

## South Carolina Developmental Disabilities Council

Office of Executive Policy and Programs | Department of Administration

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Developmental Disabilities Council will have a maximum amount up to \$200,000.00 established for Community Supports priority area programming for Fiscal Year 2020- 2021.

The DD Council is soliciting proposals for projects that implement evidence-based education activities that improve individual and family knowledge about their rights, services, and supports.

#### **State Plan Goal 2: Community Supports**

People with intellectual and developmental disabilities have access to their own choice of formal and informal community-based services, supports, resources, and activities throughout their lifetime.

#### **Objective 1**

Support at least two (2) programs that provide people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families information about their rights, services, and supports.

Additional proposal requirements:

Defined Concepts	
<b>Education activities</b>	<i>Advocacy, capacity building, and systemic change activities that result in individuals with developmental disabilities being able to access appropriate supports and modifications when necessary, to maximize their educational potential, to benefit from lifelong educational activities, and to be integrated and included in all facets of life.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Education activities can be available across the lifespan and result in increased skills and knowledge.</li></ul>
<b>Family support services</b>	<i>Services, supports, and other assistance, provided to families with a member or members who have developmental disabilities, that are designed to: strengthen the family's role as primary caregiver; prevent inappropriate out-of-the-home placement of the members and maintain family unity; and reunite, whenever possible, families with members who have been placed out of the home.</i>

- Implement evidence-based approaches to increase knowledge and skills about individual & family rights, services, supports, and advocacy.
- Proposals must describe how the project aligns with the Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Final Rule which values individuals receiving programming based on personally-defined outcomes in the most integrated community setting possible, in a manner that reflects personal choices and preferences, and which contributes to the assurance of health and wellness.
- Priority is given to proposals which describe the involvement of a self-advocate over 22 years old or family member in project development, planning, and implementation.
- Proposals must include letters of collaboration from stakeholders describing each partner's specific contributions to programming.
- Proposals must include a 12-month S.M.A.R.T. work plan: specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and timed.

Resources for Applicants	
Support and Advocacy	HCBS Final Rule & SC DDSN Guidance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Family Support Research and Training Center</a></li><li><a href="#">Southeast ADA Center</a></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">SC DHHS HCBS Resources</a></li><li><a href="#">SC DDSN HCBS Resources</a></li></ul>

Awards are for three years upon Council approval; however, reapplication is required for second and third-year funding. Year one is from 7/1/20 to 6/30/21. Please direct questions regarding the grant application process to Valarie Bishop at (803) 734-0215 or [valarie.bishop@admin.sc.gov](mailto:valarie.bishop@admin.sc.gov).

To retrieve a copy of the grant application, visit our web site at <http://scddc.sc.gov> or call (803) 734-0465