



San Gabriel / Pomona
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SAN GABRIEL/POMONA **REGIONAL CENTER**

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel/Pomona Valleys Developmental Services, Inc. will hold their monthly Board meeting on the following date and at the listed location:

DATE: Wednesday, May 28, 2025

TIME: 7:15 p.m.

PLACE: THE MEETING SESSION IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE.

All SG/PRC Board and related Committee meetings continue to be held via videoconference at their regularly scheduled times.

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Meeting ID: 234 566 141
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Program of San Gabriel/Pomona Valleys Developmental Services, Inc.



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SG/PRC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, May 28, 2025
7:15 PM

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Board of Directors	
Julie Chetney, Board President	
Karen Zarsadiaz - Ige, 1 st VP	Preeti Subramaniam, 2 nd VP
Bill Stewart, Treasurer	Trish Gonzales, Secretary
Kelly Privitt, VAC Chairperson	Joseph Huang
Sam Yi	Jaye Dixit
Phillip Loi	Richard Centeno
Adriana Pinedo	Tina Wright

7:15 PM	1.	Public Meeting Call to Order A. Review of Agenda
7:20 PM	2.	Public Comment - Please email egomez@sgprc.org to sign up
7:25 PM	3.	Consent Agenda — All consent agenda items will be enacted by one motion and vote. A. Review of Board Minutes – March 26, 2025, and April 23, 2025 B. Second Term Elections: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Julie Chetney- Karen Zarsadiaz-Ige

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jaye Dixit - Trish Gonzales - Richard Centeno - Joseph Huang - Tina Wright
7:35 PM	4.	Executive Finance Committee – <i>Dara Mikesell, CFO</i> A. Review of Financial Report
7:40 PM	5.	Community Relations/Legislative Advisory Committee – <i>Karen Zarsadiaz - Ige</i>
7:45 PM	6.	Advisory Committee for Individual Served and Their Families – <i>Phillip Loi</i>
7:50 PM	7.	Vendor Advisory Committee – <i>Kelly Privitt</i>
7:55 PM	8.	Strategic Development Advisory Committee – <i>Julie Chetney</i> A. *Notice to Conduct Elections of slate of officers for FY 2025-2026 on June 25, 2025
8:00 PM	9.	Executive Director’s Report – <i>Jesse Weller</i> A. Strategic Plan Q3 Updates
8:10 PM	10.	President’s Report A. Notice of Elections B. Review of Attendance C. Board Dinner
8:20 PM	11.	Special Board Presentation – <i>Salvador Gonzalez</i> FY25-26 Performance Contract
8:40 PM	12.	Other Board and Community Announcements
8:45 PM	13.	Adjournment
8:45 PM	14.	Executive Session – None

***Action items**



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SAN GABRIEL/POMONA DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
(A California Corporation)

March 26, 2025

ATTENDANCE

The following members of the Board of Directors were present at said meeting:

PRESENT:

Julie Chetney
Trish Gonzales
Joseph Huang
Richard Centeno
Phillip Loi
Sam Yi
Paula Rodarte
Preeti Subramaniam
Bill Stewart
Jaye Dixit
Tina Wright
Sam Yi
Kelly Privitt
Adriana Pinedo

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer
Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and
Equity & team
Daniela Santana, Director, Client Services
Yvonne Gratianne, Communications and Public
Engagement Officer
Erika Gomez, Liaison to BOD & RDDF
Elba Moreno, Department Assistant, Communications
Willanette Stewart/Satchell, Executive Assistant

ABSENT:

Karen Zarsadiaz – Ige (8:15 p.m)

INTERPRETERS:

Spanish - Marisol and Eduardo
Mandarin - Charlene and
Chenhung Chen
Korean - Sally and Kaytlin
Vietnamese – Peter Le
and Thanh Bihn

GUESTS:

Alma Jansenn, DDS
Elizabeth Cuevas
Nada Saleh
Yan Li
Graciela Marquez
Nancy Bunker
Lisa Nguyen

ASL - Issac and Leslie

Julie Chetney, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

- The agenda for today's meeting was reviewed.
- Executive Director, Jesse Weller, acknowledged that committee member and former Board Director, Mary Soldato, passed away. Mary will be missed by all who knew her and her loss will be felt by the Board and its committees.

