APPLICATI N REPORT

Project Name: Adv a cy4Deaf+

Applicant Organization: NorCal Services for Deaf and Har

Awarded Amount: \$300,000

Funding Announcement Name: m ting Se vi e Ac ess and Equity G ant



PROJECT SUMMARY

Statewide Adv acy4Deaf+: Eight nonprofit Deaf Servi es ganizations will w k together to each hi e an Adv ate4Deaf+ to serve thei espective egions whi h over the state of Calif nia. The Adv acy4Deaf+ pr ect will provide individualized 1:1 adv acy and support in the language and ommuni ation used by Deaf+ c nsume s to ensu e that Deaf+ individuals, thei families/guardians and Deaf parents/guardians who have hildren with VDD have ac ess inf mation and servi es available th ough the Regional Centers in the language and ommuni ation they use. This pr ect also in ludes the development of onsumer ights videos in ASL with paid Deaf+ act s statewide vi tual VDD support group meetings in ASL with interpreting in English and other languages and t aining f inte p ete s to effectively inte p et fo Deaf+ individuals.

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Applicant Information		
1. Project Title	Applicant Response	
What is the ect Title?	Adv acy4Deaf+	
2. Awarded Amount	Applicant Response	
	\$300,000	
3. r anization Type	Applicant Response	
Choose the esponse that best des ibes you ganization.	Community Based O ganization (CBO) 501()(3)	
4. Description of rganization/Group	Applicant Response	
vide a b ief des ipti n of the ganization group. Explain what experien e you ganization has managing a p e t simila to the proposal and state the out omes f that pr ect. You may upload y u br hu e add a website link.	N Cal Servi es f Deaf & Hard of Hearing is applying on behalf of 8 egional Deaf- entered nonprofit ganizations wh ont act with the Department of S ial Servi es to provide Deaf A ess ogram (DA) servi es f Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) people and thei families in thei espective geographi egions. Governed, di ected and staffed by DHH people, each agen y uses a servi e model that di tates providing di ect servi es in the language ommuni ation mode used by the individual DHH onsumers. Ou Deaf A ess ogram provide the following servi es: adv acy assistan e, peer ounseling, b devel pment and pla ement, independent living skills inst u tion ommuni ation assistan e, inf mation and refe al, and c mmunity edu ati n. All of ou o ganizati ns have been providing s ial servi es and adv ating f DHH people to have equal ac ess to servi es edu ati n and empl yment fo mo e than 50 years. See https://www. dss. a.g v/deaf-ac ess.	1
5. Applicant in Good Standing	Applicant Response	
Is the appli ant in good standing with the Califo nia Se eta y of State Califo nia F an hise Tax B a d, and Calif nia Department of Tax and Fee Administ ati n? lease upl ad onfi mation letter(s) proof of good standing.	Yes	1
6. Subcontractors in Good Standing	Applicant Response	
A e the appli ant's subcont act s in good standing with the Calif nia Se eta y of State, Califo nia F an hise Tax Board, and Calif nia Department of Tax and Fee Administ ati n?	Yes	6
Grant Reapplication Information		
Grant Reapplications nl		
1. Previous Award(s)	Applicant Response	

Did you registration equity DDC		
Did you ganization eceive DDS grant funding in fis al year 2019-20 2020-21? If yes go to question 2 t mplete ea h lumn. If n	No	
skip this ategory and go t ategory 3.		
2. Previous Grant Award(s)	Applicant Response	
Sin e fis al year 2019, omplete a w fo ea h DDS Se vi e A ess and Equity grant you ganizati n was awarded funding.		
3. Previous Grant utcomes	Applicant Response	
vide a b ief g ant summa y of y u pr ect out omes f fis al year 2019-20 and/ 2020-21.	Not Appli able	
4. Project Transition	Applicant Response	
If awa ded, h w will y u cu ent p e t transiti n into the 2021-22 proposed pr ect? Does y u	Not Appli able	
proposed pr ect expand ontinue y u cu ent p e t, if s h w? What a tivities, measu es, o ta get g ups are being added? ovide a summa y of the diffe en es and		
easons why you are proposing the hange.		
General Application Proposal ummar		
1. Project T pe	Applicant Response	
Ch se the p e t type that best des ibes you activities f om the list below:	C mmunity C nne t	
2. Duration of project	Applicant Response	
Choose the du ation of you pr ect.	12 m nths	
3. Regional Centers	Applicant Response	
Choose the Regional Center(s) that	Alta Calif nia Regional Center Cent al Valley Regional Center Far N them Regional Center	
y u p e t will se ve. Che k all that apply.	F ank D. Lanterman Regional Center Harbor Regional Center Golden Gate Regional Center	
	Inland Regional Center Kern Regional Center N th Bay Regional Cente	
	N th Los Angeles County Regional Center Redwood Coast Regional Cente	
	Regi nal Cente of the East Bay Regi nal Cente of Orange C unty San Andreas Regional Center	
	San Diego Regional Center San Gabriel/ m ona Regional Center	
	South Cent al Los Angeles Regional Center T i Counties Regional Cente	
	Valley Mountain Regional Center Westside Regional Center Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center	
4. Counties Served	Applicant Response	

