

APPLICATION REPORT

Project Name: Community Connect Services for Korean-speaking families
Applicant Organization: Being Built Together
Awarded Amount: \$150,000.00
Funding Announcement Name: Mentoring Services Access and Equity Grant



PROJECT SUMMARY
 Facilitating Access to Disability Services for Korean Individuals and Families with Intellectual and Development Disabilities

APPLICANT INFORMATION									
Applicant Eligibility									
Applicant Information									
1. Project Title What is the Project Title?	Applicant Response Community Connect for the Korean American Community - Facilitating Access to Disability Services for Underserved Korean-speaking Individuals and Families								
2. Awarded Amount	Applicant Response \$150,000.00								
3. Organization Type Choose the response that best describes your organization.	Applicant Response Community Based Organization (CBO), 501(c)(3)								
4. Description of Organization/Group Provide a brief description of the organization/group. Explain what experience your organization has managing a project similar to the proposal and state the outcomes of that project. You may upload your brochure or add a website link.	Applicant Response Being Built Together (BBT) is a not-for-profit organization that provides support to underserved Korean-speaking individuals and their families affected by intellectual disability. BBT originates from the Korean Parent Support Group (KPSGC) which								
5. Applicant in Good Standing Is the applicant in good standing with the California Secretary of State, California Franchise Tax Board, and California Department of Tax and Fee Administration? Please upload confirmation letter(s) proof of good standing.	Applicant Response Yes								
6. Subcontractors in Good Standing Are the applicant's subcontractors in good standing with the California Secretary of State, California Franchise Tax Board, and California Department of Tax and Fee Administration?	Applicant Response Not Applicable								
Grant Reapplication Information									
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1. Previous Award(s) Did your organization receive DDS grant funding in fiscal year 2019-2020-21? If yes, go to question 2 to complete each column. If not, skip this category and go to category 3.	Applicant Response No								
2. Previous Grant Award(s) Since fiscal year 2019, complete a row for each DDS Service Access and Equity grant your organization was awarded funding.	Applicant Response								
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3. Previous Grant Outcomes Provide a brief grant summary of your project outcomes for fiscal year 2019-2020 and/ 2020-21.	Applicant Response Not Applicable								
4. Project Transition	Applicant Response								

