

# Archived Information

## RECREATIONAL PROGRAM

<b>Goal:</b> To provide to individuals with disabilities recreation activities and related experiences that can be expected to aid in their employment, mobility, socialization, independence, and community integration.  <b>Legislation:</b> Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title III, Part B, Section 305, as amended by P.L. 105-220 (29 USC 775).	<b>Funding History</b> (\$ in millions)			
	<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Appropriation</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Appropriation</b>
	1985	\$0	2000	\$4
	1990	\$3	2001	\$3
	1995	\$3	2002 (Requested)	\$3

### Program Description

The goal of this program is to initiate programs of recreational activities for individuals with disabilities.

Recreational programs provide recreation and related activities for individuals with disabilities, to aid in their employment, mobility, independence, socialization, and community integration. Programs are designed to promote the development of social skills that are necessary in order to integrate individuals with disabilities into the community. Projects must provide recreational activities in settings with peers without disabilities when possible and appropriate.

This current-funded program awards discretionary grants on a competitive basis to states, public agencies, and nonprofit private organizations, including institutions of higher education. The statute requires the Federal contribution for projects funded under this authority to decrease over the 3-year project period. Grantees are required to maintain services during the second and third years of the project at the level provided in the first year. The Federal share of the costs of the project is 100 percent for the first year, 75 percent for the second year, and 50 percent for the third. The applicant is required to include a description in the application of how the project will continue after Federal assistance ends.

## Program Performance

OBJECTIVE 1: RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS ARE SUSTAINED AFTER FEDERAL FUNDING CEASES.

Indicator 1.1 Project continuation: Recreational programs are sustained after Federal funding ceases. By fall 2000, 86 percent of programs initiated since FY 1993 will be continuing after Federal funding has ended.			
Targets and Performance Data		Assessment of Progress	Sources and Data Quality
Year	Actual Performance	Performance Targets	
1998:	79%	75%	<p><b>Status:</b> Target not met.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Recreational programs may continue for lengthy periods of time after Federal funding ends as long as they have other funding sources. Some become other types of recreation programs and are not counted here as continuing. Of the 63 projects initiated since FY 1993, 45 of them are continuing. FY 2001 target was reduced to reflect the fact that the 1999 performance may not have been indicative of what is possible.</p> <p><b>Source:</b> Quarterly telephone monitoring reports and Annual and Final Performance Reports.  <i>Frequency:</i> Annually.  <i>Next collection update:</i> FY 2001.  <i>Date to be reported:</i> December 2001.</p> <p><b>Validation Procedure:</b> Data collected through telephone monitoring.</p> <p><b>Limitations of Data and Planned Improvements:</b> Program staff will contact each project to ensure that projects are continuing. Each project will provide specific information (location, number served, types of disabilities). An automated database will be developed to track and maintain contact with projects after Federal funding ceases.</p>
1999:	83%	83%	
<b>2000:</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>86%</b>	
2001:		75%	
2002:		75%	