



SFY 2014 Launches Array of Improvements & More Regional Meetings

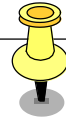
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Exciting changes and grantees' significant planning efforts during the previous year are producing huge improvements for our partners and constituency in State Fiscal Year 2014!

One of the biggest changes was the 2013 Legislative Session's approval to integrate the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) with Developmental Services and Early Intervention Services. This cost neutral integration enables ADSD to offer a full spectrum of programs under one "roof" across the lifespan for persons with disabilities. Throughout the coming year, ADSD will grow from about 200 to 900 employees, who will work closely together to facilitate clients' access to the available services they need.

Relevant to the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2014 – 2015 Social Supportive Services competitive grants, the Resource Development (RD) Unit had about \$8.5 million to allocate, while requests for funding topped \$12 million. Due to Sequestration, ADSD received about a half million dollars less in federal funding for SFY 2014, compared with the previous year. However, this loss was somewhat offset by an increase from *Fund for a Healthy Nevada* for *Independent Living Grant* funding, making the overall net loss for funding \$142,605.

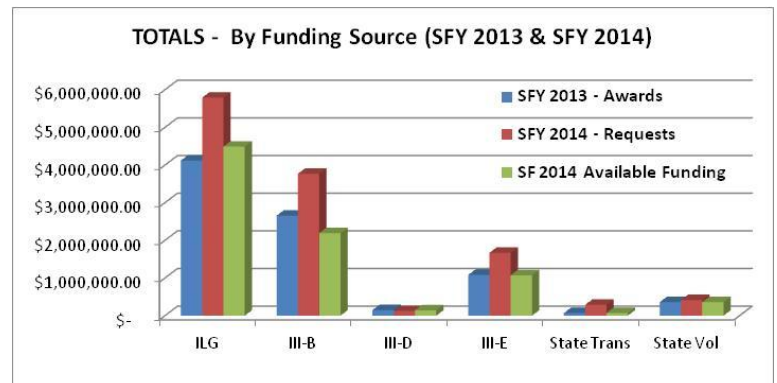
Among the many factors influencing level of funding for grantees was ensuring funds for Core Services, a review of grantee performance, and information provided by the Regional Planning Groups regarding services needed in Rural Nevada. Relevant to grantee performance, staff reviewed grantee achievement of projections for number of clients, number of units of service and general compliance with service specifications. Timely and accurate submittal of fiscal and programmatic reports, as well as SAMS data entry compliance also affected funding decisions.



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TOTALS - Request By Funding Source (SFY 2013 & SFY 2014)			
SOURCE	SFY 2013 - Awards	SFY 2014 - Requests	SF 2014 Available Funding
ILG	\$ 4,121,612.00	\$ 5,790,753.00	\$ 4,489,063.00
III-B	\$ 2,656,698.00	\$ 3,768,826.00	\$ 2,191,885.00
III-D	\$ 146,519.00	\$ 124,551.00	\$ 143,048.00
III-E	\$ 1,082,951.00	\$ 1,669,750.00	\$ 1,073,268.00
State Trans	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 289,785.00	\$ 70,000.00
State Vol	\$ 360,786.00	\$ 417,936.00	\$ 360,786.00
TOTAL	\$ 8,438,566.00	\$ 12,061,601.00	\$ 8,328,050.00



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Nevada's 2013 ADSD Statewide Conference - Sept. 25-26 in Las Vegas

The 2013 Nevada ADSD Statewide Conference is less than three months away! The conference will take place September 25 – 26 (Wednesday and Thursday) at the Tuscany Suites & Casino in Las Vegas.

The two-day event brings together the most knowledgeable, creative and resourceful community, government and business leaders working with older adults and people with disabilities across the state to come up with sustainable solutions to the challenges facing Nevada. The theme for the 2013 conference is *Mission Possible: Partners Building the Community of Tomorrow*.

Jane Gruner, ADSD's new administrator, will provide the conference's opening address and is expected to speak about the merger between ADSD, Early Intervention Services and Developmental Services.

David Ishida, a regional administrator with the Administration for Community Living (ACL) and Administration on Aging (AoA), has been asked to deliver the conference's keynote address.

Additionally, Dr. Jeffrey Cummings, one of the world's leading Alzheimer's disease researchers and director of the Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health in Las Vegas, will be presenting on the second day of the conference.

