



CALL FOR NEW INITIATIVES Competitive

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The South Dakota Council on Developmental Disabilities (Council) is pleased to announce the availability of funds for **innovative and creative project proposals** that are consistent with the goals of the Council. Funding for these projects is subject to a review process and the availability of funds. That process may result in developing ideas into specific activities that may be implemented through a grant award, contracting with an organization or agency, or another appropriate mechanism to get the work done.

PURPOSE:

This Call for New Initiatives (CNI) is to provide an opportunity for entities to submit field-initiated ideas for funding consideration. We are seeking multiple ideas which will address or solve identified barriers. This CNI is intended to provide an opportunity to act on something that has been identified as a need to improve life outcomes for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

All proposed initiatives must show how the applicants will engage in advocacy, capacity building, and/or systemic change activities that contribute to a coordinated, person- and/or family-centered, person- and family-directed, comprehensive system that includes needed community services, individualized supports and other forms of assistance that promote self-determination for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The Council will fund proposed ideas or initiatives that are likely to create lasting change or to establish programs that will continue to exist after our financial support ends. The Council does not fund:

- Operations costs for existing programs;
- Start-up costs for new businesses or organizations (except those related to employment or self-employment of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities);
- Capital improvements or new construction;
- Vehicles or large equipment;
- Programs that are not fully inclusive;
- Direct supports or services (except as demonstrations of new ways of thinking and doing)
- Therapy or treatment.

FUNDING AND PROJECT TIMELINE:

The Council hopes to invest in multiple projects. The Council has a total of \$400,000 of federal funds available. Projects can apply for any amount between \$5,000 and \$100,000. Projects should be completed within a specified time frame, and can be as short as three months or as long as three years in length.

The Council can provide a maximum of 75% of the total project costs. Grantees must provide at least 25% matching non-federal funds per year. The non-federal share of the cost of the project may be provided with cash or in-kind services.

The Council is not liable for any costs incurred by the applicant prior to issuance of a legally executed contract or procurement document. Further, no proprietary interest of any nature shall occur until a contract is awarded and signed by all concerned parties.

COUNCIL MISSION AND PRINCIPLES

The mission of the South Dakota Council on Developmental Disabilities is to assist people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families in achieving the quality of life they desire through advocacy, systems change and capacity building.

The Council's Statement of Principles includes:

- ❖ People with intellectual and developmental disabilities:
 - Receive person-centered services and supports in an efficient, coordinated, timely manner.
 - Exercise self-determination and have opportunities to make informed choices.
 - Have opportunities for meaningful, integrated, competitive employment.
 - Are integrated into community life and make contributions to their families, community, state and nation.
 - Have opportunities for lifelong learning, relationships, and live in homes of their choice.
 - Are free of abuse, neglect, exploitation and violations of their human and legal rights.

- ❖ People with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families have strengths and personal goals that are recognized, supported and encouraged.

- ❖ The lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities are enhanced when families and communities are provided information, services and other assistance.

STATE PLAN AREAS INCLUDE:

- ◇ Goal 1 Workforce - People with intellectual and developmental disabilities are provided services and supports by direct support professionals (DSPs) that are knowledgeable, trained and supported.

- ◇ Goal 2 Early Intervention – Parents and guardians of young children with intellectual and developmental disabilities know about the resources available and have access to supports, services and training.

- ◇ Goal 3 Safety & Security – People with intellectual and developmental disabilities feel safe and secure in their communities.

- ◇ Goal 4 Employment – People with intellectual and developmental disabilities, including those with significant disabilities, and their families will have the expectation of employment in community settings.

- ◇ Goal 5 Advocacy and Leadership Development – people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families have information, training, support and opportunities to effectively advocate and impact system change.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Proposals are welcome from all types of entities and organizations, formal and informal, including service providers, schools, municipalities, service or trade associations, churches, civic or interest based organizations, or others. Applicants must have a tax ID number to receive funding. The applicant must be the organization that will provide the administrative functions for the grant and receive, disburse and account for grant funds.

PROCESS:

The Council is requesting a one to three page "Concept Brief" prior to submission of a full proposal. This process will help save time by eliminating ideas that are not likely to be funded. All Concept Briefs will be reviewed. A basic outline for the Concept Brief is provided.

