

NORTH DAKOTA STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Supporting Individuals with Developmental
Disabilities

What is the NDSCDD?

The NDSCDD is a federally funded, governor-appointed council working to ensure North Dakotans with developmental disabilities can live, learn, work, and play in inclusive communities. We promote access to services, supports, and opportunities that foster independence, productivity, and full community inclusion.

Who We Serve

We serve individuals of all ages with developmental disabilities, their families, and the community.

What We Do

The NDSCDD engages in various activities to support individuals with developmental disabilities. We focus on:

- **Advocacy:** Identifying the needs of people with developmental disabilities and their families.
- **Capacity Building:** Developing and supporting initiatives that promote self-determination, independence, productivity, and integration in community life.
- **Systems Change:** Advising state and federal policymakers on issues affecting individuals with developmental disabilities.
- **Peer-to-Peer and Leadership Development:** Promoting collaboration among schools, state agencies, service providers, and community organizations.
- **Public Awareness:** Providing training and technical assistance to individuals, families, and professionals.
- **Grants for Innovation and Community Inclusion:** Offering grant opportunities to support innovative projects that align with our mission and priorities.

Who We Fund & Partner With

We collaborate with a broad range of North Dakota partners, including:

- State and tribal agencies
- Local governments
- Schools & early childhood programs
- Healthcare providers
- Disability organizations
- Family Networks
- Nonprofits and for-profits
- Community groups & businesses
- Workforce systems
- Transportation agencies
- Housing partners
- Policymakers at all levels

Grant Opportunities

NDSCDD provides annual grant opportunities to support innovative projects that advance our mission and align with our 5-Year State Plan priorities.

Grants are awarded based on available funding and typically:

- Cover up to 70% of project costs (with a 30% non-federal match)
- Focus on education, employment, health, community inclusion, transportation, leadership/self-advocacy, and quality assurance

What We Fund:

- Self-advocacy and leadership development
- Community inclusion initiatives
- Innovative service and support approaches
- Projects addressing service gaps
- Training for individuals, families, and professionals

What We Do NOT Fund:

- Direct services (e.g., therapy, residential care).
- Capital expenses (e.g., building construction or renovation).
- Ongoing operational costs of existing programs.
- Lobbying or political activities.
- Equipment

Learn More or Contact Us

For more information about the NDSCDD and our initiatives:

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We encourage you to get involved and help us create a more inclusive North Dakota!