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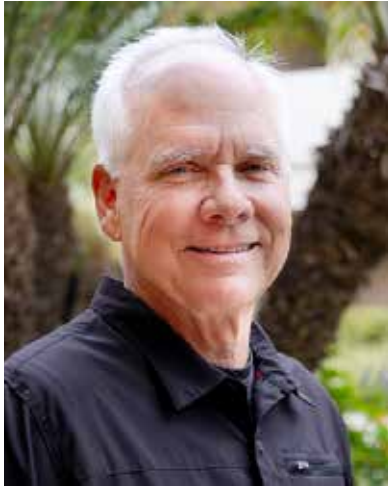
Annual Report

2023-24



Our Mission

To serve and empower persons with developmental disabilities and their families to achieve their goals with community partners.



Dear Community Partners, Friends, and Colleagues,

Looking back at this remarkable year, we are grateful for what we've accomplished together. Our heartfelt thanks go to our Board members, service providers, community partners, and the SDRC team for their dedication and collaboration. Your unwavering commitment has been essential in helping us empower individuals with developmental disabilities, highlighting their strengths and enriching lives throughout our community. Each of you has contributed in meaningful ways to transforming possibilities into reality.

Through a shared commitment to innovation and collaboration, we've built strong partnerships that have opened new opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. By working together, we've enhanced the quality of our existing programs and laid the foundation for new services, creating a more solid framework for everyone we serve.

This past fiscal year, SDRC experienced significant growth, now supporting almost 43,000 families and their loved ones in San Diego and Imperial counties, an increase of more than 3,000 individuals.

In the past two years, in partnership with the Department of Developmental Services (DDS), we have launched several new initiatives aimed at addressing barriers and service gaps in underserved communities. These efforts have allowed us to reach non-English-speaking families, individuals who are deaf and/or hard of hearing, and those facing homelessness—groups that have previously had limited access to essential services.

We are also honored to have strengthened our partnerships with Tribal communities, including the Pala Band of Mission Indians, the Barona Band of Mission Indians, the Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation, the Viejas Band of the Kumeyaay Nation, and the Quechan Indian Tribe in Imperial County. A particularly meaningful collaboration has been with Season Goodpasture, founder of Acorns to Oak Trees – the first Native American service provider to partner with a regional center on Tribal land. This partnership ensures Tribal families receive culturally sensitive support, empowering them to flourish within their communities.

Our early intervention services have expanded, reaching more infants and toddlers than ever before for crucial developmental assessments. The partnerships we've formed with trusted community organizations like Father Joe's Villages and the Mexican Consulate have been vital in connecting young children with the support they need during these critical early years.

The Enhanced Service Coordination program is creating a significant impact by reducing Service Coordinator caseloads and allowing our specially trained service coordinators to offer more personalized, intensive support to families. This change has been especially impactful in underserved communities, where our service coordinators can now dedicate more time to non-English-speaking, ensuring they receive the full range of services and support they deserve. We've also reduced caseloads for our youngest clients, ages birth to 5 years, allowing for greater accessibility and more focused support during these critical developmental years.

Through partnerships with leading affordable housing developers, Chelsea Investments, and MirKa Investments, we've made significant strides in addressing the need for affordable housing. Working alongside the Department of Developmental Services and the Foundation for Developmental Disabilities, we've secured more than \$8 million in funding to support the development of four affordable housing projects. These will provide 127 apartments dedicated to San Diego Regional Center clients and their families, a crucial step forward in ensuring stable, accessible housing for our community. Our Self-Determination Program has seen remarkable growth, with more than 800 active participants, reflecting the real, transformative impact of giving families greater choice and control over their services.

While this report highlights just a few of our many efforts, every success reflects the collective dedication of our Board members, SDRC team, service providers, community partners, the Department of Developmental Services, and the families we serve. As we look ahead to 2025, we see both exciting opportunities and new challenges, but we are confident that with the same spirit of innovation and collaboration that guided us this year, we will continue to move forward together.

