

Name of Grantee: Developmental Services Continuum, Inc.  
 Title of Proposed Project: DSC Transportation Services  
 Requested Amount: \$25,000.00  
 # of Residents Served: 43  
 CHNA Category: Other Priority Area



## Introduction

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## Project Highlights

At DSC, transportation access is fundamental to the well-being of those we serve. That's why we're requesting your support to add a vehicle to our fleet. This versatile asset will be a game-changer for operations, enabling our clients to reliably reach essential medical/therapy appointments, as well as educational, vocational and community events. Timely, on-demand transportation is crucial to our mission, empowering independence, unlocking opportunities, and improving health outcomes. Our 24/7 service ensures we can respond to scheduled needs and emergencies. With your partnership, we can drive greater access, autonomy and quality of life for the individuals we're honored to serve.

### Prior Funding

FY23-24:	25,000.00
FY22-23:	25,000.00
FY21-22:	25,000.00
FY20-21:	-
FY19-20:	25,000.00

### Prior Sponsorships

FY23-24:	-
FY22-23:	-
FY21-22:	-
FY20-21:	-
FY19-20:	-

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Financial Overview

Total Assets: N/A Simplified  
 Current Assets: N/A Simplified  
 Total Liabilities: N/A Simplified  
 Current Liabilities: N/A Simplified  
 Current Ratio: N/A Simplified  
 Total Revenue: N/A Simplified  
 Operating Cash Flow: N/A Simplified

Cost per Client: \$ 581.40

Budget Data

Total Organization Budget: \$ 5,043,988  
 Total Project Budget: \$ 35,000  
 GHD % of Project Funding: 71%

Grant Funding Allocation:

Staff	\$ -
Management	\$ -
Consultants	\$ -
Equipment	\$ -
Food	\$ -
Information/Materials	\$ -
<b><u>OTHER</u></b>	\$ -
Utilities & Office Exp.	\$ -
Professional Services	\$ -
Training	\$ -
Vehicle	\$ 25,000.00
	\$ -
	\$ -
	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 25,000.00</b>

Total Organization Funding Sources		
Source		Amount
<b>FUNDING SOURCE</b>		
Federal	\$	-
State	\$	5,018,988
City/County	\$	-
Other Government	\$	-
Proposed GHD	\$	25,000
Fees for Service	\$	-
Nonprofit Organization	\$	-
Private Donations	\$	-
Other (list below)	\$	-
	\$	-
	\$	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,043,988</b>

Title **Developmental Services Continuum, Inc.** 08/21/2024  
id. 47280055

by **Maureen Carasiti** in **Simplified Grant**

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**Original Submission** 08/21/2024

Score n/a

Organization Information

Legal Name of Organization Developmental Services Continuum, Inc.

Address 7944 Golden Ave  
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91945  
US  
32.7422  
-117.02751

Organization Website <https://www.facebook.com/p/Developmental-Services-Continuum-DSC-100064631926211/>

Organization Introduction Please provide a brief (2-3 sentence) introduction to the organization, and its primary purpose(s).

Organization Introduction (response): DSC has been providing supports to people with intellectual/developmental disabilities since 1982. Currently operating six residential homes, a community day program and supported living, services are offered for 43 individuals ranging in age from 23-66 years of age. DSC is contracted by the San Diego Regional Center at the most intensive community service provision level serving East County San Diego. The people we serve have significant needs for behavioral/mental health support. DSC's mission is to provide unique and quality services empowering the people we serve to live rich, fulfilling lives in their communities.

Applicant Information

Name (application point of contact) Maureen Carasiti

Applicant Title	Grant Writer
Applicant Phone	+17605254249
Are you the agency director?	No
Name of Agency Director	Patricia Barber
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Organization Brochure	
Has the organization received grant or sponsorship funding from the Grossmont Healthcare District within the past five years?	Yes
Past GHD awards received	FY 23-24 FY 19-20 FY 21-22 FY 22-23
Grant funding received in FY 19-20 (enter "0" if not applicable)	25000.0
Sponsorship funding received in FY 19-20 (enter "0" if not applicable)	0.0
Grant funding received in FY 21-22 (enter "0" if not applicable)	25000.0
Sponsorship funding received in FY 21-22 (enter "0" if not applicable)	0.0

Grant funding received in FY 22-23 (enter "0" if not applicable) 25000.0

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Sponsorship funding received in FY 22-23 (enter "0" if not applicable) 0.0

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Grant funding received in FY 23-24 (enter "0" if not applicable) 25000.0

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Sponsorship funding received in FY 23-24 (enter "0" if not applicable) 0.0

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Grant Information

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Proposed Project Title DSC Transportation Services

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Project Highlights Please provide below a concise (2-3 sentence) description of the proposed project.