List the unty unties y ur	Alameda C unty Alpine C unty Amad C unty Butte C unty Calave as C unty C lusa C unty	
pr ect proposes t serve. Check all that apply.	C nt a C sta C unty Del N te C unty EID ad C unty Fesno C unty Glenn C unty	
	Humb ldt C unty Impe ial C unty Iny C unty Ke n C unty Kings C unty Lake C unty	
	Lassen County Los Angeles County Madera County Marin County Mariposa C unty	
	Mend ino C unty Me ed C unty M d C unty M no C unty M nte ey C unty Napa C unty	
	Nevada C unty O ange C unty la e C unty lumas C unty Rive side C unty Sa ament C unty	
	San Benit C unty San Be na dino C unty San Dieg C unty San F ancis C unty	
	San Joaquin County San Luis Obispo County San Mateo County Santa Barbara C unty	
	Santa Cla a C unty Santa C uz C unty Shasta C unty Sie a C unty Siskiy u C unty	
	S lano C unty S noma C unty Stanislaus C unty Sutte C unty Tehama C unty T inity C unty	
	Tula e C unty Tuolumne C unty Ventura C unty Y I C unty Yuba C unty	
5. Cit of Los Angeles	Applicant Response	
If y u pr ect proposes t serve the	Not Appli able	
City of Los Angeles list the zip des yu pr ect will serve.		
6. Communit Based rganizations	Applicant Response	
Will you be w king with one m e	We will be w king with the f ll wing ganizati ns who will emply Adv ates t provide individualized	
C mmunity Based O ganizati ns? If s p vide the name of the	support t Deaf lus onsumers and families in thei espective egions: G eater Los Angeles Agen y n Deafness (GLAD) whi h in ludes Center on Deafness-Inland Empi e (CODIE), O ange C unty Deaf Equal	
ganization and how you will be	A ess F undati n (OC-DEAF) Ti-c unty GLAD Deaf C mmunity Se vi es f San Dieg (DCS) Deaf	
w king together.	Counseling Adv acy and Refer al Agen y (DCARA) and Deaf & Hard of Hearing Se vi e Cente (DHHSC).	
7. Multiple rganizations	Applicant Response	
Does y u pr ect in lude partnership	Yes	4
with one m e ganizations either as a o-appli ant subcont act? If		
"yes" please upload a letter f		
support f om each ganization that		
in ludes an explanati n of thei ole in the pa tne ship.		
8. Strate ies and Sustaina ility	Applicant Response	
Hwwillyupet ntinueitsw k	The need f di ect ac essible servi es f Deaf lus ommunity extends beyond this proposal. Ou goal is	
afte the g ant funding has on luded?	f Deaf lus individuals t have ac ess t servi es that available f VDD nsumers wh are n t DHH in thei language and ommuni ation and have hi es in selecting servi es that supp t thei individual g als.	
on luded?	The benefits of this prect that will be sustained are the ASL video(s) which will emain in nline for thinuse.	
	viewing and education and ut each materials an intinue to be used for information purposes. The VDD	
	support group meetings may be ontinued based on parti ipants' interest t lead them. In addition t aining on Lanterman A t will hone u ganizati n 's ability t better adv ate f Deaf lus individuals using u	
	Deaf A ess ogram as a model. N Cal has a tack ec d of being able t obtain funding and we will	
	pu sue funding to expand this p e t.	
1. Ethnicit Groups Served	Applicant Response	
Sele t the ethni ity g up(s) the	Af i an Ame i an Camb dian Chinese Filipin Hispanic Hm ng Indian (list) Japanese K ean	
pr ect will serve. F "Indian" " acifi Islander" "Slavi " "Other"	Mien Native Ame ican Vietnamese a ific Islande (list) Slavic (list) Othe (list)	
use mment se tion t list spe ific	2 () 2 () 2 ()	
groups.		
Applicant Comment	This pr ect aims t serve Deaf lus onsumers in all ethni ity groups. Each agen y has ommunity ganizations that they w k with in thei espective geographi egions to ea h ut to va i us ethni ity	
Appli ant Comment	ganizations that they wilk with in their espective geographic egions to earn ut to various ethnicity groups.	
Ethnicit Group(s), Language(s) and Number of Individuals Served	Applicant Response	
F each ethni ity group, provide the	Ethnicit Individuals	
number of individuals y u pr ect intends t serve and the elated	Group(s)	
language(s).		
3. A e Group(s) Served	Applicant Response	