With sincere appreciation for your trust and support,



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Board President



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Executive Director

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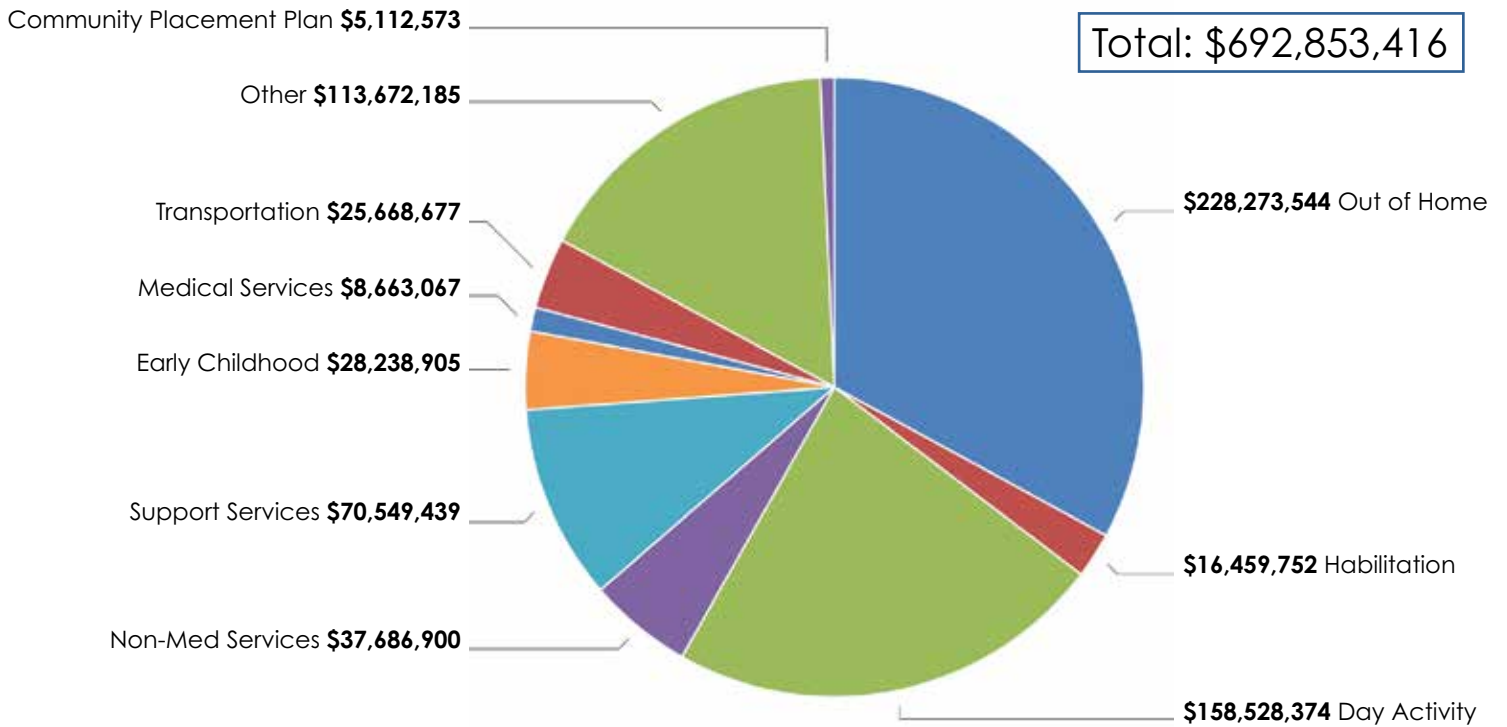
Client Advisory Committee

