

NEWS & VIEWS

CENTER FOR INDEPENDENCE of Individuals with Disabilities
a non-profit organization serving San Mateo County for over 30 years



Winter 2014 Newsletter



CID is proud to announce the unveiling of our new and improved website! We've added many new features, including updated program outlines, easy access to contact information, new ways to donate, and much more. Take a look at the work we've done and tell us what you think: www.cidsanmateo.org

Also, if you or a loved one have a success story about how CID has made a difference, we'd love to hear it. We're looking to include your stories and photos on our website. Please give us a call or visit us on our **NEW** website!



NEW PROGRAM!

Many Social Security beneficiaries (SSDI and/or SSI) would like to work, but are worried that they will lose essential benefits if they have earnings of any kind.

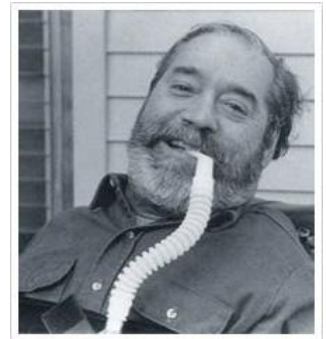
The Work Incentives Planning & Assistance (WIPA) Program is a FREE service to help beneficiaries of Social Security Insurance (SSDI) and/or Supplemental Security Insurance (SSI) to make informed choices about going back to work or entering the workforce for the first time.

This project will provide you with information about Work Incentives which may allow you to keep some or all of your cash benefits as well as your medical benefits.

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On January 23 we celebrated Ed Roberts Day. Ed Roberts began the disability rights movement 40 years ago. Now he has his own California day. Roberts, who was the first Berkeley student to rely on a wheelchair when he arrived in 1962, is recognized as the father of the Independent Living Movement.

Three years ago, California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger signed a bill creating Ed Roberts Day, in honor of the Burlingame born and raised pioneer for disability rights.

Ed Roberts is responsible in so many ways for the fact that CID exists today and is now able to help anyone with a disability obtain greater independence.

Ed Roberts Day will be celebrated each January 23, and the bill encourages the nation to commemorate Roberts' drive for disability rights. State Senator Loni Hancock, a former neighbor of Roberts, introduced the bill. Ed Roberts passed away in 1995

Transparency & Accountability



CID is proud announce that we have received the GuideStar Exchange Gold level logo, a leading symbol of transparency and accountability provided by GuideStar USA, Inc., the premier source of nonprofit information. The logo demonstrates CID's deep commitment to nonprofit transparency and accountability.

In order to be awarded the GuideStar Exchange logo, we had to fill out every required field of our nonprofit report on www.guidestar.org for the Gold level of participation.

We hope you will check us out on GuideStar and tell us what you think: CIDSANMATEO



CID will have a booth at the College of San Mateo Farmer's Market on Saturdays from 9am-1pm. Come on over and say hello to our staff!

STAY CONNECTED:

www.cidsanmateo.org
www.facebook.com/cid.sanmateo

March is National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month and CID encourages you to help raise awareness about people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD).

People with I/DD are confronted with barriers every day. You can help to remove those barriers by engaging in conversations with members of community about developmental disabilities.

Start the conversation by going to CIDSANMATEO.ORG to download the logo below. You can attach it to an email use it on social media or share it however you like.



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Our services include:

- ADA Consult
- Housing Modification
- Counseling & Peer Support
- Independent Living Skills Training
- Information & Referral
- Systems Change Advocacy
- Assistive Technology
- Financial Benefits Counseling
- System Reuse Program

Please call, email, or stop in for more information

CID's mission is to provide support services, community awareness, and systems change advocacy to promote full and equal community integration and participation for people with disabilities in San

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