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Select all Age G oups the pr ect will se ve.	Bi th up to Th ee (Ea ly Sta t) Th ee to Five Th ee to 21 16 to 21 22 and older	
Appli ant C mment	Ou pr ect will serve Deaf lus individuals of all ages in luding thei families and gua dians and DHH families wh se child en have I/DD disabilities.	
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Project Summar and r anizational Experience	Applicant Response	
ovide a lear and on ise pr ect summa y that in ludes a defined ta get p pulati n, catchment a ea and pr ect design. Specifi ally des ibe what you pr ect will a mplish and h w it will benefit the mmunity se ved. In y u answe include what expe ience y ur ganization has w king with the ta get p pulati n?	Fo this AdV a y4Deaf+ p et, the existing 8 DA reginal agencies will provide individualized adv acy and support on equests by Deaf lus onsumers of all ages and their families guardians f families with hildren identified DHH with ther disabilities and f Deaf parents wh have DHH hearing hildren eligible f eceiving egional servires. Each agency serves specific ounties in their regin; togethe the agen ies serve all 88 counties in Califinia. This prect will fund Adv ate positions t serve all 8 egions in addition thiring a ect C dinat. The Adv ates will provide individual support as equested specifically findividual Deaf lus onsumers to ensure they are aware of their ights have acress t servires and are able to exerving services and tansition. Fo families with Deaf-plus hild en, the Adv ate will ensure that families are sessed let exerving serving s	
2. Data and Communit Input	Applicant Response	
Explain h w the ta get p pulati n(s) are underserved using RC OS data other data as supporting eviden e f the dispa ity. In y u answe include how y ur ganizati n used input fr m the c mmunity and/o ta get p pulati n to design the pr ect?	RC OS data does not identify egional enter onsumers who are DHH, only the numbe of c nsume s using Ame i an Sign Language (ASL). The numbe of c nsume s using ASL does not eflect the numbe of onsumers who are DHH served by egional enters. A ding t ou data that we eport to HRSA, we know that over 1,000 infants are identified DHH annually in Calif nia f whi h approximately 20% have developmental disabilities medi al onditions. A ding to Gallaudet Resea h Institute, app ximately 40% of DHH hildren have disabilities. There is a dearth of data, statist is and resea h on this p pulati n. The Deaf lus population is fu ther underserved by the lack of kn wledge and mmuni ati n a ess f the u ent state system serving individuals with developmental disabilities. Assessment to Is and inte venti n used f other disabilities often does not take into ac ount that the pe s n is DHH and the efo e may n t be appropriate. Even adults identified solely DHH may be found to have disabilities that a e undiagn sed o n t identified until mu h late. Disabilities affe ting language may be er oneously att ibuted to being DHH instead f the disability. Ea ly inte venti n c iti al fo s lely DHH children to acqui e language applies t Deaf-plus hildren but is often overlooked ign ed in presen e of disabilities that a e c nside ed p ima y. In developing this proposal we onsulted with individuals and ganizati ns in luding Deaf Plus In . fo thei ideas.	
3. Uniqueness	Applicant Response	
How is the proposed pr ect unique diffe ent fr m a cu ently funded g ant (e.g., strategies, a tivities, and objectives) in the proposed egional enter at hment area? If the p e t is similar to a u ently funded grant listed on the Department's website, how is the proposed pr ect different?	Ou pr ect is unique in that we are Deaf- entered ganizations se ving Deaf- lus nsume s fall ages, thei families, and Deaf pa ents with DHH/Hea ing- lus child en. We a e awa e that the e a e o ganizati ns that adv ate f and support onsumers who have disabilities h weve, few if any fo us on this ta get population who are Deaf- lus. As ganizations "f, by and fo "DHH pe ple, ou staff have lived-expe ien e fbeing DHH o have expe ien e as DHH family membe s eithe as a Pa ent of DHH child o a Child of Deaf Pa ent (CODA) to relate with Deaf- lus c nsume s. We have eadily available on staff pe ple whae fluent in Amerian Sign Language and knowledgeable in ommuniating with Deaf-plus individuals with diverse ommuniation and language skills. In addition as a statewide pet, we can offevitual suppt gup to in ease the likelih dof families meeting the families who se DHH hild en have simila disabilities and challenges. All of ou o ganization soffemultiple DHH-specifi programs that an supplement any sevices and suppt that Deaf-lus individuals and families are receiving. Sunhsevices may in lude Deaf C ach who go to families' homes to teach sign language, sill events f DHH hildren and adults such as N Cal's annual Silent Sleigh, and b pepa ation programs. Each ganization is familia with the es u es in theil a mmunities and h w to tap on c mmunity res u es to assist o support DHH individuals.	
Improve quity and Service Access	Applicant Response	