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If awarded, how will you currently project transition in the 2021-22 proposed project? Does your proposed project expand or continue your current project, if so how? What activities, measures, or target groups are being added? Provide a summary of the differences and reasons why you are proposing the change.	Not Applicable						
General Application							
Proposal Summary							
1. Project Type Choose the project type that best describes your activities from the list below:	Applicant Response Community Center						
2. Duration of project Choose the duration of your project.	Applicant Response 12 months						
3. Regional Centers Choose the Regional Center(s) that you project will serve. Check all that apply.	Applicant Response Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center, Frank D. Lanteman Regional Center, Harbor Regional Center, Regional Center of Orange County, San Gabriel/						
4. Counties Served List the county counties you project proposes to serve. Check all that apply.	Applicant Response Orange County, Los Angeles County						
5. City of Los Angeles If you project proposes to serve the City of Los Angeles, list the zip codes you project will serve.	Applicant Response Based on the 2021 data from KPSGC's members, the eligible members within the Lanteman clients. (Please see the attached file: Database from KPSGC's mem						
6. Community Based Organizations Will you be working with one or more Community Based Organizations? If so, provide the name of the organization and how you will be working together.	Applicant Response Not Applicable						
7. Multiple Organizations Does your project include partnership with one or more organizations either as a co-applicant or subcontractor? If "yes", please upload a letter of support from each organization, that includes an explanation of their role in the partnership.	Applicant Response No						
8. Strategies and Sustainability How will you project continue its work after the grant funding has concluded?	Applicant Response With the added resources from the grant, BBT plans to build organizational and programmatic sustainability through improved data management, additional personnel will be positioned well to competently seek and manage other grant opportunities like the SAE grant in the future.						
Target Population							
1. Ethnic Groups Served Select the ethnicity group(s) the project will serve. From "Indian", "Pacific Islander", "Slavic", "Other" use comment section to list specific groups. Applicant Comment	Applicant Response Korean						
2. Ethnic Group(s), Language(s) and Number of Individuals Served For each ethnicity group, provide the number of individuals you project intends to serve and the related language(s).	Applicant Response						
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3. Age Group(s) Served Select all Age Groups the project will serve. Applicant Comment	Applicant Response Three to Five, Three to 21, 16 to 21, 22 and Older, Birth up to Three (Early Start)						
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<p>1. Project Summary and Organizational Experience</p> <p>Provide a clear and concise project summary that includes a defined target population, a treatment area, and project design. Specifically describe what your project will accomplish and how it will benefit the community served. In your answer, include what experience your organization has working with the target population?</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p> <p>Target population: Korean-speaking individuals</p> <p>Catchment Areas: RCOC, SGPRC, Habang, Lanteman, and ELARC</p> <p>Project Design:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Developing 'culturally sensitive' outreach project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reflecting cultural sensitivity toward developmental disability diagnosis, BBT strategizes to differentiate seminars based on the status of individual's diagnosis For parents whose children are not diagnosed, BBT will host webinars about common concerns such as anxiety, language delay, and lack of social skills. By Many Korean families hesitate to seek diagnosis for their children, because of common social stigma toward developmental disabilities in the Asian community (attitude). These parents who did not seek diagnosis for their children will most likely not seek treatments and services for their loved ones. As a result, work to overcome stigma to seek services for their loved ones. For parents whose children are diagnosed, BBT will host seminars about genetic and RC's services. Parents will be offered BBT's community connection services However, parents will be allowed to attend any webinars based on their best interest for their children. Developing a community connection "Open Door" service: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This project will provide an individualized case management service to assist individuals to complete the application process for genetic and RC's services. Developing a community connection "Navigation" service: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This project will implement a culturally and linguistically responsive 1:1 consultation and support for individuals and families to maintain and maximize their <p>Organizational experience: The KPSGC, a group of members who BBT organizes, has successfully supported parent support groups for the 17 years and established strong</p>
<p>2. Data and Community Input</p> <p>Explain how the target population(s) are underserved using RCOS data and other data as supporting evidence of the disparity. In your answer, include how your organization used input from the community and/or target population to design the project?</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p> <p>The most recent use of Service (OS) data (2019-2020) points to significant disparities in OS between English-speaking and Korean-speaking consumers</p> <p>Habang: (Ages 22 and older) Consumers with N POS showed 23.3% for Korean, which is 6.9% higher than the 16.4% for English.</p> <p>SGPRC: For all ages, total Annual Expenditures and Authorized Service (TAE&AS) showed 74.4% of total Authorized Services used for Korean and 81.7% for English.</p> <p>Lanteman: (Ages 22 years and older) Consumers with N POS shows 15.10% for Korean compared to 12.40% for English, which indicates that the rate is 2.7% more</p> <p>ELARC: (Ages 3-21) Consumers with N POS showed 25.0% for Korean compared to 24.4% for English. The disparity noted was 0.6% higher for Korean consumers</p> <p>RCOC: (Ages 0-2) TAE&AS utilized was 48.2% for Korean and 59.9% for English. This represents that the Korean consumers are utilizing 11.7% less authorized services. This represents that English consumers are receiving per capita \$2,762 (67.7%) more than Korean consumers.</p>
<p>3. Uniqueness</p> <p>How is the proposed project unique (e.g., strategies, activities, and beneficiaries) in the proposed regional catchment area? If the project is similar to a currently funded grant listed on the Department's website, how is the proposed project different?</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p> <p>BBT's proposed project is unique since it exclusively designs to serve Korean-speaking individuals' immediate need of addressing services.</p> <p>The area has been RC's significant effort to meet the need of underserved community. However, there is little effort to meet the need of Korean community. HRC, ELARC have used in Spanish and Chinese-speaking families. SGPRC's Asian Community Outreach Specialist provided services to include community connection services.</p> <p>RCOC developed the Parent Leadership Network (PLN) but PLN does not provide direct one-to-one assistance to individuals. RCOC also developed parent mentors.</p> <p>Lanteman has a family support specialist bilingual in Korean. While the specialist has been a highly involved supporting Korean-speaking families, the specialist does not provide services to non-Korean speaking families.</p> <p>In addition, five RCs in BBT's catchment areas confirmed that they do not have a Navigator or a specialist equipped with linguistic skill and appropriate</p>
<p>4. Improve Equity and Service Access</p> <p>How will you promote equity, access, and reduce barriers to services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families?</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p> <p>First, many Korean families are overwhelmed with the information provided by different agencies on the disability services available to them. We have experienced many Korean-speaking families. Through BBT's individualized assistance for each family, Korean families will have better access to services and will be able to</p> <p>Second, negative cultural stigma of individuals with disabilities and social services recipients are some of the cultural barriers that need to be overcome by Korean community to reduce cultural stigma and to seek diagnosis for their children through customized 1:1 support, individuals will have better access to services, leading to the better</p> <p>BBT's unique cultural approach will result in reducing gap in services and improve equity for Korean-speaking individuals with IDD.</p>
<p>5. Support of RC Plan</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p>

