Referrals for Sign Language Interpreters and Captionists (CART)

The following list of sign language interpreting services and captioning agencies includes vendors who are approved as USC vendors. Using established and approved USC vendors significantly reduces the amount of work necessary to schedule an interpreter or captionist for an event.

Notes about scheduling vendors: typically interpreters are paid a two-hour minimum per interpreter. For situations that are one and a half hours or longer, two interpreters are typically needed. This is standard in the field and is designed to prevent repetitive use injuries and cognitive fatigue, which would reduce interpreting accuracy. Also, for large special events, two interpreters might be necessary, regardless of the length they are needed.

When deciding between an independent contractor and an agency, it may be helpful to know that while Independent contractors are usually less expensive, scheduling is often easier with an agency. Either option should provide a quality service.

Independent Contractors:

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Amelia Boik 714-381-6915 ahboik@me.com
Mona Jean Cedar 323-316-0398 monajeancedar@gmail.com
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Andrea Lust 626-354-0071 alust22@gmail.com
Stuart Mills 818-261-4600 mills.interpreter@gmail.com
Arlene Narvaez 323-578-3363 arlenenarvaez@gmail.com
Nicole Pancino 661-478-3755 nvpmobile@gmail.com
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Interpreting Agencies:

Accommodating Ideas 800-257-1783 www.ai-ada.com
Links Interpreting Services 888-742-0070 www.linksinterpreting.com
Sign Language Services/Caption Now 310-473-3006 www.signlanguageco.com
The Sign Language Company 818-782-6002 http://signlanguageco.com

Real-Time Captioning (CART)

Total Recall 818-991-2413 www.yourcaptioner.com
Caption Now 310-473-3006 www.caption-now.com
DeafNet/One Interpreting* 877-4MY-TERP www.oneinterpreting.com
Karasch & Associates* 800-621-5689 www.karasch.com/captioning
Quick Caption 951-779-0787 www.quickcaption.com
Sign Language Services/Caption Now 310-473-3006 https://caption-now.com

Note: For CART, you can google CART services and get many more resources. Most of them will be remote. So long as the location has reliable internet signal, remote captioning is considered an
effective option and is acceptable. On the other hand, a sign language interpreter should be in the same location as the individual with a disability. Remote interpreting is generally not an acceptable option.

*Remote services*