



# INLAND REGIONAL CENTER

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## **Fiscal Year 2022-2023**

In preparation for the CPP/CRDP Plan for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023, Inland Regional Center (IRC) determined the following priorities:

### **Community Access Vehicle**

IRC seeks to resecure funding is for the modification and ongoing use of a vehicle, as well as salary cost of one driver to be used in partnership with IRC. IRC was previously awarded funds for this project for the 20-21 fiscal year, however, IRC could not find a vendor to bring this project to fruition. The potential vehicle is to be used in partnership with IRC to provide mobile access to IRC services to reach communities that are a considerable distance from IRC's main office. Services are including but not limited to transportation for assessments and intake, community outreach and training. Should funding be approved by the Department of Developmental Services, IRC will work to find a vendor to find a vehicle to help serve these outlying communities that need assistance to access IRC services traditionally performed at IRC's main office space in San Bernardino, CA.

### **Competency Training**

IRC is currently in development of an Enhanced Behavioral Supports Home (EBSH) in Apple Valley, CA, to provide enhanced residential services to serve consumers who are transitioning from Porterville Developmental Center - Secure Treatment Program (PDC-STP) or in some circumstances may serve individuals who are in jail and are being diverted from PDC. Competency Training is a requirement of this development and IRC does not have any direct vendors within IRC's catchment area to provide this training.

### **Deaf + Community Vendor Training**

IRC will propose to obtain funds to provide trainings to our vendors to educate and teach good communication strategies to meet disparity needs within our Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing population. Training will be provided by a licensed professional who meets vendoring requirements to provide training on various topics which include basic ASL, current technology that can be utilized and implemented to increase engagement and various generic and IRC funded services that could be beneficial to their lives. Should funding be approved by the Department of Developmental Services, IRC will strive to work with our vendors to ensure that the communication needs of our consumers who identify with the Deaf Plus communities are met.

### **Tailored Day Service for Deaf + Community**

IRC will also pursue funds to request for a Tailored Day Service program to promote and offer a full range of support including but not limited to higher learning, employment assistance and vocational training for Deaf Plus consumers. IRC hopes to surround these consumers with staff they can adequately communicate with to strive to meet their desire to obtain gainful employment, vocational training and enhance their independence. Should funding be approved by the Department of Developmental

Services, IRC will work with a vendor with knowledge to empower individuals within the Deaf Plus community that we serve.

### **Self-Advocacy Training for Deaf + Community**

IRC also plans to advocate for funds to provide a monthly Self Advocacy Training Series. This potential monthly 1–2-hour conference series would hold trainings on various topics to support our Deaf/HOH consumers in order to better meet their needs. Training will be provided by a licensed individual, using ASL, covering topics such as how to empower consumers to request services to meet IPP goals, latest technology advancements and various resources available. Should funding be approved by the Department of Developmental Services, IRC will work with a vendor to develop various trainings to ensure equal access to opportunities in areas such as education, public services, and education to ensure that they feel services are accessible and inclusive.

**Based on stakeholder input, no other projects were identified as a priority for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.**

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