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Vendor name	South County Homes (dba Aborn Adult Care Home; Spencer Group Home; Monte Bello Adult Care Home)
Vendor number(s)	HS0496; HS0501; HS0417
Primary regional center	San Andreas Regional Center
Service type(s)	Level 4I Adult Residential Facilities; Group Home
Service code(s)	915
Number of consumers currently serving and current staff to consumer ratio.	6 (Total capacity 18 throughout the three homes)
Have you or the organization you work with been a past recipient of HCBS Funding?	No
Please provide a brief description of the service/ setting that includes what a typical day consists of and how services are currently provided; include barriers to compliance with the HCBS rules.	The rhythm of the day varies at each home and across consumers. All individuals attend a school, day program and/or vocational program at this time. Upon their return in the afternoon and on weekends, we aim to provide healthy choices and activities. We support individuals who could further benefit from accessible and individualized transportation; accessible physical plant modifications at each home, and an activity/music/artistic exploration experience so that each individual can better develop their list of person-centered preferences. Barriers to meeting this are financial and programmatic, both of which will require the support of a DDS grant in order to achieve. With grant support, we can build a sustainable, compliant future for our agency. We are more than just a vendor; we provide nurturing homes for those that we support.
Identify which HCBS federal requirements this concept addresses that are currently out of compliance.	#1; #2; #4; #7; #8; #9; #10. Each of these areas of noncompliance have been incorporated into the proposed budget herein.
Narrative/description of the concept; include justification for the funding request and explain how the concept would achieve proposed outcomes.	Our proposal can best be understood across several areas. The first is a robust development of programs, activities and accessible transportation options to offer exploration and exposure to music, the arts, and healthy choices for physical activity. We are willing and able to work with our sister agency, Evergreen Studio of Music & the Arts (ESOMA) to provide qualified teachers, venues and opportunities to support our consumers' individual choices, and to allow

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	<p>them the integrated experience of coming into contact with other ESOMA participations. The second area of funding requested is for accessible physical plant modifications. We seek to make bathrooms, kitchens, and indoor/outdoor visiting/recreational spaces accessible, visitor-friendly, and private for our consumers and their circles of support. Lastly, we have proposed person-centered and other training and planning activities to come into compliance with the HCBS Final Rule.</p>
<p>Please describe your person-centered approach¹ in the concept development process; how did you involve the individuals for whom you provide services?</p>	<p>While we strive to offer as much individual programming as possible, there is much to be accomplished. Individuals have a report with input achieved through frequent collaboration with the individual and teams. We look forward to enhancing our reports, interactions and all practices in person-centered ways.</p>
<p>Does the concept address unmet service needs or service disparities? If so, how?</p>	<p>Yes. While we are in compliance with current regulations, each individual deserves the opportunity to more fully experience the spirit of the HCBS Final Rule.</p>
<p>Estimated budget and timeline; identify all major costs and benchmarks — attachments are acceptable.</p>	<p>Activities and Accessible Transportation Options: <i>Healthy Zumba</i>, hip hop, social dancing, yoga, meal prep and etiquette classes (\$100 per session x 40 sessions per month x 12 months = \$48,000). <i>Events and Music Appreciation Sessions</i> – Theater, arts, voice, instrument exploration, fine art lessons, harp (\$190/month x 40 individuals per month x 12 months = \$91,200). <i>Prom/event night hosting</i> including music production and food (\$3000 per quarterly event x 24 months = \$24,000). <i>Integrated music productions</i> (\$70,000). Includes <i>roles</i> in set and stage, performance, ticketing; theater arts (to include siblings or other member of circle of support). Includes <i>rental of a community performance venue or hosting space fees at ESOMA</i> (\$24,000); upgrading of the ESOMA stage for <i>accessibility and safety</i>, lighting; permits; ramping at front of ESOMA for accessibility (\$42,000); watching sample plays and hosting of trips to downtown San Jose; <i>socialization and dating</i> locations; <i>AV equipment</i> (including cameras, microphones, etc.) \$28,000. Instrument purchase and stable harp (\$16,000). <i>Recreational director salary/fees for up to 12 months</i> (\$45,000).</p>

¹ A person-centered approach emphasizes what is important to the individual who receives services and focuses on personal preferences, satisfaction, and choice of supports in accessing the full benefits of community living. For more information regarding person-centered practices, please visit www.nasdds.org/resource-library/person-centered-practices.

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	<p>Accessible Physical Plant Options: <i>Accessible vehicles at each location.</i> Wheelchair-accessible minivans and/or standing vans to accommodate temporary or long term non-am needs x 3, including purchase fees and insurance/registration x 24 months (\$60,000 x 3 = \$180,000). <i>Three small, gas-efficient hatchback vehicles</i> including purchase fees and insurance/registration x 24 months (\$25,000 x 3 = \$75,000) <i>Bathroom renovations</i>, two per facility, to include full remodels for accessibility, sustainability, aging in place and fall prevention (Six bathrooms x \$25,000 each = \$150,000) <i>Three AC/heat system and duct work replacements</i> for regulation-required and consumer-preferred climate control (\$5000 x three homes = \$15,000). <i>Three accessible and sustainable kitchen renovations</i> to expand on individual food preparation and preferences, including new sink and appliances and rear-of-cabinet locking mechanisms as with non-visible, non-intrusive and comfort close to avoid slamming fingers (\$60,000 x three homes = \$180,000). <i>Installation of solid core bedroom doors, individual door locks and overhead fans</i> for increased consumer-specific privacy and control. (\$475 x 18 = \$8550). <i>Ramping and accessibility measures for transfers, lighting and activities:</i> \$45,000. <i>Garden, outdoor benches, seating, sun coverage and visitation space</i> at each location with CCL compliant BBQs, outdoor movie night projection (\$46,000). <i>Sliding door and window replacement for climate control and injury prevention</i> (\$40,000).</p> <p>Person-Centered Supports: <i>Person-centered training</i> (38 staff x \$175 = \$6650. <i>Online, HCBS-related staff training</i> for up to 50 staff and three Admins x 24 months = \$7200. <i>Person-centered plan creations</i> with BCBA-D and each individual plus their team (\$2600 x 18 = \$46,800) <i>Six computers</i> fees and warranties for person-centered work, data entry and explanation of rights (\$3100 x 6 = \$18,600). <i>Big screen display</i> for interactive training (\$16,000). <i>Rental of confidential office space</i> for meetings and trainings (\$1500/month x 24 = \$36,000).</p>
Total requested amount.	\$ 1,259,000
What is your plan for sustaining the benefits, value, and success of your project at the conclusion of 2018-19 HCBS Funding?	Once individuals discover their passions, they can decide how to use their [limited] resources in the future. Transportation & physical plant modifications will be completed for sustainability & safety.