

AAIDD Interest Network Annual Plan & Yearly Report

Planning and reporting on Interest Network activities designed to fulfil their purpose.
(See the AAIDD Interest Networks Leadership Manual for the purpose of the Interest Networks.)

Interest Network:	Community
Lead Contact Person(s):	Sharon Gomez, Joanna Pierson
Next Scheduled Election & Leadership Position(s) that will be Open for Nomination:	An election for Co-leads will be held sometime in 2025 once the process is developed
2023-2024 Report	<p>For the year that just ended (July 1-June 30), indicate objectives met, activities completed, and funds used. In addition, please note if/how any activities enhanced diversity, equity, inclusion, or justice.</p> <p>Developed a Community Inclusion Award to be awarded to an individual (different from the AAIDD award that is for an agency) and selected an awardee, Jean Phelps, for the 2024 AAIDD conference.</p> <p>Provided 3 newsletters with articles of interest to community providers.</p> <p>Provided an early career professional scholarship to the AAIDD conference in 2024.</p> <p>Sharon Gomez moderated a session at and reviewed papers for the 2024 conference</p>
2024-2025 Plan: Goals, Objectives, Activities, and Strategies	<p>For the coming year (July 1-June 30), describe the planned objectives, activities, and proposed expenditure of funds. In addition, please note if/how any activities will address diversity, equity, inclusion, or justice.</p> <p>Conduct 2 webinars in coordination with other Interest Networks, with possible topics to include workforce issues and diversity issues in community services systems.</p> <p>Provide 2 newsletters with articles of interest to community providers.</p> <p>Provide an early career professional scholarship to the AAIDD conference in 2025.</p> <p>Determine an election date and process for the Interest Network.</p>

Due September 4, 2024