

Communication Service for the Deaf

June 2, 2021

Statewide Independent Living
Council

Virtual Meeting





South Dakota

We provide Community Support and Telecommunication Equipment Distribution to Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals in South Dakota



History

Founded in 1975, Communication Service for the Deaf (CSD) opened in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, in response to the overwhelming needs of local deaf and hard of hearing people who encountered communication barriers. Since then, CSD has grown to redefine what access means for our community. As champions of equal access for the deaf and hard of hearing, we continue to remain at the forefront of innovation by developing technology that changes the way the deaf community interacts with the world.

Our Services



**Community
Support**



**Equipment
Distribution**



**Internet
Subsidy**



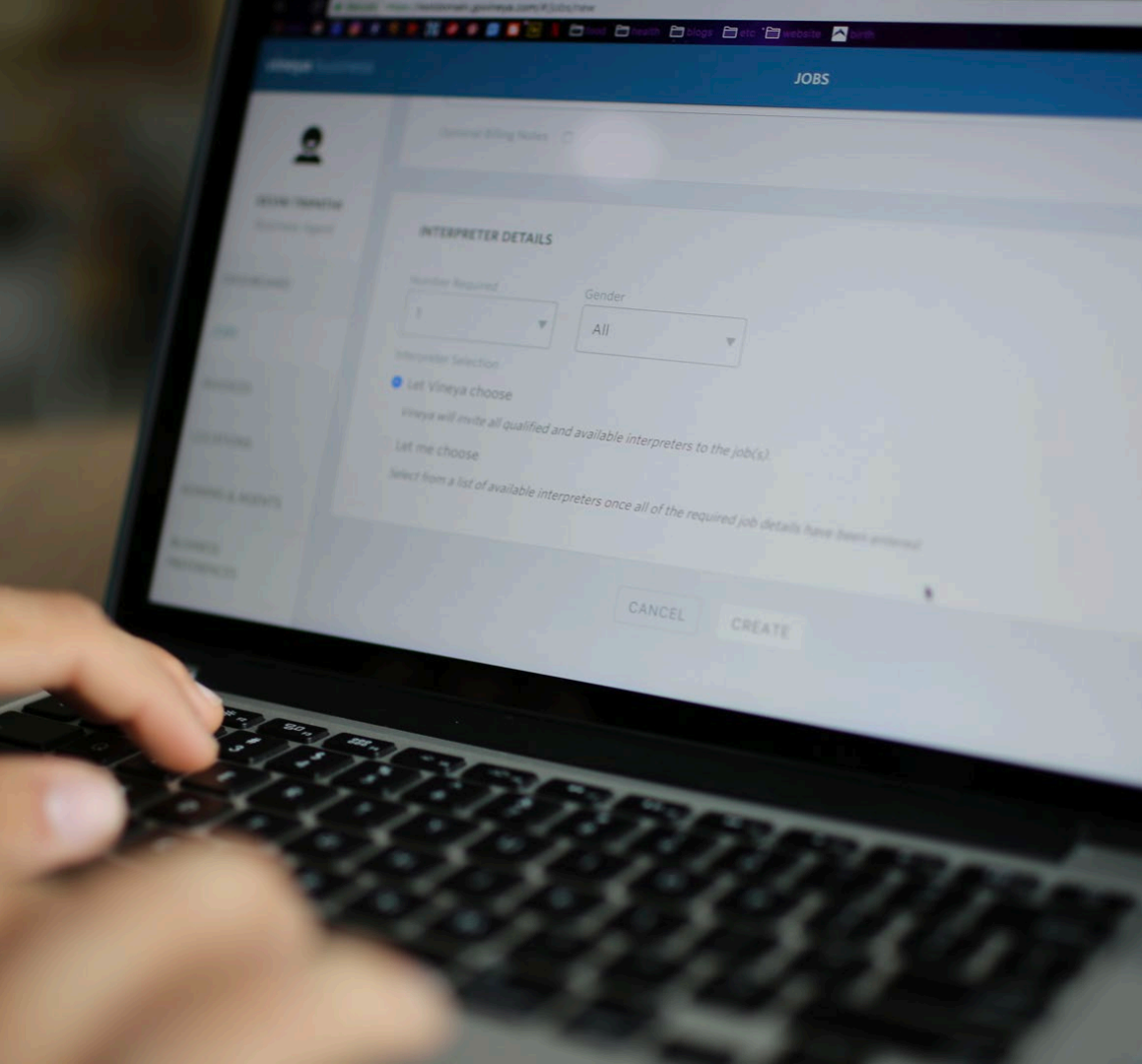
**Captioned
Telephones**



**American Sign
Language
Classes**



**South
Dakota Relay**



Community Support

- **Communication Assistance**
- **Life Skills**
- **Technology Training**
- **Advocacy**
- **Etiquette Training**

Equipment Distribution

- Amplified telephones
- iPhones/iPads
- Cell phone amplifiers





Internet Subsidy

- Funding for internet that supports communication
- \$30/month paid to internet provider

Captioned Telephones

- Listen for what you can hear
- Read what you can't
- Speak yourself





American Sign Language Classes

- Community Education classes
- Small group/ family/ 1:1 instruction

South Dakota Relay

- Standard TTY
- Speech to Speech
- Hearing Carry-Over
- Relay Conference Captioning



FY 2020 Statewide Statistics

3147

EQUIPMENT
CONSUMERS

221

COMMUNITY
SUPPORT
CLIENTS

84

SUBSIDY
RECIPIENTS

11

EMPLOYEES

June 1, 2019 through May 31, 2020



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