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Boat People SOS-Center for Community Advancement	Parent Education and Training Program (24 mo.)	Improve access to culturally and linguistically appropriate services for underserved Vietnamese individuals with disabilities and their families to maximize self-sufficiency, facilitate community integration, and encourage social participation.	Asian (Vietnamese)	\$315,760	RCOC
Children's Hospital Los Angeles	Building the Capacity of Vietnamese Parents of Children with Developmental Disabilities to Access Regional Center Services (24 mo.)	Provide trainings for families regarding the Individual Program Plan and increase understanding the needs of persons with developmental disabilities.	Asian (Vietnamese)	\$319,141	SG/PRC, RCOC
Children's Hospital Los Angeles	Parent Navigators in a General Pediatrics Clinic to Reduce Purchase of Service Disparities (24 mo.)	Parent navigators will provide support for families regarding referrals and service needs. Will develop materials to advertise and coordinate services.	Hispanic	\$484,081	SCLARC, FDLRC, ELARC
Community Gatepath	Outreach and Support Services Reaching Underserved East Palo Alto and Spanish Speaking Families (24 mo.)	Family resource coordinators will provide outreach, support, and linkage to regional center services.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$289,648	GGRC

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Creativity Explored	Culture Shift (36 mo.)	Community outreach and engagement to provide translation of intake materials, provider trainings, culturally fluent art topics/instruction and culturally relevant art workshops and materials.	Multiple Race/Ethnic Groups	\$73,838	GGRC
Designated Exceptional Services for Independence (D.E.S.I.)	"Puente al Centro Regional" (Bridge to Regional Center) (12 mo.)	Develop and translate written materials and video publications for Spanish-speaking families with no authorized services; host outreach events; expand social media outreach; implement an outreach specialist (Promotores model) to assist families.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$84,475	ELARC
Esperanza Community Housing Corporation	A Strengths-Based Approach to Supporting Families, Thriving Children, and Healthy Homes (12 mo.)	Provide quarterly curriculum-based workshops; promotora facilitator will provide assistance and advocacy for onboarding of participants into service systems.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$94,016	FDLRC
Family Resource Navigators	Multilingual Family to Family Navigation (24 mo.)	Provide education on regional center services and increase POS expenditures for Farsi/Dari, Arabic, Hindi, and Spanish speakers and increase participation in regional center and community stakeholder groups; advocacy trainings to parents and families.	Hispanic (Spanish), Indian (Tamil/Hindi), Middle Eastern (Arabic, Farsi/Dari)	\$401,800	RCEB

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Friends of Children with Special Needs	Asian Empowerment, Education and Services (12 mo.)	Conduct bi-monthly bilingual family seminars (in various Asian languages) to educate Asian families on regional center services, Lanterman Act, and generic resources; provide mentors for Asian consumers with no or underutilized POS.	Asian (Mandarin, Cantonese, Korean)	\$491,050	SARC, RCEB
Helping Hands East Bay	Strategic Engagement of Cantonese, Vietnamese, Filipino and Polynesian Families of Adult Consumers Who Have Low or No Purchase of Services (12 mo.)	Provide education to Cantonese, Vietnamese, Filipino, and Polynesian consumers and families with underutilized POS; conduct workshops and support groups for families; train consumers and family members to become mentors.	Asian (Cantonese, Vietnamese), Filipino (Tagalog)	\$255,172	RCEB
Heluna Health/Eastern LA FRC	Early Childhood Person Centered Practice (PCP) Training (12 mo.)	Provide a curriculum to parents about transition from Early Start services and help families understand how to plan for future services.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Vietnamese, Chinese)	\$99,722	ELARC
Housing Choices Coalition for Persons with Developmental Disabilities, Inc.	Navegador de Vivienda (24 mo.)	Assist Spanish-speaking consumers and families make long-term housing plans; build capacity of community resource organizations and provide consumer workshops and parent support meetings.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$149,184	SARC
Institute for Maximum Human Potential	Community Integrator Project (12 mo.)	Collaborate with community partners to improve access to information about regional centers; partnership to conduct community outreach and resource navigation.	African American, Hispanic (Spanish)	\$343,286	IRC, NLACRC, VMRC

