVMBRO - The Self Determination Advisory Committee was held this month. SCDD staff has been active in carrying out the assignments resulting from the meeting, including developing the agenda for next month, preparing a statement on the role of the SDAC, and working with the chair on how best to meet the goals of the committee in its effort to provide outreach to the community. At this month's meeting the committee was given an update on the symposium to be held by regional center in July. (People trained in leadership 1 SA/ 6 FA/ 8 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
SB 1072 (Mendoza) School Bus Safety Bill	590	610	613
Distributing Cycle 39 Grant Proposal Flyer	590	610	613
Housing Funding for States from NHTF	590	610	613
2016 So CA APSE Conference & Networking Event	590	610	613
Distributing Cycle 39 Grant Proposal Flyer	590	610	613
Webinar: Person Centered Planning	5	379	125
"Statewide In Home Supportive Services Meeting 19, 2016"	35	135	235
"Governor Brown will release "May Revise" Budget Revisions on Friday at 10am"	35	135	235
"Legislation: Disability Access Fix-It Bill Now Law"	35	135	235
"CDCAN-State Capitol Update: Governor Brown Releases Budget Revisions- Holds Line On New Spending Beyond What Was Proposed in January and New Funding For Developmental Services Tied To Passage Of Managed Care Organization Tax Swap That Was Passed In Late February"	35	135	235
3.1 Livestream Forum on Medicaid Home and Community Based Services in California	30	68	127
Regional Advisory Committee Meeting Announcement	300	808	200
Lanterman Coalition Needs Your help. Providers need to respond to state survey			150
The Arc CA May 23, 2016 MMM	5	25	5
National Down Syndrome Society- package of bills- info	0	25	25

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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	Client services from DRC-OCRA for Redwood Coast Regional Center.			1
T	Assisted FA regarding their updating their Self Determination person centered planning	1	1	
	Spoke to Provider regarding Authorized representative forms/process, referred to Dawn Morley for further information.			1
T	Referral to Far Northern Regional Center to make appointment with Intake Specialist to determine eligibility for services.		1	
T	Technical assistance provided regarding supported decision making in lieu of conservatorship.			1
T	Provided technical assistance to parent regarding SDP CMS Waiver		1	
T	Parent needed clarification on the purpose of QA interview-refer her to DDS QA website for Q&A		1	
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T	Provided self-determination program updates/information to 7 FA		7	
T	Provided person-centered planning information to 6 FA		6	
T	Family Advocate called re: IRC denial eligibility for services. Refer to CAC for advocacy assistance		1	
T	Family Advocate called to say she is thankful to receive EBlasts re: SCDD trainings but lives in the high desert and wants the SSA & Wages trg. up there. Also requested that SCDD start putting trg's on Youtube and/or make it available via conference call. Stated requests would be passed on to RO mgr.		1	
E	Provided parenting resources for persons with a disability.			1

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- HQ CIT - This is part of an ongoing series of trainings (through MHSA funding) to reach law enforcement/first responders with information about, tactical communication with, & response to persons with I/DD &/or psychiatric impairment(s). Participants are given information and resources to serve vulnerable and at-risk populations in an attempt to decrease the potential for both officer and citizen injury & death in the event of disabilities that may manifest in aggressive or unusual behaviors, impaired communication, or adverse public responses. As of this summer (2016), this course is mandated for all field training (law enforcement) officers and, in a shorter form, will soon be required of advanced officers. Many departments are opting for 1-day, 8-hr trainings. This CIT course is designed as a 32-40 hour course and allows time for a broader range of information and time for scenario training and hands-on exercises. (People Trained 28 OTH/ ORGs 7 OTH)
- HQ Provided staff training on service needs, communication, and physical issues regarding people with I/DD for SA/DV advocates, crisis counselors, shelter workers, and therapists. While most attendees had gone through the I/DD course for the basic academy, this class provided disability-specific information for SA/DV and therapy issues for serving victims of assault. Staff provides assistance/advocacy/accompaniment for Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) forensic/evidentiary medical exams, court hearings, and TRO proceedings, staffs a Domestic Violence Emergency Response Team (DVERT), offers paralegal services to victims who cannot navigate the civil justice system independently, gives classes on SA/DV, and supports victims in sheltered environments following real/potential/past abuse. While victims with I/DD have been served by this SA/DV agency and its affiliates, the staff recognizes that it is not fully conversant with the needs, unique characteristics, and services/supports of people with I/DD. This class stressed that victims with I/DD experience the same trauma that any victim experiences, in the aftermath of a violent assault, and that assailants are often those in positions of trust/authority, which only serves to deepen the fear, helplessness and hopelessness of victims with I/DD, who may find their independence threatened when experiencing/reporting such abuse. (People Trained 28 OTH/ Prog-Policy Created 1 OTH/ ORGs 4 OTH)
- LARO hosted and participated in the DRC Investigation Unit presentation held at the PCDA in Pasadena. Pamila Lew, Staff Attorney with DRC IU made a presentation on DRC IU overview and facilitated a Q&A session on various public

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safety issues and legal rights centered on individuals with I/DD and their families. As the hosting agency, SCDD LA Regional Office staff provided handout materials after the meeting to enhance future collaboration with meeting attendees.

Handouts include "SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office: What We Do/Training & Event Calendar", "Self Determination Information Sheet", "Self-Advocacy Board of Los Angeles County" brochure, and "AIDD Fact Sheet". (People Trained 6 SA/ 7 FA/ 12 OTH / ORGs 2 OTH)

- NCRO - As part of the Partnership for Healthy Babies SCDD staff participated in the County Heros of Health and Safety Fair. Representatives from: Reach (Rescue Helicopter) CERT, Cal Fire, US Forest Service, County Sheriff, Local Police, Ukiah Valley Medical, PG&E, Red Cross, Anderson Valley Health, Public Health-Partnership for Healthy Babies and County Health and Human Services. The event included a variety of education hands-on activities - Search and Rescue Dogs, Police Dogs, Jaws of Life Demonstrations, Ambulance Demos. Staff was able to interact with first responders to share information and potential resources regarding their services and interaction with people with disabilities. (ORGs 20 OTH/ GP Reached 5 SA/ 16 FA/ 50 OTH/ Pub Policymakers Educated 3 OTH)
- NSRO staff provided outreach letters to all law enforcement agencies throughout nine counties of Region 2 in February 2016. The purpose of the contact was to introduce SCDD, its mission/purpose and to identify trends and needs regarding law enforcement interactions with people with disabilities. As of May 2016, North State Office has received 6 responses from a District Attorney in Shasta County, District Attorney in Trinity County, Shasta County Sheriff's Department, Redding Police Department, Butte County Sheriff's Department and Tulelake Police Department. (ORGs 6 OTH)
- OCRO staff attended a meeting on May 31, 2016 sponsored by the California Highway Patrol Safety Services Program (SSP). This collaboration was to discuss and determine varying state agency protocols for Emergency Action Plans in the areas of: Injury or illness; evacuation; bomb search; weapon; assault; demonstration; fire; bomb threat; explosion; active shooter; hostage; and earthquake. The CHP S.S.P. services officers remain available to the SCDD Orange County office for consultation, trainings, and concerns related to employee safety. (ORGs 30 OTH).
- OCRO - The Community Care Licensing Department (CCLD) Collaborative is a quarterly collaboration that includes state agencies, non-profits, the Department of

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Justice, and other service providers who recognize the need for, and value of, establishing a formal working protocol to further interagency communication and collaboration to prevent and address incidents of abuse -and neglect for residents in licensed facilities. The members of the Collaborative are further committed to preventing future abuse and neglect incidents through collaborative trainings, in order to improve the delivery of services and, consequently, the quality of life for Orange County’s consumers and their families. New regulations discussed at this meeting: AB 1387 - civil penalties and appeal procedures AB 15 - end of life options AB 1570 - RCFE AB 610 – disclosure (People Active 10 OTH)

- SVMBRO staff attended a presentation to law enforcement personal on disability awareness, hosted by staff from headquarters. Staff attended the training to build skills on working with law enforcement and other first responders. (People Trained 1 FA/ 27 OTH)

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ADA and Law Enforcement	590	610	613
Disaster Support at Your Fingertips	590	610	613
Two Informational updates: School Bus Safety Bill Passes Senate & California governor signs bill giving time for ADA fixes	11	38	40

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T	Provided info on ADA and Law Enforcement			1

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- SACRO supported the presentation given by self-advocate and RAC member, Robert Rogers on Emergency Preparedness - "Be Ready for an Emergency!" at the 21st Annual Statewide Self Advocacy Conference on May 6, 2016. Mr Rogers' power point presentation portrayed the most common emergency situations in California. Presenters discussed what to do and how to be prepared. "Feeling Safe, Being Safe" developed by the Department of Developmental Services materials were presented and shared. Information about what to put in your "Go Bag" was offered. They were also provided with a bag of materials from the Safely Out project to "protect the vulnerable during disasters" a project of Citizen Voice. These included door hang tags that say "Safely Out" or "Need Help". Make a Plan, Prepare your Kit, and Be Ready was the overall message given to the 100 self-advocates, 5 family members, and 5 professionals who attended this session. (People Trained 100 SA/ 5 FA/ 5 OTH)

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Disaster Mobile App: Help Kids Cope by UCLA		379	10

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	United Cerebral Palsy called to set-up three trainings on 06.25.2016 Rancho Cucamonga, 07.09.2016 Temecula, and 07.23.2016 Cathedral City on Emergency Preparedness. Email proposal to manager to check availability			1

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- NCRO - Resource agency representatives included: Redwood Coast Regional Center, People First Disability Rights California, Social Security Administration, Mendocino College, Department of Rehabilitation, County Health and Human Services Agency In Home Support Services, Fiscal Management Service Providers, Supported Employment Agencies, Supported Living Agencies. The main event was a panel presentation by current and former students who described the changes and challenges they faced as they during their transition. Topics covered by panel members included: What do you think helped you the most to get ready for life after you left school? Being an adult is great because:, Being an adult is hard because:, What ideas do you have to help the students & families in the room prepare for life after school? What ideas do you have for the teachers and adult agency support folks in the room to help students? The resource fair provided an opportunity for transition age youth and their families to ask questions and meet with local agencies and service providers to receive information and ask questions regarding post-secondary, education and activities, job exploration and community work opportunities. (RL) Leveraged funds \$160.00 at the request of SCDD staff, the regional center asked that Spanish language translation services be available for the event. (People Trained in Leadership 3 SA/ GP Reached 19 SA/ 9 FA/ 27 OTH/ ORGs 15 OTH)
- NSRO staff participated in monthly network, Butte Glenn Partners in Transition on May 12, 2016. The focus of the group is to network and develop strategies to increase opportunities for transitioning youth and adults with I/DD around employment, post-secondary education and community opportunities. Agencies provide updates related to youth opportunities and share upcoming events in the community, related to the mission of the network. One of the members is the Manager of Employment Services for Butte County Office of Education's SELPA. They are 1 of 4 county office of educations in California selected by Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) to enter into WIOA contract to provide Pre-Employment Training Services (PETS). Updates are provided on the program and services under WIOA contract. Far Northern Regional Center has been meeting with DOR to establish relationship around changing employment services. Butte Glenn Community College reports new opportunities for students with I/DD and new classes being approved by the state for all students. Employment providers are reporting new work opportunities for consumers and transforming programs to meet new federal rules around inclusion and integrated services. Staff provides current SCDD updates related to Employment First and legislative changes. Staff

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- also reported on SCDD Program Development Grant Cycle 39 and distributed North State Office Request For Proposal, with focus on State Plan Goal #2 Employment and Goal # 3 Housing. (People Active 1 SA/ 9 OTH/ OGRs 9 OTH)
- NVHRO provided facilitation and participation in a group designing methods of improving transition services for students in Stanislaus County. Crafted meeting notes for group. (ORGs 9 OTH)
 - NVHRO staff attended a presentation by SCDD grant recipient Transitional Coaching and Development Institute at a transitional classroom setting in Jackson. 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, 5 staff and the Amador County SELPA director viewed the presentation. (People Trained 12 SA/ 6 OTH)
 - NVHRO staff participated in a teleconference discussing and describing various best practices in transitioning adult students from education to adult services. (GP Reached 50 OTH)
 - NVHRO staff participated in outreach at an event where staff manned a table answering questions and distributing printed information to the public. (GP Reached 16 OTH)
 - OCRO staff attended the 2016 Inaugural Disability Summit at Chapman University on 05/03/2016. The Thompson Policy Institute presented on two main issues: The increased rate of Autism (nationally, statewide, and county-wide) and Autism in the workplace. The current Orange County Autism rate of school-aged children is 1 in 50. There was significant discussion related to the diagnostic criteria used by the CDC and by the Thompson Policy Institute to determine the current data regarding Autism rates. Additionally, the topic of the "Autism bubble" was discussed as there is a dearth of resources in the areas of education (properly supported) and employment for those moving on from high school and attempting post-secondary education and/or vocational education. People with Autism have a higher probability of being underemployed, unemployed, poorly paid, and/or having difficulty maintaining employment. Many suggestions were given about policy changes and educating the local community to cultivate the specific skills of someone with Autism during "transition" so that they are able to complete their education and obtain gainful employment. There was encouragement to continue to provide suggestions to and solicit input from one another as stakeholders in the Orange County community. (People Trained 10 SA/ 15 FA/ 125 OTH/ ORGs 40

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- OCRO staff attended the regular meeting of the Orange County Adult Transition Task Force (OCATTF) at the Irvine Unified School District on May 5, 2016. The topics discussed among the group included: Department of Rehabilitation Updates; Regional Center of Orange County Habilitation Referrals/Process; National Trends on Employment (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)); CA Blueprint for Reform for Individuals with Disabilities; OC Employment Data; Employment First Initiative; Work-Based Learning Opportunities; and Transportation Needs. The group confirmed the meeting schedule for the 2016-2017 school year and received information about a newly developed day program, Dreams of America. SCDD Orange County staff provided information regarding the SCDD Cycle 39 RFP information and promoted our e-blast communication for which four new transition professionals were added. The next OCATTF is September 8, 2016. The Orange County Adult Transition Task Force (OCATTF) is a collaboration where leaders from education, business, service agencies and family advocacy groups come together to share resources and address programming concerns specific to the successful transition of individuals with disabilities from school to work and community living. (ORGs 13 OTH/ People Active 13 OTH)
- SACRO staff attended Alta California Regional Center's (ACRC) Adult Day & Employment Vendor Forum. ACRC Community Services staff presented the following: Legislation updates regarding the increase in funding to vendors (result of MCO tax); HCBS work group updates, 4 Request for Proposals (In-Home Program, Adult Development Center, Behavior Management Program and Internet Safety Training); Employment data and ACRC's Vendorization Expectations and Requirements regarding Client Terminations/Suspensions. There were 55 people in attendance, representing 35 Adult Day program and Employment agencies. (People Active 55 OTH)
- SACRO staff listened to the Autism Society of San Francisco's panel discussion on HCBS settings rules. Panelists were: Rebecca Schupp, DHCS, Jim Knight, DDS, Amy Westling, ARCA, and Eric Zigman, GGRC, Javier Zaldivar, SARC and Aaron Carruthers, SCDD Executive Director. CMS HCBS settings rules were addressed with the panelists and much information was gained from the following questions: • How is "person-centered planning" different from the current IPP process under the new HCBS rules? What new options must be offered to consumers? • How will day programs and employment programs need to adjust

