

LOUISIANA DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL

**STATUS OF FFY 2011 PLAN ACTIVITIES
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QUALITY ASSURANCE ACTIVITIES

GOAL: People have information, skills, opportunities and supports to live free of abuse, neglect, financial and sexual exploitation, and violations of their human and legal rights.

Five Year Total: **\$1,218,671**
FFY 2011 Total: **\$234,347**

Objective 1: 1588 persons with developmental disabilities and family members will be trained to become effective advocates.

<p>Partners in Policymaking provides leadership training for individuals with developmental disabilities and parents of young children with developmental disabilities to become active partners in policy change.</p>	<p>Contractor FHF Crossroads</p>	<p align="right">\$384,371</p>
<p>FFY 2007</p>	<p>Of the 17 Partners graduates, 9 are currently active in advocacy efforts.</p>	<p align="right">\$72,142</p>
<p>FFY 2008</p>	<p>There were 18 graduates in this Partners class with 13 being currently active in advocacy efforts.</p>	<p align="right">\$70,581</p>
<p>FFY 2009</p>	<p>There were 19 graduates in this Partners class and 13 are currently active in advocacy efforts. Forty Partners' alumni participated in a reunion to renew their spirit and connections with other advocates.</p>	<p align="right">\$86,750</p>
<p>FFY 2010</p>	<p>Of the 25 original participants, 24 completed Partners and graduated. The 2010 class has 19 graduates active in advocacy efforts and brings the total of Partners graduates in Louisiana to over 300.</p>	<p align="right">\$76,898</p>
<p>FFY 2011</p>	<p>The Partners program offered 23 spots this year and 21 participants started in January. Five people who were offered a spot had to decline for 2011 for various reasons. These five applications will be held for the 2012 class. The current Partners class has continued with the original 21 participants as of the March session. A majority of Partners graduates since the 2006 class are currently active in advocacy efforts. The Partners Coordinator is working on locating and re-engaging previous graduates and tracking their advocacy efforts.</p> <p>Salaries and Wages \$18,000, Travel \$42,567, Supplies \$2,491, \$780, Administrative \$577, Speakers \$8,520.</p>	<p align="right">\$78,000</p>

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Stipends available through Families Helping Families provide financial support for persons with developmental disabilities and their family members to participate in training events and conferences on community-based individual supports.		Contractors FHF's	\$204,580
FFY 2007	Supported 217 individuals with disabilities and family members to participate in training, conferences, workshops and other events.		\$49,807
FFY 2008	Supported 130 individuals with disabilities and family members to participate in training, conferences, workshops and other events.		\$51,800
FFY 2009	Supported 169 individuals with disabilities and family members to participate in training, conferences, workshops and other events.		\$30,906
FFY 2010	Supported 111 individuals with disabilities and family members to participate in training, conferences, workshops and other events.		\$32,067
FFY 2011	Sixty three individuals with disabilities and family members received stipends to attend conferences and workshops this quarter. Stipends \$36,800, Administrative \$3,200.		\$40,000

My Choice provides for training to individuals with developmental disabilities on topics identified as priority interest by people with developmental disabilities. All trainings are presented by people with developmental disabilities.		Contractor Arc of LA	\$27,963
FFY 2009	Five individuals with developmental disabilities presented 12 trainings to 240 participants. The two training topics presented were <i>Identifying Abuse</i> and <i>Communicating My Wants and Needs to My Support Staff</i> .		\$10,000
FFY 2010	The My Choice project employed five individuals with developmental disabilities as trainers, surveyors, and/or peer reviewers. Eleven training sessions were provided to 195 participants. Two additional training topics were developed. The four topics presented were <i>Economic Abuse</i> , <i>Advocacy</i> , <i>Abuse</i> , and <i>Communicating My Wants and Needs to My Support Staff</i> .		\$10,000
FFY 2011	As of March, five My Choice trainings have been completed with 104 individuals with developmental disabilities participating. Training topics were updated and three trainers presented on the most requested topics: <i>Abuse and Neglect</i> , <i>Economic Abuse</i> , and <i>Communicating My Wants and Needs to My Support Staff</i> . Additional trainings are scheduled for future		\$7,963

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Objective 2: The statewide self-advocacy organization will be supported and strengthened through collaboration with the Louisiana Self-Advocacy Project.

