

**DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES
FISCAL YEAR 2017/18 DISPARITY FUNDS PROGRAM (ABX2 1)
APPROVED REGIONAL CENTER PROJECTS
TO PROMOTE EQUITY AND REDUCE PURCHASE OF SERVICE (POS) DISPARITIES**

Regional Center	Project Title and Duration (months)	Description	Targeted Race/Ethnic Group(s) and/or Language(s)	Awarded Amount
Alta California Regional Center (ACRC)	Continuation Project: Targeted Outreach (12 mo.)	Provide group orientation in native languages.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Hmong, Vietnamese), Indian/Pakistani, Russian, African American, Middle Eastern	\$30,800
	New Project: Parent Navigator/Peer Parent Program (12 mo.)	Collaborate with Warmline Family Resource Center to provide parent navigation/peer parent services and provide socialization activities for families to form social bonds. Provide training to ACRC staff regarding the new services.	Asian (Hmong), Hispanic, African American, Russian	\$28,000
Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center (ELARC)	Continuation Project: Reduced Caseload and Targeted Supports (12 mo.)	Continue support for five 1:40 ratio caseloads. Caseloads will consist of 75% consumers with low per capita expenditures and 25% new cases from intake.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Cantonese)	\$366,000
	Continuation Project: Parent Run Organizations To Provide Orientations (12 mo.)	Orientations in native languages for families going through the intake and assessment process. Assist families to understand transition from Early Start to Lanterman services.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Chinese)	\$15,000
Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center (FDLRC)	New Project: Service Coordination and Advocacy Training (SCAT) Translation (24 mo.)	Translate SCAT classes, which includes online training materials and videos to improve access to information for families as they make decisions for their family member(s). Increase access to information at the convenience of families.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$49,600
	Continuation Project: English as a Second Language Classes (12 mo.)	Provide Literacy/ESL classes to Spanish-speaking families in a supportive environment. Childcare will also be provided during all classes.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$28,000

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Golden Gate Regional Center (GGRC)	New Project: Person Centered Practices to Reduce POS Disparity (12 mo.)	Provide a series of trainings (levels) to staff and certify specific individuals to become trainers. Conduct monthly community forums (outreach) to gather feedback. Hold person centered thinking trainings for service providers.	Hispanic, Asian, Native American, Filipino, Pacific Islander	\$321,698
Harbor Regional Center (HRC)	New Project: Bilingual/Spanish-Speaking Community Outreach Specialist (12 mo.)	Create a bilingual/Spanish-speaking Community Outreach Specialist position to manage the strategic and targeted outreach, engagement and support of Hispanic consumers, families, local support groups and community organizations.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$78,000
Inland Regional Center (IRC)	Continuation Project: Transportation Vouchers for the Autism Parent Education Program (APEP) (12 mo.)	Continue transportation supports for families in the APEP program. The program works with Fiesta Educativa to assist Spanish, Vietnamese and Mandarin families with consumers with an Autism diagnosis to understand available services and clinically effective techniques.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Vietnamese, Mandarin)	\$20,000
Kern Regional Center (KRC)	New Project: Outreach and Education about Kern Regional Center Services for Individuals that Identify as Native American in the Inyo and Mono counties. (13 mo.)	A community facilitator from the Native American community will work with the regional center to provide cultural sensitivity/awareness training to regional center staff and providers. Develop materials to ensure families understand services and the Lanterman Act. Build trust with families. Collaborate with vendors to address consumers who have not utilized services.	Native American	\$159,915

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	Continuation Project: Understanding Barriers & Strategies to Reduce Disparity in the Purchase of Services (12 mo.)	Hire a project coordinator to conduct outreach through presentations, focusing on underserved/rural areas. Hire four bilingual service coordinators with reduce caseloads to serve specific ethnic groups. Training will include cultural competency training.	Hispanic, African American, Asian	\$399,086
Regional Center of the East Bay (RCEB)	Continuation Project: Community Events (12 mo.)	Fund events at local community sites to encourage education and assist consumers and families.	Hispanic, Asian, Middle Eastern	\$60,000
Regional Center of Orange County (RCOC)	Continuation Project: Vietnamese Outreach Coordinator (12 mo.)	Continue support for the Vietnamese-speaking service coordinator, who is also a parent of a child with a developmental disability, to perform outreach activities in the Vietnamese community.	Asian (Vietnamese)	\$65,000
	Continuation Project: Increase Developmental Screenings (12 mo.)	Simplify and translate documents so it is more easily understood and accessed.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Vietnamese, Korean)	\$50,000
	Continuation Project: Increase Community Outreach (12 mo.)	RCOC will attend clinics to increase awareness of RCOC services and support families. RCOC will work with agencies to connect families other resources.	Hispanic, Asian	\$12,500