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Project Highlights (response): At DSC, transportation access is fundamental to the well-being of those we serve. That's why we're requesting your support to add a vehicle to our fleet. This versatile asset will be a game-changer for operations, enabling our clients to reliably reach essential medical/therapy appointments, as well as educational, vocational and community events. Timely, on-demand transportation is crucial to our mission, empowering independence, unlocking opportunities, and improving health outcomes. Our 24/7 service ensures we can respond to scheduled needs and emergencies. With your partnership, we can drive greater access, autonomy and quality of life for the individuals we're honored to serve.

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Amount of Funds Requested 25000.0

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Number of Unduplicated GHD Residents to be Served 43.0

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Ages of Population to be Served (select all that apply) Adult (18-65) Seniors (65+)

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Which of GHD's strategic priorities best aligns with your project? (select one)

Other Priority Area

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Please select one of the health priorities below

Intellectual and Developmental Disability

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**Areas of Impact** The Grossmont Healthcare District is home to approximately 520,000 residents, and its boundaries cover a large geographic area of 750 square miles that include most cities and towns frequently referred to as "East County," as well as much of the rural Mountain Empire Region. For the purposes of Board governance, it is divided into five zones. Use the image below or visit the Grossmont Healthcare District Interactive map to identify which zone(s) your project will impact.

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Which zone(s) of the Grossmont Healthcare District will your project impact?

Zone 1: Santee  
Zone 2: Spring Valley, Lemon Grove, Mountain Empire communities (Tecate, Potrero, Campo)  
Zone 4: Lakeside, Harbison-Crest, Alpine, Pine Valley, Tribal communities (Barona and Viejas Reservations)  
Zone 3: La Mesa  
Zone 5: El Cajon, Jamul

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Project Narrative

Provide below a brief (approximately 500 words) description of the proposed project, addressing the following: Problem statement Target population(s) to be served Description of proposed services Organizational capacity to deliver needed services Anticipated impact of the project on the health and well-being of East County residents

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Project Narrative  
(response)

Sixty-one million people - nearly one in four Americans - live with some form of disability. Yet, individuals with intellectual/ developmental disabilities often find themselves excluded from the social, spiritual, and civic fabric of their communities, facing barriers to participating in local events, connecting with others, and accessing critical services and resources. Developmental Services Continuum (DSC) recognizes these profound challenges and is committed to creating inclusive, diverse opportunities that empower the individuals we serve. This includes facilitating access to essential medical care and emotional support tailored to their unique needs. Reliable transportation is vital to this comprehensive effort and to fulfilling DSC's core mission.

Presently, the transportation landscape in the suburban and rural areas of East San Diego County presents significant accessibility issues for our clients, with limited public transit options and long wait times for paratransit services creating logistical difficulties and safety concerns. DSC's transportation services play a crucial role in enabling our clients to travel to school, work, healthcare appointments, social activities, and other daily engagements within their communities.

Currently, our transportation fleet is strained, showing signs of wear, and we must expand our capacity to keep pace with high demand for our 24/7 services to meet both scheduled and emergency needs. An additional 7-passenger vehicle would significantly enhance our ability to provide reliable, efficient transportation, allowing us to better serve our clients.

This new vehicle would directly address a top priority for our clients' health and well-being: access to medical care. Many of the individuals we serve have complex, chronic conditions that require frequent doctor visits, therapy sessions, and specialized treatments. By expanding our transportation options, we can guarantee that clients receive the continuous, coordinated care they require to manage their physical and mental health and maintain their independence.

Beyond medical needs, the 7-passenger vehicle will also facilitate access to employment, education, and community service and engagement - all of which are essential for the individuals we support to live fulfilling, meaningful lives. This increased flexibility will allow us to better tailor our services to the unique needs of each client, fostering greater independence and community integration.