People First of Louisiana is the statewide self advocacy organization governed by a board of directors with representatives from 15 local Chapters. This Contract supports the state chapter in providing leadership, training and technical support to the local Chapters which are supported by OCDD funding.	Contractor Arc of La	\$ 528,092
FFY 2007	Co-hosted the "Power of Three" Disability Summit. Twenty four chapters with an estimated 350 members. Provided training to members on topics including person-first language, self determination, holding effective meetings, and officer responsibilities.	\$ 106,325
FFY 2008	Provided training on voting rights and procedures at 6 Local People First Chapters across the state. Established criteria and benchmarks to build Chapter affiliation status with state People First Organization. Nineteen Chapters with 350 members.	\$ 109,264
FFY 2009	Fifteen Chapters with 527 members working toward meeting benchmarks to become affiliated with the State People First. Established Advocacy Agenda for legislative session.	\$ 108,352
FFY 2010	Fifteen Chapters with 394 members increased their focus on advocacy activities directed toward legislators and state policy makers.	\$ 102,114
FFY 2011	Plans have been made for a self-advocacy/transition pilot project at a middle school in Baton Rouge. The goal is to promote the importance of self-advocacy, self-awareness, and self-determination in 6 th , 7 th , and 8 th grade students and enhance the transition process. Lessons learned in the pilot project will be used to expand the project statewide in the Fall of 2011. Salaries and wages \$44,654; Related benefits \$10,908; Travel \$15,245; Operating \$19,581; Supplies \$686; Pro Services \$10,900; Admin. \$8,026.	\$ 102,037

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Objective 3: Members of the Council and its committees will be supported to serve as effective advocates for state and national systems change and receive staff and administrative support to effectively implement the Council's mission and goals.

The DD Council Member Travel Stipend Fund supports members to attend training events		Contractor N/A	\$ 7,458
FFY 2008	Two Council members participated in the La. Disability Summit, one council member participated in the LSAC State Autism Conference, the HDC Autism Institute and the Child Abuse training (all in state), and another participated in the Hydrocephalus National Conference in Utah.		\$ 3,057
FFY 2009	Two council members participated in the NACDD Conference and another went to the Disability Summit.		\$ 1,316
FFY 2010	One council member participated in the "Achieving the Right of Adult Status" conference.		\$ 85
FFY 2011	No Council member stipends were awarded this quarter. The balance of the Council Member Travel Stipend Fund is \$3,000.		\$3,000

Objective 4: The lives of people with developmental disabilities and their families will be enhanced by continuing a collaborative relationship among the Council, the Advocacy Center, and the Human Development Center.

Through a collaborative effort the quarterly newsletter "The TriAngle" was produced in print and online.		Contractor Advocacy Center	\$56,891
FFY 2007	Four editions of The TriAngle were sent to over 3,500 subscribers.		\$13,386
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FFY 2011	The final edition of the TriAngle was published in October and sent to 3,643 subscribers. The Network collaborated on hosting and facilitating two public forums and a Blue Ribbon Panel during November to identify issues and strategies for developing each		\$3,347

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	agency's five-year plans. The Council has begun producing issues of <i>LaDDC News and</i> using the social media Facebook to disseminate news and information to its constituency.	
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Objective 5: The parents or family members of 25 individuals residing in developmental centers will be educated on the value and benefits of transition from institutional services to individualized community supports and resources that are available in the community (including housing). **ACCOMPLISHED IN FFY 2007**

	Training and mentorship were provided to family members of residents of large public ICFs/DD.	Contractor Evergreen Presbyterian Ministries	\$9,316
FFY 2007	Twenty-five family members of persons living at Pinecrest Developmental Center were mentored through the Evergreen project.		\$9,316

OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE OR OFFERED TO INDIVIDUALS IN A COMMUNITY, INCLUDING FORMAL AND INFORMAL COMMUNITY SUPPORTS THAT AFFECT THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE

GOAL: Individuals have access to other services available or offered in a community, including formal and informal community supports that affect their quality of life.