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Redwood Coast Regional Center (RCRC)	New Project: The Redwood Coast Equity Project (24 mo.)	A collaborative project to improve outreach and community awareness of regional center services. Uses a Promotora agency to conduct outreach and support families. Work with generic service providers to increase service delivery. Utilize local media to increase awareness of regional center services. Provide bilingual stipends for service providers and encourage retention of bilingual staff. Conduct outreach to secondary/post-secondary schools and training for regional center staff, service providers, and community partners. Increase language capacity with an electronic interpreter system. Partner with local organizations to provide parent support groups/education and conduct needs assessments.	Hispanic (Spanish), Native American	\$272,636
San Andreas Regional Center (SARC)	Continuation Project: 1:1 Targeted Group Outreach (12 mo.)	Use promotoras to provide training for families coming through intake. Program will focus on monolingual families and underserved areas.	Asian, Hispanic, African American, Vietnamese, Filipino, Russian, Somalian, Triqui	\$50,000
South Central Los Angeles Regional Center (SCLARC)	Continuation Project: Expanded Navigator Program (12 mo.)	Continue support for two Navigation Specialists and five Navigators to provide families with in-depth assistance with navigating generic and regional center services.	Hispanic (Spanish), Consumers with No Purchase of Services	\$453,000
	Continuation Project: Early Childhood Outreach Coordinator (12 mo.)	Continue support for an Outreach Service Coordinator to increase the number of developmental screenings in underserved populations.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$71,957

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San Diego Regional Center (SDRC)	New Project: "Train the Trainer" in Person-Centered Thinking (12 mo.)	Conduct 10 Person Centered Thinking trainings for regional center staff and service providers.	Multiple Racial/Ethnic Groups	\$123,983
	Continuation Project: BRIDGE Collaborative (12 mo.)	Identify families with children who have been screened for developmental disabilities and use navigators to link them with appropriate services. The program will also provide training in evidence based practices and telehealth technology to providers.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$263,489
San Gabriel/Pomo.na Regional Center (SG/PRC)	Continuation Project: Community Outreach Specialist (12 mo.)	Continue support for a Korean speaking Community Outreach Specialist to assist families and consumers access services by supporting parent support groups and performing community outreach activities.	Asian (Korean)	\$70,000
	Continuation Project: Support Mandarin Outreach Specialist at the Family Resource Center (12 mo.)	Continue support for a Mandarin Outreach Specialist at the Family Resource Center conduct additional outreach activities to the Chinese community.	Asian (Mandarin)	\$25,000
	Continuation Project: Childcare at Family Resource Center Meetings (12 mo.)	Use funds to contract local the family resource center to provide childcare during community meetings.	Multiple Racial/Ethnic Groups	\$2,000
San Gabriel/Pomo.na Regional Center (SG/PRC)	Continuation Project: Introductory Curriculum for Families (12 mo.)	University-level health care and educational professionals will provide curriculum that focuses on families with children who have been recently diagnosed. Topics will cover cerebral palsy, epilepsy, intellectual disability, and down syndrome. Written materials will be culturally and linguistically responsive to Latino and Asian families.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Mandarin, Cantonese, Korean, Vietnamese)	\$30,000

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	Continuation Project: Provide Verbal and Written Translations of Learning Modules (12 mo.)	Continue support for closed-captioning translations for the learning module in Korean, Vietnamese, Spanish, Simplified and Traditional Chinese.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Korean)	\$50,000
	Continuation Project: Online Training Modules for Parents (12 mo.)	Develop online training learning modules that are accessible from homes.	Multiple Racial/Ethnic Groups	\$1,500
Valley Mountain Regional Center (VMRC)	Continuation Project: Community Outreach (12 mo.)	Continue support for presentations at local community venues to increase regional center services awareness. Regional center staff will attend local community cultural events.	Multiple Racial/Ethnic Groups	\$30,000
Westside Regional Center (WRC)	Continuation Project: Parent-to-Parent Training Model (12 mo.)	Continue support for the project, which consists of parent leaders who will conduct outreach activities, assist parents with service access and appeals. Transportation and childcare will be provided for events and trainings.	Hispanic (Spanish), African American	\$325,300
	Continuation Project: Enhanced Case Management (12 mo.)	Continue support for three Enhanced Case Management Service Coordinators to conduct outreach activities, and work closely with families of high needs, and families without a purchase of service.	Hispanic (Spanish), African American	\$240,000

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