Ou pr ect pr m otes equity and edu es disparities by f using servi es on a specifi underserved vulnerable population: Individuals with intelle tual and developmental disabilities whae e DHH. Being DHH means mmuni ating in va ying ways including te hnol gy and meth ds. Equity is p moted when Deaflus individuals an ommuni ate diectly and be understood with ut a thid-pa ty interpete. Ou staff as DHH people innately know to address any ommuni ation bar iers and ensue that onsumers have mmuni atin a ess at their app intments or efe als. Ou pect activities are informed by prect participants. Individuals guide the advacy and support they want oneed. We stringly believe in DHH individuals having information and being empowered to make their own hies and decisions. Involving Deaflus adults as paid act in the videos will shape how we delive information about their rights as Reginal Centers. The topis for I/DD supperting up meetings will be determined led by participants' interests.	
Applicant Response	
Ou pr ect supports the Department's pri ity area t in ease access t deaf se vices and esou ces by assisting Deaf lus individuals and thei families/guardians t understand thei ights and esponsibilities and utilize egional enter support. Ou adv ates wh a e fluent in ASL and have extensive expe ien e ommuni ating with Deaf lus individuals will serve as a es u e to the egional enters in understanding the language and ommuni ation needs of Deaf lus individuals t access se vices. In u w k as Deaf A ess ogram agen ies we egularly ollaborate with other ganizations to better serve ou DHH mmunity. We offe ou DHH expe tise and w k with othe o ganizati ns that offe expe tise and res u es that we d n t have fo individuals we se ve. T bette se ve Deaf Plus individuals and thei families, we expe t that we will c nsult with o ganizati ns that have kn wledge and es u es elated to developmental disabilities and in tu n we offer ou knowledge about ommuni ating with DHH and Deaf lus people.	
Applicant Response	
We expet that we will need time to statup the pgam, with the first 3 months for used on signing agreements, psting new jbp sitins and pmoting the pgam. Cmmunity pathers suh as Califonia Hands and Vies, a statewide organizatin for families with DHH childen, will be informed abut the pets they can share informatin and referamilies. In the first few months, the pet cdinator will tain advates as they are hired by the agenies and development disformed at formations by all advates. Advates are expected to start serving onsumers as sinasthey are hired and trained. Therefore, it is antilipated that the first I/DD support group meeting would not start until May. Then in July, the prectdinat would be eady to start preparing fithe interpreting wishops and video production. The interpreters as possible. The video production as we have leaned from expeiene, will take seve almonths up to a year to cimplete. The video production as we have leaned from expeiene, will take seve almonths up to a year to cimplete. The video production as we have leaned from expeiene, will take seve almonths up to a year to cimplete. The video production as we have leaned from expeiene, will take seve almonths up to a year to cimplete. The video production as we have leaned from expeiene, will take seve almonths up to a year to cimplete. The video production as we have leaned from expeiene, will take seve almonths up to a year to cimplete. The video production as we have leaned from expeiene, will take seve almonths up to a year to cimplete. The video production as we have leaned from expeiene expected to start preparing from the Deaf Plus at the first year will require time for interested petes to be an about our pet with advates specifically from the Deaf Plus at the first year will require time for interested peter leaned from the Deaf Plus and Deaf families of hildren with VDD.	
Applicant Response	
Ou obe tive is fo used on adv a y fo a ess. We have reviewed the standardized measu es provided by DDS that we are expected to us. We added an per entage goal based on two f the standa dized measu es that celate to oupe to be tive. This outce we will measure how many insume see ive servines and face less barriers as a esult of advergery active actives and support provided by oundary attempting the group to group the group meetings, the general list of the participants to the participants sharing the same experience. Therefore we are adopting a performance measure to gauge how onnected participants feel after the group meetings. For the interpreting workshops which have designed to improve interpreters' understanding and confidence in ensuring effective communitation when interpreting for Deaf Plus in the participants of the participan	
	Applicant Response