Five Year Total: **\$690,689**
FFY 2011 Total: **\$150,500**

Objective 6: Individuals with developmental disabilities will receive quality community services.

There is no update for this objective this quarter.

Objective 7: Individuals with developmental disabilities will receive quality community services.

OCDD and OAAS collaborated in the development of the "Outcomes and Indicators Across Individuals with Developmental Disabilities, Adults with Physical Disabilities, and Older Adults." Fact sheets and related media will be disseminated.

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Objective 8: 2,500 individuals with developmental disabilities and their families will receive individual and family supports through support of grassroots systemic advocacy. **ACCOMPLISHED IN FFY 2008**

Objective 9: An additional 2,000 waiver slots will be available to individuals with developmental disabilities through reform of the long term care system that better aligns resources to meet demand as a result of grassroots systemic advocacy, collaboration, coordination, and education of legislators, policy makers and other stakeholders.

	LaCAN is a statewide grassroots network of individuals and families that advocates for Community and Family Supports.	Contractor FHF - Northeast	\$642,541
FFY 2007	Passage of Act 481 providing for the NOW Trust Fund; appropriation of funding for 1,500 additional NOW slots, 200 additional Children's Choice slots, 200 additional Supports Waiver Slots, 200 ROW slots; increased funding for OCDD IFS services for people classified as priority level 1 and ; funding for the implementation the Family Opportunity Act Program; and, passage of a continuation of the DSP wage 'pass through.'		\$135,081
FFY 2008	Funding appropriated for 2,025 additional NOW slots; NOW Trust Fund protected to support new NOW slots; and mitigated the amount of rate cuts to home and community based service (HCBS) providers.		\$117,937
FFY 2009	NOW Trust Fund purpose protected to support new NOW slots; Act 116 required OCDD to report on the status of filling waiver slots; reduced the amount of rate cuts to (HCBS) providers; prevented an individual cap placed on NOW services; DHH recommendations to reform the system by consolidating and closing developmental centers and realizing cost efficiencies of using waiver services.		\$126,731
FFY 2010	150 additional NOW slots allocated; closure of NE Developmental Center; DHH plan to downsize 20% of remaining developmental centers; 425 additional Children's Choice slots; \$4.2 million from the sale of Metropolitan Dev. Ctr. appropriated for one-time expenses for individuals and families and to process waiver slots.		\$127,792
FFY 2011	LaCAN, a statewide grassroots network of 3,266 individuals and families, advocates for Community and Family Supports. The regional legislative round table expenses are included in		\$135,000

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	<p>“Supplies.” LaCAN in collaboration with Families Helping Families and other collaborators have conducted regional Community First Disability Rights Rallies on March 12-18. The theme of the rallies was preserving community capacity. Rally participants were asked to thank the Governor and Secretary Greenstein for no additional provider rate cuts. Leaders also conducted regional roundtables to educate members on the importance of effective advocacy and the Council’s advocacy agenda. LaCAN leaders are continuing to make legislative visits to educate legislators on the Council’s advocacy agenda. Travel \$12,245, Supplies \$8,530, LaCAN Leaders \$94,000, Administrative \$10,800, Rally \$9,000</p>	
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	<p>End the Wait! is a public awareness campaign to educate policy makers on the waiting list and benefits of community living.</p>	<p>Contractor N/A</p>	<p>\$31,000</p>
<p>FFY 2009</p>	<p>Produced and aired three commercials and PSAs across the state.</p>		<p>\$15,000</p>
<p>FFY 2010</p>	<p>Aired three commercials dozens of times across the state.</p>		<p>\$8,000</p>
<p>FFY 2011</p>	<p>Three individuals are featured in dozens of commercials and PSAs. The campaign aired beginning March 7 to April 4, just prior to the 2011 legislative session.</p>		<p>\$8,000</p>

Objective 10: 75,000 persons with developmental disabilities and their families will continue to obtain the information, training, and support they need through support to the Families Helping Families Resource Centers.

