

FRANK D. LANTERMAN  REGIONAL CENTER

June 2022

**SELF-DETERMINATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
INDEPENDENT FACILITATOR
SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST**

ANNOUNCEMENT

Self-Determination Advisory Committees (SDACs) were established by law to provide oversight of the Self-Determination Program (SDP) and make recommendations for improvement to each local regional center and the Department of Developmental Services (DDS). Periodically, funds are granted by DDS to the SDACs and regional centers to support the implementation of the SDP.

The Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center (FDLRC) SDAC has identified the need for more Independent Facilitators (IF) that speak a language in addition to English. In response to this identified need, FDLRC is offering up to ten (10) scholarships for individuals who are interested in becoming an Independent Facilitator.

In addition to English, scholarship applicants must speak Spanish, Armenian or Korean and commit to providing IF services to a minimum of four (4) Lanterman Regional Center individuals/ families.

If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, please complete an application in accordance with the submission instructions below. Lanterman Regional Center's SDAC is looking to provide up to ten (10) scholarships; each selected individual may receive funds of up to \$2,000.

Deadline for Submission

Proposals must be received by the Regional Center by 4:00 PM on Friday, July 15, 2022. Applications that are incomplete, fail to comply with instructions or do not meet the basic requirements will be disqualified.

**LANTERMAN REGIONAL CENTER SDAC
SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE
ATTENTION: ADRIAN JIMENEZ
3303 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 700
LOS ANGELES, CA, 90010**

PROJECT SUMMARY

Service Description

The scholarship applicant will locate, pay for registration and successfully complete a training course on how to be an Independent Facilitator. Upon successful completion, the scholarship recipient will submit a copy of the certificate of completion to the SDP Coordinator, Adrian Jimenez at AJimenez@lanterman.org.

Geographic Location

The Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center provides services to individuals in the cities of Burbank, Glendale, La Cañada and Pasadena, as well as the Hollywood, mid-Wilshire and Downtown areas of Los Angeles.

PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

AVAILABILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Scholarship funds of up to \$2,000 per applicant; the Regional Center has dedicated a maximum amount of \$20,000 to the scholarship project. This Scholarship process does not commit Lanterman Regional Center to utilize all funds.

The regional center SDAC reserves the right of final decision regarding application eligibility and selection. Funds for this project will be dispersed incrementally, according to the completion of milestones set forth in the contract agreement.

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY AND RESTRICTIONS

Eligibility

All scholarship applicants must be bilingual English/Spanish, English/Armenian or English/Korean and serve a minimum of 4 Lanterman individuals/families.

Ineligibility

FDLRC employees are not eligible for this scholarship.

APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS

Must demonstrate an interest in the Self Determination Program.
In addition to English, must speak one of the preferred languages fluently.

SELECTION PROCESS

All applications received by the deadline will be reviewed by the SDAC. Late or incomplete applications may be reviewed at a later date if scholarship funds have not been exhausted.

All applicants will receive written notification of SDAC's decision within 45 business days from closure of application deadline, no later than September 16, 2022.

Lanterman Regional Center reserves the right not to select an applicant for the scholarship if, in its determination, the applicant is not qualified for or sufficiently responsive to the scholarship intent.

Additional Requirements

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

Lanterman Regional Center reserves the right to withdraw, suspend or defer development of the Scholarship project at any time without notice. This notice is offered at the discretion of FDLRC, and does not commit FDLRC to award the scholarships.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Submit a completed application, with a cover letter detailing interest in Self-Determination to Adrian Jimenez at AJimenez@lanterman.org.

Contact Person

Questions pertaining to submission instructions may be directed to Adrian Jimenez, SDP Coordinator at (213) 252-8642.

Independent Facilitation Training Resources:

These resources are offered as informational only. The scholarship applicant is not limited to these resources.

Guidelight Group: www.Guidelight.org

Autism Society: www.autismla.org

Disbursement of Scholarship

- Up to \$400.00 will be reimbursed towards cost of IF training upon successful completion of the IF training
- Reimburse \$400 for each successful transition of a Lanterman client into SDP, up to a maximum of \$1600.00

Attachment – A
APPLICATION/PROPOSAL COVERSHEET

Name of Applicant		
Applicant's mailing address		
Contact phone number		
Contact e-mail address		
List two (2) Personal or Professional References: Names and contact information		
1)		
2)		
Demonstrated interest in Self Determination		
Explain why you want to be an Independent Facilitator		
Describe how you will identify potential SDP participants to assist		

Application submitted by:

 Signature

 Date