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their operations to better encompass person-centered outcomes? • Will developmentally disabled adults receiving HCBS-funded support services be excluded from certain residential settings? • What is "heightened scrutiny" of nonresidential and residential settings? Who decides if it's warranted? Who conducts it? How is it conducted? What is the appeal process? (People Active 2 OTH)

- SACRO staff presented information about the SCDD and the new Center for Medicaid Services (CMS) Rules to DDSO's Executive Director and 25 staff members. DDSO provides Day Program services for 359 students on a daily basis (Monday through Friday) with classes including woodworking, sewing, drawing, ceramics, music, art, physical education, and dance all on one large campus. Given the new CMS rules, SCDD staff offered an update that California's Transition Plan is still waiting final approval and addressed some of the circumstances in preparation for the new federal rules regarding inclusive settings. SCDD staff realized this large 'in house' day program setting is not congruent with the CMS settings rules so SCDD staff presented clearly the importance of the Person Centered Planning process and community inclusion options for consumers. (People Trained 28 OTH/ ORGs 2 OTH/ Prog-Policies created 1 OTH)
- SDIRO manned a table at the San Diego Unified School District Transition Fair. The topic of the fair this year was regarding Post-Secondary opportunities, so I presented on Project College, but also brought along and provided numerous resources regarding the workshops offered by the Transition Coalition, information about San Diego People First - their schedule of meetings and events - Information about the LEAP jobs available through the State, and how to access the LEAP certificate and website; provided many people with information on the development of a meaningful ITP (individual transition plan); and also shared information and resources on Self-Determination, and Employment First. (GP Reached 12 SA/ 60 FA/ 5 OTH)
- SDIRO - The Transition Coalition met to discuss upcoming trainings, locations, days/times, etc. A Needs Assessment will be sent out to all the surrounding transition programs to see if staff can solicit input from families and students on preferred days, times and locations. Further discussion was held on the single subject vs. multiple panel member presentations, as both have been well attended in the past, although lately attendance has been lower. Topics for future trainings include the Point of Transition programs, Post-Secondary Opportunities, Benefits;

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Living Options; Day Service Options; Self-Determination; Self-Advocacy; and the Work Innovation and Opportunity Act. There is a teleconference coming up on May 13th in Sacramento from 10:00 to 3:00 that staff distributed information on. Further discussion was had regarding the possibility of a large Transition Fair next year, possibly in February, at the SDRC to include San Diego Unified School District, as well as the Non-public schools that serve students in the San Diego area. In addition to the vendors, we could host approximately three workshops during the course of the event as well. Since there is a new to Community Services person starting in June at the regional center, outreach to her will begin when she officially takes over. There are now 18 Tailored Day Service programs in the San Diego area providing student supports on the college campuses, as well as other services. When scheduling the upcoming presentations, it was discussed that we should do more outreach to Middle School students and families. There is going to be a Transition Conference for Medically Fragile students on October 1st, and Jobtoberfest will be on October 4, 2016. People were also reminded that the SDUSD Transition Fair will be held on Tuesday night, May 31st at the Ballard Center, and PSE is the primary focus of this fair. The next Transition meeting will be held on June 29th at the office of the SCDD, and the September meeting will be on 9-28, which will hopefully include representatives from the SDRC as well as the SDUSD. (ORGs 1 SA/ 2 FA/ 7 OTH)

- SEQRO had a booth at the Mendota High School Transition fair. Thirty families picked up the following brochures: Transition Basics handout, IPP basics handout, Voting handout, and IHSS handout that were developed by the State Council on Developmental Disabilities. (ORGs 30 FA)
- SVMBRO attended the Disability Collaborative meeting on Transition and assisted with planning a Fall Summit on financial planning. The chair of the committee has resigned and SCDD staff agreed to become chair of the meeting. At the meeting, updates in transition were agreed to be added to the meeting agendas. (People Active 8 OTH/ ORGs 8 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Special Needs Planning Workshop, May 14, 2016	200	516	300

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YouthACT Transition Truths National Online Dialogue		3000	100
End Solitary Confinement for Juveniles, Employment, Health Care & Disability Updates	590	610	613
Vocational Training for Transitional Youths with Autism	590	610	613
University of Kansas seeking students to participate in a Self-Determination Study – must be between the ages of 18-22		379	51
Calling All Youth with Disabilities and Allies: Share Ideas on Transition	13	187	184
Secondary Transition Planning: The Essentials	13	187	184
Calling All Youth with Disabilities and Allies: Share Ideas on Transition		318	292
Secondary Transition Planning: The Essentials		318	292

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T/E	Assisted FA with post-secondary concerns		1	
T	Referred FA to DOR re: Vocational Rehabilitation Services		1	
T	Technical assistance provided regarding accommodations and supports for students in college. Appropriate resource was provided.		1	
T	Adult transition		1	
T	Referred FA to DOR re: Vocational Rehabilitation Services		1	
E	Assisted 1 professional on understanding DOR supports for transition-aged youth about to graduate and attend college			1
T	Community member, RSVP 06.23.2016 Alternatives to Conservatorship.			1

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- LARO Office hosted and participated in the PCDA presentation held at the PCDA in Pasadena. Diane Cullinane, M.D., made a presentation on DIR (Developmental-Individual-Relationship) model overview and facilitated a Q&A session on the alternative therapy model working with children with I/DD ages 0 through 21. 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 6 SA/ 7 FA/ 12 OTH/ ORGs 3)
- NCRO staff facilitated the meeting at the County Child Care Planning Council monthly meeting on May 7th. The 10 Collaborating agencies included Child Care Planning Council, Head Start, State Preschool, Pre-K teachers, County Office of Education, North Coast Opportunities, Mendocino College Child Development, local preschools, parents. The agencies discussed the progress of new bills & legislative issues, selected State Preschool Priorities for funding for the 2016-2017 year. North coast staff also participated in the executive committee meeting on May 25th 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 two meetings discussed issues and legislation effecting general child care, early education and intervention services, the Impact grant collaboration project with First 5 Mendocino County, legislation to develop pre-K guidelines, program measurement tools for all state and private child care facilities, and a funding increase for the statewide child development programs. (ORGs 10 OTH/ ORGs engaged 10 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 phone call follow-ups will begin shortly. 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. To date, 137 surveys have been completed and the data assessment for those received has not yet been released. SCDD staff offered to host all future

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meetings since the collaborative is looking for a new meeting location as of September 2016. The group agreed and the SCDD Orange County address will be provided to all members via the minutes. Legislation regarding SB172 (staff vaccines), SB 277 (child vaccines), and Pesticide Management certification training were reviewed. The Comfort Connection FRC Director mentioned a county-wide committee system established by the OC Social Services Agency, which addresses child abuse prevention. (ORGs 5 OTH)

- SCDD 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 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 special education, IHSS, Social Security, 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 5 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 6 FA/ People Active 2 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Information on application for SCDD grants for Self-Advocacy and Employment; Mayor's Walk; Sacramento City Unified School District Transition workshop; and Sacramento City Unified School District CAC Meeting	200	722	100
I Can Bike Camp	100	1022	600
The Disability Law & Policy e-Newsletter, Vol 13, No. 4	590	610	613

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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	Assisted walk-in family advocate with help understanding initial SPED assessments determining eligibility/services		2	
T	Provided information on early start services and no delay provision		1	
T	Referred Parent to WarmLine Family Resource Center and offered resource list.		5	
T	Referred family to OCRA for RC eligibility appeal information		1	
T	Referred Parent to WarmLine Family Resource Center		4	

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 Regional Office Manager attended the Employer Awards and Employee Achievement event in collaboration with So Cal APSE. The objectives of the meeting are to promote Employment 1st and CIE (competitive integrated employment), as well as providing employment network opportunities. SCDD provided handout materials after the meeting to enhance future collaboration with the event partners and attendees. Handouts include 115 copies of each outreach materials titled "SCDD Los Angeles Regional Office: What We Do/Training & Event Calendar", "Why Work is Better" brochure, "Cycle 39 Grant Proposal" flyer, "Self-Advocacy Board of Los Angeles County" brochure, and "AIDD Fact Sheet". SCDD LARO Manager participated as a special guest, and networked with SAs, FAs, and the following community organizations: City of Glendale, Glendale Police Dept., City of Burbank, Glendale YMCA, Mader News, CMC, Glendale Optometric, McDonald's, Del Taco, TJ Maxx, Trader Joe's, Armstrong Garden Center, American Legion, Hollywood Wax Museum, Accurate Dial, the Campbell Center, Crescenta Valley Insurance, Ralph's, and Goodwill Industry. (GP Reached 30 SA/ 45 FA/ 40 OTH)
- NVHRO Facilitated a meeting of individuals interested in improving employment practices in the Valley Mountain Regional Center catchment. Provided a meeting room and took meeting notes. Team discussed best practice in job development and job coaching methods and procedures and techniques (ORGs 6 OTH)
- NVHRO Music In the Park event May 13, 2016 - The SUSD Transition students and various other classrooms came together to have a Micro-Business Fair. There were several booths that sold items - food, drinks, dog treats, etc., photo booth, games - Pie In The Face booth and Spin the Wheel (for prizes). The Advocates also performed their singing and dancing talents. (GP Reached 200 SA/ 75 FA/ 150 OTH)
- NVHRO Participated in a committee meeting where participants seek to maximize employment opportunities for adults with disabilities. Primary focus of meeting was to consider the upcoming election and voter registration, person centered planning and the supported decision making process, ABLE accounts, support/attendant care for self-advocates and sharing resources. (ORGs 11 OTH)
- NVHRO SUSD Transition students assisted with Quality Assurance project and other office needs. The students prepared large manila envelopes for mailing, sorted various brochures and handouts for community outreach events. (GP Reached 2 SA/ 1 OTH)
- SDIRO Staff attended the monthly planning meeting for the 2016 Jobtoberfest

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Employment Fair. Subcommittees have begun working on specific tasks such as outreach to employers, resource fair participants, workshop presentations keynote presenter and scholarship awards. A brief update was given on the status of Employment First in San Diego. Those in attendance were the following: Towards Maximum Independence, Deaf Community Services, Employment Development Dept., Arc of San Diego, San Diego Partnership, San Diego Community College District, Dept of Rehabilitation, Cal Trans, Hartland Center, Alzheimers Association, Sycuan Indian Reservation, Episcopal Community Services, Century 21, Fed Ex, Neighborhood House, South Western Community College, Downtown Impact, Breaking Barriers, Vet's Community Services, San Diego Futures Foundation, San Diego Regional Center and Outreach Consulting. (People Active 34 OTH)

- SDIRO Staff participated in the quarterly Transition Task Force group meeting. During open forum discussion time committee members talked about employment success stories and supported employment information. We also discussed Competitive Integrated Employment, Work Activity Programs, Employment First and the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and what is happening in San Diego County in these areas. The group decided to form a core team leader group. Several new parents attended and volunteered to be part of this core team. This core team will oversee, facilitate and enact the goals and projects recommended at group meetings in 4 focus areas: Transportation, Competitive Integrated Employment, Stakeholder Collaboration and Business Partnerships. Goals from each area were discussed. The core team will prioritize and begin working on goals. Those in attendance were: Parents, San Marcos Unified School District, San Diego Regional Center, Dept of Rehabilitation, Goodwill Industries, Arc of San Diego, Access 2 Independence, Job Core, People's Care, North Coastal Consortium for Special Education, Employment and Community Options, A Better Life Together, Casa de Amparo, Community Catalysts, Community Interface Services, Creel Industries, Youth Employment Opportunity Program and Community Connections. (People Active 6 FA/ 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 will assist in 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 Roadmaps will be more accessible to the public. (People Trained 1 SA/ 2 OTH)

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Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
An Invitation to Participate: Book on Individuals with Disabilities & Employment	2000	3000	500
2016 Regional Institute: From Workshops to Workplaces – Achieving the Goal of Employment First” Conference			142
Employment First: From Idea to Reality Funding and Support for Competitive Integrated Employment			203
The Introductory Life Sciences Experience will provide a re-entry path into a STEM career in life science for 40-48 out of school youth ages 17-24, who have substantial financial and educational barriers to career pathway planning. The program goal is to assist in the transformation of out of school youth into professional, competent, and productive life sciences employees.	5	271	100
Stakeholder Mtg on New Employment Institute Summary	10	15	
Disability Connection Newsletter-May 2016 10 “Things Employers Need to Know”	25	25	45
PACER’s email Supplemental Security Income (SSI): The Bridge to Work	25	15	15
Behavior Health Services- Recovery Coach & Job Coach –job announcements.	15	2	10
Employment Opportunity	9	37	38
People First Conference	13	187	184

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T/E	Assisted FA with post secondary concerns		1	

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

- SACRO staff attended and participated in the Career & Employment Fair sponsored by the Sacramento Area Human Resource Association and the Sacramento Region Higher Education Coalition at the UC Davis Extension on May 11, 2016. There were over 25 businesses represented which gave SCDD staff an opportunity to introduce the SCDD's goal of Employment and the legislation, Employment First. In addition, SCDD staff provided outreach regarding the goal of the Northern California Business Advisory Committee (BAC). The SCDD and BAC brochures were distributed to each vendor. The BAC's mission is to do outreach to businesses so they can share their insight and expertise specific to their company and the industry sector they represent so in turn supported employment agencies and job developers and/or coaches will have an idea of training needed for clients to fulfill the business' need. It is the hope of the BAC to provide information and describe concerns or misconceptions companies may have about employing people with disabilities. (People Trained 40 OTH)
- SDIRO staff participated in the bimonthly meeting regarding Employment for persons with developmental disabilities in Imperial Valley. Updates on WIOA and ABX2 1 Legislation were discussed. During a discussion on the topic of training the organizations in attendance were very interested in collaborating as a way to offer local trainings to their staff. They were also very interested in having a discussion surrounding data collection and reporting methodology and this will be addressed at the next meeting. The issue of transition and transition services was also talked about and the group felt a separate meeting should be held. This meeting is targeted to be held in the fall and invitations will be sent to other organizations who are also involved in providing or funding transition services in Imperial Valley. Arc Imperial Valley, Community Catalysts, Imperial County SELPA, Department of Rehabilitation, Work Training Center and San Diego Regional Center were all represented at the meeting and 11 people were in attendance. (ORGs 6 OTH)
- OCRO staff coordinated and accompanied the Orange County SSAN Representative on a tour of Goodwill Industries Orange County. The Senior Rehabilitation Counselor introduced us to their newest facility for all of Orange County, including the updated conveyor system designed to improve performance and reduce work-related injuries. The facility also houses the Goodwill Industries VA Program; we were also able to meet the VA program manager and see the supports offered US Veterans to assist them in accessing gainful employment. (ORGs 5 OTH/ People Trained in Leadership 1 SA)