A. PUBLIC INPUT:

- Carl Argila, through the ASL interpreter, reminded the Board that he records the entire meeting and uploads the video of the meeting to his personal blog. He shared details about his son's conservatorship, including his wish for the conservatorship to be terminated and asked that more details of his request be added to the minutes.

B. CONSENT AGENDA

All consent agenda items were enacted by one motion and vote.

- Review of minutes of the January 22, 2025, meeting
 - *The following change was requested: Adriana Pinedo should be listed as "present."*
- Review of minutes of the February 26, 2025, meeting
- Recommendations for Committee(s) membership:
 - Alayna Effinger for Community Relations/Legislative Advisory Committee
 - Lisa Nguyen for Strategic Development Advisory Committee
 - Lenny Kwari for Advisory Committee For Individuals Served and Their Families
- Review of the updated Conflict of Interest Policy, as required by DDS

(M/S/C Stewart & Gonzalez) The Board approved all the items on the consent agenda, with amendment to the January minutes.

C. EXECUTIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer, presented the following:

In regional center operations, the allocation based on the A-1 Amendment is projected to meet expenditure projections. Projections include operating continuation costs and expenditures from the prior fiscal year. The operations A-1

allocation for fiscal year 2024-25 is currently at \$54,743,524 with projected expenditures of \$53,666,774. The year-to-date expenditure is \$25,107,461 with projected remaining expenditures of \$28,300,845. This results in an unencumbered amount of **\$1,076,750** in regular operations.

The Family Resource Center allocation is projected to meet expenditure projections, resulting in a zero-balance remaining in allocation. The current allocation is \$154,564 with projected expenditures of \$154,564.

The Lanterman Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion program has a current allocation in the amount of \$1,324,230, staff expect to spend the full amount.

The Community Placement Plan (CPP) and DC ongoing Workload operations were allocated at 50% in the A-1 amendment.

The Purchase of Service allocation is based on the A-1 amendment in the amount of \$480,267,724. The current month's expenditure amounted to \$41,311,336 bringing the year-to-date expenditure for services to \$258,150,495. The projected remaining expenditures, including late bills, are estimated at \$222,117,229, resulting in a fully utilized allocation with no remaining balance.

CPP/CRDP POS is a separate line item, SG/PRC was allocated \$100,000 for placement. SG/PRC is expecting additional allocations in A-2 for Start-up projects.

D. COMMUNITY RELATIONS/LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Karen Zarsadiaz – Ige was not present, but Mr. Weller will include information shared during this committee's meeting in his Director's Report shortly.

E. ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR INDIVIDUALS SERVED AND THEIR FAMILIES

Phillip Poi shared that the committee heard from Lucina Galarza, Executive Deputy Director, about the role of Quality Assurance in SG/PRC.

F. VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VAC)

Kelly Privitt shared the following concerns:

- Vendors find the rate reform process very confusing.
- Residential providers would like more information and clarity about referrals and openings.
- There is frustration with Service Coordinators' response time.

G. STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Chetney was not present, but Mr. Weller will include information shared during this committee's meeting in his Director's Report shortly.

H. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, discussed the following from his Executive Director: (for the complete, detailed Director's Report, please see the meeting materials folder located in the SG/PRC website)