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Mark Uyeda
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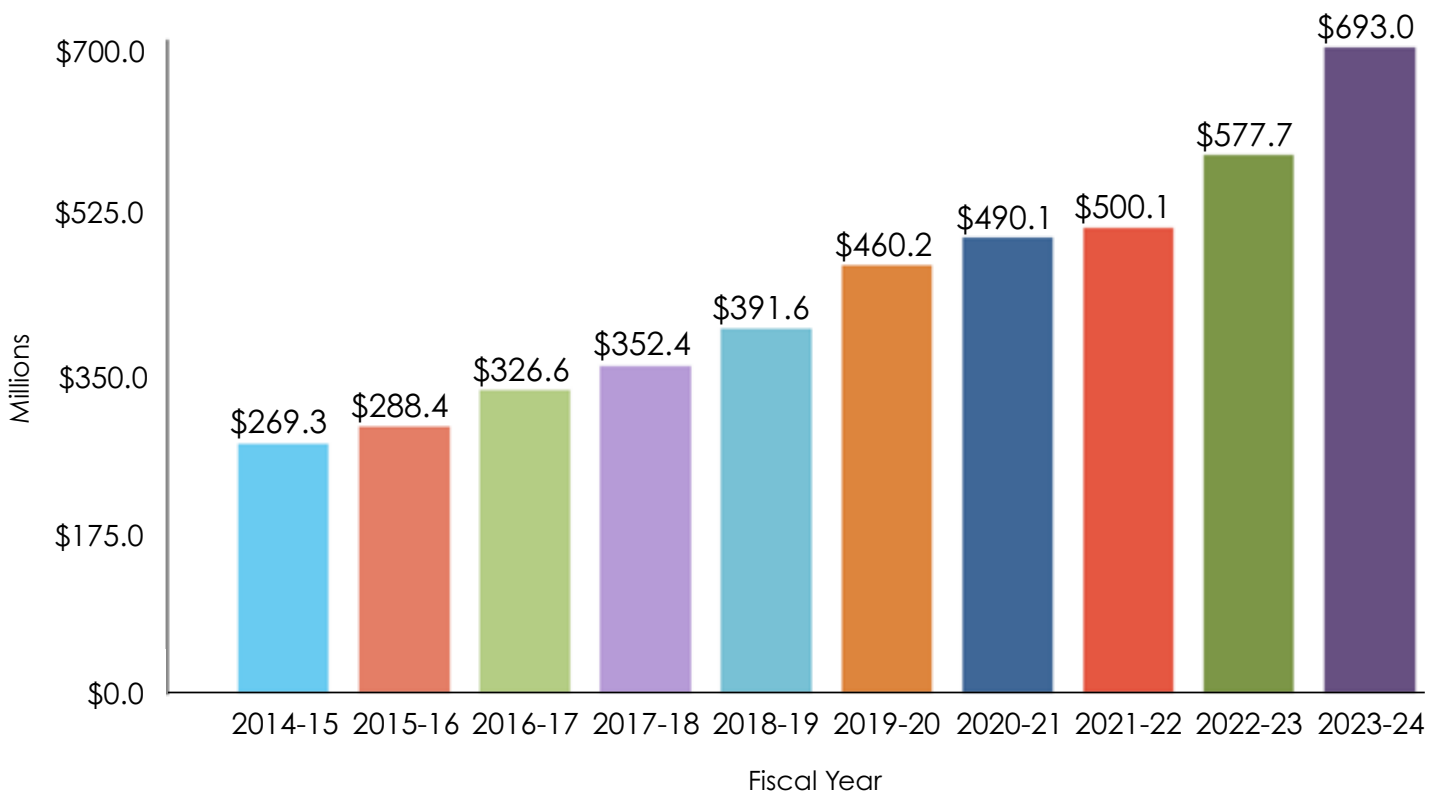
Not pictured: Timothy Riemann



