

Language Access and Cultural Competency 2025-2026 Fund Amount \$1,022,660.00

- A. **Projects:** ACRC has continued the second year of its contract with U.C. Davis for the Transitional Age Toolkits for BIPOC populations, The first year of contract with IHSS Connects Cares LLS improved access to in-home support services (Respite, IHSS, daycare) across 11 languages(: Arabic, Armenian, Chinese (Simplified), Chinese (Traditional), English, Hindi, Japanese, Korean, Punjabi, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese), and has sub-contracted with Vision y Compromiso to offer limited Arte y Cultura classes for the Latino Community in Yolo and Sacramento counties.
- B. **Goals:** ACRC will work with local community-based organizations to hold listening and feedback sessions, increase bilingual staff that represent the population we serve, attend outreach events across out 10-county catchment area, provide translated documents in client/caregiver preferred language, and increase access to informational resources on regional center services to the 35,000 clients served.
- C. **Ethnicity and Languages:** ACRC continues to provide timely translated materials and interpretation via staff and third party interpreters to the following communities within out catchment areas: Vietnamese, Tagalog, Arabic, Chinese, Spanish, Russian, American Sign Language, and Farsi (Persian) while being mindful of growing language needs. In addition to this we are continuing our commitment to improve relationships to our Native American, 2SLGBTQIA, and rural communities.
- D. **Approved Activities:** Listening sessions, feedback sessions, website development, outreach, translation of services, support for monolingual communities with lower POS utilization, addressing stigma within culturally and linguistically appropriate materials and media.