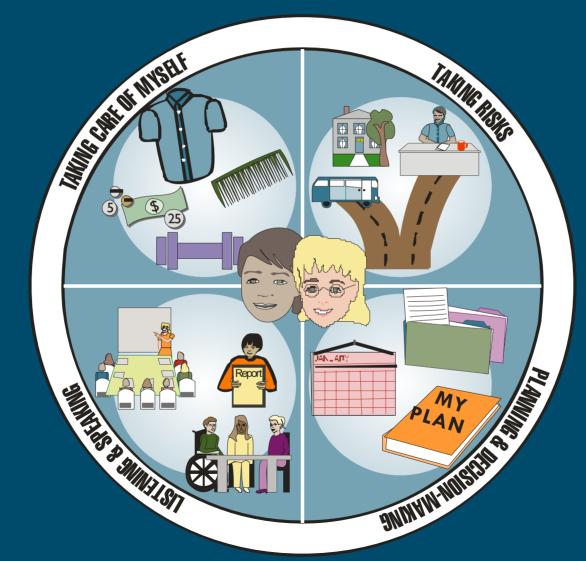
### **BECOMING INSPIRED LEADERS**

#### LEADERSHIP THROUGH PERSONAL CHANGE



California Department of Developmental Services, Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC)

### **BECOMING INSPIRED LEADERS**



# What we will talk about

The DDS CAC advocacy work Leadership Through Personal Change What the CAC we will do Why this is very important for all self-advocates

# **Consumer Advisory Committee Members**



### Key Points about the CAC

The CAC advocates for people and how they want to receive services.

Members take information back to People First, Self-Advocacy and local Consumer Advisory Committees.

The CAC has their own vision statement that drives their advocacy work.

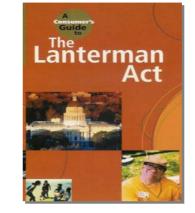


**"PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES IN CALIFORNIA WILL LIVE THEIR LIFE THE WAY THEY WANT"** 

# Past CAC Advocacy Work

### **Consumer Guide** to the Lanterman Act

(Our Rights)





Community conversations with people with developmental disabilities in California

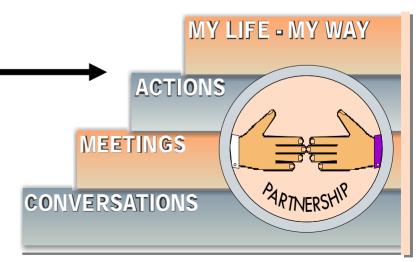


### **Community Conversations**

(What is life like for people in California?)

### From Conversations to Actions Using the IPP

(True stories and strategies used to accomplish a goal using the IPP)

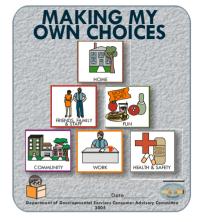


# **Past CAC Advocacy Work**

### Making My Own Choices **Picture Sticker Book**

((Making decisions about things important to us)



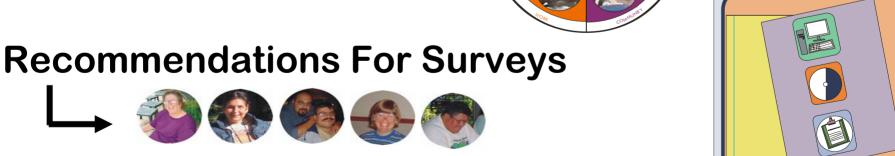


# **Satisfaction Guide & DVD**

(Dan's story about what he likes)