A vendor fair will also take place on both days of the conference and will offer attendees the opportunity to check out products and services of businesses and organizations from across the state.

Workshop sessions are currently being finalized.

Registration for the conference is still open and can be completed online at www.nphf.org/event-registration. The conference registration fee is \$90 (plus an online processing charge), which includes two days of sessions, materials, and breakfast and lunch on both days. Attendance is limited; registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please visit the conference's official website, <http://conference.nvadsd.com>, or email Paul Gully at pagully@adsd.nv.gov for conference updates and additional information, including sponsorship opportunities.



2013 Aging & Disability Services Division Statewide Conference
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Preparing for a Successful Program Assessment

In preparation for a successful program assessment, it is advisable for grantees to review the most current version of both the General and Program-Specific Service Specifications in advance.

Make sure your program's policies and procedures are up to date and include the obligatory language, as outlined in the Service Specifications. Have these documents with you when you meet with your Resource Development (RD) Specialist.

Many grantees keep their policies and procedures in a binder, which they refer to during an assessment. A well put-together binder has the following benefits:

- Presenting the required, written policies and procedures in a binder saves time and expedites the assessment meeting;
- The assessment could have an outcome with no action plan required, which saves the program a lot of time addressing requirements of the Service Specifications;
- The binder containing the policies and procedures is readily available to staff at any time should questions or problems arise; and
- The assembled binder reflects well on you and your staff for good organizational skills to consumers, board members, other funders and colleagues.

All Service Specifications can be accessed at http://www.nvaging.net/grants/serv_specs/service_specifications.htm.

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By the time this article goes to press, Notifications of Grant Award (NGAs) will have been distributed. The results of the funding decisions will be posted on the Division's website – nvaging.net. Along with the NGAs, social service grantees received detailed instructions about how to request their grant funds and a pre-completed template to use for this purpose.

Regarding Regional Grantee Meetings, RD staff will soon visit again! Tentative meetings are scheduled to take place between August and October. Please mark your calendars for the following dates. The Las Vegas Regional Grantee Meeting will be held the afternoon of August 13th. The Carson City Regional Meeting will be August 26th in the afternoon, and the Reno Regional Meeting will be held August 28th, also in the afternoon. The Elko Regional Meeting will be scheduled for October. More information and an agenda will be emailed to grantees in the near future, which will include exact times, items to discuss, meeting sites and an item to discuss regional leadership going forward.

We are looking forward to continuing our collaboration with you to improve and enhance existing services, as well as gain a better understanding of service delivery issues you may be experiencing. See you soon!



Pershing County Senior Center Remodels Kitchen



Following more than a year of planning and designing, remodel work for the Pershing County Senior Center kitchen and storage room is complete. Center Director Barbara Tobin spearheaded the project with support from the Pershing County Commissioners, Square Foot Club, Senior Center Gift Fund, Aging and Disability Services Division, and Black Rock City, LLC.

The old kitchen was gutted in preparation for new flooring, commercial appliances, reconfiguration of the walk-in freezer (previously accessed from the outside of the building, but now with direct access from the kitchen), and expansion of the dry storage room. Monarch Construction from Fallon, NV, oversaw the construction project.

Home-delivered meals continued during the five-week period of construction. Congregate meal service was placed on hold. At the reopening of the center, seniors expressed appreciation for the new kitchen and enjoyed getting together again for socializing, dining and activities.



Barbara Tobin, Center Director

Winnemucca's Pleasant Senior Center Planning Kitchen Expansion

The Pleasant Senior Center in Winnemucca will be breaking ground on Phase I of their \$897,382 remodel in the spring of 2014. When the Pleasant Senior Center building was built in 1983, it was serving about 60 meals a day, but as word spread and the senior population has grown, more people have come to the center every day. The kitchen now prepares and serves almost 200 meals a day, with the homebound and congregate meals combined. The need for an expanded kitchen and newer equipment is clearly necessary. The Board of Trustees was granted planning funds from the Community Development Block Grant program (a HUD-funded program for rural areas) in 2011. They hired an engineering and architectural design firm, The Dube Group. They now have a three-phase plan for the expansion of the center, sure to meet the current and future demands.

