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# KERN REGIONAL CENTER

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*Striving to Achieve Equality,  
Independence and Empowerment*

## Notice of Intent

KRC 2526-6

Kern Regional Center (KRC) issues Request for Proposals (RFP) when there is a need to develop specific homes, programs, or specialized services for clients. Current RFPs can be viewed here (<https://kernrc.org/service-providers/service-provider-resources/rfpcrdp-cpp/>).

The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) awarded KRC \$100,000 in Provider start-up funds as part of the Community Placement Plan (CPP) and Community Resource Development Plan (CRDP) for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to develop American Sign Language Training and Support Services. KRC released an RFP (Project number- KRC 2526-6) on November 14, 2025, to develop American Sign Language Training and Support Services for all ages (children, youth, adult) to serve KRC individuals in Kern, Inyo, and Mono counties.

This notice is to inform the public, KRC intends to contract with Deaf Heart to serve individuals with developmental disabilities, family and support staff with the individual present. Deaf Heart was awarded the RFP and was provided with a Selection Notification Letter on March 17, 2026. Deaf Heart will provide American Sign Language Training and Support Services, in a supportive environment, in person for all age groups with developmental disabilities, in the areas of Kern, Inyo, and Mono counties.

If you have any questions, please contact Veronica Bedolla, Program Evaluator, at KRC 3200 N. Sillect Ave., Bakersfield, CA 93308, (661) 388-0727 regarding this notice.