## NLRCC Board Meeting

## Lifespan Respite Grant Updates Jamie Ahumada, Yazmin Orozco June 21, 2022

## Lifespan Respite Grant & Enhancement Grant Activities

**Emergency Funds for Respite Assistance** - The Lifespan Respite Grant allocated Emergency Respite Funding for Caregivers through a self-directed voucher that started in November 2021. The total funds distributed statewide was \$85,074.03 is available starting June 1, 2022.

- A total of 79 caregivers have applied for emergency funds for respite. The funds have helped 41 caregivers receive assistance and 38 referred to Long-Term Service Supports.
- LSR Emergency funds flyer 2.0 Remediated 5.20.2022.pdf
- Emergency Fund Request Referral Form Template.docx

Currently working on a draft for the first annual *Caregiving in Nevada Report*.

• Report will be shared for review with NLRCC

Collection of data on Caregiver Satisfaction Surveys through statewide caregiver programs

<u>Caregiver Respite Satisfaction Survey</u>

Total collected number of Caregiver Satisfaction Surveys is up to 41.

This is a yearlong project that started in January 2022 and was launched in February 2022

Outreach with faith-based organizations, non-profits, career/technical colleges, higher education colleges, inter-tribal communities, and community clubs interested in promoting the training and helping people in rural and urban communities gain experience in the respite workforce.

- We have reached out to 32 organizations and have marketed and promoted information on the training and certification courses to share amongst networks.
- Accomplished recruiting a total amount of 38 learners and 11 completed the training.
- Enhancement of respite training to provide a comprehensive training on specialty education courses to broaden the spectrum of individual/family needs statewide.
  <u>Remediated - Pilot Project Flyer.pdf</u>

Upcoming meetings with Faith-Based community groups and non-profit organizations continues our effort in providing a free self-pace training opportunity to educate and support future respite workers to enter the workforce. Hired two candidates to assist on enhancing education and promote outreach projects and market to new audiences on the benefit of becoming a respite worker.

- Service-learning opportunities and internship opportunities for students in nursing, social work, human development, psychology, and public health field.
- **Respite Intern Coordinator starting (July 2022)**-Will work as the community Liaison for potential internship placements such as higher ed institutions, career colleges, and conduct training and ongoing program evaluation.
- **Training officer starting (August 2022)-** is a short-term position however, it is very crucial. Their main objective is to revamp and enhance Nevada's Respite training to ensure training is comprehensive in training a workforce.

## Lifespan Respite Grant Activity Updates

- The Lifespan Respite Emergency funds has a balance of \$352.63, but an additional allotment of \$44,973.03 will be available June 1, 2022. The original allotment of \$40,101 has helped 38 family caregivers receive emergency respite.
- 2. ADSD is beginning implementation of broader recruitment efforts to expand the respite workforce and has explored options to create a registry of respite workers who go through the online training.
- 3. ADSD is working with state and community partners to expand utilization of a standard Caregiver Satisfaction Survey and to date 41 caregivers have completed the survey. Greater efforts are needed with state level partners to implement utilization of the survey consistently to help with future planning.
- 4. The Nevada Respite Training Pilot Project has launched and to date, 38 people have enrolled in the training, with 11 participants completing all 10 courses. This training is offering free respite training courses and support to prepare future respite care workers to enter the workforce.