

Relay Nevada –Report

Commission for Persons who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Speech Impaired

Report Date:

March 10, 2020

Successes and Wins

- Attended the Technology Fair at DCN on Feb 21, 2020
- Have done over 60 presentations (both in-person and via Webinars) for Relay Nevada in this Fiscal Year (this year has a requirement of 60 presentations. Next Fiscal Year it will be 72).
- Have ordered giveaways for upcoming booths
- Have contacted various Senior retirement centers and assisted living facilities to either do a presentation or give them brochures about Relay Nevada and DCN

Collaborations and Outreach

- Shared a booth with DCN at a Disability Fair in Reno in January 2020
- Worked with DCN to exhibit at Technology Fair in February 2020
- Made contact with the Weather Channel in Las Vegas to promote Relay Nevada (in progress)
- We will continue to work with DCN at upcoming events to promote Relay Nevada

Community Challenges

- Often when we stop by retirement villages or senior facilities to inquire about a presentation, they do not offer a time / date for that or else the person responsible is not in the office. It's a hit-and-miss situation. All we can do is continue to stop by
- Coronavirus restrictions will affect our ability to work with the community. It also could impact the Senior Citizen population who may prefer to self-quarantine
- Our Southern Outreach Specialist, Kim Fernandez, has left to accept a full-time position at DCN. We are in the process of advertising the open position

Recommendations for Consideration

- Please be aware that Coronavirus restrictions recommend staying home or not traveling so this may impact our ability to be out in the public educating others about Relay Services in the short term. This is especially true for a large part of our audience... Senior Citizens

Additional Information

Updates on COVID-19 Impact to Relay Services (added by Cheyenne Pasquale on 4.9.2020)