Families Helping Families Regional Resource Centers make up a statewide network of ten family-directed and family-staffed regional centers that provides information on services and activities that improve quality of life, help individuals understand their rights and advocate for themselves, and lend support from someone “who has been there.” Information or referral to services was made to 8,208 people this quarter.

Objective 11: 300 direct support professionals (DSP) will be recruited and/or supported through collaboration with the Human Development Center in the development and distribution of recruitment materials.

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Objective 12: Direct Support Professionals (DSPs) will continue be compensated at or above the southern regional average.

There is no update for this objective this quarter.

Objective 13: People with disabilities will have expanded social and friendship network opportunities as a result of a Louisiana on-line interactive web-based community.

	The My Voice project includes a Disaboom website and Facebook page which maintain discussion and information strands on topics relevant to people with disabilities in Louisiana.	Contractor Advocacy Center	\$17,148
FFY 2009	Discussion board topics included Medicaid Managed Care health reform proposed by DHH, bullying of children with special needs, and a "What Can You Do?" Video Contest, sponsored by the <i>Campaign for Disability Employment</i> , promoting employment among people with disabilities. One feature of the website is "Disaboomjobs" which helps people with disabilities locate inclusive employment.	\$4,920	
FFY 2010	Discussion board topics included accessible holiday travel tips, the closing of Northeast Supports and Services Center in Ruston, updates on the legislative session. accessible housing, dating and relationships. The Advocacy Center's Facebook page included information on transportation, fair housing month, the mental health treatment of children, a public meeting between Pinecrest families and the OCDD Assistant Secretary, and voting. The Advocacy Center's Facebook fan total increased to 955.	\$4,728	
FFY 2011	Recent postings discussed Medicaid prescription drug limits, budget cuts to Capital Area Transit System (CATS) in Baton Rouge, Affordable Care Act provisions, Emergency Preparedness, and Resource Allocation Meetings. On February 15, a training on the introduction to Facebook was provided for People First in New Orleans with 40 participants. Further trainings are planned for more advanced trainings. One member has attended one-on-one trainings and signed up for Facebook. Salaries and Wages \$6,150, Travel \$650, Supplies \$100, Administrative \$600.	\$7,500	

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Objective 14: People with disabilities and their families will benefit from more flexible and individualized community supports and services through the Council’s participation on various committees and work groups.

This quarter the Council was represented on the New Opportunities Waiver Renewal Stakeholders Group, an OCDD Stakeholders Group formed to develop alternatives to additional waiver rate cuts, and the Coordinated System of Care Family Support Organization Subgroup.

HOUSING ACTIVITIES

GOAL: Adults choose where and with whom they live.

Five Year Total: **\$53,150**
FFY 2011 Total: **\$0**

Objective 13: Persons with disabilities will have increased access to housing through Council efforts. **ACCOMPLISHED IN FFY 2009**

The Affordable Housing Project created a non-profit housing development corporation and developed infrastructure in Louisiana for accessible, affordable, integrated housing for people with significant disabilities.	Contractor Arc of Iberia	\$31,100
FFY 2007	Technical assistance and consulting was provided to affordable housing developers to submit Low income Housing Tax Credit applications to Louisiana Housing Finance Authority (LHFA). Funding was also used for pre-development costs to develop affordable housing projects in New Iberia, Lake Charles, and the New Orleans area. Ongoing advocacy efforts led to the Louisiana Housing Trust Fund and Louisiana’s Permanent Supportive Housing Program through LHFA.	\$31,100
The Housing Subsidy program provided supplemental payments to people with developmental disabilities transitioning from institutions to waiver services under Money Follows the Person (MFP).	Contractor OCDD	\$1,000
FFY 2008	Due to delays with Residential Options Waiver (ROW) approvals from CMS, no subsidies were given out in FFY 2008.	\$ 0