Ways to Make Complex Information Simple



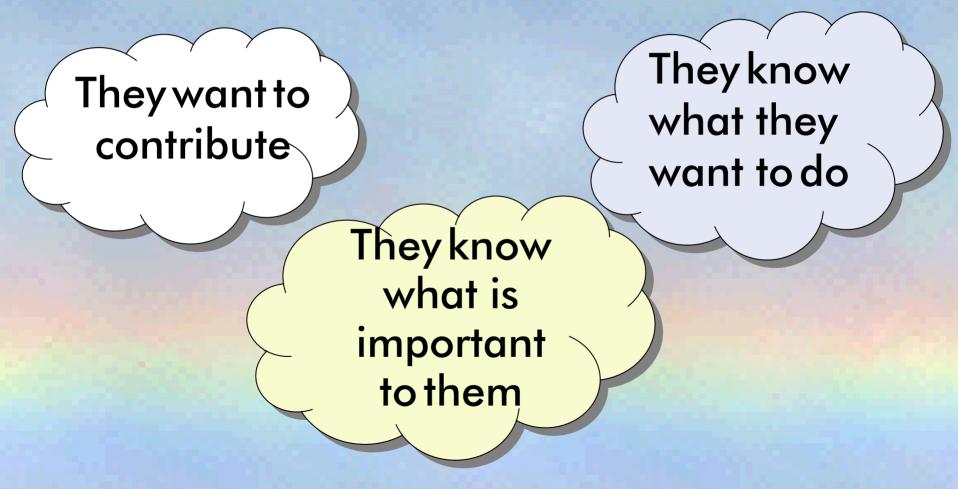
Ways to Make **Complex Information Simple** 

**Examples** Instructions Resources



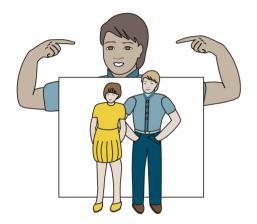
# **Inspiration and Leadership**

Leaders know 3 things:



# Inspiration

# .. To guide and influence



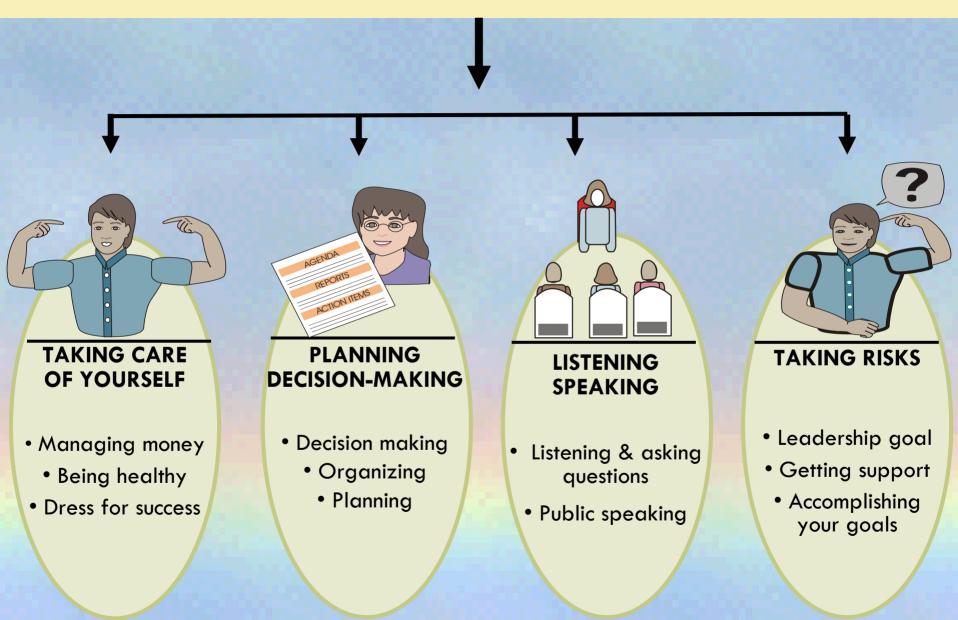
- .. To motivate to action
- .. To affect or touch someone

# feaders Inspire others to follow by example

# "I have a dream"



# **CAC Leadership Areas**



### The CAC Leadership Plan

### 1. Learn about leaders

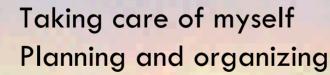
What do leaders do? How do leaders act?

### 2. My own leadership goal



Making a mission statement Creating a personal leadership plan

### 3. Practicing leadership



Listening and speaking Taking risks

### 4. Leadership through example



Being successful Show others how we did it

### How we do it

### We make our own Mission Statement

What is important to me? \_\_\_\_\_ Why is it important to me? \_\_\_\_\_ What am I now doing? \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Examples**:



I am a leader who believes in <u>taking care of herself</u>. I <u>advocate for others</u>, am a <u>team member</u> and believe all people can have a life of <u>dignity and quality</u>.





I like to <u>work independently</u> and not be controlled by others.
I <u>help others by teaching and showing</u> them they have rights.
I <u>go to school</u>.

