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Applicant Name: Southern Nevada Center for Independent Living (SNCIL)

#### **PROJECT NARRATIVE**

### A. Proposed Intervention:

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The Southern Nevada Center for Independent Living (SNCIL) will provide scholarship opportunities to two sophomores/juniors who are attending high school with an IEP in place (along with their chaperones), as well as two high school special education classroom teachers to travel (all expenses paid) to the 2022 National Center for Independent Living conference in Washington, D.C.

This opportunity will be made available through school district communication systems directed to:

District Special Education Superintendents/Administrators/Facilitators/Educators School Principals

**Special Education Staff** 

IEP students

Completed applications will be returned in the applicants preferred format to SNCIL where they will be reviewed and scored by a panel recruited for that specific purpose. Special accommodations will be made as requested.

Selected student applicants will be contacted to schedule a meeting with them and their parent(s) or guardian to confirm their availability to travel to Washington D.C. in July of 2022, to identify their designated chaperone, and to schedule pre-conference interview and travel briefing with CIL staff.

Selected teachers will be contacted to confirm their availability to travel to Washington D.C. in July of 2022, to schedule their pre-conference interview and travel briefing with CIL staff.

Conference materials will be distributed to recipients as they become available.

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For participants who may not live in the immediate area of your designated departure airport, SNCIL will work with you to arrange and fund travel to designated airport.

Participants will travel via air from McCarran Airport/Las Vegas to the final destination of Washington D.C., ground transportation will be provided from airport to conference hotel.

Participants will stay at the conference hotel located in downtown Washington D.C. for the duration of the conference.

Prior to leaving conference each participant will participate in a post-conference interview conducted by CIL staff.

Ground transportation will be provided from the conference hotel to the airport in Washington D.C.

For participants who may not live in the immediate area of your departure airport SNCIL will work with you to arrange and fund travel to your home.

In addition to attending the conference the following post-conference activities will be required:

By using the ideas, materials and contacts obtained at the conference students will work with the Nevada Statewide Independent Living Council (NVSILC) Youth Coordinator to assist with supporting initiatives to expand knowledge of IL Philosophy, recruitment of youth council members, act as a point of contact for their school and serve on the selection panel for the next year's scholarship recipients as authorized by the NVSILC.

By using the ideas, materials and contacts obtained at the conference teachers will work with the SNCIL staff to identify opportunities to promote the IL Philosophy, and CIL transition resources to students at their schools and among their teaching peers and to

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assist to further develop a network of IL educators in their district. Awarded teachers will also serve on the selection panel for the next year's scholarship recipients.

### **B.** Target Population and Service Area:

The service area for SNCIL is located in Clark County Nevada. This includes the metropolitan and rural areas. Clark County has one school district, the Clark County School District. The target population for this proposal is students with disabilities with an IEP who are sophomores or juniors and high school special education teachers.

### C. Organizational Capacity and Partnerships:

CIL leadership will be responsible for:

Finalizing application criteria

Arranging for the distribution of scholarship information to appropriate contacts throughout the state of Nevada's special education system

Recruiting selection panel

Facilitating the selection process

Notifying the selected applicants

Verifying the successful applicant's availability to travel to the conference

Confirmation of participating student's chaperones

Scheduling pre-conference interview and travel briefing

Assisting as conference navigator

IL Advocacy Team Members will be responsible for:

Following up with student participants to insure connection with NVSILC Youth Coordinator Meeting with teachers to learn how to better integrate CIL Transition Services into their classrooms and schools, as well as with their peers.

SNCIL is a 704 compliant, 501 © 3 nonprofit Center for Independent Living authorized to provide CIL services through the Department of Health and Human Services under the Administration for Community Living.

SNCIL is an active member of the National Council of Independent Living (NCIL), which will facilitate the annual conference purposed for scholarships in this application.

### D. Cost-Effectiveness and Sustainability:

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Cost-Effectiveness and Sustainability

Scholarships will remain in place as funding remains available through NVSILC.

