



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: GOVERNING BOARD

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Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors, sitting as the Governing Board of the Area Agency on Aging for the County of San Mateo

From: Louise F. Rogers, Chief, San Mateo County Health
Lee Pullen, Acting Director, Aging and Adult Services

Subject: Acceptance of Aging and Disability Resource Connection Funding and Execution of an Amendment to the Provider Agreement

RECOMMENDATION:

Acting as the Governing Board of the Area Agency on Aging for the County of San Mateo, adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of Aging and Disability Resource Connection funding from the California Department of Aging in the amount of \$318,073 and execution of an amendment to the provider agreement with Center for Independence of Individuals with Disabilities for the term of October 1, 2022, through June 30, 2025.

BACKGROUND:

Since 2003, California has opted to use the modified title of Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) to reflect the principle of No Wrong Door (NWD), as opposed to a "single entry point" concept. This means that multiple agencies at the State and local levels coordinate to create a simplified process through which individuals of all ages, abilities, and incomes can obtain unbiased information and one-on-one counseling regarding the options available in their communities. This allows individuals to make informed decisions about services that best meet their needs, regardless of where they enter the system. Consumers also receive assistance in accessing services, including help with applications for various public and private programs.

In 2019, California Senate Bill 80 established the first State ADRC Infrastructure Grants program. California Department of Aging (CDA) awards grants to qualified Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) and Independent Living Centers (ILC) to complete the planning and application process for designation and approval to operate an ADRC program, as well as to help designated ADRC programs expand and improve services.

County Health's Aging and Adult Services (AAS) is the County's AAA and is responsible for receiving ADRC funds, disbursing them to the Center for Independence of Individuals with Disabilities (CID), and reporting on CID's spending of the ADRC funds. CID is a private, nonprofit corporation located in the City of San Mateo that provides services to more than 2,000 individuals with disabilities every

year. CID is one of 29 Independent Living Centers in the State of California but is the only ILC in San Mateo County.

This Board approved the acceptance of the first grant from CDA in the amount of \$245,448 for services from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. In March 2023, CDA provided additional funding in the amount of \$42,806 for the term of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, and also provided an additional \$249,232 for the term of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. In April 2024, CDA provided an additional \$318,073 for the term of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

DISCUSSION:

AAS and CID worked together to complete the application for State ADRC designation and received this designation in April 2024. AAS intends to amend its agreement with CID to add the newly available \$318,073 in CDA funding. The funds amended in this agreement will be allocated to hire additional staff at CID to begin providing the ADRC services outlined. Using existing and new ADRC funding from CDA, CID will continue developing, planning, and networking with various cities, counties, and community-based organizations to develop navigation to services for the older adult and adult with disability communities seeking long term services and supports to remain in their homes and communities. The following services will be provided through this program: enhanced information and referral services, options counseling, short-term service coordination, and transition services.

The County Attorney has reviewed and approved the amendment and resolution as to form.

The resolution contains the County’s standard provisions allowing amendment of the County fiscal obligations by a maximum of \$25,000 (in aggregate).

It is anticipated that 500 older adults and adults with disabilities will receive assistance through CID.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

	FY 2023-24 Estimated	FY2024-2025 Projected
Number of older adults/adult with disabilities assisted	N/A*	500

*This is a new measure beginning in FY2024-25.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the provider agreement is October 1, 2022, through June 30, 2025. The total amount of the agreement is not to exceed \$682,020 for the three-year term. Funds for these services will be included in the AAS FY 2024-25 Recommended Budget. Federal funds will cover 100% of the costs. There is no Net County Cost associated with the approval of these agreements.