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Korean American Special Education Center	Free Developmental & Health Screening Fair in catchment area of ELARC (12 mo.)	Conduct developmental screenings for Korean-speaking families for hearing, dental, vision, social/emotional health, fine motor, gross motor, and speech and language development. Provide consultation and interpretation services after all screenings; conduct follow-up to ensure that families are accessing services; provide parent education course on: Autism, regional center services, special education/school systems, speech and occupational therapy.	Asian (Korean)	\$50,830	ELARC
Korean American Special Education Center	Free Developmental & Health Screening Fair in catchment area of SG/PRC (12 mo.)	Conduct developmental screenings for Korean-speaking families for hearing, dental, vision, social/emotional health, fine motor, gross motor, and speech and language development. Provide consultation and interpretation services after all screenings; conduct follow-up to ensure that families are accessing services; provide parent education course on: Autism, regional center services, special education/school systems, speech and occupational therapy.	Asian (Korean)	\$50,830	SG/PRC

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Korean American Special Education Center	Free Developmental & Health Screening Fair in catchment area of FDLRC (12 mo.)	Conduct developmental screenings for Korean-speaking families for hearing, dental, vision, social/emotional health, fine motor, gross motor, and speech and language development. Provide consultation and interpretation services after all screenings; conduct follow-up to ensure that families are accessing services; provide parent education course on: Autism, regional center services, special education/school systems, speech and occupational therapy.	Asian (Korean)	\$50,830	FDLRC
Korean American Special Education Center	Free Developmental & Health Screening Fair in catchment area of RCOC (12 mo.)	Conduct developmental screenings for Korean-speaking families for hearing, dental, vision, social/emotional health, fine motor, gross motor, and speech and language development. Provide consultation and interpretation services after all screenings; conduct follow-up to ensure that families are accessing services; provide parent education course on: Autism, regional center services, special education/school systems, speech and occupational therapy.	Asian (Korean)	\$50,830	RCOC
La Familia Counseling Service	Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Training and Peer Support Services for Hispanic Regional Center Consumers (12 mo.)	Provide regional center orientation to families, trainings and workshops on self-determination, Individual Education Program, mental health, etc., and create parent support groups.	Hispanic	\$238,577	RCEB

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Learning Rights Law Center	Community Support Groups (12 mo.)	Expand support groups to include presentations about regional centers, survey family knowledge, and conduct on-site intakes with families; provide community engagement events. Conduct "Know Your Rights" clinics in the community and convene town hall meetings for low-income parents.	Hispanic, African American	\$90,724	ELARC, FDLRC, HRC, NLACRC, SCLARC, SG/PRC, WRC
Napa Valley Child Advocacy Network, Inc. DBA Parents CAN	Napa County Promotora Project (12 mo.)	Promotora program to increase families' knowledge of generic resources in Napa County, assist families understand the regional center system and how to access services.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$70,920	NBRC
Native American Training and Technical Assistance	Our Wounded Eagles (12 mo.)	Provide information about regional center services to local Native American tribes; develop advocacy groups; conduct regional meetings.	Native American	\$202,891	FNRC
New Horizons	Success Access Team (24 mo.)	Conduct outreach to underserved groups in places of worship, community events, and community councils; provide education about regional center services.	Asian (Korean), Armenian, African American, Hispanic, Filipino	\$515,315	NLACRC
Parents Helping Parents, Inc.	POS Equalization Effort (24 mo.)	Work directly with Asian and Hispanic families by conducting workshops/trainings in Vietnamese and Spanish; conduct a two-day workshop on person centered thinking in English and Spanish; conduct conferences for families as opportunities to learn about behaviors, living options, and sexuality. Translate website into Spanish and Vietnamese.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Vietnamese)	\$202,766	SARC

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PathPoint	Building Cultural Competency to Support the Underserved in Central and Southern California (12 mo.)	Increase multicultural capacity through a cultural competency workshop and assessment; create cultural competency training modules and develop staff trainers from each region; conduct outreach efforts to Hispanic families and modify outreach materials to be accessible; translate website into Spanish.	Hispanic	\$70,512	KRC, TCRC, NLACRC
Pediatric Therapy Network	Parent Engagement Through Education and Support (12 mo.)	Provide targeted outreach to underserved communities; provide culturally responsive educational trainings to parents/caregivers of children ages 0-5 on how to access services; utilize an existing network of partners to increase service implementation.	African American, Hispanic (Spanish), Asian, Pacific Islander	\$354,242	HRC
Public Health Foundation Enterprises, Inc. Carolyn Kordich FRC	Knowledge is Power - El Conocimiento es Poder (12 mo.)	Provide education, outreach, and trainings in collaboration with community groups to Spanish-speaking families; hire a bilingual family support specialist, translate existing curriculums, and expand materials into Spanish; conduct outreach and trainings on child development/milestones, parent rights, advocacy, RC navigation.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$49,921	HRC