I have good health, eat right and walking regularly.
I am independent in my home and do community work.
I advocate and support others in having a quality of life.

# We make a leadership goal



### **MY MISSION:**

I am a leader who believes in <u>taking care of herself</u>. I <u>advocate for others</u>, am a <u>team member</u> and believe all people can have a life of <u>dignity and quality</u>.

### **MY LEADERSHIP GOAL:**

To be a life coach and advocate for people.

#### TAKING CARE OF YOURSELF

- Managing money
  - Being healthy
  - Professional dress

#### PLANNING DECISION-MAKING

- Decision making
  - Organizing
    - Planning

#### LISTENING SPEAKING

- Listening & asking questions
  - Public speaking

#### TAKING RISKS

- Leadership goal
- Getting support
- Accomplishing your goals

# **Leadership Learning**

### MY LEADERSHIP GOAL: Be a life coach and advocate for people.

1.Learn new leadership behaviors.

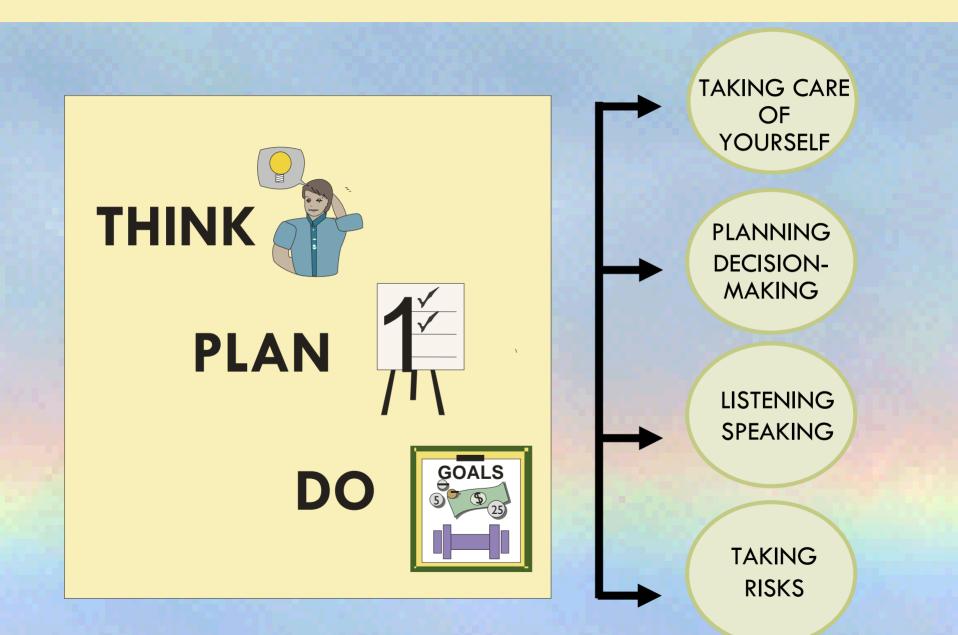
2. Practice at home and at meetings.

3. Find a Mentor in my community.

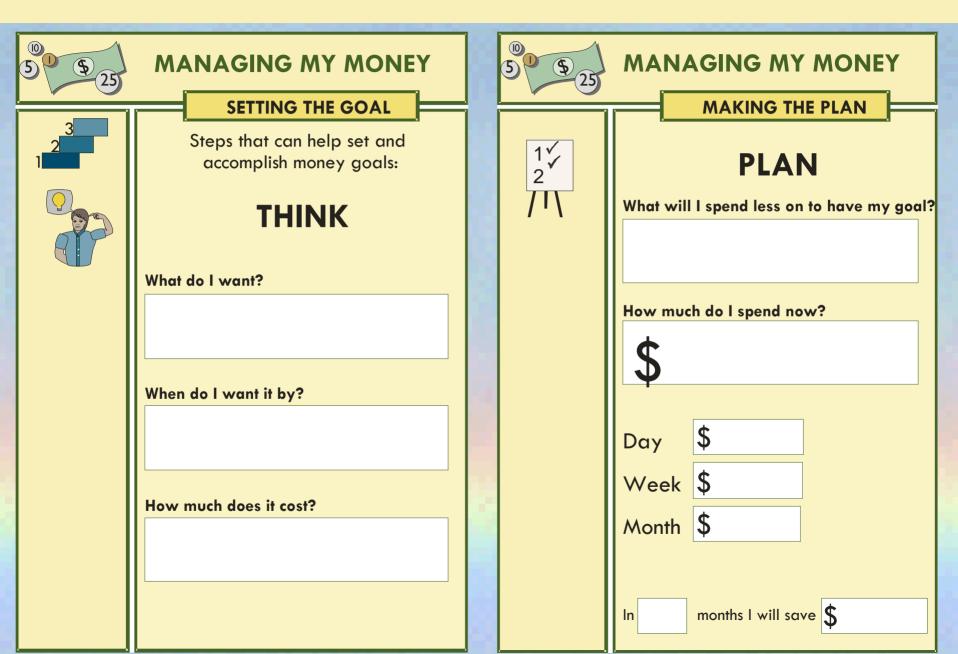
4.Become my own leader.

