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Serving individuals with developmental disabilities in San Diego and Imperial Counties

GSocial TO: All Interested Persons/Organizations

FROM: Kate Kinnamont, Associate Executive Director Miguel Larios, Director of Community Services

RE: GRANTS FOR ENHANCED COMMUNITY INTEGRATION FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

(SOCIAL REC GRANTS)

Deadline for Submission: December 16, 2022

San Diego Regional Center (SDRC) is a community-based, private nonprofit corporation funded by the State of California to serve people with developmental disabilities as required by the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Act. The Lanterman Act is part of California law that sets out persons with developmental disabilities' rights and responsibilities. SDRC serves individuals and their families who reside within San Diego and Imperial counties and is one of 21 Regional Centers in California.

SDRC shares the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) vision, that children and adolescents with and without intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) will develop friendships from opportunities provided by integrated and inclusive social and recreational programs.

Social Recreation Grant Description

Community entities will submit grant proposals to the regional centers (RCs), which the RCs will score and prioritize according to the grant goals, grant priorities and the needs of the regional center's catchment area. RCs will recommend grant proposals for approval and DDS will determine which grant proposals will be approved. RCs will contract with grantees for the 8-month project term. Grantees will report their progress on meeting standard outcome measures to RCs on a quarterly basis on a form provided by DDS. RCs will review and approve quarterly reports. Approved progress reports will be submitted to DDS. DDS will review progress reports and provide feedback to RCs as needed. To be considered for approval, proposals must meet criteria within these guidelines; reflect collaborative efforts between RCs and applicants; and support children and adolescents who are:

- three to twenty-one years of age
- determined eligible for RC services including provisional eligibility or Lanterman Act programs
- from diverse monolingual and multilingual communities who face barriers to accessing RC services

Proposals supporting children and adolescents with hearing loss and from rural areas will be strongly considered.

Scope of Service

The service shall:

- Improve accessibility of integrated social and recreational programs that are person-centered
 and culturally and linguistically responsive to the beliefs, values and choices of children and
 adolescents with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- Utilize and leverage existing community resources to enhance and develop integrated and inclusive social and recreational programs that are safe and age appropriate; and
- Increase the number of RC vendored providers that offer integrated and inclusive social and recreational services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Grant Applicants

Grant applicants may include, but are not limited to:

- Community Based Organizations (CBOs)
- Religious organizations (e.g., churches, synagogues)
- Private recreational businesses or studios (e.g., karate schools, ballet studios, art studios)
- YMCAs, Boys & Girls Clubs, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts
- County and city parks and recreation entities
- Public and private camps
- After-school programs

Application Package

Each proposal must include the following:

Completed Letter of Intent:

https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/ATTACHMENT-C-Letter-of-Intent-Information-Application.pdf

Grant Budget form:

https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/ATTACHMENT-D-Grant-Budget-Form-Copy.xlsx

The full Community Integration (Social Rec) Grants webpage and additional references, resources including directives related to restoration of social rec and camping, definition of terms and project types can be found here:

https://www.dds.ca.gov/initiatives/community-integration-social-rec-grants/

SDRC will host an informational session to support potential applicants and to entertain questions about this unique opportunity- via zoom on November 29 from 3-4:40 pm.

Register here to attend the informational session:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/grants-for-enhanced-community-integration-for-children-and-adolescents-tickets-467920110647

Costs for Proposal Submission:

Applicants responding to this Request for Proposal shall bear all costs associated with the development and submission of their RFP Application Packet. No costs shall be charged to SDRC, the Department of Developmental Services, or the State of California.

Deadline

RFP Application Packets must be received no later than **December 16, 2022**. Application Packets will be stamped with the date and time of receipt. Time and date stamps and postmarks after December 16, 2022, at 5:00 P.M. will not be accepted and will be returned to the applicant.

Submit application to:

RFP@sdrc.org

Or Mail to:

San Diego Regional Center ATTN: Community Services Department 4355 Ruffin Rd., San Diego, CA 92123

Contact Person for Additional Information or Clarification:

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