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Special Kids Crusade, Inc.	Centro de Recursos Familiares del Sur el Condado (South County Family ResourceCenter) (18 mo.)	Offer accessible, culturally sensitive support with a physical presence in Spanish-speaking communities; use a seasonal-based schedule and conduct outreach through schools; provide workshops on Early Start/transitions; provide free computer access to assist families to communicate via e-mail with agencies; services will be offered by a multi-lingual staff in alignment with the needs of the farm-working population.	Hispanic (Spanish, Indigenous)	\$99,913	SARC
Special Needs Network, Inc.	SNN's Parent Empowerment Program (PEP) (24 mo.)	Conduct outreach activities by identifying 60 organizations across the state, and promote stakeholder engagement; develop a media strategy to educate and raise awareness of the organization's model; coordinate with college/university professionals to produce a comprehensive white paper on an advocacy model and undertake four civic engagement activities; provide web trainings and support via social media.	Multiple Race/Ethnic Groups	\$380,000	Statewide
St. John's Well Child and Family Center	Parent/Caregiver Education and Advocacy (24 mo.)	Conduct workshops/trainings to educate parents on regional center and advocacy topics; parent volunteers will serve as community integrators to conduct outreach and develop relationships.	Hispanic, African American	\$200,877	SCLARC

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Team of Advocates for Special Kids (TASK)	Increasing Access to Inland Regional Center Services for Riverside County Families who are Hispanic and/or Spanish-Speaking and/or have a Family Member with Autism (18 mo.)	Conduct in-home visits and provide support for Hispanic/Spanish-speaking families to navigate the regional center system; conduct workshops and develop brochures/materials to educate families about Autism and the Individual Program Plan and Individualized Education Program processes; create informational materials for families.	Hispanic (Spanish)	\$211,425	IRC
The Center for Autism & Neurodevelopmental Disorders, University of California, Irvine	Improving Community Access through Education and Training (12 mo.)	Provide trainings in the community and create videos in Spanish and Vietnamese about regional center services. Trainings will cover Autism, behavioral health services, special education, and transition into adulthood.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Vietnamese)	\$136,044	RCOC
The Center for Autism & Neurodevelopmental Disorders, University of California, Irvine	Outreach, screening and linkage to Early Start services at RCOC for Hispanic and Vietnamese families (12 mo.)	Inform families about developmental screenings; provide opportunities for families to obtain screenings, provide direct referrals to the Early Start program at RCOC, and inform families of assessment, service coordination, support, and intervention services.	Hispanic (Spanish), Asian (Vietnamese)	\$85,019	RCOC
The Regents of the University of California	The Family Mentor Partner Program: Valuing and Connecting Hispanic and Chinese Families with Regional Center Services (12 mo.)	Recruit Chinese and Hispanic family mentor partners to provide support and train families; develop training modules on the Individual Program Plan, Lanterman Act, appeal process, and other resources.	Hispanic, Asian (Chinese)	\$503,579	ELARC, SARC, FDLRC

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UC Davis	Accessing Intervention Services: Culturally Inclusive Parent Video Modules (English and Spanish) (12 mo.)	Develop two series of informational videos for parents; provide culturally relevant information to Hispanic and African-American families.	African American, Hispanic	\$92,436	ACRC
Warmline Family Resource Center	Parent Navigator Program & Outreach (18 mo.)	Provide navigation services to families using Parent Navigators who share similar ethnic/language backgrounds; navigators will act as peer mentors to parents of young adults assisting with accessing adult services.	Hispanic, Asian (Hmong), African American, Russian	\$177,759	ACRC

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ACRC	Alta California Regional Center
CVRC	Central Valley Regional Center
ELARC	Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center
FNRC	Far Northern Regional Center
FDLRC	Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center
GGRC	Golden Gate Regional Center
HRC	Harbor Regional Center
IRC	Inland Regional Center
KRC	Kern Regional Center
NBRC	North Bay Regional Center
NLACRC	North Los Angeles County Regional Center
RCRC	Redwood Coast Regional Center
RCEB	Regional Center of the East Bay
RCOC	Regional Center of Orange County
SARC	San Andreas Regional Center
SDRC	San Diego Regional Center
SG/PRC	San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center
SCLARC	South Central Los Angeles Regional Center
TCRC	Tri-Counties Regional Center
VMRC	Valley Mountain Regional Center
WRC	Westside Regional Center