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- OCRO Staff participated in the Orange County Employment Advocacy Network (OCEAN) collaborative that meets monthly to identify issues and develop solutions to the changes that are occurring with respect to employment and day services. At this meeting, the following topics were discussed: (1) Workforce Innovation and Improvement Act (WIOA) and the provider letter that went out to vendors last month; (2) SCDD Cycle 39 RFP; (3) Updates to the OCEAN Employment and Resource Fair in October; (4) CMS Settings Rule; (5) SCDD event and training opportunities; and (6) how vendors are handling insurance and worker's compensation increases. OCEAN, established in 1991, is a professional association that assists members and employers in creating employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities. (People Active 5 OTH)
- OCRO staff met with the North Orange County Community College District transition counselors, School of Continuing Education trainer, and Anaheim School District transition staff to discuss the ins-and-outs of the transition process, including but not limited to: Linking qualified students to RCOC, DOR, SSI, IHSS, and CalOptima; importance of accurate school evaluations to assist with regional center eligibility; Non-credit classes and the implications/benefits for students with disabilities; mobility training; Workability III, College to Career (C2C), and Independent Vocation & Educational Supports (IVES). There was also discussion about a previously-suggested task force with the Regional Center of Orange County (RCOC) to address Latino eligibility and special education evaluations (are school evaluations negatively affecting eligibility for this population). SCDD Orange County staff presented the various trainings offered related to transition-aged students and their families; date/time for SCDD Orange County office to conduct SSI training for this group is pending. (ORGs 4 OTH)
- SBRO staff collaborated with the Rim of the World Unified School District to facilitate a training presentation "Dress for Success" to the Special Education Workability class at Rim of the World High School in Lake Arrowhead within San Bernardino County. The presentation is designed to provide the students informational tips on appropriate attire and hygiene when job searching, during the interview process and ultimately to maintain employment. (People Trained 14 SA/ 1 FA/ 6 OTH)
- SBRO staff collaborated with Exceed (Work Activity Program, Supportive Employment and Individual Placement) to coordinate an informational presentation to the employment network individuals to provide community outreach training for those who attend the Hemet program within Riverside County. The presentation

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topic "Social Security Benefits & Wages" was designed to provide individual attendees a better understanding of the work rules surrounding those with disabilities who work and collect Social Security benefits. As well as all the various work incentives available to assist those with disabilities continue to collect social security benefits and wages without fear of premature dis-enrollment of benefits. (People Trained 21 SA/ 4 OTH)

- SBRO staff collaborated with Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy/OCRA and Exceed (Work Activity Program, Supportive Employment and Individual Placement) to coordinate an informational presentation to the employment network individuals and to provide community outreach training for those who attend the Riverside program within Riverside County. The presentation topic "Social Security & How Wages Impact Benefits" was designed to provide individual attendees a better understanding of the work rules surrounding those with disabilities who work and collect Social Security benefits. As well as all the various work incentives available to assist those with disabilities continue to collect social security benefits and wages without fear of premature dis-enrollment of benefits. (People Trained 9 SA/ 8 FA/ 10 OTH)
- SACRO, on Friday, May 27th SCDD staff participated in the Stakeholder Meeting on New Employment Initiative at DDS. It was an all-day meeting to get input on the new paid internship program and incentive program (Assembly Bill X2-1). There had been a stakeholder meeting in Southern California previously. DDS staff will take the input from both of these meetings and develop their guidelines for implementing this new program by the end of June. Funding is about \$20 million, half for the Internship program and half for the Incentives program. The goal is to increase CIE for people with I/DD in California. The Paid Internship Program allows up to \$10,400 during 1 year to pay the "intern with I/DD" in a CIE job. It would not be required that the employer hire the individual at the end of the internship, but it would be the goal. The plan is that individuals would be able to intern in challenging integrated positions and both increase their skills and increase employer familiarity with the skills and abilities of an employee with I/DD. The Incentives Program would reward the Supported Employment agency for making a successful CIE job placement. Beyond the regular vendored hourly payment schedule, they would receive a bonus of \$1,000 for a successful CIE placement, \$1,250 after 6 months of continued success, and \$1,500 after 12 months of continued successful placement. (People Active 1 SA/ 3 FA/ 40 OTH/ Prog-Policies Created 2 OTH/ ORGs 15 OTH)

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Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
2016 Southern California APSE Conference and Networking Event -			135
"SCDD North State Office Grant Cycle 39 Request For Proposal Due May 31, 2016"	35	135	235
13.1 North Coast Newsletter	30	68	127
9.1/11.1/12.1 RFP Grant Cycle 39 Reminder	30	68	127
Cycle 39 Grant Opportunity	13	187	178
Competitive Integrated Employment - Consumer Success Stories	13	187	178
Employment Skills Workshop with Dept. of Rehabilitation		318	292
Competitive Integrated Employment - Consumer Success Stories		318	292

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E	Provided resources on ADA and employers to non-profit & small business.		3	
E	T/A about potential community support for agency employment efforts and program letters of support		1	
E	Assisted family with DOR and RC concerns		1	

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E/T	Assisted FA with DOR concerns		1	
T	Unknown caller referred by 411 requesting # for SB Workforce Development Center. Provided TA and gave caller address & #	1		
F	Provided three people information about Workforce Innovative and Opportunity Act (WIOA).			3

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- LARO staff participated on the Electro Convulsive Therapy (ECT) Review Committee for a client served by Westside Regional Center on May 27, 2016. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Division 2, Chapter 1, Subchapter 8, Section 5080(j) and Article 4, Section 50830-50835, a four-member panel made up of two board-certified, California licensed psychiatrists, a representative from the Department of Developmental Services who functions as a Clients Rights Advocate, and a representative from the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Los Angeles Office must assemble for the purpose of approving or denying the proposed ECT treatment plan for the individual. On this date the ECT treatment plan was approved. (ORGs 5 OTH)
- NBRO staff attended the Sonoma County Special Education Local Plan Area's (SELPA) Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting. A presentation was provided to meeting participants on education relate counseling services. Areas covered were: what are the services and why would a student need them. Material provided was a copy of the PowerPoint. Sonoma County SELPA covers 41 school districts clustered into 7 regions. (GP Reached 2 SA/ 8 FA/ 4 OTH)
- NCRO staff met with Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center Board and Tina Tyler-O'Shea in May 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. Three family advocates are participating in the project planning. The Bike Camp provided by United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay will be offered in the summer at Grace Hudson School from July 24th to the 29h. 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 has distributed fliers throughout the community to organizations and at events including but not limited to People First, the Regional Center, the County Office of Education, SELPA, Interagency Transition Team Members, School District Special Education Coordinator, Family Resource Centers, Mendocino College Athletic Directors, Mendocino College, Nuestra Alianza, all

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local School Transition programs, supported living programs, Boys and Girls Club and at the Heros of Health event. In addition, an article was posted in the local newspaper publicizing the camp. (ORGs 3FA/ 5 OTH/ Prog-Policies Created 1 OTH/ GP Reached 20 SA/ 30 FA/ 150 OTH).

- NSRO staff is a member of planning committee for a project of regional coalition, Diversability Advocacy Network (DAN) who is organizing a conference titled "Medi-Cal 2020: Opportunities for Integration and Collaboration" that will occur on June 23, 2016 at Chico Family Masonic Center in Chico, CA from 9:00am-2:30pm. Staff is the charge of communication and coordination of the speakers. The speakers who are on a panel about Models of Integrated Care have requested a conference call to discuss and organize specifics. Staff reached out to them to identify available time/dates, etc to coordinate this important call. Through much effort and diligence, the call will be June 17, 2016. Staff is also requesting bio's from each speaker by a deadline in order to put together information for the participants who attend. Staff is also coordinating with each speaker to email resources, information, website links, etc. to be downloaded on flash drives for the participants. Staff is developing an evaluation tool to be used for the day of the conference for participants to provide feedback to the planning committee and any suggestions to improve future trainings. The planning committee developed a second marketing insert that includes the speakers and the lunch menu. Outreach efforts have been extensive and to date, 55 people have registered. Planning committee hopes for 80-100 people. June 23, 2016 is upcoming and hopeful that are numerous hours of effort and planning pays off. (People Active 5 OTH/ ORGs 5 OTH/ Prog-Policies Created 1 OTH)
- NSRO staff participated in monthly Regional Coalition calls required of The SCAN Foundation. On May 5, 2016 call, presentation on Housing & HCBS – by Maya Altman, Chief Executive Office, Health Plan of San Mateo. The presentation was on her plan's effort to identify people who can leave nursing homes or other institutional care and live in the community. The regional coalitions interested in housing issues were encouraged to contact their local health plans to determine the feasibility of adopting this approach in other counties. Staff plans to share information with regional coalition members and health plans in region. Housing is important issue to people with I/DD and cross-disabilities. The following are links to information about housing policy and HCBS. (People Active 7 SA/ 8 FA/ 24 OTH/ ORGs 22 OTH)
- NSRO staff participated in the Butte County Adult Services Coordinating Council

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on May 18, 2016. The presentation was provided by Butte County Behavioral Health and reported on numerous changes occurring within the mental health field through new federal requirements. It was reported that CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) has not established new rate system which adds to the challenges they are facing. New housing projects were shared as well as new crisis residential services for Butte County. Staff reported on Program Development Grant Cycle 39 and Medi-Cal 2020 Conference on June 23, 2016. Information flyers were distributed. Staff is developing new contacts through this group which will strengthen networks and increase opportunities for consumers and families. (People Active 10 OTH/ ORGs 10 OTH)

- NSRO staff participated in the May 18, 2016 California IHSS Consumer Alliance (CICA) statewide calls as a representative of the Butte County IHSS Advisory Committee. During the call, there were 3 presentations provided. Karen Keesler, Executive Director, of the California Association of Public Authorities (CAPA) shared updates about the budget, FLSA, and CAPA work. Mary Tinker, Executive Director, Santa Clara County Public Authority Service shared information about Santa Clara's IHSS program and training available to consumers and providers. Deborah Doctor, Legislative Advocate of Disability Rights California (DRC) shared information about speaking and public hearings. There is a need for speakers at State hearings and it is hoped to create interest in knowing more about hearings and speaking at them. (People Active 45 OTH/ ORGs 28 OTH/ ORGs engaged 8 OTH).
- NSRO staff participated in the monthly regional coalition meeting, Diversability Advocacy Network (DAN) on May 12, 2016. The focus of the meeting was to develop a strategic plan to increase outreach and participation from the community. Through many suggested ideas, it was concluded that organizing educational presentations for the meetings and better outreach may attract more participation. Much discussion was on the main project of coalition which is organizing conference to be held June 23, 2016. (People Active 5 OTH/ ORGs 6 OTH)
- 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. The committee is in the final planning stages of event. (People Active 3 SA/ 2 FA/ 6 OTH)
- OCRO staff participated in the CalOptima Community Alliances Forum Planning

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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. At the April meeting, the committee decided on the 1115 Waiver Renewal (Medi-Cal 2020) as the topic; however, due to the delay on the implementation of the Health Homes/Whole Person Care initiative, the committee opted to change the topic for the upcoming Community Alliance Forum (taking place on June 8, 2016) to a four person panel discussion on the process to outreach and enroll undocumented children under 19 years old into Medi-Cal (SB 75 Full Scope Medi-Cal for All Children). The Forum will be entitled "Bridging the Changes in our Community" and will cover:

- Recent changes to Medi-Cal services and others on the horizon
- Innovative Medi-Cal outreach efforts in Orange County
- The enrollment process for eligible Medi-Cal recipients
- Services available to all Medi-Cal members (ORGs 11OTH)

- SACRO assisted with the presentation given by Martha Pauli, Assistant Professor at Ca. Northstate University College of Pharmacology and a self-advocate/RAC member regarding "Managing your Medication for Better Health" at the 21st Annual Statewide Self Advocacy Conference on May 6, 2016. Presenters discussed practical tips anyone can use to take charge of their health. Information was shared on good questions to ask about your health and your medication. Tools to stay on track were offered as well as a weekly medication dispenser. There were 20 self-advocates at this session. (People Trained 20 SA/ People Trained in Leadership 1 SA/ ORGs 2 OTH)
- SACRO staff participated in the California Health and Wellness Community Connections Forum at the El Dorado Fairgrounds on May 5, 2016. It was organized for community-based organizations and non-profits agencies to network and learn about our local programs and services. CA H&W also had the opportunity to explain the rum Planning Committee, designed to develop, CDD staff participated in the California Health and Wellness Community Connections Forum at the El Dorado Fairgrounds on May 5, 2016. It was organized for community-based organizations and non-profits agencies to network and learn about our local programs and services. CA H&W also had the opportunity to explain the rum Planning Committee, designed to develop, services they provide as one of the 2 managed care options in this county. About 20 agencies were represented by about 40 individuals. Ca. H&W strives to strengthen, and sustain positive

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relationships with community-based organizations that care about community health to ensure access to quality health care. The forum's purpose was to discuss current health issues, share information and resources, and build partnerships regarding community health issues. At this meeting problem issues were presented by the various agencies: *Earlier health screenings *Nursing level respite care *Need for more mental health services *Need for more dental services and dental providers *Need for better access to Durable Medical Equipment *Need increased housing, transportation, employment, and day services options for I/DD *MORE needs a "larger building" *Use of opiates and drugs in the community *Need more information for adult resources El Dorado County has the fastest growing elderly population in the State of California. (ORGs 20 OTH/ People Active 40 OTH).

