

October 26, 2020

Shreya Shah Lanterman Housing Alliance

RE: Housing needs for people with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities

Dear Shreya:

In mid-September, per your request, we conducted a brief survey of Service Coordinators (SC) who are supporting adult individuals receiving services from San Diego Regional Center (SDRC) in San Diego and Imperial counties. Service Coordinators were asked to identify individuals on their caseloads who have expressed a desire to live on their own but are not able to do so due to the lack of access to affordable housing. The brief survey identified 492 cases of individuals we are supporting who have dreams of living in their own homes but are unable to do so due to the high cost of housing in our county. According to the September 2020 *DDS Quarterly Client Characteristics Report*, SDRC serves 7,220 adults over the age of 18.

I hope this information will help your efforts to advocate for increased access to housing for individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

Respectfully,

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