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FFY 2009	One young man transitioned from a nursing facility into an apartment. The MFP Demonstration staff visited hospitals to educate nursing staff and social workers about the opportunities that My Place Louisiana can offer a child who may be a candidate to move to a nursing facility.	\$1,000
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Home of Your Own provided persons with developmental disabilities in the Baton Rouge area with the information and tools necessary to pursue home ownership.	Contractor Arc of La	\$20,000
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FFY 2009	Five individuals were provided training and support; four established various stages toward homeownership with one participant becoming a homeowner. After the training and support model and curriculum were shared with six Arcs across the state three expressed interest in replicating the model if funding opportunities became available.	\$20,000
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The Housing Connections website (www.lahousingconnection.com) provides information to build the capacity of disability housing professionals to advocate for affordable, accessible housing.	Contractor Arc of La	\$1,050
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FFY 2009	The website is maintained without further Council funding.	\$1,050
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HEALTH ACTIVITIES

GOAL: People are healthy and benefit from the full range of needed health services.

Five Year Total: **\$0**
FFY 2011 Total: **\$0**

Objective 16: Health care for persons with developmental disabilities will become a priority in Louisiana as a result of the Council's collaboration with at least eight advocacy bodies, programs and projects.

The Council is represented on the following **healthcare-related advocacy groups**: the Office of Aging and Adult Services (OAAS) Redesign Workgroup, Louisiana Birth Defects Monitoring Network Advisory Board, Early Hearing Detection & Intervention Governor's Task Force, Down Syndrome Association of Greater New Orleans, National

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Down Syndrome Congress, Spina Bifida Association of Greater New Orleans, Autism Society of America (Greater New Orleans), Autism Research Institute, Louisiana Families for Effective Autism Treatment, Hydrocephalous Association, and National Association of Disorders of the Corpus Callosum.

Objective 17: Consumer-directed health care practices will be improved as a result of Council action.

There is no update for this objective this quarter.

EDUCATION AND EARLY INTERVENTION ACTIVITIES

Goal: Students reach their educational potential and infants and young children reach their developmental potential.

Five Year Total: **\$440,987**
FFY 2011 Total: **\$88,000**

Objective 18: Seven hundred people will become active in systems advocacy about inclusive education through support of a statewide family-driven special education grassroots advocacy organization and other education initiatives.

	<p>LaTEACH is a statewide grassroots network of parents, educators, and other stakeholders that advocates for inclusive education and positive outcomes for all students.</p>	<p>Contractor FHF – Southwest La</p>	<p align="right">\$308,000</p>
<p>FFY 2007</p>	<p>LaTEACH was established in 2005 and membership grew to nearly 700 people in 2007. Advocacy efforts concentrated on high school redesign and alternate diploma options. Membership was 687.</p>	<p align="right">\$40,000</p>	
<p>FFY 2008</p>	<p>LaTEACH had 824 members with three represented on the Special Education Advisory Council and one appointed by Governor Blanco to the Louisiana High School Redesign Commission. Other members participated on the Alternate Diploma Taskforce, BESE workgroups, and local school workgroups.</p>	<p align="right">\$60,000</p>	
<p>FFY 2009</p>	<p>The LaTEACH membership grew to over 900 even after purging the database. Priorities began to shift to advocacy activities to be similar to LaCAN. An Education Advocacy Agenda was</p>	<p align="right">\$60,000</p>	