- SEQRO - May Mental Health Awareness Month began in 1949 to raise awareness of mental health conditions and mental wellness for all. The Tulare County Department of Mental Health, Mental Health Awareness Month Committee, along with the Transitional Living Center (TLC), hosted a Mental Health Awareness Picnic for clients, family members, and staff to celebrate wellness and recovery. There were approximately 20 vendors that participated in the event and handed out information regarding the services that their facility provides. There were four sections of services set up in the park which included Early Intervention, Ongoing Services and Peer Activities, Wellness and Recovery, and Housing, Employment and Transitional Services. Sequoia Regional Office staff provided handouts on IPP Basics in English and Spanish, Transition Basics, Available Trainings Brochure, Regional Office Brochure, Consumers Guide to the Lanterman Act in English and Spanish, In-Home Supportive Services Basics and a handout describing our office and services. (GP Reached 100 SA/ 50 FA/ 40 OTH)

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County of San Diego National Diabetes Prevention Program Spanish/English Cohorts – "Sweet Victory! National Diabetes Prevention Program"	5	350	121

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Little Hoover Commission Report on "Fixing Denti-Cal"		300	808	200
Behavior Health Services Multicultural Consortium Meeting		1	1	40
Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
F	Staff spoke with Regional Center Resource Development staff regarding promising practice of local dental hygienists working with clients in alternative settings.			1
T	Referred Parent to Regional Center and Disability Rights California		1	
T	Referred Parent to Disability Rights California, Families for Early Autism Treatment and Kaiser		1	
T	Assisted health care professional with RC concerns			1
T	T/C to 6 professionals to coordinate and discuss upcoming health care task force collaborative			6
T	Assisted 6 FA on ABA transition to insurance		6	
T	SA, the State Department of Mental Rehabilitation placed him in a job at EXCEED. Was released from job stating because of ongoing medical problems and obesity. Was told was not ready for work and should remain on SSI. Wanted to know what his rights where, he is ready and willing to work. 5-10-2016 F/U w/ SA to give TA information re: administrative review, mediation & appeal hearing.	1		
T	411 call, requesting the SB Department of Health Care Services Medi-cal.			2
T	Self-advocate recently moved to area, is physically disabled and is appealing social security denial of benefits. Has child with ASD both on SSI but not eligible for IRC services. Wanted assistance with obtaining services in the Inland Empire. Referred to IE Autism and CAC Riverside.	1		
T	Community member RSVP for himself plus 1 for Harbage/HICAP training	2		

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Individuals with developmental disabilities understand their options regarding health services and have access to a full range of coordinated health, dental and mental health services in their community.

	6/2/2016			
T	Community members RSVP for HICAP/Harbage Trg. on 6/2/2016			3
F	Self-advocate Walk-in, Male asking for advocacy for Mental Health. Gave him San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health Crisis Walk-in Clinics (CWIC) for Adults and Children Handout.	1		
T	30 year old self advocate, Suffers from TBI (Traumatic Brain Injury) looking for some resources. Referred to Casa Colina & Southern California Head Injury.	1		
T	Parent called regarding her Anthem Blue Cross medical coverage she and her husband provide for their adult daughter. The situation was more complex than I was comfortable assisting with, so I directed her to HICAP as well as Disability Rights CA.	1	1	

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- NCRO staff assisted the Behavioral Health and Recovery Board, Community Stakeholders committee members research and write a housing report for the Board of Supervisors and Mendocino County Health and Human Services Agency, Members are attending the Homeless Continuum of Care Committee to advocate for more housing for low income, Behavioral Health clients and people with disabilities. Several projects being worked on are a 30-40 unit complex, the Tiny House project and winter shelter. (ORGs 9 OTH/ Public Policymakers Educated 5 OTH)
- NSRO staff participated in the Butte County Coordinating Council (BCCC) and serves as Secretary. Staff organized a presentation from the Housing Authority of Butte County for the May 16, 2016 meeting. Doug De Soto, Housing Authority of County of Butte, provided information on Section 8 Voucher Program including specifics about the program operationally, and reported that 2/3 of the people served are elderly or disabled populations. The Section 8 Voucher Program is a rental assistance program and a person who is interested in applying, must be free of criminal activities for the past 3-5 years. Doug reported they work with Legal Services of Northern California (LSNC) to take a look at legal issues. He shared they will not accept a person with a methamphetamine charge. The Section 8 Voucher Program maintains a list of 2,000 people and about 18 people leave the list for various reasons, which opens new slots for people to be added to the list each month. The Section 8 Voucher Program opens the list every November for people to apply to be considered for the program. Doug discussed Public Housing Program and reported there are a total of 325 public housing units. The waiting list for Public Housing is open all the time and could be an 18-24 months waiting period. He discussed 2 collaborative programs between HACB and City of Chico programs: Lease Guarantee Program and Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program (TBRA). The City of Chico's Lease Program assists Chico households that face barriers in qualifying for housing. These households typically have adequate income and a strong recent rental history, but are required by landlords to secure additional co-signers and or deposits due to a past eviction or credit issues. The program provides a letter of credit to landlords that can be drawn upon if necessary for apartment repairs or non-payment of rent. The City of Chico's Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program (TBRA) provides rental assistance and supportive services to Chico households. TBRA helps people get back on their feet after a job loss or other economic hardship. This program is a partnership between the City of Chico, the Housing Authority of the County of Butte, and a network of 11

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local service providers. (People Active 2 SA/ 7 OTH/ ORGs 9 OTH)

- SBRO staff collaborated with the Fair Housing Council of Riverside County to provide community training regarding accessible housing and living options. SCDD staff coordinated to utilize a classroom free of charge at the Braille Institute in Rancho Mirage within Riverside county to facilitate the community outreach training. The Fair Housing Council presented on housing programs, services provided, waiting list information, discrimination, access and free counseling available to the community. SCDD presented on Living Options for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities. The materials provided to attendees included; Fair Housing power point and the SCDD power point presentation "Living Options for People with Developmental Disabilities", Disability Scoop "10 Things to Know about Housing", Housing Authority of the County of Riverside "Programs (Vouchers, Affordable Housing)", SCDD "Then & Now" one pager, SCDD "FREE Training Opportunities Available", Federal Trade Commission (FTC) publication "Building a Better Credit Report" (in both English and Spanish), FTC publication "Renting an Apartment or House" (in both English and Spanish), SCDD flyers for upcoming trainings on; Employment Summit, Individual Educational Plan, Individual Program Plan, Self-Determination Program, Alternatives to Conservatorship, Dress for Success, & Social Security Benefits & Wages. (People Trained 5 OTH)
- SBRO staff collaborated with the Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino (HACSB) and the Morongo Basin Municipal Advisory Committee to provide an informational community outreach presentation at the monthly meeting held in Joshua tree within Riverside County. Staff provided a revised version of the presentation "Living Options for People with Developmental Disabilities" focusing on Independent Living Skills and Supportive Living Skills for individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities who had a desire to move out into the community and live independently. Materials provided were; Federal Trade Commission (FTC) "Building a Better Credit Report", FTC "Renting an Apartment or House", SCDD "Then & Now" flyer, SCDD "Trainings Offered" flyer, SCDD "Housing and Living Options" upcoming dates flyer, SCDD "Self-Determination Program" training dates flyer, HACSB "Who We Are" power point presentation copy, and SCDD "Living Options for People with Developmental Disabilities" power point copy. (GP Reached 8 SA/ 30 FA/ 14 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

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advocacy for affordable, healthy neighborhoods and communities throughout the San Joaquin Valley. 2. Educate. (ORGs 15 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
National Low Income Housing Coalition Trust Funds Available	590	610	613
Lanterman Housing Alliance in LA County	590	610	613

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
T	A Latino FA called regarding landlord tenant issues, loss of HUD housing funding and needing assistance, 3family members have disabilities. Rent increase. Referred to Disability Rights CA.		1	
T	Provided information on affordable housing to 3 FA		3	
T	Family Advocate, calling on behalf of daughter who was diagnosed with Bi-polar disorder whom is homeless. Referred FM to SB Housing Authority, Transition Housing, And Foothill Family Shelter & Catholic Charities.		1	
T	Crisis Behavior Health walk-in clinic called on behalf of SA. SA is homeless with her two children. Referred to Catholic Charities, Foothill Family Shelter, & Transitional Housing.			1
T	Community member called regarding a self-advocate who resides with his mother in an over 55 community. The HOA is not allowing her 37 year old son with a disability of seizures (I/I) to live with her in the community and he needs medical attention. She wants to file a claim with fair housing for discrimination. Provided her contact information for Fair Housing of Riverside County and advised her to call DRC as he is not a RC			1

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	consumer.			
T	Community member, Contacted homeowners to inform the decision from the HOA, they stated that her son cannot live in the senior park with her. Son is disabled that has Epileptic and Grand Mal seizures. Wants to know how they can help.			1

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- NCRO - At the prior Regional Advisory Committee the recently elected Chair (SA) had requested that for the meeting informational presentation staff invite a well know local humanitarian and philanthropist to provide a presentation regarding her current activities relating to solving a local housing crisis and hunger issues with innovative techniques and strategies.
- OCRO staff participated in the Regional Center of Orange County (RCOC)'s Housing Community Advisory Council, developed to address the creation of affordable housing opportunities in Orange County. Alongside RCOC, two housing developers (Innovative Housing Opportunities and Community Housing Resources, Inc) and parent advocates sit on the committee. Discussed at the 5/12/2016 meeting: 1. Affinity diagram - public relations and community outreach and housing advocacy tool kit to outreach to cities 2. Presentation by Cesar Covarrubias, Executive Director of the Kennedy Commission 3. Presentation by Cahleen Murphy, Senior Program Manager at Innovative Housing Opportunities to discuss updates on affordable housing in Orange County and tips on how to approach your city about housing. 4. Independent Apartment Community Conference (Casa de Amma and Villa de Vida) conference 5. Authismhousingnetwork.org 6. Irvine Community Land Trust Meeting 7. Discussion of FDC land and communication by DGS on Shannon's Mountain Orange County RAC member, Lisa Stanton, also sits as a committee member on this Housing Advisory Council. (People Active 4 FA/ 6 OTH)
- SACRO staff and Sacramento Regional Office Regional Advisory Committee attended a presentation by Rachael Frederick –Vigary and Fernando Cibrian on Mutual Housing Presentation. The mission of Mutual Housing California is to develop, operate and advocate for sustainable housing that builds strong communities through resident participation and leadership development. Incorporated in 1988, Mutual Housing was formed as a partnership of neighborhood residents, business representatives, housing advocates, and local government dedicated to improving housing opportunities for lower income families. The Mutual Housing founders' major objective was to create a locally controlled nonprofit that would be a force for revitalizing low-income communities by strengthening neighborhood assets—both the housing and the neighborhood residents. Mutual Housing has development of low-income housing occurring in Sacramento, Davis and Woodland; all communities in need of low-income housing! Candidates who qualify for this housing can be people with developmental disabilities, mental health issues, chemical dependency, and

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homelessness or at risk of homelessness. Additional criteria include people who are exiting a skilled nursing facility or congregate living situation. For more information: www.mutualhousing.comdevelopment. Incorporated in 1988, Mutual Housing was formed as a partnership of neighborhood residents, business representatives, housing advocates, and local government dedicated to improving housing opportunities for lower income families. The Mutual Housing founders' major objective was to create a locally controlled nonprofit that would be a force for revitalizing low-income communities by strengthening neighborhood assets—both the housing and the neighborhood residents. Mutual Housing has development of low-income housing occurring in Sacramento, Davis and Woodland; all communities in need of low-income housing! Candidates who qualify for this housing can be people with developmental disabilities, mental health issues, chemical dependency, and homelessness or at risk of homelessness. Additional criteria include people who are exiting a skilled nursing facility or congregate living situation. (People Active 8 SA/ 8 FA/ 4 OTH)

- SVMBRO staff joined a stakeholder group of the Santa Clara County Housing Authority to build awareness of the housing needs of those with developmental disability. The Housing Authority requested participants of the meeting collect and return information to them so a better picture of the special populations needing housing can be identified. In collaboration with Housing Choices Coalition contacted the San Andreas Regional Center to arrange a meeting and inform them of this committee and the Information profile that will need completion. (People Active 22 OTH/ ORGs 22 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Cycle 39 Grant Opportunity	13	187	184

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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	Provided information to SA on progress of housing development & other housing resources.	1		
E	Emailed Bill Hyatt from CVRC regarding a housing committee	1		1

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- LARO provided technical support and referral to UCEDD-USC to help its research project on developmental disabilities demographic data in Los Angeles County. UCEDD-USC is conduct a research to map out the developmental disability population in the city of Los Angeles and quantify the following: • Density • Access to public transportation • Access to street lighting • Curb ramps • Access to parks, libraries, recreation and schools • Safety as measured by crime and arrests • Access to affordable housing SCDD LA Regional Manager provided demographic links and the contact with Department of Developmental Services to help with the categories below: • Type of disability(ies) • Current age • Age at diagnosis • Race/ethnicity • Gender • Sexual orientation (ORGs 2 OTH)
- LARO staff attended the County of Los Angeles Dept. of Public Social Services Commission meeting. The commission discusses topics of great interest to the disability community. At this meeting staff learned that DPSS is seeking out people who receive County General Relief funds who have a disability in order to fast track them into social security. (ORGs 2 OTH)
- LARO staff reviewed the ABLE Act Webinar entitled Becoming ABLE Ready for the purposes of updating our presentation materials with the most current information. Several additions were made based on this webinar.
- LARO staff participated in the monthly telephone conference of the Paratransit Riders' Coalition. Discussion was about vehicle space for individuals who can transfer from wheelchairs, common topics to share with providers, whether to include providers on monthly calls (consensus was no), whether to invite another provider to meet with the group or instead continue the discussion with the first provider (consensus was to meet with a different one next), various driver wayfinding issues, and SCDD staff again brought up the issue of online reservations which still is not an available option. (ORGs 8 OTH/ People Trained in Leadership 12 SA/ 7 OTH)
- NCRO staff facilitated a meeting between the City of Ukiah and the Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center to discuss the difficulties 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. A City staff was also trying to impose restrictions on bathroom usage that were not allowed by the ADA. Staff informed the City staff of the laws in the ADA and gave her a copy. While they said they understood the laws, a staff was not following them and making rules that were not applied to any

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other group in using the recreation building. The Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center is providing full scholarship to the two programs so they are able to have activities at this site and wanted to make sure the City staff understood the ADA. Staff also negotiated with the City to provide time for the inclusive programs and not put them at times that did not work for the groups making it impossible for the groups to use the building at all. (ORGs 4 OTH/ Prog-Policies Created 1 OTH)

- NCRO assisted with the outreach to notifying the community about activities at the Autism Awareness Concert and attended the event held in Ukiah CA. About 10 collaborators assisted Autism Behavioral Consultants, including Grace Lutheran Church, local singers, musicians, a local DJ and sound crew. There were about 75 people in attendance. There were performances by individuals with Autism and other Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Staff handed out 25 fliers and provided information on the SCDD Cycle 39 grant and the Cycle Without Limits project in July to the ABC Director and spoke with him about other communities recreation activities available. (GP Reached 20 SA/ 17 FA/ 10 OTH)
- NCRO staff is in a collaboration with the Center Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center" ARRC, and 14 others; ARC Family Resource Center, Special Olympics Mendocino Chapter, Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay, Transgender, Queer Chapter in Mendocino County, (LBGTQ) , Health Department., GLAM – Ukiah's Queer Youth Drop-In Space, Ukiah High's Gay-Straight Alliance, Planned Parenthood, the Arbor Youth Resource Center, CA Friday Night Live, Thompson's Party Rentals, and the Rebel Kings of Oakland. The Recreation center has been involved in providing dances and other programs at the ARRC for developmentally disabled, Special Olympics and other kids and adults with disabilities to improve opportunities to be out in the community and to meet the strategic plan goals of being an inclusive recreation center. Staff assisted the Special Olympics program in Ukiah to schedule their use of the building for basketball practice in Jan. and Feb. of 2017. The Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay, Transgender, Queer Chapter in Mendocino County, (LBGTQ) hosted a first ever Prom in Ukiah with about 70 in attendance. The ABC Day programs serving intellectually and developmentally disabled and folks with Autism are also using the Recreation center once a week to provide a variety of recreational activities as well as self-advocacy workshops. There are usually anywhere from 15 to 30 individuals that attend. SCDD staff was able to get the use of the building for free for these groups. The cost of the Gym use as well as the meeting rooms is expensive so SCDD was able to save the groups using the building rent. SCDD has been involved in committees to increase