Your support for this project will have a transformative impact on the lives of the individuals we serve. By enhancing their access to vital medical care, employment, education, and community engagement, this new vehicle will empower our clients to lead healthier, more fulfilling lives. With improved mobility and independence, the individuals at DSC will be better equipped to manage their health, pursue their goals, and actively participate in their communities. This investment in transportation will be a vital step in DSC's mission to ensure that all members of our community can live with dignity, autonomy, and a sense of belonging.

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Measurable Project Goals In addition to the number of unduplicated GHD residents to be served, please briefly describe below 2-3 measurable goals that the project aims to achieve. If awarded, you will be asked to provide quarterly updates on your progress toward these goals, so please be sure that they are specific, measurable, and achievable within the project timeframe.

Project Goal #1 Increase the number of individuals participating in community events, social activities, and volunteer work by 30% in the first year.

Project Goal #2 Increase the number of unique/diverse community destinations (e.g. religious/cultural centers, educational institutions, recreational/park facilities, civic organizations) accessed by clients by 25% in the first year

Project Goal #3

Project Budget and Organization Funding Sources Please use the forms below to provide: 1) Project Budget: The project's total budget, including requested GHD funding as well as other funding that is available to support the project 2) All Budget Sources: The organization's total budget for the current fiscal year and all major sources of revenue. (Required of applicants with an annual operating budget of over \$500,000.) For budget preparation purposes, Excel versions of the budget forms are available here: 1) Project Budget, 2) All Budget Sources. Please note that you will need to transfer the information into the form(s) below, taking care to avoid the use of special characters, and value errors.

Project Budget Form. DO NOT USE SPECIAL CHARACTERS (EX: \$, %, ",")

[GHD Project Budget form 5.15.24.xlsx](#)

Is your organization's annual operating budget greater than \$500,000? Yes

All Budget Sources Form. (Required of organizations with an annual operating budget of over \$500,000.) DO NOT USE SPECIAL CHARACTERS (EX: \$, %, ",")

[GHD All Budget Sources form 5.15.24.xlsx](#)

I confirm the information provided above is accurate and there are no #VALUE errors above. checked

Attestation and Digital Signature

Applicant Name Maureen Carasiti



I understand entering checked  
my name above will  
serve as my digital  
signature on this  
grant application.

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You have finished  
completing the  
application.

Before finalizing and submitting your application, please review all your materials and answers, ensuring that all attachments are correct and up-to-date. You will receive an email confirmation once your application has been successfully submitted, and will be able to review your submission. To ensure you receive communication related to your application, safelist the @submittable.com email address. Please check your email to confirm receipt. If you do not receive a confirmation email, consider the following: Check the junk/spam filters for your email account. Ensure that you have submitted the application and that it is not still saved as a draft. Failure to receive the confirmation email may result in missing other important information. To complete and submit your application, click the "Submit" button below. Please note that once you submit, you will not be able to make changes to your application unless requested and approved by District staff.

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Total Grant Amount Requested

25000 -

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PERSONNEL	Grossmont Healthcare District Project Funding	Other Funding Available for Project	Total Project Budget
Staff (non-management) - List Position	-	-	-
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			0
			0
			0
<b>Total Staff Salary and Benefits</b>	0	0	0
Management - List Position(s)	-	-	-
			0
			0
			0
			0
<b>Total Management Salary &amp; Benefits</b>	0	0	0
Consultant Fees			0
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL</b>	0	0	0
-	-	-	-
OTHER EXPENSES	Grossmont Healthcare District Funding	Other Funding Available for Project	Total Project Budget
Telephone			0
Postage			0
Office Supplies			0
Equipment			0
Printing/Duplicating			0
Information/Materials			0
Professional Services			0
Travel			0
Rent			0
Utilities			0
Insurance			0
Training			0
Project Food /Packaging Costs			0
Miscellaneous - List	-	-	-
Vehicle	\$25,000	10000	10000
			0
			0
			0
<b>TOTAL OTHER EXPENSE</b>	0	10000	10000
<b>TOTAL PROJECT EXPENSES</b>	0	10000	10000

Grant Request Must Match GHD Total

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<b>FUNDING SOURCE</b>	<b>Total Organization Budget</b>
Federal	
State	5,018,988
City/County	
Other Government	
Proposed GHD	
Fees for Service	
Nonprofit Organizations	
Private Donations	
Other (list below)	
	5,018,988