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Note: Before answerin this question, applicants must complete the Budget Template located in the tab directl above. In y u Budget Template, explain h w the p e t budget is c nsistent with the stated pr ect objective and a tivities, and clea ly and c n isely explain how the proposed expenditu es support the ove all pr ect design and proposed out omes. • Budget Template example is I ated at Atta hment C. • Budget Details and Restri ti ns are available he e.	Ou p e t budget in ludes a P e t C dinato to fo us on developing and maintaining on the statewide aspe t of the p g am whi h in ludes o ganizing trainings fo the adv ates setting up statewide vi tual I/DD support group meetings setting up interpreting w kshops ollecting date and ompleting grant eports. The C dinat will dinate the production of an ASL video and engage Deaf lus onsumers in this p e t. The Adv ates p vide die t 1:1 se vi es in their respective egions and pr m ote the program though I all out each activities. The Adv ates depending on their availability will support statewide a tivities, the I/DD support group meetings and interpreting w kshops as needed. The p ima y c st fo diect servi es are personnel salaries and benefits but also inte p eting se vi es to ensu e they can se ve families and c mmuni ate with the gene all publi who d n tuse ASL and who speak an the language. The c st fo ASL inte p eting fo a one h u meeting range from \$125 - \$500 depending if one to winterpreters are needed for the meeting and if paying the 2-hou minimum as standad p at ite. The se vi e egions will follow the CDSS DA service egion. Each service egion will have a fulltime advoor ate to will be to support but unable to commit to staffing at this time, the efole N Cal has budgeted for a se not entire egion and ost is estimated based on our average employee mileages. N Cal has 4 out each file es in addition to ou Sa amento office to pet pes nnel can travel to assist consumes in this ear as whe elevation of the sale and the sale and the professional production and the sale and the professional production and the professional production. The pima y c st for the interpreting for the meeting and interpreting for it all group meetings and our average employee mileages. N Cal has 4 out each file sin addition to our Sale amento office to pet pes nnel can travel to assist consume sinth sea eas where our office sale and s	
9. Budget Costs	Applicant Response	
Explain how the prect budget osts are learly ass lated with the prect a tivities and obe tive and cenfirm that the budget does not in lude non-allowable osts osts funded by the sures.	es nnel hi ed fo this peta e fulltime staff psitins which in lude salaries and benefits. Billing is based on hous eported by prect personnel on their timesheets. The pet cdinator and advates will fous 100% of their time to cayout all peta a tivities desibed in this proposal. Benefits osts are all ulated at 25.5% of salaries. Ou budget na ative pides a desiption of ou benefits osts. As a Deaf servire ganization primarily employing and serving DHH people acrommodations such as ASL interpreting, aptioning, and spoken language interpreting epresent a significant but citial ptin of ou budget for our employees to cayout their buttes and for our ganization to be in lusive in serving families and general public who do not sign and use other languages. Sine we serve a large geographical area and have several out each offices we have budgeted for tavel cst. As stated not a large geographical area and have several out each offices we have budgeted for tavel cst. As stated not not specifically with the state rates for travel csts. Our budget in ludes cst for professional video production specifically those who are qualified to develop videos using ASL. The budget als in ludes cst for not not ting with the geginnal ganizations to hield a date to serve their egins. Each ganization will submit monthly invies refleting a tual expenses to Notal for remittane. The budget does not in lude non-allowable osts osts funded by others uses. The administ attive/indiet cst which his capped at 15% in the budget na ative lists our administrative expenses and the all ation method used for each expense utilized by uncontained to the support of	
Proposal Certification		
Certification		
1. Confirm Proposal Discussion with RC(s)	Applicant Response	
CBOs a e requi ed to dis uss thei proposal with each RC(s) the CBO is intending to se ve. If y u a e a CBO have you dis ussed you proposal with ea h RC y u a e intending t serve?	Yes	
2. RC Contact	Applicant Response	
CBOs a e requi ed to submit thei appli ation on u ently to the Department and to each RC(s) atchment the CBO is intending to se ve. If y u a e a CBO, state the name(s) f the nta t pe s n(s) at each RC you have dis ussed y u proposal with.	We will submit c pies of ou p p sal to ea h Regi nal Cente by emailing a pdf file of ou g ant appli ati n with ob e tive and budget rep ts to ea h RC c nta t listed in Attachment F with a to Department f Developmental Servi es when we submit this proposal to DDS.	
3. Applicant Certification	Applicant Response	

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By submitting this appli ation, the Appli ant is ce tifying the truth and a u a y of the p oposal. The appli ant als ertifies that if you have sub ntra ting o ganizati ns, ea h parti ipating ganization has eviewed you pr	Yes	
Appli ant Comment	Ali e M Gill	