

**DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL
2008 Grant Project Recommendations**

<u>Agency/Title</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Area Served</u>	<u>Description</u>
<u>EMPLOYMENT</u>			
University of South Carolina (1) “Career Program Disability Services” 8-21-0016	\$7,562	Richland & Lexington	Provide 240 students with disabilities career skills training and networking opportunities to students registered at the University of South Carolina in Columbia.
West Ashley High School (1) “Parents, Students, and Schools Transition (PSST)” 8-21-0002	\$30,967	Charleston	Establish parental involvement in Special Education services in Charleston County schools to ensure there is an efficient system in place to better assist these parents and provide them with adequate tools and resources to help their children transition into adulthood.
Tribble Center Oconee DSN Board (1) “Art 2 U” 8-21-0004	\$28,516	Oconee	Train approximately 21 consumers in a variety of money-making art forms – from bead work to decorative stone work, mosaic glass and tile, and painting.
The Arc of SC “Summer Vocational Training for Special Education Students in Ninth Through Twelfth Grades” (2) 8-21-0011	\$28,600	Lexington & Richland	Provide a six-week summer program targeting middle and high school students with disabilities, grades 8-11, in two communities will be initiated to provide job-training in a variety of vocational settings. Will serve up to 30.
Dorchester School District Two (2) “The EIP-TWO (EIP)” 8-21-0006	\$32,716	Dorchester & Charleston	Provide 640 students with disabilities, enrolled in high school in Dorchester School District 2, obtain knowledge and skills critical to finding employment after graduation using job shadowing experiences, part-time employment during the senior year, an elective course in computer use, after-school tutoring, career fairs with qualified employer, professional development training for teachers and other educational strategies
Fort Mill School District #4 “Learning that Last a Lifetime: Banks Street Career Center” (2) 8-21-0013	\$18,200	York, Chester & Lancaster	Provide a comprehensive transitional curriculum to develop career and technical education programs to serve 200 certificate tract students age 14-21, but also emphasis will be placed on inclusive educational opportunities, development of skills and training that encourage students to work and develop skills in jobs of their choosing, and to transition students to the adult world through seamless service coordination between schools and adult post-school agencies.
Richland School District Two “Competitive Employment Training Model” (2) 8-21-0018	\$24,742	Richland	Expose 350 middle and high school students with disabilities, to over 1,050 hours of competitive employment training spanning their high school career. Students will gain this training through school based enterprises, non-paid community based employment training, and paid competitive employment.

<p>Lee County School District (3) "The T.O.O.L.S. (Transition & Occupational Opportunities for Lifelong Success)" 8-21-0009</p>	<p>\$14,998</p>	<p>Lee</p>	<p>Provide a district level occupational diploma program with transition and occupational opportunities for students with disabilities in grades 9-12. The primary goal is to prepare 58 students for success after high school.</p>
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QUALITY ASSURANCE

<p>Parents Reaching Out to Parents of SC, Inc. (PRO-Parents) Administrative Agency for the S C Partnership of Disability Organizations "Partners in Policymaking™" 8-21-0025</p>	<p>\$85,500</p>	<p>Statewide</p>	<p>Provide grassroots leadership training for self-advocates and parents about developmental disabilities issues and competency training necessary to become effective advocates.</p>
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<p>People on the Go Administrative Agency: The Arc of SC "People on the Go" 8-21-0053</p>	<p>\$5,000</p>	<p>Statewide</p>	<p>Provide training for up to 60 members of People on the Go, a self-advocacy organization, by attending state and national conference to learn about their rights and develop advocacy skills to empower them to become leaders and effect service delivery systems so that they will be more response to individual needs of people with disabilities.</p>
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<p>South Carolina Autism Society (3) "Self-Directed Support Corporations" 8-21-0012</p>	<p>\$21,218</p>	<p>Statewide</p>	<p>Will focus on creating the pathway for families to use micro boards or Self Directed Support Corporations. This project will work specifically with the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs and as needed, the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a system where families can develop Self Directed Support Corporations. Additionally, this project will collect information on Self Directed Support Corporations and entities that support them and help families understand and develop alterative ways to provide services for their loved ones.</p>
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<p>York County Board of Disabilities & Special Needs (2) "York County Self Advocates Training Project" 8-21-0028</p>	<p>\$2,160</p>	<p>York</p>	<p>Will continue to provide instruction and resources for 100 persons with disabilities to become self-advocates and to assist with training staff employed to assist people with disabilities to deliver services according to best practices.</p>
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<p>IMPACT SC South Carolina Autism Society – Fiscal Agent "IMPACT – Self Advocates Support Self Advocates" 8-21-0054</p>	<p>\$20,000</p>	<p>Statewide</p>	<p>IMPACT- Self Advocates Supporting Self Advocates is a project designed to allow IMPACT SC to help other self advocates attend training and conferences to increase their skills in order to advocate for themselves and others with disabilities.</p>
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FORMAL/INFORMAL COMMUNITY SUPPORTS