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	developed to focus on three main areas: Creating policy for behavior related issues in schools; promoting access to Universal Pre-K4; and, following up on implementation of the Career Diploma and other exit option.	
FFY 2010	LaTEACH membership was 1,067. Advocacy efforts increased to include legislative issues as well as monitoring decisions of Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) and the Louisiana Department of Education. LaTEACH was very active during the regular session advocating for rules on the use of restraints and seclusion and also for other education issues. LaTEACH regions were reorganized to coincide with DHH, FHF, and LaCAN regions.	\$60,000
FFY 2011	LaTEACH membership has increased to 1,155 and recruitment to fill vacant area coordinator positions has gone well. It is anticipated that by April all but one area coordinator position, Region 3, will be filled. LaTEACH advocated for rules on the use of restraints and seclusion in schools and offered comments during the February meetings of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) and the Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC). There are indications that legislation regulating restraint and seclusion should be filed for the 2010 Legislative session.	\$88,000²

Inclusive Schools Art Contest		Contractor N/A	\$17,075
FFY 2007	There were seven winning entries selected and 19 artists were recognized at an awards ceremony on the LSU campus. The winning entries were displayed at several locations.		\$ 5,081
FFY 2008	The Inclusive Schools Art Contest received 170 poster, artwork and essay entries received and 17 entries (25 artists) selected as winners. Immediately following the Art Contest Awards Ceremony the winners and their teachers were also recognized during the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) meeting.		\$7,000
FFY 2009	The Inclusive Schools Art Contest had almost 100 poster, artwork and essay entries with 20 entries selected as winners. The 57 winning artists received trophies and certificates from the Governor and the Council at an awards ceremony. The winning art was displayed at several locations and Superintendent Paul		\$3,494

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	Pastorek recognized the art contest and also thanked the participating schools for their work in promoting disability awareness and inclusive education.	
FFY 2010	The Inclusive Schools Art Contest was a great success with 90 students submitting individual and group art projects. The winning art was displayed at the Louisiana State Museum, Governor’s Outstanding Leadership in Disabilities (GOLD) Awards ceremony, and the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) meeting in December. In addition, the art contest was recognized at the BESE meeting for promoting disability awareness and inclusive education. The Governor’s Office of Disability Affairs graciously took over this initiative and held a successful contest and awards ceremony in 2011.	\$1,500

Objective 19: The Council will be represented on at least seven educational decision making bodies to represent the interests of students with developmental disabilities.

The Council is represented on **educational and/or early childhood groups:** State Performance Plan Part B Committee/Policy Review Group, Louisiana State Positive Behavior Support Advisory Committee, State Improvement Grant Management Team, State Autism Team, Low Incidence Disabilities Consortium, State Interagency Coordinating Council, and School to Prison Reform Coalition.

Objective 20: Thirty children with autism and their families will receive early intervention services that will result in improved communication and social skills. **ACCOMPLISHED IN FFY 2010**

	Autism Early Behavioral Intervention program developed a model for EarlySteps to provide appropriate interventions as early as possible for children identified with autism.	Contractor HDC	\$115,912
FFY 2009	A model curriculum was developed and piloted with the family members and EarlySteps provider teams of 3 young children with autism.		\$56,374
FFY 2010	Five families completed the pilot phase of the project . The project developed specific strategies and techniques that were user friendly and effective with skill development. The model was adopted by the EarlySteps Transdisciplinary Service Project in which at least 25 children have benefited from receiving appropriate interventions.		\$59,538

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EMPLOYMENT ACTIVITIES

Goal: People get and keep employment consistent with their interests, abilities and needs.

Five Year Total: **\$395,913**
FFY 2011 Total: **\$101,361**

Objective 21: Young adults with developmental disabilities will gain employment experience through a governmental internship program developed by the Council in collaboration with other state agencies. **ACCOMPLISHED IN FFY 2008**

Count Us In Government Internship program placed interns in the office of elected officials and other governmental offices.	Contractor FHF-Bayou Land	\$41,541
FFY 2007 Four young adults completed the internship training course.		\$20,000
FFY 2008 Three internships were completed, two in the Houma/Thibodaux area, and one in Baton Rouge.		\$21,541

Objective 22: The number of people with developmental disabilities obtaining and maintaining integrated, community employment and careers will be increased through Council initiatives.