- Master Plan – The last committee meeting was on March 19, 2025. An additional 7 recommendations were under review that resulted in a follow-up meeting on Friday March 21, 2025. The final version of the draft report is expected in both English and Spanish on March 28, 2025 with Chinese, Vietnamese, Tagalog, and Korean to follow.
- Purchase of Services (POS) Expenditure Public Meetings – March 2025 - The Service Access and Equity Team have been busy providing important information on how SG/PRC spends money, by whom (their demographics), and where they live; including information on SG/PRC is spending money on social recreation and camp. The 40th Anniversary of the Entitlement Decision, will go to the Assembly floor this Friday March 28, 2025, and will be introduced by Assemblymembers Jeff Gonzales (R) and Stephanie Nguyen (D).
- ARCA Legislative Updates - Workforce Bill, SB 422 (Grayson) has unanimous support and will pass through the committee tomorrow without presentation/testimony which means good progress for this important bill. Jesse Weller and Kelly Privitt, VAC Chair, wrote a joint letter of support to advocate for service providers.
- Disaster Relief Visit at SG/PRC – The U.S Department of Education (Office of Special Education), US Health and Human Services (Administration of Strategic Preparedness and Response), FEMA, and Department of Developmental Services visited SG/PRC and collaborated on the recovery efforts for families impacted by the fires.
- Mr. Weller had the opportunity to be part of a Disability Rights Panel in Fullerton, along with people with lived experience and Dr. Shana Charles, Mayor Pro Tem of Fullerton on Sunday March 23, 2025
- Mr. Weller has the privilege of serving on the Safety Net Continuum Workgroup and they had their first in-person meeting at DDS headquarters yesterday.
- Announcement: Quality Incentive Program (QIP) Focus Group Interest Survey - Regional Center Staff, Individuals Served/Family, and Service Providers can submit their interest in the Quality Incentive Program Focus Group Discussions

to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS).

- Announcement: A Guide to California's Regional Center System has been released. It was designed for anyone interested in learning more about regional center services in a simple and interactive way.
- Announcement: Mitigate Conflicts for Delegated Conservatorship Policy - SG/PRC is pleased to announce that Department of Developmental Services (DDS) notified SG/PRC of the Department's approval of our proposed policy.
- Important Events – Save the Dates
 - Friday April 4, 2025: Spring Dance from 4:00PM-7:00PM
 - Friday April 11, 2025: SG/PRC 2025 Spring Job Fair On-Site from 9:00-4:00PM
 - Saturday April 12, 2025: 4th Annual Sirens of Silence from 10:00AM-1:00PM
 - Sunday April 28, 2025: Parents' Place 29th Annual Information Fair & Festival
- Standardized Fam Support Tool – Webinar - April 10, 2025, at 9:00 a.m - During this webinar, DDS will present information about an initiative to develop a standardized assessment tool to be used across regional centers to determine respite, day care and personal assistance service needs.
- California Community Living Networks Annual Leadership Conference 2025 - Theme: Staying Strong Together - Advocacy, Hope & Resilience - April 16th-18th, 2025 in San Diego, CA - Invited Speaker for the Business and Resilience Session to Discuss Eaton Fire Recovery and Response.
- Aging Caregiver Workshop Series A Life Planning Program - This is a workshop series to help people develop a life plan for a family member with a disability. It is to educate families about available resources to ensure quality of life throughout an individual's lifetime. The workshop series will be held Thursday mornings at 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM at the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center.
- SG/PRC Staffing Updates - As of February 28, 2025, SG/PRC has 553 authorized positions. This total number includes 526 full-time equivalent employees (533 Headcount) and 27 vacancies.
- SG/PRC Individual Served Statistics – As of February 28, 2025, SG/PRC served 17,571 individuals.
- SG/PRC Self Determination Program Statistics – As of February 28, 2025, SG/PRC enrolled 252 participants in the Self-Determination Program.
- Resources for Immigration - The resources on the Governor's Immigration and California Families webpage can help answer questions and provide support for individuals and families.

SPECIAL BOARD PRESENTATION

Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity, presented the following:

FY23-24 Performance Contract Plan Objective and Outcomes

- Public Policy Measures
 - Public Policy Measure #1 and Planned Activities for #1
 - Public Policy Measure #2 and Planned Activities for #2
 - Public Policy Measure #3 and Planned Activities for #3-5 and 7
 - Public Policy Measure #4 and, same activities as Measure #3, additional Activity for #4
 - Public Policy Measure #5 and, same activities as Measure #3, additional Activity for #5
 - Public Policy Measure #6 and Planned Activities for #6
 - Public Policy Measure #7
 - Public Policy Measure #8 and Planned Activities for #8
 - Public Policy Measure #9 and Planned Activities for #9
 - Employment Measures #10- #18
 - Public Policy Measures #13,14,15 All about Paid Internship Program (PIP)
 - Public Policy Measures #16-17 Both about Incentive Payments
 - Activities to Support Employment Measures #10 - #18
 - Public Policy Measure #19
 - Public Policy Measure #20
 - Planned Activities for # 19 &20
 - Inquiry for Suggestions