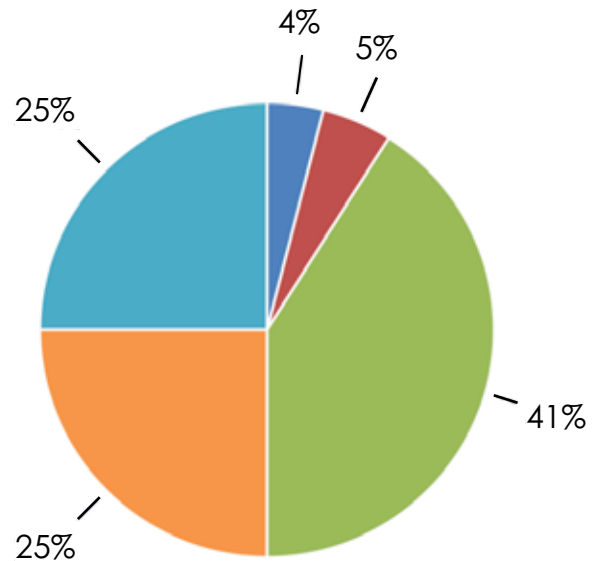
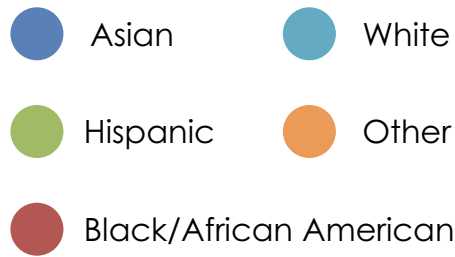
Purchase of Service Expenditures FY 2023-2024



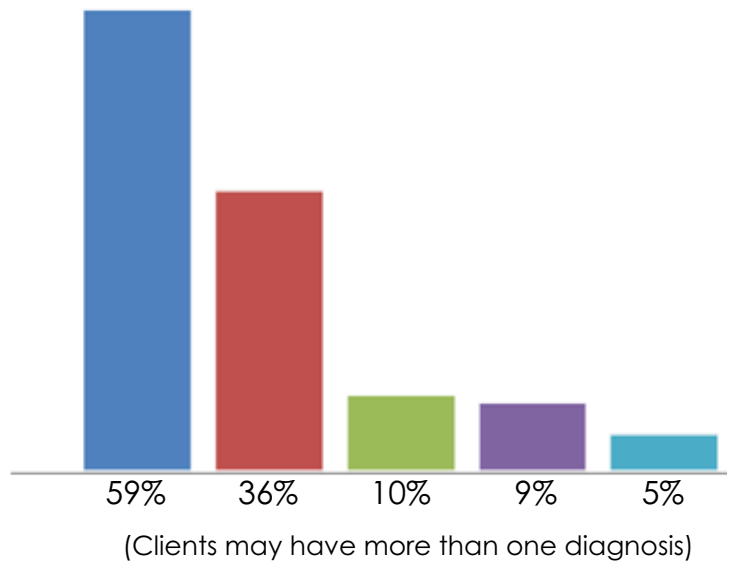
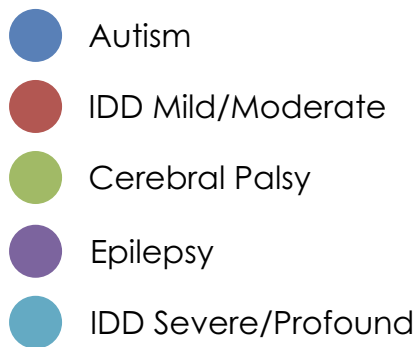
Growth