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activities for adults with disabilities to improve opportunities to be out in the community. RL Leveraged funds: \$1000.00 (Prog-Policies Created 3 OTH/ People Trained 100 SA GP Reached 70 SA/ 50 FA/ 500 OTH)

- OCRO staff communicated with 28 parent support group representatives to arrange for training on Self-Determination and/or other topics of interest to members. The responses to date have been positive and there is definite community interest in learning how their current service delivery system may change to better support their family member(s). Requests for training and coordination of dates/times are currently underway with the interested groups. (People Trained 28 FA)
- OCRO staff attended the Regional Center of Orange County Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC) meeting to discuss/remind the group about the SCDD Cycle 39 Grant RFP as well as the regularly scheduled Self-Advocacy meetings to garner additional consumer participation. In addition to SCDD staff comments, the following topics were discussed: -RCOC will likely have their greatest year of growth yet (588 YTD) adding 183 new consumers in April (60 adult / 123 Early Start). -RCOC has 81 consumers remaining at Fairview Developmental Center. -It was presented that Adult Behavior Management staff average hourly wage is \$11.30 to \$12.40 with ensuing discussion about providing bonuses to help close the gap with other competitive employers. -Employment incentives by the RCOC encourage vendors to place consumers in competitive employment. -Discussion about AB 1715 which proposes to change certification requirements for those providing behavioral services. -Brief presentation regarding the alternate perspective of the San Francisco Autism Society on Self-Determination. 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 37 OTH)
- SACRO staff and Self-Advocate, Lisa Cooley initiated a meeting with the Executive Director of the California Foundation for Independent Living Centers (CFILC) Teresa Favuzzi which convened on May 16, 2016. The purpose of the meeting was to initiate collaboration as both agencies serve the needs of people with developmental disabilities. The mission of the CFILC is to increase access and equal opportunity for people with disabilities by building the capacity of Independent Living Centers. Statewide there are 28 CFILC's and Title 7B funding

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makes it possible for CLILC to increase capacity of the independent living network. The CFILC state plan is a 3-year plan at which time a needs assessment occurs. Currently, CFILC state plan goals are: 1. Do Network (statewide); 2. Transition Fund (DOR administers) from nursing homes, to community homes; and 3. Youth and Employment Project. Programs and Coalitions cover an array of people they serve on the independent living center level. To assist in focusing on each of the important areas of advocacy, they have created programs to drive those needs. State Independent Living Centers (SILC) are local agencies and Governor appointed, California has 18. Given that SILC's are charged with serving people with developmental and intellectual disabilities as well, SCDD learned that the SILC's are interested in vendorization with regional centers. SCDD staff shared SCDD's state plan, mission and vision. In collaboration, SCDD staff recognizes the services and supports offered by the CFILC to be similar therefore follow-up meetings to work together and pool resources for inclusion and independence for all consumers. (People Active 1 SA/ 3 ORGs/ ORGs involved 2 OTH)

- SBRO staff collaborated with Community Access Center of Riverside County (CAC), Disability Rights California (DRC) and Canyon Springs CRA/VAS program to coordinate a training on voting rights to be held during the usual monthly self-advocacy group meeting at Canyon Springs in Cathedral City within Riverside County. SCDD staff created the flyer and CRA/VAS staff promoted the event to self-advocates. All attendees had the ability to complete a Riverside County Voter Registration form at the event if they so desired. Collaborative partner (DRC) provided "Voting Rights" information in BINGO format and the cards had spaces on the voter registration form, different ways to vote, voter rights and voter accessibility. Instead of drawing numbers, voter information was provided as questions and answers were given that matched corresponding spaces on the Bingo cards. In addition, all attendees were given participation certificates, stickers and flags for attending. (People Trained 20 SA/ 12 OTH)
- SBRO staff collaborated with Community Access Center of Riverside, Riverside County Registrar of Voters Office and Desert ARC in Palm Desert within Riverside County to provide an example of accessible voting machines at the monthly Self-Advocacy group but open it up to the community to attend the demonstration as well. Riverside County Registrar of Voters provided (4) accessible Audio voting machines. Program staff along with case managers and self-advocates were able to sample the voter units. The self-advocates were able to ask questions about the voting process and received personal assistance completing Riverside County

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Voter Registration cards. A total of (9) self-advocates registered to vote for this upcoming primary election on June 7, 2016. (People trained in Leadership 20 SA/ 12 OTH)

- SBRO staff collaborated with Desert Mountain Special Education Local Plan Area to attend the Community Closet and Resource Fair in Apple Valley within San Bernardino County. Information packets were given to participants in program on informal and formal generic services for the San Bernardino County area. These informational packets included the following materials; Self Determination Now, SCDD What is Self-Determination?(English & Spanish), SCDD Trainings Offered, Then & Now(English & Spanish), Let's Vote resource, SCDD IPP Basics (English & Spanish), IEP Basics (English and Spanish), upcoming training flyers on IEHP, HICAP, & Molina Healthcare, Self-Determination & Housing & Living Training flyer, and When you Turn 18 booklet (English & Spanish) (GP Reached 75 SA/ 25 FA/ 22 OTH)
- SDIRO staff participated in the monthly In Home Supportive Services Advisory Committee meeting. Reports were given by the representatives of Aging and Independence Services Advisory Council and the Public Authority. I gave a report on the monthly California In Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance teleconference call. The main topic of discussion on the call was the status of the implementation of the Fair Labor Standards Act on overtime, overtime exemptions and the violation procedures. A presentation on Healthy Aging was given. Those in attendance were: Public Authority, In Home Supportive Services, local health care agencies, care providers, family member and consumers. (People Active 4 SA/ 1 FA/ 8 OTH)
- SEQRO - Due to the success of this new program that the Sequoia office piloted earlier this month, the office was invited by the Parent Training and Information Center, EPU to provide this for their families. The Sequoia staff was able to assist five family advocates and 2 self-advocates with regional center eligibility questions. Staff was able to go over the eligibility process in more detail and they were also able to address the types of services that the families could receive if their family member was not regional center eligible. Additionally, the Sequoia staff assisted families in putting together records along with a detailed case review sheet detailing the areas of substantial disability that they felt their children met. The families will present a packet, in some with new evidence in some cases and seek regional center eligibility again as they all had gone through and been denied eligibility in the past. (People Trained 2 SA/ 5 FA)

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- SEQRO - The Coffee Social is an event that is hosted by the Central Valley Regional Center on a quarterly basis to provide key stakeholders with information trainings and or information on current legislation, events, and culturally competency trainings. It is also set up for networking opportunities. The SCDD Sequoia office gave an update on our services. Anniversary of the Lanterman Act/Disability Awareness. Central Valley Regional Center and their Vendors want to celebrate at Inspirational Park on Saturday July 9, 2016 with activities/games at each booth, water fun for the consumers and their families and of course food. The Sequoia office will be providing updates on what the office is doing for the community as well as any legislative and or regulatory updates. (ORGs 35 OTH)
- SEQRO held the In-Depth IHSS training at the Central Valley Regional Center. There were 13 people in attendance. The training focuses on IHSS Program Overview, eligibility, services offered protective supervision, preparing for your assessment or reassessment and resolving disagreements / appeal process. Overall, the participants were happy with the training, and many felt that they learned a lot about the IHSS program. (People Trained 9 FA/ 4 OTH)
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- SEQRO - The Vendor Advisory Committee meets every other month to discuss issues that might arise for vendors of the Central Valley Regional Center. The vendors shared information and concern about their perspective organizations. Central Valley Regional Center provided Budget Report, Executive Director's Report and Community Services Report. 2016 marks the 50 year anniversary of the Lanterman Act/Disability Awareness. Central Valley Regional Center and their Vendors want to celebrate at Inspirational Park on Saturday July 9, 2016 with activities/games at each booth, water fun for the consumers and their families and of course food. The Sequoia office will be providing updates on what the office is doing for the community as well as any legislative and or regulatory updates. (ORGs 24 OTH)
- SEQRO - This is a new program that the Sequoia office is piloting to assist multiple families with similar issues on their Regional Center eligibility cases. The project consisted of three families that Sequoia staff met with to explain and help

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- SVMBRO staff attended the San Andreas Regional Center Board offering updates on the Cycle 39 Grant, Disparity Task Force, and other regional office activity. (People Active 3 SA/ 10 FA/ 9 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff met with the Director of Tri-County Regional Center and the manager of the Office of Client Rights in the Central Coast Area to introduce ourselves and discuss the consolidation of offices SV/MB and CC offices. (ORGs 3 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff participated in the TCRC Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC) meeting to share the Grant 39 information as well as increase involvement with TCRC and its provider community. The HCBS new rules were discussed, including the fact that Tennessee was in the process of completing the transition and more would be known was that information was shared. (ORGs 55 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Notice of Funding Opportunity			25
Special Kids Padres Game Flyer		360	
Down Syndrome Association Family Support Meetings and calendar of events		377	
10.1 Cycle Without Limits Press Release	30	68	127
10.1 Cycle Without Limits Press Release, Flyer, Registration form		25	45
Summer Bridge Camp 2016, Hosted by Center for Communication Skills	15	44	52
The Long and Winding Road: Multi-Topic Conference for Parents of an Adult Child with Developmental Disabilities	13	187	184
Inclusion Readiness Workshop for Summer Camp Providers	13	187	184
Letters of Support are needed	13	187	178

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Innovative Programming for Individuals with Disabilities	13	187	178
"#VoteDisability Update: Media Alert, Webinar and Conference". National Disability Voter Registration Week July 11-15, 2016 May, 24, 2016 12:00pm-1:30pm Webinar Training. As part of the DOnetwork's 2016 #VoteDiability Get-Out-The-Vote campaign, the goal is to build disability community and political and electoral powers by increasing registration of voters with disabilities while also engaging candidates and the media to recognize the disability community. The webinar will aid organizers from across the county to hold their own voter registration effort, both in person and online. Participants will learn the best practices for growing the capacity of your own local voter registration effort from professional campaign organizers and disability policy advocates.	150	250	200

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
F	Provided information on Resources to Special Olympics Coordinator for his basketball program and dances for SA's		1	
T	Assisted a FA with connecting to a RCRC staff when calling the wrong office. Gave her the number for the Lakeport office and extension		1	
F	Follow up to T/A to SA regarding bus passes to get to services, said he got them			
T	Referral to State of California's Employment Development Department (EDD) – State Disability Insurance (SDI) for various programs and assistance. Referrals provided to 8 callers.			8
T	Provided information for Department of Motor Vehicles in Butte County			1
T	Referred FA to Clients Rights Advocate and regional center service coordinator re IHSS services appeal		1	
F	Referred FA to OCRA and CRA for RC eligibility appeal information.		1	

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	Referred to DRAIL and DOR for resource information			
T	Referred FA to San Ramon SELPA and East Bay RC for information about schools in the area. Family plans move soon from Tracy.		1	
F	Referred FA to VMRC Service Coordinator, Disability Rights of CA and Client's Rights Advocate for information about private insurance appeal of denial of service.		1	
T	Referred member of general public to the ILC for information and services for a traumatic Brain Injury support group.			1
E	Assisted SA with SLS concerns	1		
T	Assisted FA with IHSS concerns		1	
T	Assisted FA with RC due process concerns		1	
T	FA called about eligibility criteria for Regional Center. Explained the criteria and the services available if child qualifies.		1	
T	Bob Hand had a question regarding the Grant process.			1
T	SA called from another state and needed information as to where she could rent a wheelchair while she was visiting Fresno, CA Referred to Ray Fischer Pharmacy.	1		
T	PTI Center Staff (Reva Guimont) called in regards to the Grant Cycle 39 submission process. Advised on what was stated in posted paperwork and recommended to contact Kristie Allensworth for official clarification.			1
T	ABLE Act			1
T	Special Education, IEP strategy, due process, independent educational evaluations, list of attorneys, placement. Appropriate referrals and resources were provided.			
T	Helped 14 FA and 1 SA on understanding Regional Center services/supports.	1	14	
F	Assisted walk-in family advocate with completion of SSI forms for her minor child. Parent is receiving public benefits and has a disability herself.		1	
T	Assisted 10 FA with navigating service delivery system and accessing resources from IHSS, RC, SSA, etc.		10	
E	Assisted FA with SSA SNT issues due to section 1917(d) provision, Medi-Cal estate recovery		1	
E	Provided information to 1 FA and 1 professional on understanding SSA disability benefits		1	1
T	Provided information to 3 FA on IHSS		3	
T	Community Program had questions regarding the 2016 SCDD Grant			1

Goal #13

Individuals with developmental disabilities and their families have access to community based services and supports available to the general population (such as recreation, transportation, childcare, etc.) that enable them to live productive and inclusive lives.

