

Background:

- **Stipends Grants Applications Approved** - TCDD Policies provide for the Executive Director to make final decisions about applications for Events Stipends and Presentation Support Stipends. Four (4) stipend applications were approved during the quarter. Executive Summaries are enclosed for grants approved to the following organizations:
 1. **Texas Advocates:** Events Stipend for up to \$5,988 for the *2013 Texas Advocates Annual Convention* on August 9-11, 2013, in Houston.
 2. **The Arc of Greater Beaumont:** Presenters Stipend for up to \$6,000 for the *Special Education Conference* on August 24, 2013, in Beaumont.
 3. **Providers Alliance for Community Services of Texas:** Presenters Stipend for up to \$5,000 for the *PACSTX 2013 Annual Conference* on September 25-27, 2013, in San Marcos.
 4. **University of Texas at El Paso:** Speakers Stipend for up to \$5,000 for the *Ability Awareness Week* on October 7-11, 2013. in El Paso.
- **State and Federal Affairs Update** –TCDD staff will provide updates about various state and federal matters during the meetings.
- **Attendance Report** – A quarterly summary of attendance of Council members at meetings is also enclosed.

Important Terms:

Events Stipend Grants: Organizations may apply for up to \$6000 to pay for conference registration, hotel rooms, attendants, respite, travel expenses, etc. for self-advocates and their family members to attend conferences and other events.

Disability-Related Presentation Support Stipend Grants: Sponsoring organization of the meeting, conference, workshop, or seminar may apply for up to \$6000 per event for transportation, meals, and lodging for speakers, expenses for an attendant, respite care or other accommodations, as well as speaker fees.

Executive Committee

Agenda Item 5.

Expected Action:

The Executive Committee will review the information provided and may provide guidance to staff.

Council

Agenda Item 12.

Expected Action:

The Council will receive a report on the Executive Committee discussion.

CONSUMER STIPENDS PROPOSALS

Date: 5/28/13

Executive Director Review

ITEM: 1

Organization: Texas Advocates
City, State: Austin, TX

Federal: \$ 5,988
Match: \$ 3,040

Event: Conference: 2013 Texas Advocates Annual Convention
Date: August 9-11, 2013
Hotel: The Galleria
City, State: Houston, Texas

Previously Funded: Yes: 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1993, 1992, 1991, and 1990

Comments: This statewide event will provide opportunities for people with disabilities to learn about self advocacy and self determination.

Considerations: The conference sponsors propose to provide stipends to cover:
Lodging (double occupancy) - 54 individuals
(54 @ \$55.44/night for two days) = \$5,988.00
Total cost (federal): = \$5,988.00

Applicant match covers registration:
Registration – 54 individuals
(54 @ \$10.00/individual) = \$ 540.00
Staff hours worked for the conference (see attached) = \$2,500.00
Total cost (match): = \$3,040.00

Recommendation: Staff recommends funding. Proposal received 90 days prior to the event.

Approved: yes no _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

THE ARC OF TEXAS

	<u>Hourly Rate</u>	<u># hours</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Total</u>
Executive Director	45.67	5	228.37	168.41	396.77
FSS Director	39.77	29	1,153.28	88.23	1,241.51
Accountant	21.63	9	194.71	14.90	209.61
Operations Admin	20.19	30	605.77	46.34	652.11
Total Match					2,500.00

CONSUMER STIPENDS PROPOSALS

Date: 6/20/13

Executive Director Review

ITEM: 2

Organization: The Arc of Greater Beaumont
City, State: Austin, TX

Federal: \$ 6,000
Match: \$ 667

Event: Conference: Special Education Conference
Date: August 24, 2013
Hotel: Region 5 Service Center
City, State: Beaumont, Texas

Previously Funded: No
Comments: The Conference is aimed at educating parents and educators of children with IDD. Steven Shore will be the keynote speaker. The conference will have several breakout sessions including: special education law, behavior techniques, and computer apps for special needs individuals.

Considerations: The conference sponsors propose to provide stipends to cover:

Speakers – 5 individuals
(1 @ \$3,400.00, 1 @ \$650, 1 @ \$700, 1 @ \$900 = \$ 6,000.00
and 1 @ \$350)

Total cost (federal): = \$ 6,000.00

Applicant match covers speaker fees, travel nad lodging expenses:

Speakers – 5 individuals = \$ 667.00

Total cost (match): = \$ 667.00

Recommendation: Staff recommends funding. Proposal received 90 days prior to the event.