The Employment Educational Campaign provides information to individuals and their family members that emphasizes the benefits of competitive employment.	Contractor Arc of St. Charles	\$30,000
FFY 2011 There were three sessions held with a total of 26 participants. Salaries and wages \$8,000; travel \$8,000; Operating \$1,000; Supplies \$7,600; Pro Services \$7,360; Admin. \$640.		\$30,000

Employment Consortium – develop/provide Supported Employment training, contracted with Human Development Center (HDC).	Contractor HDC	\$214,509
FFY 2009 An Employment Consortium developed a model to share best practice and strategies between providers on acquiring and maintaining competitive employment for people with significant disabilities. The La. Chapter of the Association of Professionals for Supported Employment (APSE) was established.		\$75,000

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FFY 2011	The Employment Consortium builds capacity of employment provider agencies in supporting people with developmental disabilities in competitive employment. Four trainings were completed (Monroe, Pineville, New Orleans, and Lafayette) with a total of 29 participants.	\$71,361

Employment Outreach Campaign – educates the general public on benefits of employment among people with developmental disabilities.		Contractor Hometown Productions	\$66,863
FFY 2009	Five videos were developed highlighting workers with disabilities and employers dedicated to diversity in the workplace.		\$42,863
FFY 2010	The five videos aired in primetime media spots statewide and were provided for use in various job fairs around the state to provide examples of employers demonstrating inclusive hiring practices.		\$ 24,000

Buddies-At-Work – DD awareness at work		Contractor Best Buddies La	\$8,000
FFY 2010	25 individuals with disabilities were matched with 24 professionals work setting. Buddies at Work received media coverage in newspapers and a televised news cast in Lake Charles at Raisin' Canes.		\$8,000

Objective 23: The Council will learn the status of employment for people with developmental disabilities in Louisiana and have the data to effectively plan and advocate for meaningful employment options for people with developmental disabilities.
ACCOMPLISHED IN FFY 2010

Employment Study		Contractor HDC	\$35,000
FFY 2009	LSU-HDC collected and analyzed national and state research literature and collaborated with the University of Illinois to conduct the policy analysis of state agencies and integrated various employment survey data into a study on the state of		\$35,000

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	employment of people with developmental disabilities. The study was used by the Council to establish an Employment Agenda.	
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TRANSPORTATION ACTIVITIES

Goal: People have transportation services for work, school, medical, and personal needs.

Five Year Total: **\$35,000**
FFY 2011 Total: **\$35,000**

Objective 24: Transportation choices and opportunities for persons with disabilities will be expanded through the Council’s collaboration with other agencies on at least one transportation program in Louisiana.

	Transportation Louisiana improves transportation options for people with developmental disabilities through coordination of transportation services and promotion of transportation funding available to DD service providers through a transportation liaison.	Contractor Arc of La	\$35,000
FFY 2011	The liaison developed informational materials, provided regional stakeholders with transportation contact lists, and met with regional transportation officials.		\$35,000

RECREATION ACTIVITIES

Goal: People benefit from inclusive recreational, leisure and social activities consistent with their interests and abilities.

Five Year Total: **\$117,852**
FFY 2011 Total: **\$0**

Objective 25: Fifty individuals with developmental disabilities will have opportunities to enjoy increased or enhanced recreational activities through Council collaborative efforts.