	Application. Referred Other to SCDD Website.			
T	411 call, requesting Department of Social services San Bernardino office. Referred to 211			1
T	EXCEED called to inquiry about the SCDD Cycle 39 Grant.			1
T	411 caller, wanted SB Adult Protective Services. Gave (909) 891-9019 phone #.		1	
T	411 caller , wanted SB county Child Protective Services. Gave (909) 384-9233 phone #.		1	
T	Self-Advocate, received a letter from SSA stating that he was being assigned a payee management server and it listed SCDD SB Regional Office phone #. Gave caller phone # for SSA to call and report error	1		
T	411 caller from , wanting San Bernardino County Medi-cal #. Referred her to 211			1
T	Parent called regarding her 14 year old daughter and school issues, special needs trust, IEP and benefits. Provided available information to her, as well as referred her to the Disability Rights Special Education Rights and Responsibilities Manual, and added her to our mailing list for future trainings.	1	1	

Goal #14

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- NVHRO staff supported SSAN Legislative work group member to participate on teleconference call. Staff supported member with reading materials to make an informed decision about the input he wanted to provide during the call. Staff also supported consumer to make an informed decision about Legislation that would be discussed during the call. (People Active 1 SA/ People Trained in Leadership 1 SA)
- SDIRO - The Legislative Forum Committee met to review the summary of satisfaction surveys, and address any issues, concerns, changes necessary for next year, etc. Overall, the forum was very well received, and several people and agencies said it was the best one yet. Not requiring people to check in saved a great deal of time, and allowed individuals more opportunity to mix and mingle which everyone appreciated. The Interactive portion of the panel where people could ask questions was mentioned numerous times, although that needs to be improved upon, as some individuals wanted their specific question answered, rather than a more broad, system wide question. The Audio-Visual enhancement this year was outstanding, and will definitely be replicated next year. Eliminating the Resource Fair was a good idea, and maintaining the key sponsor tables, as well as the Voter Registration booth is all that will be necessary for next year. The caterers were great, but since we can no longer access the building prior to 8:00 am, it was decided to begin the event at 9:30 next year instead of 9:00. Including the Superintendent of Schools on the panel was a big draw for people, and by her sharing the personal story of her brother - who happens to have a disability - made for a more meaningful presentation. Perhaps several people will be designated to "wrangle" the legislators and their staff next year, and continuing to take pictures and tweet will remain the same. (GP Reached 50 SA/ 150 FA/ 200 OTH)
- LARO staff attended & provided technical support to the Westside Regional Center (WRC) Political Action & Outreach Committee (PAOC) meeting on 5/4/16. Staff also distributed flyers promoting upcoming events: Effective Person Centered Planning on 6/25/16, the availability of Cycle 39 Mini-Grants, & the availability of training as requested by the group. (People Trained in Leadership 5 SA/ 2 FA/ 3 OTH)
- SDIRO - The 12th Annual Legislative Forum was held on Friday, May 6th at the Balboa Park Club in Balboa Park. There were approximately 400 people in attendance, and the panel of speakers included Senator Marty Block; Assembly Member Brian Maienschein; Carlos Flores from the San Diego Regional Center; Rigoberto Zavala a Self-Advocate and employee of the San Diego Regional

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Center; Mark Klaus from the Home of Guiding Hands; and San Diego Unified School District Superintendent Cindy Marten. The panel was moderated by Susan Madison, the former ADA Director for the City of San Diego. Catherine Blakemore from Disability Rights CA was the keynote speaker, and did an outstanding job speaking about the Home and Community Based Waiver changes, Self-Determination and Employment First. Following the presentation by Ms. Blakemore, the panelists were each asked a question specific to their area of expertise, as well as a question regarding their personal commitment to be part of the change. All attendees were given a "Self-Determination Now" button, as well as ideas regarding how they can support, and be part of the changes that happening in this system. Cards were on each table with information on how to locate legislators, and suggestions to tell a personal story, make a call, make a visit, stay informed, advocate, etc. Following the panel presentation, "Changemaker" Awards were given to both Senator Block and Assembly Member Maienschein as they supported the recent MCO tax that will provide increases for direct service providers, as well as funding for internships. There was a power point presentation running throughout the session with various pictures of self-advocates, as well as other pertinent topics. One agency was tweeting from the event, and the satisfactions surveys indicate that the event was well received. (GP Reached 50 SA/ 150 FA/ 200 OTH)

Title of Eblast	Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
National Down Syndrome Advocates initiative to improve medical research and treatments for people with Down Syndrome – support the 21 st Century Cures Act (CURES)	5	377	121
DO Network (Disability Organizing Network) information regarding the CA primary election on June 7, 2016	5	360	
"DONetwork – California Primary Has Begun – Here’s Your Accessible Voter Resources."	35	135	235
14.1 Governor Releases May Revise Budget Revisions	30	68	127
13.1 IHSS Overtime Rules	30	68	127

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2.1 Voter Registration Reminder			
School Bus Safety Bill Passes	13	187	184
USC UCEDD - FREE webinar next week: Person Centered Planning	13	187	184
Forum on Medicaid Home & Community Based Svcs. In CA	13	187	184
Self Determination Symposium	13	187	178
Original Logo Contest for The BFF Project	13	187	178
Meet with SARC, Salinas	13	187	178
California Primary Has Begun – Here’s Your Accessible Voter Resource	13	187	178
School Bus Safety Bill Passes		318	292
People First Conference		318	292
Cycle 39 Grant Opportunity		318	292
California Primary Has Begun – Here’s Your Accessible Voter Resource		318	292
Letters of Support are needed		318	292
“California IDD Voter Engagement Team”. Voting information and Resource Availability. A recent study found that people with disabilities turn out to vote in smaller numbers than people without disabilities. As advocates it is critical that we focus attention on encouraging the people we serve to exercise their right to vote. Easy Voter Guide, Disability Rights California (DRC) Voter Hotline Flyer, DRC YouTube Video and out the Voter Hotline, “One Vote: One Person One Vote” Website, California Counts article. “Closing the Gap in Voter Turnout for California Disabled”, are some useful links to obtain useful information and resources.	150	250	200

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	<u>Type of Technical Assistance</u>	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	“Other”
T	Call from constituent regarding the Governor’s May revise release date and information about IHSS.	1		
F	Assisted a SA connect with his RCRC Service Coordinator to get bus passes to get to community services.	1		

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- SEQRO - Based on an informal needs assessment of Spanish speaking parents in the Greenfield area (Monterey county), staff collaborated with Easter Seals and Chuparrosa (a Spanish speaking parent group) to arrange a compliance complaint training in June. The complaint training is intended to both educate parents about the complaint process as well as walk them through the filing of a complaint in order to effect needed changes within their school district. (ORGs 2 OTH)
- SVMBRO - The Disparity Taskforce met to report on its ongoing projects, including researching the promotora model, the drafting of the power point training, and outreach effort to the African American community. (People Active 8 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. The committee has been established to plan the details of the conference event. COMMITTEE REPORTS
A. Registration: Registration will stay in house, Manuel Flores is the Chair of this committee
B. Vendors: - Grace Huerta will send out letters to previous vendors and try to find new vendors
C. Entertainment: Possibly a DJ
D. Workshops: Yolanda Cruz will line up presenters. She has asked that the PTI for the area be involved in the committee as well as provide some presenters for the conference. The following are confirmed presentations: • Yolanda Cruz – IHSS • Bettina Puga – DOR (topic pending) Other workshops are still pending, however, it was also suggested that workshops focus around KRC eligible conditions as to provide better education and support to parents. (ORGs 5 SA/ 15 FA/ 4 OTH)
- OCRO - The Fiesta Educativa Advisory Committee met to plan for the summer conference that will take place in October, date pending. SCDD Orange County office will be responsible to gather local donations for raffle prizes, spread the word about the conference to encourage public participation, and to help put programs and conference materials together. SCDD Orange County office was invited to do a training at the event in addition to having the resource booth. Staff shared information on the Cycle 39 RFP and corresponding flyer. (ORGs 19 OTH)
- NSRO staff is participating on a local collaborative with Mendocino College, Department of Rehabilitation, County Health and Human Services Agency, Pinoleville Tribe Employment Services, and the Private Industry Council to promote participation and increase the capacity of qualified service providers in

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the behavior health human service discipline by developing and expanding the paraprofessional mental health and substance abuse workforce focusing on children, adolescents, and transition-age youth at risk for developing or who have developed a behavioral health disorder. The program is focusing outreach efforts to Native American, Latino and other underserved populations including individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The program will prepare students to work in non-profit and public health, social service and/or behavioral health organizations that provide prevention, clinical intervention and treatment services for at-risk children, youth and families. Those who earn a certificate can be employed as a community health worker, outreach worker, social services aide, mental health worker, substance abuse/addictions worker, youth worker, or peer paraprofessional. Through this collaboration discussions have initiated new course curriculum that will be offered in the Fall of 2017 that will benefit the community with respect to two key underserved populations: Working with Transition Age Youth and Working with Tribal Communities. (ORGs 10 OTH/ Prog-Policies Created 1 OTH)

- SVMBRO staff participated in the Monterey County Office of Education Resource Fair and provided educational materials to several families. Translation was provided by the COE. Most families required information on basic special education rights, including Independent Education Evaluations. (People Trained 22 FA)
- SVMBRO staff participated in a SARC Spanish speaking conference in San Jose and provided resources to families on special education as well as regional center rights. (People Trained 8 FA)
- SDIRO staff participated in a meeting to discuss the 2015 and 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. A monthly meeting schedule was discussed and the schedule was set. The group discussed other people who could be invited to participate on the planning committee. (ORGs 13 OTH)
- SVMBRO staff was invited to collaborate with SPIN, a family resource center, and the PVUSD CAC in the planning of the 3rd annual Spanish speaking conference to be held in Watsonville in January 2017. Details were discussed at the first planning meeting including workshop topics and outreach. Staff agreed to do outreach to potential presenters for two of the workshops. (ORGs 3 OTH)
- SVMBRO, through collaboration with Special Parents Information Network (a

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family resource center) and the Pajaro Valley Unified School District's CAC, staff participated in the Special Needs Resource Fair in Watsonville. Staff provided information in both Spanish and English on special education rights. Staff also spoke with a number of families about their concerns. (ORGs 2 OTH/ People Trained 12 FA)

- OCRO hosted the Fiesta Familiar Spanish Support Group on 5/20/2016. The training was an open forum presented/facilitated by Fiesta Educativa Outreach Coordinator, Cecilia Mercado. SCDD staff also provided brief information (with translation support) on the self-determination program 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 57 FA / ORGs 2)
- NCRO staff facilitated a training on May 11th as part of the Behavioral Health Boards Cultural Diversity committee and strategic planning process. The Collaborating agencies included County Office of Education, Mendocino College, Behavioral Health and Recovery services. The training was provided by Ricardo Stocker, Ph.D. is a Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology. As a professor of Psychology and Communication at Mendocino Community College he teaches various courses on counseling and cross cultural interactions and diversity as well as practical therapeutic approaches based on relevant and appropriate cultural understanding. (ORGs 3 OTH/ ORGs engaged 3 OTH/ GP Reached 60 OTH)
- LARO On 5/16/16, staff provided a presentation entitled "Data re Those Served by Regional Centers" to 62 attendees as part of a panel discussion on the theme "Disability Rights Are Human Rights." The data presented included a comparison and contrast of the seven Los Angeles County regional centers and the ways in which they devote resources to different ethnic groups, linguistic groups, and geographic groups. The presentation was part of an open lecture, most of whom were from a class at UCLA called "Current Perspectives on the Autism Spectrum and Neurodiversity," which is part of the undergraduate Disability Studies Minor. (People Trained 4 FA/ 58 OTH)

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Title of Eblast		Self-Advocates	Family Advocates	"Other"
Cultural Competency Training Opportunity		30	68	127

Telephone (T), Email (E), or Face-to-Face (F)	Type of Technical Assistance	Self – Advocate	Family Advocate	"Other"
E	Provided information and referral to Redwood Coast Disability Rights-OCRA regarding Latino groups in Humboldt County			1
F	Parent and self-advocate came to office re: pending manifestation determination and potential expulsion due to zero tolerance policy. Provided information in Spanish by way of calling Sequoia Office and handouts in Spanish. Also referred to OCRA.	1	1	

Collaborative Partners

- A Better Life Togethe
- A Child's Place
- Access 2 Independence
- Accurate Dial
- Achieve School
- ACRC consumer representatives
- Advocacy Agencies
- Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center Director
- Alliance for Children's Rights
- Alta California Regional Center (ACRC)
- Alzheimers Association
- Amador USD Transition Classes
- American Civil Liberties Union
- American Legion
- Amy Westling, ARCA
- Anaheim School District
- Anderson Valley Health
- Arc- Imperial Valley
- Arc of Amador & Calaveras
- Arc of San Diego
- ARCA consumer representative
- Armstrong Garden Center
- ASAN (Autistic Self Advocacy Network)
- Assoc. of Regional Center Agencies
- Autism Behavioral Consultants Program
- Azusa Pacific College
- Bakersfield Community Action Partnership
- Bank of America
- Behavioral Health
- Behavioral Health an Recovery Board (North Coast)
- Boys and Girls Club
- Breaking Barriers
- Butte County Office of Education
- Butte County Office of Emergency Services

Collaborative Partners

- Butte Glenn Community College
- CA Department of Rehabilitation
- Cal Fire
- Cal Promise
- Cal Trans
- California Coalition for Rural Housing
- California Dept. of Education
- California Elwyn
- California Health and Wellness
- California Southern Optimist Clubs
- CalOptima, Access OC
- Canyon Springs
- Casa de Amparo
- Casa de la Familia
- Celebracion
- Central Valley Regional Center (CVRC)
- Century 21
- CHADD
- Chapman University
- Child Care Planning Council
- Children & Families Commission of OC
- Children's Health Initiative of Orange County
- Children's Hospital of Orange County
- CHOICES Institute Members (VMRC, FRN, VMRC vendors, SAC6, School SELPAS)
- Citizen Voice (www.citizenvoice.org)
- City of Bakersfield
- City of Burbank
- City of Clovis
- City of Glendale
- City of Ukiah
- CMC
- Coalition of Local Area Services Providers (CLASP)
- College 2 Career
- College of The Sequoias

Collaborative Partners

- Community Access Center (CAC) of Riverside County
- Community Care Licensing Department
- Community Catalysts
- Community Integration Services
- Community Interface Services
- County Health and Human Services Agency
- County HHSA Health Dept. Prevention and Planning
- County Mental Health
- County Office of Education
- County Sheriff
- Creel Industries
- Crescenta Valley Insurance
- Crimson Center
- CSUC Social Work
- DDSO Executive Director and staff
- Deaf Community Services
- Del Taco
- Department of Aging
- Department of Motor Vehicles
- Department of Rehabilitation
- Dept. of Justice
- Desert ARC
- Desert Mountain Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA)
- Dignity Health
- Disability Action Center
- Disability Response
- Disability Rights CA (San Diego)
- Disability Rights California-OCRA - RCRC,
- Disabled Resource Center
- Disparity Task Force
- Dohn Hoyle
- Downtown Impact
- DRC-Redwood Coast OCRA
- Easter Seals
- Easter Seals Central California and Chuparrosa

Collaborative Partners

- Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center
- Edison High School
- EFRC
- El Dorado County Health providers
- Elder Law Center
- Elk Grove School District
- Employment and Community Options
- Employment Development Department
- Employment Providers
- Empower Yolo/SADVCenter
- Episcopal Community Services
- Eric Zigman, GGRC
- Exceed Hemet
- Exceptional Family Resource Center
- Exceptional Parents Unlimited
- Expandability
- Facilitators
- Fair Housing Council of Riverside County
- Family Autism Network
- Family Resource Center
- Family Resource Network (FRN)
- Family Resource Network (Matrix Parents)
- Family Services
- Far Northern Regional Center
- FDLRC
- FDLRC SDAC,
- Feather River Tribal Health
- Fed Ex
- Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
- Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
- FEMA (Ready.gov)
- Fiesta Educativa Orange County
- FINE Inc.
- first responder network
- Fiscal Management Service Providers