Purchase of Services Expenditure Data and NCI FY23-24

- Background
- SG/PRC Demographics
- Comparison of Clients for both FY2016 & FY2024
- Performance Contract FY2024-2025 Measure #21 – NO-POS Reducing Disparity & Promoting Equity
- Performance Contract FY2024-2025 Measure #21
- FY2016 & FY2024 Per Capita Expenditures by Ethnicity Age 0-2 at Home
- FY2016 & FY2024 Per Capita Expenditures by Ethnicity Age 3-21 at Home
- FY2016 & FY2024 Per Capita Expenditures by Ethnicity Age 22+ at Home
- Performance Contract FY2024-2025 Measure #19-21

- FY2016 & FY2024 Per Capita Expenditures by Ethnicity All Age at Home
- Individuals by Residence Type from FY2016 to FY2024
- Comparison of POS Expenditures by Living Option FY20 to FY24
- FY2016 ~ FY2024 NO POS Percent Comparison
- Social Recreation and Camping– Services for all ages
- SG/PRC’s Service Access and Equity Department
- Community Presentations and Trainings
- Community Information Forum Library
- Enhanced Services 2023-2024
- Community Events 2024
- Deaf+ Support Group & Resource Guide
- Performance Contract 2023 Measures 19 – Variance Reducing Disparity & Promoting Equity
- Recommendations and Plan to Promote Equity
- Equity Partner Meetings
- SG/PRC Website
- Community Input and Comments

I. OTHER BOARD & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

Next meeting on Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 7:15 p.m.

BOARD MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 26, 2025 MEETING

Submitted by:

Patricia Gonzales, Board Secretary

Date



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Karen Zarsadiaz – Ige

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Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer
Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity & team
Daniela Santana, Director, Client Services
Hortencia Tafoya, Director of Clinical Services
Yvonne Gratianne, Communications and Public Engagement Officer
Erika Gomez, Liaison to BOD & RDDF
Elba Moreno, Department Assistant, Communications
Willanette Stewart/Satchell, Executive Assistant

ABSENT:

Adriana Pinedo
Jaye Dixit

INTERPRETERS:

Spanish - Sonia and Eduardo
Mandarin - Charlene and
Chenhung Chen
Korean - Sally and Kaytlin
Vietnamese – Peter Le

GUESTS:

Alma Jansenn, DDS
Willie Ramirez, DDS
Elizabeth Cuevas
Nada Saleh
Yan Li
Lisa Nguyen
Sally Milano
Jay Smith
Karina Andrade

and Than Bihn
ASL - Issac and Leslie

Julie Chetney, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

- The agenda for today's meeting was reviewed.

A. PUBLIC INPUT:

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B. BOARD TRAINING – The State Budget Process and Legislative Advocacy

Tony Anderson, Associate Director, ARCA, provided an update on statewide budget and legislative issues impacting the regional center system:

State Budget and Operations

- The regional center (RC) system continues to recover financially following the COVID-19 pandemic.
- RCs are now subject to the California Public Records Act, which is anticipated to add approximately \$10 million in operational costs statewide.
- There is an ongoing discussion regarding implementing a pay differential for bilingual staff across the system.
- Impacts from the Los Angeles wildfires, including the Eaton Fire, were noted.
- A budget hearing is scheduled for the following day.
- The Governor's May Revise is expected soon and may impact funding for developmental services.

Legislative Updates

- ARCA is currently tracking approximately 100 bills this legislative session.
- AB 1172 (Assemblymember Stephanie Nguyen), sponsored by ARCA, addresses the use of seizure medications. The bill is currently moving to the Appropriations Committee.
- SB 442 (Tim Greyson) requires the California Workforce Development Board to review existing recommendations and report by January 1, 2027 on the best ways to address the workforce shortage in developmental services. The Department of Developmental Services will provide staff support.
- ACR 55 is a commemorative resolution recognizing the 40th Anniversary of the

Lanterman Act entitlement, marking a significant milestone in California's commitment to individuals with developmental disabilities.