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<p>How does this project support the RC plan to promote equity and educate disparities in your proposed attachment area? If you are a RC, how does this project support your recommendations and plan to promote equity and educate disparities in your attachment area? How will you collaborate with their organizations that serve individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families?</p>	<p>BBT had a collaborative planning meeting with five RCs in our proposed attachment area. Despite their ongoing effort, RC staff members acknowledge that the BBT plans to continue a successful partnership with RCOR and SG RC. BBT also anticipates new collaboration with Harbor, Easton LA, Laterman in parent education services. They will also assist BBT to identify speakers and trainers in general.</p> <p>BBT's current partnerships include Cal State Fullerton Special Education Department and Law Office of S. Y. N. F. The new partnership, BBT has an agreement with the community partnership collaborate with and refer clients to BBT are Kean American Special Education Center, Circle Friends and Kean Community Services.</p>
<p>6. Project Activities</p> <p>Note: Before answering this question, applicants must complete the Activities Template located in the middle tab directly above.</p> <p>Clearly and specifically state how the schedule of activities demonstrates the steps that the project will take to achieve its stated objective and measures.</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p> <p>BBT's outreach and community connection projects are designed to meet Kean-speaking families and individuals' cultural and linguistic needs. Through communication on needs about developmental delay but not specifically named with developmental disabilities, and private consultation to respect parents who are afraid of developing culturally sensitive outreach project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In-person reference: BBT will host 1 in-person reference in March of 2022 to introduce its new initiatives and to educate the importance of overcoming. The project will provide 6 webinars: 4 webinars quarterly for parents who have children with DD diagnosis and 2 webinars bi-annually for parents who have children with DD diagnosis. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Webinars for a diagnosed group, each webinar will discuss available general and RC services and announce BBT's community connection services. Webinars for an undiagnosed group, webinars will be about common concerns related to developmental delays for these parents who are afraid of developing community connection Open Development project. The project will provide customized case management services to families who need extensive 1:1 support to complete the application process. Developing community connection Navigational services project. The project will provide individualized case management services to support individuals and families who obtained initial assessment services and yet are developing the organizational infrastructure. The project will work with BBT to build its organizational infrastructure. Developing a new website, adding new positions, and establishing email and cloud. BBT staff will be trained in the topic about general and RC resources.
<p>7. Project Measures</p> <p>Before answering this question, applicants must enter performance measures into the Activities Template located in the middle tab directly above.</p> <p>Are your proposed measures appropriate to track the project's behavior and activities? Explain how your proposed measures provide insight into the effectiveness of the overall design of the project and demonstrate how the impact on the community will be evaluated.</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p> <p>BBT plans to implement differentiated measures to track proposed projects' behaviors and activities. The evaluation of community connection services will be conducted through 6 webinars and 1 in-person reference, participants will complete a pre-survey in compliance with DDS' measurement standards.</p> <p>Open Development and Navigational services projects, each service team will develop a written action plan for Open Development and Navigational services. Track implementation. The number of cases for both Open Development and Navigational services will be recorded and 100 cases for the upcoming fiscal year are targeted.</p> <p>Recruitment of speakers and trainers, the total 7 recruitments are targeted.</p> <p>Developing a website, launching a website by May 2022 and developing a membership database system through website by December 2022 are targeted.</p> <p>Developing administrative systems (email software platform and business management system), completion of the system by June of 2022 is targeted.</p> <p>Establishing a BBT team, completion of recruitment by March of 2022 is targeted. Full training staff, each staff is targeted to receive 7 hours of training per year.</p>
<p>8. Budget Template and Narrative</p> <p>Note: Before answering this question, applicants must complete the Budget Template located in the tab directly above.</p> <p>In your Budget Template, explain how the project budget is consistent with the stated project objective and activities, and clearly and concisely explain how the proposed expenditures support the overall project design and proposed outcomes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget Template example is located at Attachment C. Budget Details and Restrictions are available here. 	<p>Applicant Response</p> <p>BBT proposes to establish 7 positions to support its proposed projects. All staff members are bilingual in Kean and English and demonstrate a strong cultural background.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Grant Director (Grant Management) - Responsible for administrative responsibility for the execution and oversight of this grant. Grant Director (Open Development) - Responsible for developing and sustaining Open Development services project. Senior Grant Director (Navigational Services and Outreach) - Responsible for developing and sustaining Navigational project, for designing outreach program. Cultural Navigator (2) - Expected to work 1:1 Navigator specialist for the Navigational project. Grant Coordinator - Responsible for assisting each grant director to develop and implement Open Development and Navigational projects. Assistant/Program Manager - Responsible for assisting Grant Management program director to prepare financial matters related to SAE grant and development. <p>Operating expenses are to support each project and to build organizational infrastructure.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Advertisement, website and outreach events: BBT's new initiatives will be advertised through Kean newspapers and online sites - Cost for purchase of advertisement provided with Kean interpretation services - Cost for Zoom monthly plan is included. Outreach reference requires rental fees for translation and food for participants. Translation/interpretation services will be provided during each project. Stipends for trainers and speakers: Speakers for webinars will understand the cultural sensitivity toward developmental disability in the Kean community with speaking engagement fee schedule. Office supplies and materials: Cost for printing books, flyers, and business cards is included. Outreach materials will be prepared in Kean and English. <p>Administrative cost: To better serve the Kean-speaking families, BBT plans to purchase business email software program, Kean documents software program,</p>
<p>9. Budget Costs</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p>

