

**Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities
Executive Committee**

Date: 4/4/2014

Review of Proposed Activities & Budget

ITEM: I

Grantee: The Arc of Texas

Year: 3 of 3

Project Title: LDATA-New: Project MOVE (Mobilized Organized Voices Empowered)

Project Location: Austin, San Antonio, Rio Grande Valley, and the Amarillo/Central Plains region **Website:** http://www.thearcoftexas.org/site/PageServer?pagename=arctx_ProjectMove_ProjectSave

TCDD RFP Intent:

The intent of the new Leadership Development and Advocacy Skills Training Projects RFP is to create programs that provide leadership development and advocacy skills training for people with developmental disabilities, their families, and their allies.

Authorized Funding: TCDD has approved up to \$75,000 for up to three years.

Expected Results: At least 300 individuals, including at least 125 self-advocates and 100 family members, will receive training regarding advocacy, leadership, and community organizing through project activities during the three years.

Project Goals and Accomplishments for Years 1- 2:

Goal: Project MOVE (Mobilized Organized Voices Empowered) will provide training and ongoing support to **mobilize** and **organize** self advocates, families, and allies to use their **voices** together to **empower** communities to create meaningful change for themselves, their community, and Texas. For Year 2, the project goal was to conduct trainings for at least 141 individuals in at least 3 communities.

Accomplishments per goal:

The Arc partnered with local Arc chapters, Texas Advocates chapters, local Easter Seals, local Down Syndrome Associations and other relevant organizations in each target area to implement Project MOVE. As of December 2013, recruitment and training has taken place in 5 communities for 124 individuals in Year 2. A grand total of 8 communities and 234 individuals have been trained in Years 1 and 2 combined. Additional trainings have been scheduled in San Antonio, Austin, San Angelo and the Rio Grande Valley.

Proposed Goals and Objectives for Year 3:

Goal: Same as above.

Objectives: 1) Select at least one new community for training (staff have selected North Texas, Fort Bend, and Temple/Georgetown); 2) Continue to work with some or all of the current training communities; 3) Provide training in 6 communities for at least 60 new participants and new community members; 4) Develop advocacy toolkits that will include information on advocacy, legislative advocacy, partnerships and peer supports, disability policy issues, etc.

Staff Recommendations: Public Policy Considerations: Grassroots organizing and community training are key to effective policy changes for persons with developmental disabilities. Staff continues to look forward to details re the outcomes associated with policy change efforts chosen by local groups trained by Project MOVE.

Grant Management Considerations: No concerns; moderate risk monitoring (award-within-award).

Staff Recommendation: TCDD staff recommends Council to consider continued funding for this project.

Continuation Budget Detail Summary

	Federal	Match	Totals
Expended Year 1 (Consultant: \$3,800)	\$75,000/\$75,000	\$12,513/\$19,729	\$87,513/\$94,729
Expended Year 2 (7 months)(Consultant: \$2,400)	\$75,000/\$32,876	\$12,190/\$10,925	\$87,190/\$43,801
Amount requested for Year 2 budget:			
I. Personnel services	53,532	11,315	64,847
II. Travel	6,137	0	6,137
III. Purchased services (\$2,400 consultants)	11,981	0	11,981
IV. Property/Materials	2,450	0	2,450
V. Rental/Leasing	300	1,200	1,500
VI. Utilities	600	0	600
VII. Other (Indirect Costs)	0	0	0
Budget period totals	\$75,000	\$12,515	\$87,515