

## Emerging Alameda County Aging & Disability Resource Connection

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## Impact & Early Successes in 2021

Walter, who has been homeless, has been a consumer of an ADRC partner for the last couple of years. The ADRC helped him apply for a Mainstream Voucher through the Housing Authority for County of Alameda (HACA). He received a voucher and ADRC assisted him in applying to Home Stretch for his move-in costs and essentials. His application was granted, and Walter is now stable in his own apartment.

Janice was referred by the ADRC to a local church. She has a speech impediment which has limited her access to social activities. The ADRC was able to equip her with an iPad loaded with a speech app which has enabled her use of the telephone. We also provided her with technology training to participate in online support and interest groups. Janice is thrilled with the increased social interaction she is having.







## Next Areas of Growth

- A consultant to support and help inform the core partners as we work to move from emerging to designated status.
- Recruitment of member agencies/persons for Advisory Board.
- Development of Website which details the work of the ADRC.
- A common database which will enable sharing of information between the core partners.
- Outreach to consumers.

## Looking Ahead to 2022

- More affordable and accessible housing
- Improved at home care, e.g., IHSS, Private Pay Registries
- Increased support in assisting individuals to transition from hospital and skilled nursing facility to community-based living
- Expansion of computer skills training, distribution of technology, wifi access
- A common database (Alameda County is not alone in this venture)
- An increase in direct services through using the "no wrong door" approach