Approved: yes no _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

CONSUMER STIPENDS PROPOSALS

Date: 6/26/13

Executive Director Review

ITEM: 3

Organization: Providers Alliance for Community Services of TX	Federal:	\$ 5,000
City, State: Austin, TX	Match:	\$ 1,112

Event: Conference: PACSTX 2013 Annual Conference
 Date: September 25-27, 2013
 Hotel: Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center
 City, State: San Marcos, Texas

Previously Funded: No
 Comments: This conference is an incredible opportunity for people to share experiences & develop a unified voice to improve community services for persons with IDD in Texas. Keynotes & sessions have been selected to promote broad, philosophical understanding as well as technical, operational, & regulatory specifics.

Considerations: The conference sponsors propose to provide stipends to cover:

Speaker – 1 individual (1 @ \$5,000.00)	= \$ 5,000.00
Total cost (federal):	= \$ 5,000.00

Applicant match covers speaker fees, travel and lodging expenses:
 Speaker – 1 individual
 flight \$550.00, car rental \$170.00, gas \$25.00,
 lodging for two days \$297, meals for two days \$70.00

	= \$ 1,112.00
Total cost (match):	= \$ 1,112.00

Recommendation: Staff recommends funding. Proposal received 90 days prior to the event.

Approved: **yes** **no** _____ **Date:** _____

Comments: _____

CONSUMER STIPENDS PROPOSALS

Date: 7/9/13

Executive Director Review

ITEM: 4

Organization: The University of Texas at El Paso
City, State: Austin, TX

Federal: \$ 5,000
Match: \$ 1,000

Event: Conference: Ability Awareness Week
Date: October 7-11, 2013
Hotel: Various Locations on the UTEP Campus
City, State: El Paso, Texas

Previously Funded: No
Comments: Ability Awareness Week reflects UTEPs recognition of National Disability Employment Awareness Month. This series of activities is designed to increase disability awareness, and to engage the greater El Paso community in promoting a more inclusive campus environment for people with disabilities.

Considerations: The conference sponsors propose to provide stipends to cover:

Speakers – 1 individual
(1 @ \$5,000) = \$ 5,000.00
Total cost (federal): = \$ 5,000.00

Applicant match covers speaker fees, travel nad lodging expenses:
Speakers – 1 individual
(Hotel @ \$139 for 3 nights = \$417, = \$ 1,000.00
Airfare & Ground Transportation @ \$583)
Total cost (match): = \$ 1,000.00

Recommendation: Staff recommends funding. Proposal received 90 days prior to the event.

Approved: yes no _____ **Date:** _____

Comments: _____

**TCDD QUARTERLY COUNCIL MEETINGS
ATTENDANCE REPORT
August 2011 – May 2013**

Council Member	5/13	2/13	10/12	7/12	5/12	2/12	11/11	8/11
H. Adkins	EA	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
K. Blackmon	EA	P	P	EA	P	P	P	EA
K. Clark	P	EA	P –Th EA – Fr	P	EA	P	P	P
G. Cortez	P	P	EA	P	P	P	P	NA
K. Cox	P	P	P	P	P	P	EA	P
A. Crim	EA	EA	P	EA	P –Th EA – Fr	P	P – Th EA – Fr	EA
M. Delgado	P	EA	P	P	EA	EA	P	P
M. Durheim	P	P	P	P	P	EA	P	EA
S. Gersuk	P	P	P	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
C. Johnston	P	EA	EA	P	P	P	P	P
D. Kern	P	P – Th EA - Fr	P	EA	P	EA	EA	P
S. McAvoy	P	P	EA	P	P	NA	NA	NA
J. Morris	P	P	P	P	EA	P	P	P EA -Fr
D. Perry	EA	EA	EA	P	P	P	EA	P
J. Rivas	P – Th EA - Fr	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
D. Taylor	P	P	P	P	P	NA	NA	NA
L. Taylor	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	EA
R. Tisch	P	P	P	P	P	P	EA	P
S. Vardell	EA	EA	P –Th EA – Fr	P	P	P	P	P
DRT (AI)	P	P	P	P	EA	P	P	P
UT CDS	P P – Th EA - Fr	P	P	P	EA	P	P	EA
A&M CDD	EA	P	P –Th EA – Fr	P	EA	P	EA	P
DADS	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
DARS	P	P	P	P	EA	P	P	P
DSHS	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
HHSC	P	P	P	P –Th EA-Fr	P	P	P	P
TEA	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

Key: P = Present
A = Absent
EA = Excused Absence
NA= Not Applicable