In 2012, the Board of Trustees again applied to the Community Development Block Grant program for construction funding, and were granted \$265,813, about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the cost of Phase 1 construction. The Pleasant Senior Center then kick started fundraising efforts, with events like the Bluegrass Festival and 50's Fever, to raise the additional funds. But it is the seniors themselves that most impress Director Patricia Tindall. "I am

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Silver Rider Wins National Transportation Award

The Southern Nevada Transit Coalition – Silver Rider received national recognition for its organization at an awards ceremony held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on June 5th. The award was presented by the Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA). The CTAA organization is based in Washington, D.C.



The Southern Nevada Transit Coalition – Silver Rider was one of numerous rural transportation organizations nominated for this prestigious annual national award. The selection of the winner was determined by the Board of Directors of the CTAA, as well as an appointed Awards Committee. The official title of the award is the **2013 Rural Community Transportation System of the Year**. This is the first national award received by any rural transportation organization in Nevada.

The award recognizes excellence by rural transit systems in serving the needs of their communities, as well as creation and implementation of unique programs that assist in filling specific, unmet needs in the communities they serve.

Silver Rider operates rural transportation in eleven, rural Southern Nevada communities. They provide fixed-route (primarily employment-driven), demand-response, door-to-door transportation for seniors, veterans, people with disabilities, and those requiring access to life-sustaining chemotherapy/dialysis treatments. Annually, Silver Rider provides over 400,000 rides in those eleven communities. Silver Rider is the largest rural transportation system in Nevada. The organization recently celebrated its 11th year of service!

Silver Rider Executive Director, Debbie Dauenhauer, expressed her appreciation to the CTAA organization for recognizing the work that Silver Rider provides to all the communities it serves and selecting the organization for this annual national award. The management team and the Silver Rider family of 90 employees were elated to hear of the organization's selection. During the presentation at the annual awards breakfast in Albuquerque, Debbie Dauenhauer thanked the "various funding organizations that were steadfast in their commitment to rural transit in Southern Nevada, specifically the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC), the Nevada Department of Transportation and the Aging and Disability Services Division of Nevada." Additionally, she expressed that this "prestigious award was the best birthday present ever for the Silver Rider organization."



The Southern Nevada Transit Coalition was incorporated in June of 2002, as part of the Nevada Department of Transportation's Public Rural Ride (Pride) program. Silver Rider Transit is the organizational branding of the Southern Nevada Transit Coalition. The Southern Nevada Transit Coalition is a private, non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization. More information can be found at www.sntc.net.



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extremely proud of the seniors and their contributions, involvement and enthusiasm in the project," she said. The seniors raised almost \$20,000 of the needed \$124,382 and when members of Barrick Gold Corporation's Turquoise Ridge Community Relations Committee saw the sacrificial giving going on, they matched it dollar-for-dollar. Progressive raffle sales and ice cream sales also go to the Kitchen Expansion Fund. To date, approximately \$44,966 has been raised with the board contributing an additional \$35,000, for a total of \$79,966. The center has about \$44,500 yet to raise. The remodel of the building will begin with the kitchen and addition of a carport for the homebound delivery vans. Phase II will include enlarging the dining area, adding toilet facilities, and a covered, handicapped-accessible entry. The last phase will include expansion of the building's front, more bathroom facilities, an exercise area and offices for visiting professionals, such as lawyers and senior advocates.



The SMP calendar reveals many upcoming events for the coming quarter. Be sure and check the link periodically, as new events are added often.
<http://www.nevadaadrc.com/smp-events/month.calendar/2013/06/25>

Clicking on any event will open details showing the time and location. There are too many events in the coming quarter to list here. So, please review the calendar for possible events that may interest you!

Useful Web Sites:

State of Nevada - Aging and Disability Services Division	http://nvaging.net or http://aging.state.nv.us
U.S. Administration for Community Living	http://acl.gov
Find and Apply for Federal Government Grants	http://www.grants.gov
Rural Assistance Center	http://www.raonline.org
Nevada Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs)	http://www.nevadaadrc.com
Nevada Controller's Office, Vendor Services	http://controller.nv.gov
National Council on Aging (NCOA)	http://www.ncoa.org
NCOA Crossroads - Peer Support and Information	http://www.ncoacrossroads.org



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