Collaborative Partners

- FNRC
- Franchise Tax Board
- Fresno County Office of Education
- Fresno Housing Authority
- Fresno State University
- Friends of Children of Special Needs
- Friendship Homes
- Futures Explored
- Garden Grove Unified School District
- Glendale Optometric
- Glendale Police Dept.
- Glendale YMCA
- Glenn County Office of Education
- Goodwill Industries
- Goodwill Orange County
- Grace Lutheran Church
- H.E.A.R.T.S. Connection Family Resource Center
- Harbor Regional Center
- Harbor Regional Center Self-Determination Advisory Committee (HRC SDAC)
- Hartland Center
- Head Start
- Health Plan of San Joaquin
- Help Me Grow Orange County
- Helping the Behaviorally Challenging Child
- HGH
- Hollywood Wax Museum
- Home of Guiding Hands
- Hope Autism Therapies
- Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino
- Housing Choices Coalition
- HRC (Harbor Regional Center)
- HUD Housing Agency
- IHSS Advisory Committee Members throughout the state
- Imagine Supported Living Services
- Imperial Valley People First

Collaborative Partners

- Imperial Valley SELPA
- In Home Support Services
- Inalliance ILS/SLS
- Inclusion Institute
- Independence for Life Choices
- Independent Living Center of Southern California
- Independent Options
- Inland Regional Center (IRC)
- Innovative Housing Opportunities (IHO)
- Institute for Effective Education
- Integrated Resources Institute
- Integrity Cottages Housing Development
- Interim Healthcare
- Interwork Institute
- Irvine Unified School District
- Javier Zaldivar, SARC
- Jim Knight, DDS
- Job Core
- Kennedy Commission
- L.A. Care
- LA County DPSS
- Legal Services of Northern California
- Lisa Cooley, Self-Advocate
- Local Police
- local preschools
- Mader News
- Marine Corp Recruit Depot
- Martha Pauli, PharmD, MEd, BCPP, CGP Assistant Professor, California Northstate University College of Pharmacy
- McDonald's
- Mendocino College
- Mendocino College Child Development
- Mendota High School
- Mental Health Advocacy Services
- Michael Pearce, Attorney at Law

Collaborative Partners

- Molina Healthcare
- Monterey County Office of Education
- MORE Rehabilitation Program
- Morongo Basin Municipal Advisory Committee
- My Day Counts
- Neighborhood House
- New Horizons
- NLACRC
- NLACRC SDAC
- Non-profit agencies serving elderly/disabled/homeless
- North Coast Opportunities
- North Coastal Consortium for Special Education
- North Orange County Community College District
- OC Department of Education
- OCRA (FDLRC)
- OCRA (FNRC)
- OCRA (IRC)
- OCRA (NLACRC)
- OCRA (RCOC)
- Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy (Chico)
- Orange County California Highway Patrol
- Orange County Housing Authority
- Pacific Redwood Medical Group
- Pajaro Valley Unified School District CAC
- Palo Alto Unified School District
- Parent and Student
- Parents Helping Parents
- Parents Institute for Quality Education
- Passages Area Agency on Aging
- Patient's Rights Advocate
- Peer Advocacy Connection consumer representative
- People First
- People's Care
- People's First Chapter Chairs
- Person Centered Services

Collaborative Partners

- PG&E
- Phil Bonnet, ACRC Director
- PinolevilleTribe Employment Services
- Pre-K teachers
- Premier Healthcare
- private advocates
- Private Industry Council (North State)
- Professional Child Development Association (PCDA)
- Public Authority
- Public Defender
- Public Health-Partnership for Healthy Babies
- Quality Connections SLS
- Ralph's
- Reach (Rescue Helicopter) CERT
- Rebecca Schupp, DHCS
- Recipients of IHSS Program
- Red Cross
- Redwood Coast Regional Center
- Regional Center of Orange County (RCOC)
- Representative Evan Low
- Resources for Independence Central Valley
- Rim of the World Unified School District
- Riverside County Registrar of Voters Office
- Rosie Hall Family Home
- Rotary
- Sacramento Waldorf School,
- San Andreas Regional Center
- San Diego Community College District
- San Diego Futures Foundation
- San Diego Partnership
- San Diego People First
- San Diego Regional Center
- San Diego Regional Center
- San Diego Regional Center and Outreach Consulting
- San Diego State University

Collaborative Partners

- San Diego Unified School District
- San Joaquin SELPA
- San Jose Public Library
- San Marcos Unified School District
- Santa Clara Housing County Authority
- SCDD Regional Advisory Committee representative/Sac
- SCDD Sacramento Regional Office Regional Advisory Committee
- School of Continuing Education
- SCLARC Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC)
- SEIU CA Developmental Disabilities Council
- Self Advocacy Council 6
- Self- Advocates
- Self-Advocacy Board of LA County
- Self-Advocacy Project
- SGPRC (San Gabriel Pomona Regional Center)
- SLS agency support staff (Integrity House)
- So Cal Association of People Supporting Employment 1st (APSE)
- So Cal Housing Collaborative
- Social Security Administration
- Sonoma County Office of Education SELPA
- South Central Los Angeles Regional Center's Family Resource Center
- South County SELPA
- South Western Community College
- Southern California Rehabilitation Services
- Southwest SELPA
- special education teachers
- Special Kids Crusade
- Special Olympics
- SPIN (Family resource center)
- SSAN Orange County Representative
- St. Madeleine's
- State Fund
- State Preschool
- Statewide Self Advocacy Network (SSAN)
- Stockton Unified School District (SUSD)

Collaborative Partners

- Supported Employment Agencies
- Supported Life Institute
- Supportive Living Service Agencies
- Sycuan Indian Reservation
- TASK
- TCRC providers
- Temple Beth Sholom
- Teresa Favuzzi, Executive Director of the California Foundation for Independent Living Centers (CFILC)
- The Adult Skills Center
- The Braille Institute in Rancho Mirage
- The Campbell Center
- The SCAN Foundation (TSF), 21 Regional Coalitions throughout California-funded by TSF
- TJ Maxx
- Towards Maximum Independence
- TRACE
- Trader Joe's
- Transitional Coaching and Development Institute (TCDI)
- Transitional Living Center
- Tri-Counties Regional Center
- Tulare and Kings County Suicide Prevention
- Tulare County Department of Mental Health
- Tulare County Public Defender
- UCLA Disability Studies Program
- UCLA UCEDD
- UCP- San Diego
- Ukiah Unified School District
- Ukiah Valley Medical
- United Cerebral Palsy
- United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay
- University Of the Pacific (UOP)
- Unyeway
- US Forest Service
- USC UCEDD

Collaborative Partners

- Valley Children 's Hospital
- Valley Mountain Regional Center Vendors
- Valley Village
- Vet's Community Services
- VMRC
- VMRC Vendor Community
- Warm Line
- Westside Moms Parent Support Group
- Westside Regional Center
- Westside Regional Center (WRC) Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC)
- Westside Regional Center (WRC) Political Action and Outreach Committee (PAOC)
- Williams Syndrome Association
- Woodland PD
- WorkFirst Easter Seals
- Yolo Co. Mental Health
- Yolo Co. Sheriff's Dept.
- Youth Employment Opportunity Program and Community Connections

Emerging Issues

- HQ - As always, time and money represent significant barriers to effective training for first responders, who are regularly trained in topics associated with 'perishable skills.' Training time - spent away from regular assignments - is costly to departments, both financially and in available manpower. Law enforcement officers also (until they've taken/completed the training) don't often 'get' the correlation between disability-related information and what they perceive to be more 'mission-critical' training. Once training has been completed, however, officers routinely express appreciation for information that often has more value to them - both on a personal and a professional level.
- HQ There is some resistance to training on these issues by those in the social work fields. The prevailing belief appears to be that they already 'know' people and that their acquired knowledge, experience and skills are directly transferable to working with people with I/DD. While this is (largely) true, people with I/DD also have some unique needs and characteristics that must be respected, valued and taken into consideration by those who come alongside to assist in the aftermath of violence and trauma.
- LARO All of the parents expressed that at some point they all had either engaged or were planning to engage in due process with their districts. Much frustration was voiced because all of the parents felt the school district consistently told them lies about their rights, information about their children, and many processes. Strategies and technical assistance effective in combating this were provided to all of the parents.
- LARO An SDAC member who is also working with Citrus College (one of the community colleges in California) approached SCDD LARO staff mentioning there is a need to build a similar program like Taft College to serve students with I/DD in LA County. He invited SCDD LARO staff to their next planning meeting in July
- LARO It was requested by the public to have the SDAC meeting agenda be posted on SCLARC's website 10-day prior to the scheduled meeting. Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act training was provided by SCDD LA staff in the past. SCDD LA Office staff will continue to monitor the compliance with BK Act.
- LARO Many 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 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 June to see if

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DDS submitted the waiver, giving the committee a chance to provide input to DDS about it.

- LARO Minutes for WRC board meeting have not been distributed since October 2015. SCDD staff requested a copy of the outstanding minutes a few days prior to this board meeting. No response was received however all minutes were made available at this board meeting.
- LARO Self-advocates reported an increased need to utilize free or low cost services in the community. SCDD Los Angeles staff provided the group with copies of the "Bandaging the Budget" publication from the Self-Advocacy Board of Los Angeles.
- LARO Statistics and feedback from community inputs indicate that individuals with I/DD are at greater risk of abuse, neglect, and criminal victimization. There are pressing needs for different agencies to collaborate and leverage their resources to safeguard this vulnerable population. Local law enforcement agencies and disability services organizations need to work together to explore cross-training opportunities and inter-agency coalitions to close the gaps in different service systems.
- LARO The fear of losing SSI benefits while working gainfully has posed ongoing barriers for SAs pursuing competitive employment. LARO staff provided training opportunities and resources, such as DB101 and the "Why Work is Better" brochures with participants.
- LARO The low response rate for its NCI surveys and possible solutions to address the concern were discussed. The solutions include attaching SCDD QA Postcard and survey cover letter in English and Spanish, and advising its Case Coordinators to remind clients to respond to the surveys.
- LARO The Westside Regional Center (WRC) Political Action and Outreach Committee (PAOC) did not have access to the latest information concerning ABx 2 1. SCDD Los Angeles staff provided the PAOC a summary of the major provisions of ABx 2 1.
- LARO To access affordable and accessible housing in the LA region was identified as one of the pressing needs. The low response rate for its NCI surveys and possible solutions to address the concern were discussed. The solutions include attaching SCDD QA Postcard and survey cover letter in English and Spanish, and advising its Case Coordinators to remind clients to respond to the surveys.
- NBRO Due to local Regional Center high rate of staff turnover, SA/FA are not

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familiar with who their service coordinator which in turns often times causes delays in, or denials of, service needs.

- NBRO Parents are not aware that they have the right to request a social emotional assessment at any time and that the school district must respond to the request no later than 15 days.
- NCRO As of the date of this report, several issues need to be resolved before the project can move forward.
- NCRO Free resources were given out some, but not all, materials were available/translated into Spanish. More training for those who work with the disability community needs to happen especially those from the Hispanic community.
- NCRO Services not being provided by Spanish caregivers and professionals and lack of outreach to the Latino community. Latino community not being reached and percentages being served are low.
- NCRO When hand outs and discussion documents are received only a few days before the meeting, the self-advocate member-who has a very busy schedule-and facilitator do not have adequate time to review the subject matter prior to the meeting.
- NSRO Community members and agencies have expressed the need to address the chronic and pervasive shortage of qualified candidates/job applicants in the community for positions in the human resource field that have the knowledge skills and abilities to work with underserved populations including individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Staff is particularly interested in supporting the effort to build capacity in the area of Native American and Latino program graduates who are able to effectively work with Native American and Latino transition-age youth (16-25 years old) and their families in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner.
- NSRO In Home Supportive Services (IHSS) is experiencing many changes around the FLSA Overtime regulations. The new regulations are challenging the recipients, care providers and Public Authority IHSS program staff. Staying educated on the changes is essential to maintain program services and avoid unnecessary violations.
- NSRO Staff has developed a strong relationship with Housing Authority of Butte County and will be working to develop connections with the Housing Authorities in the other 8 counties of the region. Community advisory groups like BCCC, bring agencies and issues together that support connections. The information and

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awareness of housing programs through Housing Authority of Butte County has increased awareness and increased housing opportunities for Butte County consumers and families.

- NSRO Staff provided support to SSAN Officers to organize the upcoming June 8-9, 2016 meeting. Through 2 planning meetings (5/4 and 5/18) technical assistance was provided regarding coordination, note taking, agenda development, etc. Numerous communication occurred prior to and following each meeting. (People Trained 4 SA)
- NSRO The information provided by the law enforcement agencies revealed some of the following information: Shasta County stated "Crime Victim Assistance Center has provided services to approximately 100 subjects with disabilities out of the 9,000 cases so the overall percentage of cases that involve subjects with disabilities is low." "Out office does not participate in PERT." Trinity County stated "estimated number of requests for assistance/information from victims with disabilities - 15 (6.75%) and our agency does not participate in PERT or a multi-disciplinary equivalent at this time." Siskiyou County stated, "Unfortunately we have no way of providing this information. We don't ask people about their disabilities and we do not document this information in any way. Regarding PERT, we utilize the services of Siskiyou County Behavioral Health." Redding Police Department stated, "We do not track calls handled by our agency and our agency does not participate in PERT or a multi-disciplinary equivalent." Butte County stated, "Our records does not track data of that nature and there is no way to give you an estimate that would entail any degree of reliability". "I am pleased to report that the Butte County Sheriff's Office recently entered into a collaboration with the Chico Police Department, CSUC Police Department and Butte County Behavioral Health." Tulelake Police Department stated, "5-10% call are from subjects with disabilities; Do not participate in PERT."
- NSRO The SAAC Chair participates on many committees and projects. Despite having facilitation support, staff have to remind both the Chair and his facilitator of what he committed to and/or planned for upcoming meetings. Staff has often had to assist in writing the Chair reports since the Chair and/or his facilitator forgot to do it.
- NSRO The SSAN officers have been very clear that meetings are to be member led and have a history of not being productive without staff assistance. Assistance was provided with updating the workgroup calendar, providing meeting announcement templates and reminders by emails and calls. SSAN

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workgroups established their Purpose, Goals, and Objectives last year and staff continues to remind members on what they said they want to accomplish.

- NSRO There are 3 SSAN officers but only 2 participated in each meeting. Officers will commit to doing various activities but then do not always follow through. Staff continues to provide reminders of the commitments and this often results in the SSAN Chair doing the work of the other officers.
- NVHRO Lack of clear understanding by the public in regard to services available and how to access support for transition age students in San Joaquin County.
- OCRO A Community Care Licensing form (200A) has received attention from the CCL Policy Unit Manager in Sacramento regarding non-ambulatory licensure to provide care for children who are unable to exit independently in an emergency. Due to the phrasing on the current form, it would require multiple additional steps (and money) to obtain a non-ambulatory license. CCLD indicates they will remove #11 from the form to remedy this situation. The time line for this change to the form is uncertain.
- OCRO Although the Summit referenced IDEA, ADA, Ticket to Work, WIOA, and AEBG the fact remains that those with Autism generally do not transition well, if at all, into post-secondary education or training. According to the TPI data, upwards of 50% do not have a realistic sense of work, an interest in a specific career, or have realistic career goals. The Thompson Policy Institute will continue to collect data and provide analysis to help stakeholders determine proper and effective areas of focus for policy recommendations
- OCRO In fiscal year 2013-14, HMG served 2,345 family members and 884 professionals and of those family members served, 64.5% have Medi-Cal/CalOptima as the primary insurance provider 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 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 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 RCOC has 81 consumers remaining at Fairview Developmental Center,

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yet there appears to be little resource development and/or active push to transition those residents into the community. At the last South Coast Regional Project Meeting, it was evident that RCOC was under performing as far as active transitions compared to the other regional centers. In March, RCOC only had 1 consumer identified to be placed by the end of the fiscal year, compared to the 6-7 consumers from the other RCs.

