

2018 Grantees

Funding Priority

Training the Next Generation of AT and AAC Experts

Organization	Project Title	Grant Purpose	Grant Recommendation	Professionals to be trained	Primary Target Beneficiaries	Project Service Area
<u>Goodwill of Orange County/ Assistive Technology Exchange Center</u> *	AT Readiness: Equipping Case Managers/Support Professionals with AT Education and Tools	To provide Assistive Technology training/education and resources tools to 600 case managers/support professionals in Southern California.	\$42,000	600	Adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD), speech and mobility impairments	Los Angeles
<u>Hearing and Speech Center of Northern California</u> *	Improving Healthcare through Assistive Technology	Training for 250 healthcare professionals in the use of assistive technology so that they may provide quality care to patients with hearing loss.	\$75,000	250	Deaf and hard of hearing adults and seniors	Bay Area
<u>Resource for Education, Advocacy, Communication and Housing (REACH)</u> *	Communication Partner Training Series	To provide a four-part training series to at least 140 disability service providers in Los Angeles County, the Inland Empire, and San Diego County.	\$71,200	140	Children and adults with IDD and speech impairments	Los Angeles and San Diego
<u>Support for Families of Children with Disabilities</u> *	Sustaining the Word: Increasing Professionals' Capacity to use Mid- & Low-tech AAC with Children	To provide and sustain multiple training opportunities, resources and supports in mid- and low-tech AAC to 175 professionals in the Bay Area.	\$88,200	175	Infants, children and adults with IDD & speech impairments	Bay Area

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<u>Team of Advocates for Special Kids (TASK)</u> *	Let's Talk Low Tech	To train 115 professionals throughout southern California on the benefits of low-tech AAC, especially for young children.	\$38,600	115	Infants and children with IDD & speech impairments	Los Angeles, San Diego
<u>The Arc of Ventura County</u> *	Training the Experts of the Digital Literacy Program	To provide specialized training to more than 200 staff members to properly support individuals to communicate through the utilization of technology.	\$24,000	200	Adults with IDD & speech impairments	Los Angeles
<u>California State University, Northridge (CSUN)</u> – The University Corporation	Expanding the Pipeline: Training Future Professionals with Accessibility Mindset	To create college-level curriculum and provide training programs to 250 future professionals on how to create accessible technologies.	\$99,000	80	Students with and without disabilities	Los Angeles
			\$438,000	1,560		

2. Facilitating Research and Innovation

Organization	Project Title	Grant Purpose	Grant Recommendation	Study Participants	Primary Target Beneficiaries	Project Service Area
California State University, East Bay (CSUEB) Foundation, Inc.	Beyond the Device: Training communication partners to support AAC use in naturalistic settings	To evaluate effects of coaching on use of AAC support strategies by para-educators working with children using AAC systems in classroom settings.	\$61,600	6-8 AAC users	Children with IDD, speech & mobility impairments	Bay Area
Casa Colina Hospital for Rehabilitative Medicine *+	Neuromodulation in post-stroke aphasia-multimodal double blind randomized control study	Assess the impact of Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation (tDCS) on the recovery of language and communication skills in stroke patients.	\$150,000	60-80 post-stroke aphasia patients	Adults with speech impairments	Los Angeles
University of California, Berkeley (UCB) – Regents of the University of California	Explicit instruction of reading comprehension strategies to Deaf or Hard of Hearing adolescents	To examine the effects of explicit instruction of reading strategies in improving deaf students' access to print as a means of communication.	\$16,500	4 deaf/hard of hearing students	Deaf / hard of hearing teenagers	Bay Area
University of California Los Angeles (UCLA)	The UCLA Disability Studies Non-Spoken Communication Study	To leverage UCLA's research expertise to study abilities and needs of those who communicate non-verbally and improve professional methodologies.	\$100,000	6-8 individuals with autism	Young adults with IDD, speech and mobility impairments	Los Angeles
			\$328,100	100		

3. Building Networks and Replicating Successful Models

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<u>Center for Early Intervention on Deafness</u> *°	CEID Communication Learning Project for Professionals Serving Children with Special Needs	To create a professional learning community serving Deaf Plus children through hands-on trainings, onsite observations, annual partner summits	\$66,300	1,725	Deaf / hard of hearing children and adults	Bay Area
<u>Exceptional Parents Unlimited</u> *°+	Establish a Speech Referral and Delivery Hub for Young Children with Special Needs in Fresno County	Establish a localized speech referral and delivery hub for children 1 to 3 years in Fresno County.	\$140,100	700	Children with IDD and speech impairments	Central California
<u>LightHouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired</u> *+	Network of Access Technology Specialists for the Blind	To implement a network of AT trainers to improve the assistive technology training of blind students	\$107,400	325	Adults with low vision / blindness	All California
<u>Supported Life Institute / Communication Technology Education Center</u> *	Connecting the Makers and Disability Communities in Northern California	To scale the Makers Making Change model of skilled volunteer makers creating AAC/AT solutions to Northern California	\$54,300	250	Individuals of all ages with IDD and speech impairments	Sacramento
			\$368,100	3,000		