Florence County Disabilities and Special Needs Board “Personal Outcomes Interviews by Self Advocates (POISA)” (1) 8-21-0007	\$1,350	Florence	This project will increase self advocates leadership role in the interview process of personal outcomes and data collection. This project will support the agency with aligning its supports to facilitate personal outcomes defined by each person interviewed.
York School District One (1) “Special Buddies” 8-21-0003	\$19,437	York	Students in traditional classrooms at Jefferson Elementary School will “Buddy Up” with students in self contained classrooms. Many of the targeted students lack social skills and opportunities for practice of such skills outside the walls of the classroom or their family units. For students without special needs, participation in the project will offer an opportunity for awareness of the special needs of students with disabilities and for character building. This program will provide opportunities for relationship building for students with autism and students without special needs, making it a win-win for all parties involved.
Forest Lake Elementary (3) “Camp Angels” 8-21-0015	\$6,500	Richland	Provide a four week recreational summer program for 12 students with multiple disabilities and who are also medically fragile.
Tri-Development Center of Aiken County, Inc. “Project REACH” (3) 8-21-0027	\$16,193	Aiken	Provide recreational opportunities for 300 children and adults with developmental disabilities, lead the promotion, development and support of inclusive recreational opportunities to decrease isolation of individuals with disabilities, working closely with city recreational staff, make public officials aware of the capabilities of individuals with disabilities to participate more fully in their community.
Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission (ICRC) (3) “People for Active Living (P.A.L.)” 8-21-0019	\$17,400	Richland, Lexington, Newberry, Saluda & Fairfield	Provide at least 120 adults with developmental disabilities four programs including health, wellness, outdoor adventure and artistic programs.

HEALTH

University of South Carolina, School of Medicine Department of Pediatrics (1) “Healthy Weight Management in 2008 for Children with Down Syndrome: An Approach Integrating the Steps to Your Health Curriculum” 8-21-0010	\$5,000	Richland, Lexington, Kershaw, Fairfield, Newberry, Chester, Kershaw, Lancaster, Union, Cherokee, York & Aiken,	Promote healthy weight management in children with Down Syndrome, by integrating Healthy Steps to Your Health curriculum into the existing Down Syndrome Clinic operated at the Children’s Hospital Outpatient Center at Palmetto Health. Will serve 24.
South Carolina Office Of Rural Health (1) “SC Rural Health Improvement Fund” 8-21-0005	\$25,300	Statewide	Serve SC residents with physical/developmental disabilities living in rural areas of the state by building the capacity of physician practices to provide a higher quality of care. The majority of requested funds will be re-disbursed in the form of mini-grants to physician practices to partially offset or completely cover the purchase of specific equipment, such as: wheelchair accessible scales, height adjustable exam tables, and TTY TDD phone systems for use by individuals that are hearing impaired and/or deaf. The project proposes to provide mini-grants to as many as 20 physician practices which will have a direct positive impact on their patients who have a physical/developmental disability. Will serve over 20,000.
City of North Myrtle Beach (1) “North Myrtle Beach Aquatic & Fitness Center Steps to Your Health Program” 8-21-0008	\$5,000	Horry	Provide the Steps to Your Health program by offering an accessible facility for persons with physical and developmental disabilities. The wellness program would provide participants with educational opportunities on health and nutrition, the chance to exercise and guidance on how to improve their health and overall quality of life. Will serve 28.
York County Board of Disabilities and Special Needs (2) “York County LifeStation Project” 8-21-0020	\$7,800	York	Provide 200 participants with innovative exercise equipment to promote strength and maintain their level of wellness and independence.
Greenwood Genetic Center “South Carolina Neural Tube Defect Public Awareness Campaign” 8-21-0040	\$45,000	Statewide	Continue to reduce the number of Neural Tube Defect affected pregnancies and increase awareness in women from age 14 to 45 about the importance of taking a multivitamin with .4 mg of folic acid every day.
Florence County Disabilities and Special Needs Board (3) “In Motion, Recreational and Physical Activity for Better Health” 8-21-0023	\$16,666	Florence	Provide inclusive recreational services and activities to the 65 older and non-working individuals served by the Florence County DSN Board. The results will be community inclusion and increased physical activity resulting in overall better health.

Chesterfield County Board of Disabilities and
Special Needs (3)
“My “Y”
8-21-0024

\$18,895

Chesterfield

Organize, coordinate and conduct activities for approximately 160 disabled individuals at the
Chesterfield YMCA.