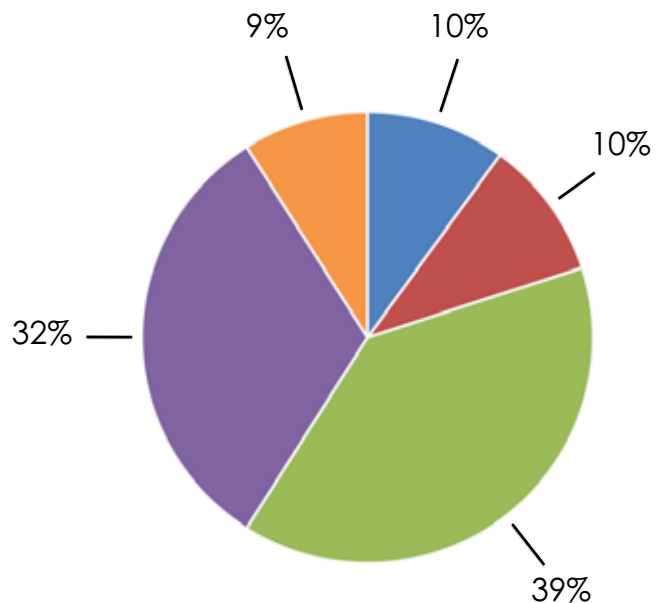
Ethnicity of Clients



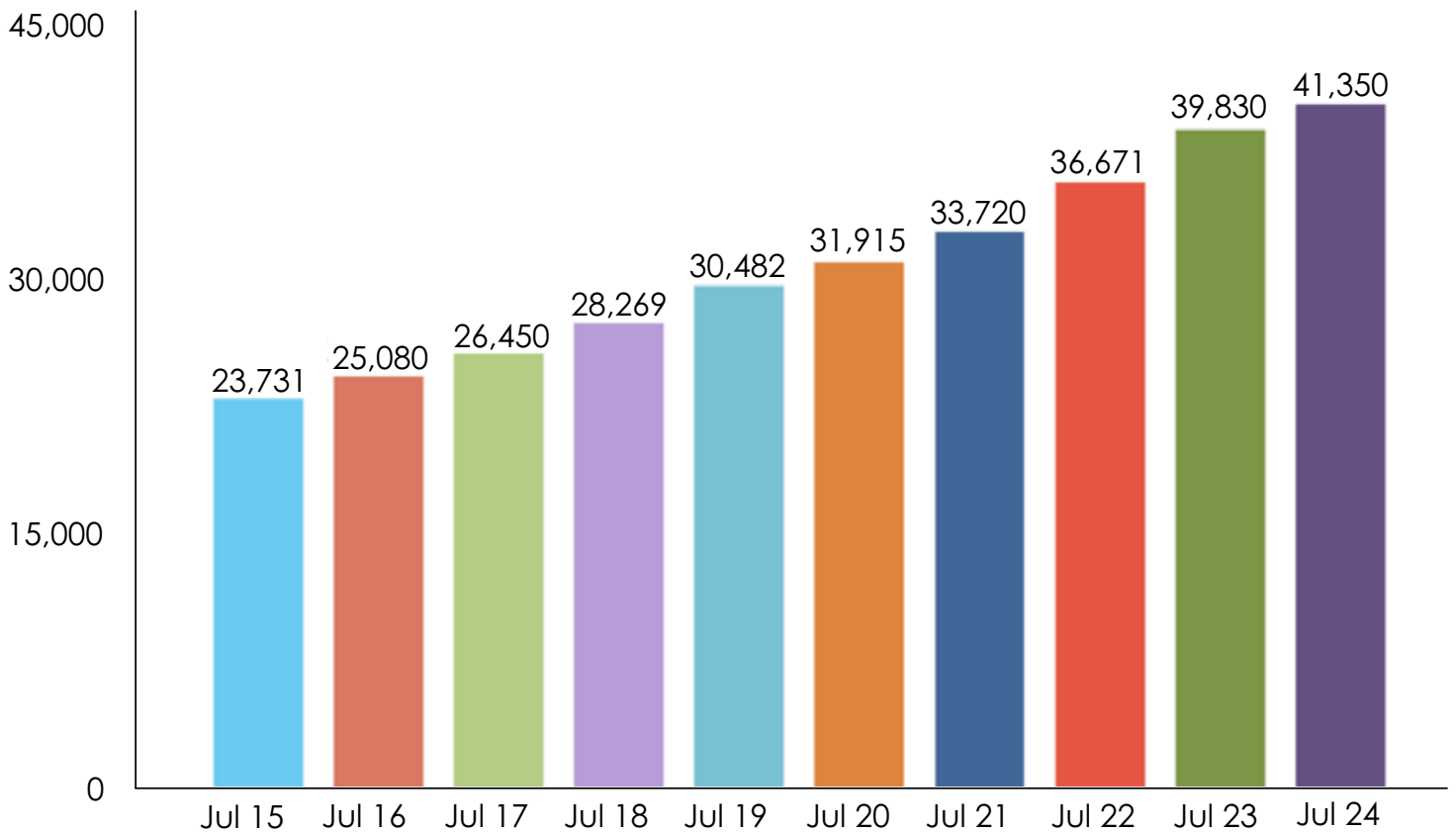
Diagnosis of Clients



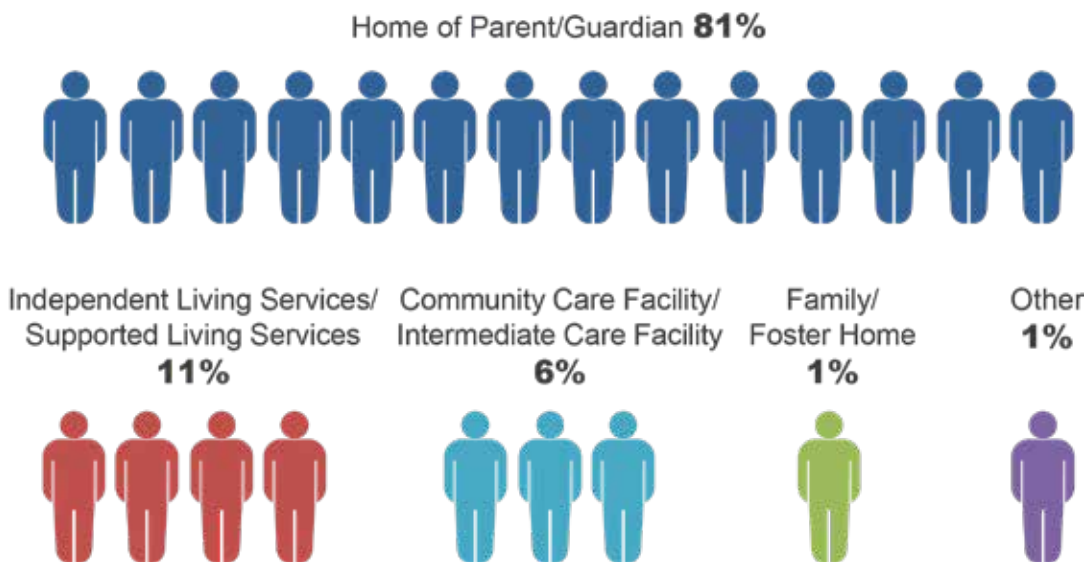
Age of Clients



Total Clients



Where Clients Live



Recognizing the long-term dedication of the staff celebrating milestone anniversaries. They are among our greatest assets. Thank You!

20 Years

Andrea Cannon
Adam Gross
Danielle Hazelhurst
Debbie Heller
David Jaime
Lee Sturdivant
Christine Lux-Whiting
JoeAnn Randall
Vanessa Smith
Esperlie Toledo
Adriana Rivas

25 Years

Deborah Hodge
Jorge Moreno
Dawn Oliwa
Edith Peeler
Gloria Ramirez
Kathi Rubio
Bonnie Sebright
Galo Vargas
Kate Kinnamont