ACCOMPLISHED IN FFY 2011

	The Inclusive Recreation Project “Ready, Set, Play” enhanced the existing St. Charles Recreation Department’s day camp program to include children with disabilities along with their peers without disabilities. The	Contractor Arc of St. Charles	\$42,000
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	project used lessons learned from the previous Council initiative, Common Ground, funded to Bayou Land Families Helping Families.		
FFY 2007	The St. Charles Recreation Department programs were modified to be inclusive of all children regardless of abilities. Funding was used for such things as adaptive equipment, special education staff to help support camps, and training for recreation staff. Mini Camps were also developed for those not wanting to attend a full six weeks of camp. Of the total 284 participants who attended the camps, 148 were children with disabilities. The camp continues through 2011 operating two sites that offer inclusive recreation activities funded through local dedicated funds.		\$42,000
	The Inclusive Recreation/ PBS Training increased opportunities for individuals with disabilities, including those who need positive behavior supports, to participate in the same recreational activities offered to the general public. Positive behavior supports training and technical assistance was provided to recreation professionals.	Contractor North Lake Supports & Services Center	\$75,852
FFY 2008	Ascension Parish Inclusive League (A.P.I.L.) engaged children with and without disabilities in social and recreation activities in a non-competitive environment. After the first year of A.P.I.L. the number of children with developmental disabilities who participated in the sports and recreation teams increased from 8 to 19. The number of activities offered in which children with developmental disabilities could participate went from 2 to 20. A.P.I.L continues to operate without additional Council funding.		\$38,000
FFY 2009	In the second year of funding the project expanded to two cities in the Northshore region: Hammond (City of Hammond Inclusive League or C.H.I.L.) and Mandeville (Pelican Park Inclusive Recreation League or P.P.I.R.L.). CHIL had 123 total participants, 24 of whom had developmental disabilities, in 2009. CHIL continues in the same capacity without additional Council funding. PPIRL had 194 total participants with 33 having developmental disabilities. PPIRL continued operations, albeit at a lower capacity, after support of Council funding ended.		\$37,852

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The Council collaborated with the Louisiana Indian Education Association (LIEA) to increase the number of American Indian students with disabilities included in recreational activities funded or supported by LIEA. The Indian Youth Leadership Camp was a weekend camp for Indian students in grades 7 through 12 during held for 11 years during the spring.	Contractor N/A	\$0
FFY 2007	LIEA reported three American Indian students with disabilities who participated in the youth camp along with 35 students without disabilities. All students were fully included in the activities of the weekend youth camp.	\$0
FFY 2008	Among the 58 participants in the youth camp were at least two students and one adult who have disabilities.	\$0
FFY 2009	Of the 31 students who participated in the youth camp, at least two students and an adult staff have disabilities.	\$0
FFY 2010	There were a total of 49 participants in the youth camp (31 students and 18 adult staff and counselors), with at least three students and one adult with disabilities.	\$0
FFY 2011	The Indian Youth Leadership Camp did not occur this spring. LIEA members may decide to reorganize the camp at a later time.	\$0

CHILD CARE ACTIVITIES

Goal: Children and families benefit from a range of inclusive, flexible child care options.

Five Year Total: **\$72,500**
FFY 2011 Total: **\$0**

Objective 26: Childcare providers in each region of the state will have access to training on supporting children with disabilities in inclusive day care settings.

ACCOMPLISHED IN FFY 2008

Project PACT (Partnerships for All Children Together) provided training and technical assistance to child care providers to increase the number of infants and toddlers included in community child care programs.	Contractor HDC	\$37,500
FFY 2007	PACT created seven training modules that were used to train over 1,550 individuals in supporting the inclusion of young	\$37,500

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	children with disabilities within community child care settings. Over 1,680 individuals were provided on-site technical assistance using a mentor-coaching model. Fifteen day care centers participated in the project offering activities to more than 17 children identified with having developmental delays or being evaluated for possible developmental delays.	
	Innovations in Inclusive Child Chare Project – Establish the Project PACT training modules as permanent, standard trainings offered by the Louisiana Department of Social Services to child care providers and professionals using a train-the-trainer method.	Contractor Innovations in Education
		\$35,000
FFY 2008	An additional two modules were developed for a total of nine Project PACT training modules. Ten train-the-trainer training sessions were provided to 68 participants. The Project PACT modules were approved as Department of Social Services Pathways trainings.	\$35,000

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