- OCRO Several employment vendors discussed challenges in creating new group supported employment sites due to minimum wage requirements. Similarly, local school districts reported that they are struggling to secure Workability/TTP sites due to restrictions with DOL requirements and inability to use for-profit sites.
- OCRO Several stakeholders are concerned about whether the outreach and enrollment sites for SB 75 will have to report enrollees to Immigration and Custom Enforcement and if this will potentially jeopardize a person's future citizenship/residency status if they will be classified a public charge.
- OCRO The Dayle McIntosh center highlighted the fact that transportation training was recently limited to only work and/or school; no longer allowing "recreational" destinations. Although this makes sense, it also puts the consumers at a disadvantage because they are no longer able to experience or prepare for transfers or other changes that may occur outside of their regular route.
- OCRO The Fiesta Educativa Annual Conference is the only major Spanish-speaking conference of its kind in Orange County. This conference is needed in order to educate the Hispanic community and monolingual Spanish-speakers about the services and supports they are entitled to receive under the Lanterman Act and/or IDEA and how to go about advocating for such services.
- OCRO The Orange County Transportation Authority/Access Services provided timely service for the start of his tour; however, they did not pick him up within the allotted time-frame. This is not a new systemic issue in Orange County, but is problematic for the safety and security of those with disabilities.
- OCRO The statewide housing crisis facing adults with developmental disabilities is starkly evident in Orange County, which is home to 19,000 persons with developmental disabilities served by RCOC. Many of these adults are struggling unsuccessfully to reach their goal of securing safe, decent and affordable housing in the communities where they were born, raised and educated. They are priced out of even a basic one-bedroom rental apartment in Orange County. As a result, they are forced to continue living with their aging parents or living in other living arrangements.

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- OCRO There is a licensee in Orange County that presently operates 5 CCFs, serving about 20 consumers in total. This facility is pending possible (but likely) licensing revocation and the facility operator is trying to garner support from all consumers, families, and even agencies to prevent any negative licensing action. This licensee is also facing Department of Labor action due to employee overtime issues. RCOC is trying to secure back-up placement for the consumers should revocation occur, but there are very few CCF vacancies in Orange County especially for those with higher level of care.
- OCRO There is one individual whose husband of 15 years ago passed away a few years prior; however, SSA informed her that she is not eligible for widower's benefits. She expressed difficulty communicating with SSA and understanding their verbal and written correspondence because they don't say/write things in a way that is easy to understand. She said that this is one issue this self-advocacy group would like to address with SSA.
- OCRO two issues arose from this meeting: (1) school districts misidentifying students with an intellectual disability as having a learning disability, which adversely affects the student's chances for regional center eligibility due to the exclusion of the latter diagnosis in Title 17 and/or school evaluations not providing an accurate portrayal of a student and not thoroughly documenting needs that it renders the school reports useless for regional center eligibility purposes; (2) whether school evaluations negatively affect eligibility for the Latino population, specifically.
- OCRO While RCOC posted the agenda on their website 10 days in advance of the meeting, they failed to send an email to those on the interest list until the day before the meeting. All parents in the audience reported that they received the email notification of the meeting the day before at 4:30-4:50pm.
- SACRO Day program vendors voiced concern as ACRC requires a 30 day notice to terminate a client from a program, however many vendors do not receive the same 30 day notice when a client chooses to leave and ACRC does not continue payment for the 30 days (Title 17 says both parties must give 30 day notice). ACRC explained there are circumstances which do not allow them to pay 2 vendors if the consumer chooses to change programs abruptly although ACRC will encourage staff to discuss the protocol of the 30 day notice to clients.
- SACRO DDSO staff are concerned that the consumers they serve will not be able to adapt to community inclusion, and the Executive Director reports he gets resistance from staff when he reduces a class size from 12 to 6 students. Some

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quotes from our meeting. "They are content, they want to be with their peers". "Like full inclusion in schools, I don't see the purpose".

- SACRO Families continue to need additional information about the transition process from school to adult programming. They welcome information about conservatorship and special needs trusts, as well. Families are overwhelmed by the day-to-day care of their special needs children and can benefit from as much simplified and accessible information as possible.
- SACRO It was presented to the audience that the Self-Determination waiver has not been signed at the Federal level, therefore the Department of Developmental Services cannot implement this service to consumers at this time. Self-Advocates feel it necessary to spread the word to peers so that they will be aware of the upcoming service and get on the list at their Regional Center if they are interested.
- SACRO Lack of affordable housing is a concern and mostly due to the untapped resources such as Mutual Housing offers that could benefit people with I/DD. Barriers to implementation and/or access to this development in communities we serve is due to the lack of information sharing and lack of awareness of our population and their needs. Individuals with I/DD are at risk of homelessness based on SSI rates and high rental costs. SCDD staff is assisting in bridging the gap between Mutual Housing and the regional center to eliminate the barrier.
- SACRO Many agencies spoke about the LEAP program, however, that does not always assist people we serve sufficiently, depending on their disability. They may need additional assistance to go through the hiring process and become successfully trained and employed.
- SACRO Parents who advocate full inclusion are a valuable resource to other parents and school personnel. Barriers to children receiving education in a regular classroom are most commonly due to parents need for support, education and advocacy for the child/family to pursue what should be readily available and offered through the school district. IEP trainings including empowerment of parents in this pursuit is needed.
- SACRO Participating in People's First Chapters is a great way for self-advocates to learn about services and learn to speak up for their rights. Members in these chapters are very active and increase their knowledge and skills as the result of each training and meeting. It is exciting to work with this group of adults who are so eager to be involved and have a voice! Increasing outreach to individuals in board and care home will help those individuals increase their self-advocacy

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skills.

- SACRO Self-advocacy is stronger when an individual has confidence in speaking and sharing their hopes, dreams, goals, and support needs. This session gave each individual the opportunity to reflect on the power of speaking confidently to be heard and help achieve their dreams.
- SACRO Self-Advocates need some assistance to prepare their "Go Kits", make plans, and write and post appropriate emergency information in their homes and to put copies in their "Go Kits". Many were affected by the fires in 2015 and during the earthquake of 2014. They understand the need to plan but require some assistance to complete the process.
- SACRO SILC's rarely receive a referral from a consumer with an intellectual disability, however, SILC's are mandated to serve any and all disabilities and on this date discussed the possibility of becoming vendored with the regional center.
- SACRO The IPP and Person Centered Planning process are both important to assist adults with I/DD to identify their dreams, goals, and the supports they need to achieve them. They often need additional information to help them understand realistic goals and to support them in achieving them.
- SACRO The lack of appropriate dental care for people with I/DD, especially needing sedation dentistry, was raised several times. CA H&W suggested inviting DHCS (Dept. of Health Care Services - Dental Division) to the next Community Connections Forum.
- SACRO There is a new MOU to improve multi-agency collaboration among DDS, CDE, and DOR to increase competitive employment for people with I/DD in CA. Only 9% of I/DD in CA are employed. Among the general population, 70% participate in some sort of employment. The goal is to increase the 9%, however, over the past few years, this number has decreased. It is hoped that these programs will encourage and support CIE opportunities.
- SACRO With changes in medication benefits through managed care and fee-for-service Medi-Cal, medications are often changed from Brand to Generic. This change can cause problems for people with disabilities, some of whom have health issues and take multiple medications. They can be encouraged to learn their medication names and dosages and to discuss any changes with their pharmacist.
- SDIRO Parents still desire more educational opportunities. Several parents want to work on developing resources for yoga and other ways to teach their children relaxation techniques.

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- SDIRO SCDD staff provided facilitation support to San Diego People First officers as they prepared for their annual self-advocacy conference and debriefed over the May Quarterly meeting. The group also had an update on the Strengthening Self Advocacy grant project. (People Trained 9 SA / 2 OTH)
- SDIRO The group reviewed the plans for the upcoming presentation to be held at the annual self-advocacy conference and discussed follow up on leads to conduct presentations at other locations. One organization that had the training several months ago requested a follow up training on self-advocacy for 30 of the programs participants. The group set a date to create that presentation (People Attained Membership on Boards 6 SA/ 2 OTH)
- SDIRO The numbers of individuals with disabilities who are registered to vote is low. In addition many individuals with disabilities are unaware of their right to vote and the accommodations that can be made to make voting more accessible.
- SDIRO There continues to be a concern expressed by families that there is a lack of training and understanding of the services available for their child.
- SEQRO Because the SCDD no longer offers direct advocacy and the need continues to exist, the Sequoia office has opted on assisting families in this way so as to continue providing more individualized assistance without direct advocacy.
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- SEQRO Families are unaware of what IHSS is for and they often fail to access it because they don't even know it exists. The SCDD has developed a one-page handout which we provide at all events that the Sequoia office is involved in.
- SEQRO Families do not understand the resources limitations and what they entail. SCDD went over those limitations and the families seemed to better understand the program at the end of the presentation.
- SEQRO Finding a venue that can accommodate over 400 participants that is accessible and affordable is still proving to be an issue but the next meeting will be going to a few locations to find out if they meet the needs of the conference.
- SEQRO Mendota High School is in a little city that is surrounded by fields. The population is 90% migrant workers and it is hard for them to come to events like this because they work long hours and are just trying to survive. The Director of Special Education was really happy with the turnout of this event. He really

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appreciated our office being there.

- SEQRO 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. When staff polled the families on whether they had an email account, only 2 of 20 raised their hands. Most stated they did not use the Internet. This is a barrier to staying in contact with the school personnel and documenting concerns as well as accessing special education resources. Parents would benefit from a hands-on training at a local library on how to utilize email and the Internet as it relates to learning about special education and creating an on-line paper trail of communication with school district staff. The rapidly widening technology gap has created an inherent disservice to the lower income Spanish speaking community.
- SEQRO The San Joaquin Valley has long suffered as the epicenter of the nation's housing crisis. As of December 2011, unemployment rates ranged between 14.7% in Madera County to 18.7% in Merced County, well above state and national averages. Poverty rates are also some of the highest in the nation, ranging from 15.7% in San Joaquin County to 24.6% in Merced County, as of the 2010 census. Additionally, several valley cities have consistently ranked in the top five hardest hit foreclosure areas in the nation, with 1 in every 140 housing units in San Joaquin County in foreclosure in January 2012. These already sizeable challenges have been exacerbated by the loss of redevelopment agencies and consistent budgetary uncertainty among local agencies which makes it harder for people with developmental disabilities to access housing.
- SEQRO There is a large monolingual Spanish speaking community in Kern County and it is difficult for the families to obtain services because the districts do not always have Spanish speaking staff.
- SEQRO This conference, unlike most in the Central Valley is designed to reach out to the monolingual Spanish speaking community. Unfortunately, there isn't many opportunities in the area for parents to turn to for education on services related to people with developmental disabilities.
- 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.

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- SVMBRO Individuals with I/DD would clearly benefit from ongoing rights/self-advocacy training. The individuals who attended were all in post-secondary programs. In the future, we hope to have individuals who attend day programs attend and extra outreach to the day program community will be necessary.
- 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 data indicates that non-white individuals live at family home further into adulthood than whites. Review of this circumstance can be helpful in directing developmental services to be more aligned with the residential needs of the communities being served and are services culturally competent at the residential service level?
- SVMBRO The Disability Collaborative is dedicated to preparing families for transition of children to adult services. This is the third Summit being planned.
- SVMBRO The representative from Williams Syndrome Association reports that the severity of the disability is often misunderstood by the provider community. Families have difficulty getting IHSS, Special Ed, and DDS services. Increasing awareness of the disability and services needed is a priority of the organization and has requested SCDD provide the support and technical assistance to meet their goal.

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NCRO	Issue: Apparent lack of understanding of some city employees and rights under the American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) Staff Action: Staff took the opportunity to provide informational guidelines from the Department of Justice to help the city employees better understand their responsibility to the full community and compliance with the ADA.
NSRO	Generic services are confusing for people to access and obtain proper information of location, phone number and thorough assistance.
NSRO	Information about WIOA remains confusing and there needs to be more training for students, families, employers and community agencies in general.
NSRO	More information and training on Housing information and programs throughout the region is needed. People are confused on how to access housing and the housing programs.
NVHRO	We refer quite a bit to DRC OCRA and would like a mechanism to track what happened as often times we are called back and are told no one could or would help them.
SVMBRO	The Spanish speaking community disproportionately lacks information and resources to understand special education and other relevant rights in order to engage in effective advocacy for their family member.
SVMBRO	There appears to be a lack of post-secondary options within a specific school district
LARO	Many of those to whom technical assistance was provided regarding both special education and regional center reported they believe staff from the various agencies have lied to them.
LARO	Encountered new issues which are related to the right to accommodations in higher education.
OCRO	RCOC terminating daycare funding at age 18, even though the need still exists after age 18 because the adult child still requires supervision during the time he/she gets out of school/program to the time parent comes home from work
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.
SBRO	Parents of IRC consumer called to report that IRC CSC informed them that there was no Self-Determination Program within the Inland Empire.
SBRO	SBRO 12 Action: This concern will be added to the agenda for the monthly meeting that SBRO has established with IRC on June 13 th with Associate Executive Director at IRC.
SBRO	Family Advocate called regarding rights of residents within CCL & IRC vendored facilities. Mother has issues because daughter was prescribed a special diet due to her food allergies and the care provider is requiring the resident to pay for her own food. Also, the water tastes

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	bad at the facility and the residents are required to purchase their own bottled water. Referred mother to OCRA, Ombudsman, IRC/CSC, IRC QA liaison, County Water Department, Public Health and emailed referral resources along with 4731 complaint form. Mother responded to email and stated that she had tried to call IRC (4) times and could not get through to a live person. She called a number on the pre-recorded message for care providers and got yet another pre-recorded message about training coming up in 2014.
SBRO	SBRO 12 Action: This concern will be added to the agenda for the monthly meeting that SBRO has established with IRC on June 13 th with Associate Executive Director at IRC.
SDIRO	Generic parenting services are sometimes very complicated and confusing for people with disabilities and there are limited programs that are available to meet the need of the parents.
SDIRO	Information about WIOA remains confusing and there needs to be more training for students, families, employers and community agencies in general.
SDIRO	More information and training on recreation programs throughout the region and how to access them if modifications or additional supports are needed.