30 Years

Theresa Castel De Oro
Maria Hanks
Paula Hess

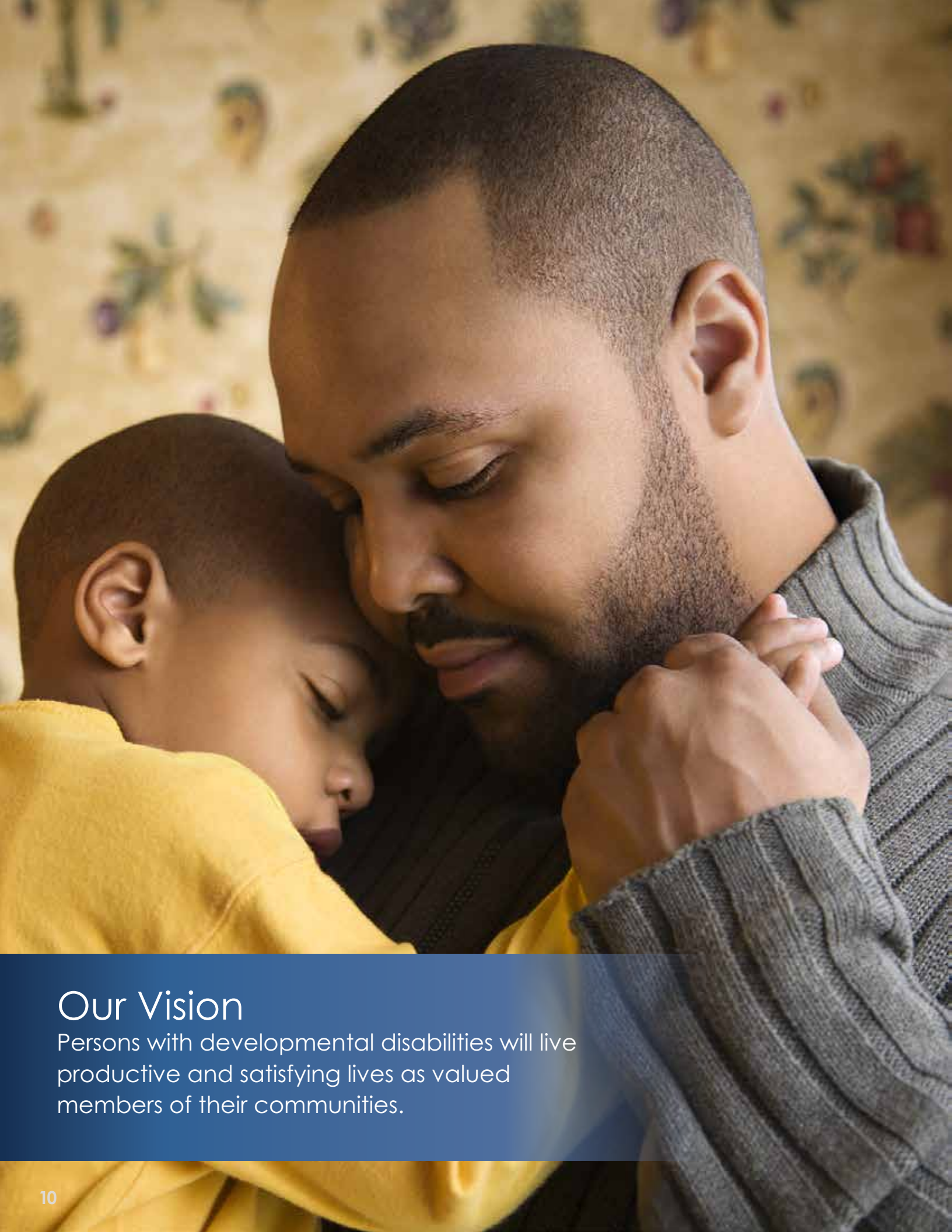
35 Years

Sylvia Saldana

40 Years

Kathy Cattell





Our Vision

Persons with developmental disabilities will live productive and satisfying lives as valued members of their communities.

Our Locations

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