

Vendor name	Gridley Adult Services Program
Vendor number(s)	P24360
Primary regional center	Far Northern Regional Center
Service type(s)	Community Integration Training Program
Service code(s)	055
Number of consumers currently serving	17
Please describe your person-centered approach <sup>1</sup> in the concept development process; how did you involve the individuals for whom you provide services?	<p>In the process of completing this request, we set out on a journey to identify our clients' dreams, and goals. As part of the discovery process, we found that out of the 17 clients we serve, only three are interested in working a few hours a week. One client would be interested in working in the food service area, such as a pizza parlor, preparing the salad bar, minor cleaning and possibly learning to make pizza, or in a store stocking shelves. Another would like to work in a store such as Dollar Store, stocking shelves, and minor cleaning. One has expressed interest in a housekeeping job. Some of these clients had some work experience during ROP when they were in school, and expressed that they would like to do something similar. The discovery process also revealed that although the larger population of our program does not want to work, they would like to volunteer in the areas of animal care, child care, and helping the elderly. Some expressed interest in learning how to take care of animals appropriately. Many of our clients enjoy music and musical performances and would love to be able to attend events more often. It is our belief that many of the clients we serve, have not been exposed to enough opportunities to really know what they want to do. There was discussion of how having accessible transportation would facilitate and increase opportunities for clients to experience more integrated settings including employment, volunteer, social or educational choices. Clients expressed they would like to have greater access to computers and the internet for job exploration, education, and research. Before going on any outings, our clients like to have a list of things they would be buying or study the menus of restaurants before arriving, so they know what is available and the cost. Once community integrated activities increase for clients, their use of the computer and the internet will also increase.</p>
Does the concept address unmet service	The concept addresses unmet service needs. Through implementing additional staff training in Person Centered Thinking, and providing

<sup>1</sup> A person-centered approach emphasizes what is important to the individual who receives services and focuses on personal preferences, satisfaction, and choice of supports in accessing the full benefits of community living. For more information regarding person-centered practices, please visit <http://www.nasdds.org/resource-library/person-centered-practices/>

<p>needs or service disparities? If so, how?</p>	<p>transportation to the greater community, we will be able to meet client choices that will enhance volunteer and work options, in competitive and integrated settings, and accessibility to information and services.</p>
<p>Barriers to compliance with the HCBS rules and/or project implementation</p>	<p>Due to living in a small rural community, most of our clients are underexposed to possibilities and opportunities they might enjoy. There are possibilities for community belonging that many of our clients are simply unaware of. We have identified the following barriers to full compliance.</p> <p>#1: Not knowing what they want, or like, due to underexposure.</p> <p>#2 Lack of funding to provide Person Centered Thinking training for all staff.</p> <p>#3: Lack of funding for extra staff coverage, or to pay overtime, while having our existing staff trained.</p> <p>4#: Transportation, the Gridley Adult Services Program is in a rural area, and public transportation to activities or trainings that will assist clients in developing or enhancing their work skills, search for jobs, volunteer opportunities or social opportunities is extremely limited. In addition to basic transportation services we have wheelchair bound clients who we cannot currently transport consistently because of the required lifts and the constant demand for the extremely limited vehicles with wheelchair lifts.</p> <p>#5: Lack of funding for technology. Additional computers for opportunity exploration, job or volunteer application submittal or social club communications are needed. Printers and internet access would also increase efficiency.</p>
<p>Narrative/description of the project. Identify which HCBS federal requirements are currently out of compliance; include justification for funding request</p>	<p>Gridley Adult Services Program is not in full compliance with Federal Requirements # 1, and # 4. We are requesting funding to purchase 2 vehicles to bring the program towards compliance with Federal Requirement # 1.</p> <p>We are in a rural environment with limited public transportation and must drive extensively for events of any kind that would provide opportunities for our clients and facilitate full inclusion. Current local transportation consists of one bus that serves the general public.</p> <p>We rely on available time slots on the bus schedule and if the bus breaks down, or the driver is ill; and there is no substitute available, services are canceled. The B-Line public transportation that serves areas like Chico and Oroville is limited as well. Currently, there is not an hourly schedule to travel to these cities, which greatly limits the</p>

	<p>choices available to clients. Available and reliable transportation will allow us to facilitate community integration. We will be able to transport to job sites, so clients can see what is available and explore new community opportunities. We will also be able to explore volunteer and educational opportunities, which will enrich the lives of our clients and staff.</p> <p>We are requesting funding for 1 desktop and 1 lap top computer with hardware encryption to assist clients with job searches and application submittal, and to increase community awareness through research. We are also requesting 1 printer, and internet installation and service for 1 year.</p> <p>To come into full compliance with Federal Requirement # 4, we are requesting funding for Person Centered Thinking Training for all staff. We also are requesting funding to hire a substitute to maintain required client/staff ratios while all of our staff receives training. This will assist in shifting the internal culture of our organization and facilitate the implementation of individualized services.</p>
<p>Estimated budget; identify all major costs and benchmarks — attachments are acceptable</p>	<p>*Person Centered Thinking Training: 5 staff at \$65.00 per person: \$325.00. Benchmark: July1, 2018 – June 30, 2019.</p> <p>* Substitute: 10 days. \$900.00. Benchmark: July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019 as needed for staff training.</p> <p>*Toyota Sienna: \$33,995.00. Benchmark: By June 30, 2019.</p> <p>*Dodge Grand Caravan, wheelchair accessible: \$60,163.00. Benchmark: By June 30, 2019.</p> <p>*Insurance and maintenance for one year upon purchase: \$3000.00.</p> <p>*1 desktop computer and hardware: \$1500.00. 90 days post funding.</p> <p>*1 laptop: \$1300.00. 90 days post funding.</p> <p>*1 printer and supplies: \$500.00. 90 days post funding</p> <p>*Internet install and service for 1 year: \$600.00: 90 days post funding</p>
<p>Requested funding for 2017-18</p>	<p>\$102,283.00</p>
<p>Estimated timeline for the project</p>	<p>Upon approval, vehicles, and equipment to be purchased by end of fiscal year 2018. Staff training completed for current staff by end of fiscal year 2019.</p>