### E. Evaluation:

A pre and post interview will be administered, questions will include:

- 1. Pre-conference question What do you hope to get out of the conference?
- 2. Post-conference question What did you learn? And how will you use what you have learned?

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## **GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

Objective	Activities	Outcomes
1) Selected special education students who have IEP's in place will experience IL Philosophy on a national scale	Promote scholarship opportunity to identified student population Students apply for conference scholarship Students selected Students notified and verified Pre-conference interview and conference briefing Travel to DC Attend NCIL conference, Post-conference interview Travel home from conference Connect students with NVSILC Youth Coordinator Student and NVSILC Youth Coordinator will present outcomes at NVSILC meeting Participate in next year's scholarship selection process	Scholarship recipients will report increase awareness of IL Philosophy With the NVSILC approval, student scholars will be working with the NVSILC Youth Coordinator to assist in building a vibrant NVSILC Youth Council
2) Selected special education teachers will experience IL Philosophy on a national scale.	Promote scholarship opportunity to identified teachers Teachers apply for conference scholarship Teachers selected Teachers notified and verified Pre conference interview and conference briefing Travel to DC Attend NCIL conference, Post-conference interview Travel home from conference	Scholarship recipients will report increase awareness of IL Philosophy and CIL resources     Teachers will be working with the SNCIL staff to assist in identifying opportunities to promote the IL Philosophy and CIL transition resources

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#### ORGANIZATIONAL STANDARDS and APPLICANT QUESTIONNAIRE

Provide a detailed answer to each of the following questions, or choose N/A, as applicable:				
1.	When was the agency incorporated? 1995			
2.	Does the agency have bylaws? (If so, ADSD may request a copy at a later date.)  ✓ Yes □ No □ N/A			
3.	Is the agency a:			
	Public agency - Identify governing body:			
	Private, for-profit agency - Identify headquarters/legal ownership:			
	⊠ Private, non-profit agency – select option below			
	Check the box if you agree to this statement: The agency has a Board of Directors that is active, responsible and holds regular meetings. Members have no material conflicts of interest and serve without compensation.			
	If the above box for non-profit Board of Directors is not checked, explain the reason and plan of action to remedy the situation:			
4.	Financial Accountability:			
	□ Check the box if you agree to this statement: Agency has a system for generating profit/loss statement (if for-profit) or statement of activities (if non-profit/governmental) and a detailed transaction report. Agency has a separate accounting for each subaward, if more than one.			
	If the above box for financial accountability is not checked, explain the reason and plan of action to remedy the situation:			
5.	What are the agency's days and hours of operation? Monday thru Friday; 8:00 am to 5:00 pm			
	Proposed service hours, if different: N/A – Same as agency			
6.	Is the agency closed on days other than state and/or federal holidays, when services would not be available to clients? If yes, list the tentative dates in FY21 and explain the reason for the closure.   N/A – No other office closures			
7.	Does the agency agree to give service priority to eligible individuals referred by ADSD			

who are at risk of institutional placement or have been a victim of abuse?

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	☐ Yes  ☐ No – Explanation	on Required: Specific application	on process			
8.		e agency is currently providing this service, please answer the following stions: N/A – Agency is not currently providing this service. (Skip to #9)				
		# of Clients Served*:; # of Units of Service*: (* Used  Calendar Year 2019 -or- Fiscal Year 2020)				
	What funding sources were	What funding sources were used?				
	Does the program use a sl ☐ Yes ☐ No					
	What is the suggested donation amount, by unit of service? \$ Comments: ☐ Not Established					
	Is there currently a waiting list for this service?  Yes: # of people Average Wait Time:  No					
9.	<ul> <li>9. If the proposed program is not currently in operation, when will service provision begin and when will the program become fully functional?</li> <li>07/2022  N/A - Program is fully functional and providing the service</li> </ul>					
10.	10. What percentage of the <u>total</u> cost of providing this service would the ADSD requested amount represent? 100% Comments:					
<ul> <li>11. If the agency is not currently funded by ADSD, list three professional references below (name, address, phone number and business affiliation with your agency).</li> <li>N/A: Current ADSD Subrecipient</li> </ul>						
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Referral Source