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**Inland Regional Center Shooting: How To Help**

**Sacramento, CA, December 14, 2015** – On December 3, a husband and wife entered and attacked a group of San Bernardino County employees attending a holiday party. The event was being held in a conference room on the Inland Regional Center property. In the attack, fourteen people were killed, and 21 injured. The attackers were not connected to the regional center.

Inland is one of California’s 21 non-profit regional centers providing assessment, case management, and other direct services for over 280,000 people with developmental disabilities and their families. They also purchase and coordinate community-based services and supports. Developmental disabilities include autism, epilepsy, cerebral palsy, and intellectual disabilities.

We have all been moved by the outpourings of support from in and out of our community, our state, and our country. For those who wish to donate to the victims as a group, the mayor of San Bernardino, Carey Davis, has created a fundraising site at <https://www.gofundme.com/SUPPORTSB>. The entirety of all donations will be shared equally among the victims, with no administrative fees. A variety of individual fundraisers may also be found at <http://abc7.com/news/san-bernardino-mass-shooting-how-to-help/1110422/>

Inland Regional Center offices are closed, likely until January 2016. However, services are continuing, and Consumer Services Coordinators are working as usual.

**About ARCA**

The Association of Regional Center Agencies (ARCA) represents the network of 21 non-profit regional centers that coordinate services for, and advocate on behalf of, California’s over 280,000 people with developmental disabilities.

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For ongoing updates, as well as information on developmental services in California, regional centers, and the ongoing funding crisis affecting the state’s service system, please see [www.arcanet.org/irc](http://www.arcanet.org/irc)