If your concept brief is selected through the review process, you will receive an invitation to submit a full proposal using the Council's FFY19 Grant Application Packet.

PROJECT STRATEGIES INCLUDE:

Strategies generally considered for use of funding as identified in Section 125 (c)(5)(A-L) of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (PL 106-402) are:

- Outreach
- Training
- Technical assistance
- Supporting and educating communities
- Coordination with related councils, committees and programs
- Barrier elimination
- Systems design and redesign
- Coalition development and citizen participation
- Informing policymakers
- Demonstration of new approaches to services and supports

POSSIBLE IDEAS FROM THE COUNCIL – ALL IDEAS WILL BE CONSIDERED:

Workforce Development

- Incentivizing employees
- Retention and recruitment/what keeps people there
- Data collection and evaluation of available data
- Media campaign/social media
- Expand project search
- Professional development or direct support professionals
- Impact of shared living on staffing patterns, etc.

Early Intervention

- Childcare provider engagement
- Parent to parent connecting and networking
- Easy access to information/clarity of information early on
- Education of what the resources are/not just a link
- Increasing inclusive classrooms starting at preschool
- Brochure of top 10 places to call for information when child is first diagnosed
- Networking opportunities for families and adults with disabilities

Safety and Security

- Pamphlet for emergency management with checklists, etc.
- Train the trainer programs for safety, security and developing relationships
- You tube videos on safety
- Bullying/activities by you tube videos and in schools

- Internet and phone safety
- Emergency preparedness activities
- Law enforcement and first responders awareness

Employment

- Transportation – creative ideas for helping people with developmental disabilities get to their workplaces
- Working with business partners to pull tasks those with a disability can do and create efficiencies with staff
- Support individuals in self-employment/working towards their own business
- Educate families about the benefit of those with disabilities working
- Support job matching, discovery, job coaching, etc.
- Education on the impact of employment on benefits and ABLE accounts
- Training people with a disability as para-professionals to direct support professionals, certified nursing assistants, etc.
- Use of technology across many levels
- Model for employment of people with significant disabilities
- Opportunities for networking and training for advocates, families and providers

Advocacy & Leadership Development

- Advanced leadership development
- More activities for youth, siblings, grandparents
- Mentoring
- Handbook or training on adult services with DD, how to get services, what to do, how to advocate for themselves
- Learning and networking opportunities for parents of children and youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities and/or advocates who are Native American
- Self-advocacy organizations and assisting participation on cross-disability boards

TIMELINE

	First Round	Second Round
Concept Briefs Due	Aug. 31, 2018	Oct. 1, 2018
Concept Briefs Reviewed	No later than Sept. 14, 2018	No later than Oct. 19, 2018
Invitations to submit full proposals	Sent by Sept. 17, 2018	Sent by Oct. 25, 2018
Full Proposals Due	Oct. 10, 2018	Dec. 14, 2018
Presentations to DD Council	Oct. 18-19, 2018 Rapid City area	January 2019 Dakota Digital Network videoconference

Questions should be addressed to Arlene Poncelet, Executive Director.

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CONCEPT BRIEF

Applicant Organization _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Federal ID Number _____

Project Director _____

Address/Telephone _____

Email Address: _____

Type of Organization _____ Tax Exempt? _____

Under "Type of Organization" indicate all of the following that apply: State, county, municipality, or other public institution; nonprofit or profit private institution. If "nonprofit" and/or "tax exempt", proof of status may be requested.

Title of Project _____

Project Begins _____ Project Ends _____

Total Council Funds Requested _____ Total Project Budget _____

Authorizing Official (please type name)

Signature

Title and address, if different from Project Director listed above.

CONCEPT BRIEF NARRATIVE
(1-3 pages in length)

Remember, the Council includes people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, parents, siblings and agency staff. Make your ideas clear and easy to understand.

1. Please provide a brief description of the concept. Please make sure to identify the general approach and expected outcomes.
2. Who would this work impact? Describe the intended audience and area of the state.
3. Describe how and why your concept will demonstrate a commitment to the Council's mission and values.
4. Provide an estimated budget amount to be requested and a short narrative to explain your budget and how the match will be provided.