

North County Youth/Adults with Disabilities Group Trip Project

North County



PROJECT BENEFITS:

Modifications to the new vehicle allow for increased accessibility. The project also funds hiring additional drivers and a transportation coordinator to oversee best practices and ensure maximum safety and quality.

PROJECT UPDATE:

During FY09/10, BORP provided 834 round trips for adults and 220 for youth – a total of 1,054 round trips. Although there was a shortfall due to the economy, three service areas expanded and offered more events: youth sports events, events in conjunction with the East Bay Regional Park District, and new events (for example, providing transportation to the Children’s Skin Disease Foundation).

To find out more about the program, please contact the Project Sponsor.

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This project provides accessible group trip transportation in North County for children, youth, and adults with disabilities who participate in sports and recreational programs.

Bay Area Outreach and Recreation Program (BORP) received a Federal Transportation Administration grant (5310 program) for a 27-passenger accessible vehicle with the capacity to accommodate at least six riders in wheelchairs or more if riders can transfer and use portable chairs. In addition, BORP operates three vehicles: a five-to-eight-passenger mini-bus (capacity dependent on wheelchair ridership) and two smaller vans.

This grant funds vehicle modification and provides a start-up service, including hiring vehicle drivers and a transportation coordinator. It also funds management and evaluation of the program, which aims to serve over 1,000 riders.

Project Budget and Funding

TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$497,430
Funding	
Initial ACTIA Gap Grant Award	\$266,200
Additional ACTIA Funds Awarded	\$78,000
Matching Funds	\$153,230
Source:	
Local Match	\$153,230



Project Schedule

Commence ACTIA Grant (Cycle 4)	July 1, 2008
Hire and Train Transportation Coordinator	August 2008
Complete New Vehicle Procurement and Accessibility Modifications	March 2009
Operate Shuttle during Fiscal Year 2008-2009	July 2008 – June 2009
Complete Rider Survey for Fiscal Year 2008-2009	June 2009
Operate Shuttle during Fiscal Year 2009-2010	July 2009 – June 2010
Complete Rider Survey for Fiscal Year 2009-2010	June 2010
Operate Shuttle during Fiscal Year 2010-2011	July 2010 – June 2011
Complete Rider Survey for Fiscal Year 2010-2011	June 2011
Complete Grant Funding Period	June 30, 2011

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