5.Teach others.

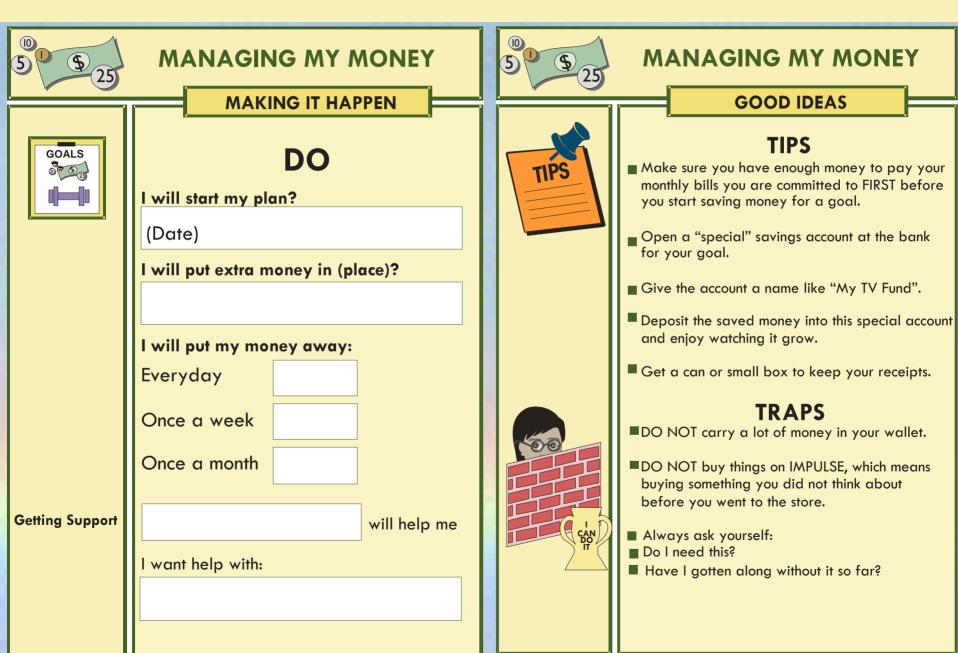
### Being a leader



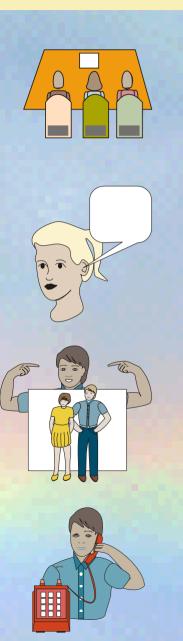
# THINK, PLAN, DO (sample)



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# We get support



Quarterly Consumer Advisory Meetings training with specialized experts

Personal CAC Facilitators 2 hours per month

Project Facilitator 4 hours per month

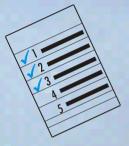
Life Coach monthly leadership coaching call



**Reaching Out** 

#### CAC members will make presentations statewide

People First Groups Regional Centers Conferences Advocacy groups

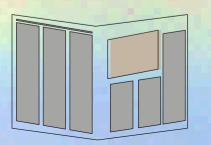


#### **Quarterly Newsletter**

#### Internet

Updates on DDS Consumer Corner Webpage Updates on Board Resource Center webpage

#### **Publications**



- Year 1 1,000 prototype booklets and documentary
- Year 2 1,000 prototype booklets and documentary
- Year 3 10,000 final booklets and documentary Guide for facilitators and support people

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