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<p>Explain how the project budget costs are reasonably associated with the project activities and objectives and confirm that the budget does not include non-all wable sts costs funded by the sources.</p>	<p>BBT seeks \$150,000 and the breakdown of proposed budget is below.</p> <p>Personnel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program Coordinator: \$45,000 (including benefits - health care and paid-leave) • Senior Program Director: \$12,160.00, part-time • Program Director (Open Director): \$15,360.00, part-time • Program Director (Grant management): \$11,520.00, part-time • Assistant/Program Manager: \$7,200.00, part-time <p>Operating Expenses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office supplies and materials: \$4,000.00 • Advertisement, website, and outreach events: \$21,588.00 • Translation/interpreters fee: \$1,200.00 • Stipends for trainers and speakers: \$2,503.00 <p>Administrative Cost: \$150,019.20 - Email software, cloud storage, keyboard, documents software (15% of the total budget)</p> <p>It is confirmed that BBT's proposed budget plan does not include non-all wable sts costs funded by the sources.</p>

Proposal Certification

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<p>1. Confirm Proposal Discussion with RC(s)</p> <p>CBOs are required to discuss their proposal with each RC(s) the CBO is intending to serve. If you are a CBO, have you discussed your proposal with each RC you are intending to serve?</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>2. RC Contact</p> <p>CBOs are required to submit their application to the Department and to each RC(s) attachment the CBO is intending to serve. If you are a CBO, state the name(s) of the representative(s) at each RC you have discussed your proposal with.</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p> <p>Harb Regional Center: Nancy Spiegel, Antoinette Perez, Erika Segovia</p> <p>Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center: Carmen Luna, Monse Alacis</p> <p>Regional Center of Orange County: Kaitlynn Yen Tu ng</p> <p>Lanterman Regional Center; Rose Chacana, Evie Chung</p> <p>San Gabriel and Marina Regional Center: Anthony Hill, Salvador Gonzalez, Xhitl Gonzalez, Amos Byun</p>
<p>3. Applicant Certification</p> <p>By submitting this application, the Applicant is certifying the truth and accuracy of the proposal. The applicant also certifies that if you have subcontracting organizations, each participating organization has reviewed your report and agrees to their assigned activities, measures, and the budget.</p>	<p>Applicant Response</p> <p>Yes</p>
<p>Applicant Comment</p>	