**Kern Regional Center (KRC) seeks to ascertain stakeholder input regarding the proposed project priorities for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Community Placement Plan (CPP) / Community Resource Development Plan (CRDP) projects.**WIC Section 4679(c) authorizes the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) to allocate funds to regional centers for purposes of community resource development to address services and supports needs of individuals living in the community, and to issue guidelines on the use of these funds.

Pursuant to the DDS published 2023-2024 CPP/CRDP Guidelines, KRC conducted outreach activities throughout the year with diverse stakeholder groups, including individuals, family members, providers, and regional center staff to solicit input for the 2023-2024 CPP/CRDP projects. Additionally, a review of associated data identified trends in demographics and service needs leading to the following proposed list of projects:

* One (1) Adult Residential Facility for Persons with Special Health Care Needs (ARPSHN) to provide 24-hour health care and intensive support services for individuals with developmental disabilities needing community placement or deflection from Skilled Nursing Facilities (4-bed home).
* One (1) Occupational Therapist to serve clients of early start age (0-3) in KRC’s outlying areas of Ridgecrest and adjacent communities where resources are limited due to the remote geographic location.
* One (1) Physical Therapist to serve clients of early start age (0-3) in KRC’s outlying areas of Ridgecrest and adjacent communities where resources are limited due to the remote geographic location.
* One (1) Speech Therapist for children of early start age (0-3) in KRC’s outlying areas of Ridgecrest and adjacent communities where resources are limited due to the remote geographic location.

For those stakeholders interested in providing input regarding the identified projects, please contact [enrique.roman@kernrc.org](mailto:resourcedevelopment@nlacrc.org), subject line “FY23-24 CPP/CRDP,” **by November 3, 2023**. (Please Note: This is a request for input on the identified projects only. A Request for Proposals for DDS-approved projects will be posted at a future date.)