

DCF Grantees 2016

Disability Communications Fund

Organization Name	Organization City	Organization Website	Primary Contact First Name	Primary Contact Last Name	Primary Contact Email	Primary Contact Phone Number	Project Name	Project Purpose	Grant Amount	Link to Project Profile
CSU Fullerton Auxiliary Services Corporation	Fullerton	www.fullerton.edu	Denise	Bell	dbell@Exchange.FULLERTON.EDU	(657) 278-4110	Low-Cost Wireless Electrooculography (EOG) based Electronic Communication System for ALS Patients	To design and pilot test a user-friendly low-cost wireless EOG based electronic communication system for use by severely disabled persons.	\$100,000	Profile Text version
Disability Action Center	Redding	www.actionctr.org	Evan	LeVang	evan@actionctr.org	(530) 893-8527	Communication Devices for Older Blind/Low Vision Individuals	To provide individual training on tablets, computers, and cellular phones to blind/low vision seniors so that they can stay connected to their family	\$48,000	Profile Text version
Down Syndrome Connection of the Bay Area	Danville	www.dsconnection.org	Nancy	LaBelle	nancy@dsconnection.org	(925)-362-8660	Down Syndrome Education Alliance & Expression Connection 2016	To increase communication for people with Down syndrome through training & access to AAC/AT, teaching methods & modifications, & other tools.	\$60,000	Profile Text version
Earle Baum Center of the Blind	Santa Rosa	www.earlebaum.org	Dan	Needham	needham@earlebaum.org	(707) 284-3393	Technical Communication Enhancement for Individuals with Sight Loss	To provide a program where those with sight loss receive mobile operating systems, training and enhanced audio communication capability.	\$65,500	Profile Text version
Goodwill of Orange County	Santa Ana	www.ocgoodwill.org	Ejiro	Morrow	ejirou@ocgoodwill.org	(714) 547-6308 ext. 355	Access and Education for All	To increase regional outreach resulting in expansion of education and training in assistive technology/AAC for consumers, professionals and caregivers.	\$56,000	Profile Text version
HEAR Center	Pasadena	www.hearcenter.org	Ellen	Simon	ellensimon@hearcenter.org	(626) 796-2016	Free Hearing and Speech Screening Program	To identify children and seniors with undiagnosed hearing or speech conditions, so they can receive services to improve their quality of life.	\$65,000	Profile Text version
Hesperian Health Guides	Berkeley	http://hesperian.org	Sarah	Shannon	sarahs@hesperian.org	(510) 845-1447	Building California CBO capacity for outreach/education of underserved children with special needs	To train CBOs working with families of children with communication disabilities to create effective materials with Hesperian's digital resources.	\$30,000	Profile Text version
Include Autism	San Diego	www.includeautism.org	Tina	Waters	tinaw@includeautism.org	(858) 603-9835	Assistive Communication Device Training for Youth With Autism in the Community	To train service providers and youth with autism to effectively use augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) devices in the community.	\$16,000	Profile Text version
Independent Living Resource Center San Francisco	San Francisco	www.ilrcsf.org	Lana	Nieves	lane@ilrcsf.org	(415) 543-6222	Smartphones and Independent Living: A Video Tutorial	To provide consumers with a fully accessible video training resource, in 3 languages, on how to use smartphones and optimize accessibility features.	\$22,200	Profile Text version
Innovative Health Care Services, Inc., dba the Peg Taylor Center for Adult Day Health Care	Chico	pegaylorcenter.org	Diane	Puckett	dcoopptc@sbcglabal.net	(530) 342-2345	Making the Connection: Cross-Generational Communication Therapies	To empower communication, cognition and social engagement for adults with complex health conditions through therapeutic technologies.	\$18,050	Profile Text version
LightHouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired	San Francisco	lighthouse-sf.org	Jennifer	Sachs	jsachs@lighthouse-sf.org	(415) 694-7333	Anytime Tech	To provide evening and weekend technical assistance and training for communication devices to blind ESL or non-funded students who otherwise would not	\$30,000	Profile Text version
OPICA Adult Day Care Center, Inc.	Los Angeles	www.opica.org	Mary	Michlovich	mary@opica.org	(310) 478-0226	Assistive Listening Devices for Community Education Programs for Seniors	To enable seniors with hearing deficits to maximize their ability to understand, engage, and benefit from community education programs.	\$37,092	Profile Text version

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Parents Helping Parents	San Jose	www.php.com	Janet	Nunez	janet@php.com	(408) 727-5775 x 173	Communication Access for Adults with Disabilities: State-wide Expansion	To provide and improve access to communication for non-verbal and minimally verbal adults throughout the state of CA using a tested model	\$27,115	Profile Text version
Rancho Los Amigos Foundation	Downey	www.ranchofoundation.org	Deborah	Arroyo	darroyo@ranchofoundation.org	(562) 401-7053	Mobile Access Clinic	To establish a Mobile Access Clinic for individuals with disabilities who need alternative access or devices to communicate.	\$35,000	Profile Text version
Team of Advocates for Special Kids (TASK)	Anaheim	www.taskca.org	Laura	Simmons-Martinez	laurasm@taskca.org	(714) 533-8275	Project Communicate-Phase II	To provide communication options for persons with language impairments through hands-on access, assessments, training, support and recommendations.	\$60,000	Profile Text version
TERI, Inc.	Oceanside	www.teriinc.org	Terri	Williams	bnbgrants@gmail.com	(760) 522-6046	AAC/AT Training and Communication Services for People with Special Needs	To provide AAC/AT Training and Communications Support for People with Developmental Disabilities and train staff to deliver the program 24/7/365	\$50,000	Profile Text version
The ALS Association Golden West Chapter	Agoura Hills	www.alsgoldenwest.org	Cherryl	Goldstein	cgoldstein@alsgoldenwest.org	(818) 865-8067 x243	Improving Access to Communication Solutions for People Living with ALS	To ensure that people with ALS have information about/access to technology for communication with loved ones, medical professionals & others.	\$75,000	Profile Text version
The Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute	San Francisco	www.ski.org	Beatriz	St. John	bebe@ski.org	(415) 345-2035	Improving Access to Described Video for the Blind through Technology and Community	To improve access to described online video for people with visual disabilities and provide description training and support for sighted volunteers.	\$99,098	Profile Text version
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