Federal Advocacy

- ARCA and other stakeholders are working to preserve Medicaid programs.
- The Developmental Disabilities Act is at risk. Current federal proposals suggest the Act could either receive continued funding or face elimination.

Community Engagement

- The upcoming Disability Action Week will provide opportunities for awareness and advocacy.
- Mr. Anderson encouraged stakeholders to stay informed and actively participate in advocacy efforts to support critical funding and services for individuals with developmental disabilities.

C. BOARD PRESENTATION - FY25-26 Performance Contract Draft Review & Input

Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity, presented the following:

National Core Indicators Survey – Adult In-Person Survey

- What National Core Indicators are
- Trailer Bill Language Affecting Statutes of FY 2022-2023
- Demographics
- Ethnicity
- Employment
- Choice and Decision Making
- Satisfaction
- Service Coordination
- Health
- Rights and Respect
- Community Participation
- Next Steps
- Implementing Recommendations

FY 2025-2026 SG/PRC Performance Contract Plan Draft

- FY 25-26 SG/PRC Performance Contract Plan Data Overview

- Public Policy Measure #1: Number and percent of regional center caseload in Developmental Center
- Public Policy Measure #2: Number and percent of minors residing with families.
- Public Policy Measure #3: Number and percent of adults residing in independent living.
- Public Policy Measure #4: Number and percent of adults residing in supported living.
- Public Policy Measure #5: Number and percent of adults residing in Adult Family Home Agency homes.
- Public Policy Measure #6: Number and percent of adults residing in family homes (home of parent or guardian).
- Public Policy Measure #7: Number and percent of adults residing in home settings.
- Public Policy Measure #8: Number and percent of minors living in facilities serving > 6.
- Public Policy Measure #9: Number and percent of adults living in facilities serving > 6.
- Public Policy Measure #10: Number and percent of individuals, ages 16-64 with earned income.
- Public Policy Measure #11: Annual wages for individuals ages 16-64.
- Public Policy Measure #12: Annual earnings of individuals ages 16-64 compared to all people with disabilities in California.
- Public Policy Measure #13: Number of adults who entered in competitive integrated employment following participation in a Paid Internship Program.
- Public Policy Measure #14: Percent of adults who entered in competitive integrated employment following participation in a Paid Internship Program.
- Public Policy Measure #15: Average hourly or salaried wages and hours worked per week for adults who participated in a Paid Internship Program during the prior fiscal year.
- Public Policy Measure #16: Average wages and hours worked for adults engaged in competitive integrated employment on behalf of whom incentive payments have been made.
- Public Policy Measure #17: * Total number of \$2000, \$2500 and \$3000 incentive payments made for the fiscal year.
- Public Policy Measure #18: Percentage of adults who reported having competitive integrated employment as a goal in their IPP.

- Public Policy Measure #19: Indicator showing the relationship between annual authorized services and expenditures by individual's residence type and ethnicity.
- Public Policy Measure #20: Percent of total annual purchase of service expenditures by individual's ethnicity and age:
- Public Policy Measure #21: Number and percent of individuals receiving only case management services by age and ethnicity:
- Compliance Measures

D. OTHER BOARD & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board held an Executive Session regarding a legal matter.

Next meeting on Wednesday, May 28, 2025 at 7:15 p.m.

BOARD MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 23, 2025 MEETING

Submitted by:

Patricia Gonzales, Board Secretary

Date

SAN GABRIEL/POMONA
REGIONAL CENTER

Committee Reports & Information



April – May 2025

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA VALLEYS
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
Executive/Finance Committee Meeting Minutes**

May 14, 2025

PRESENT:

Julie Chetney, Board President
Karen Zarsadiaz-Ige, 1st VP
Preeti Subramaniam, 2nd VP
Bill Stewart, Treasurer

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Raquel Sandoval, Director of Human Resources
Erika Gomez, Liaison to the BOD and RDDF
Willanette Stewart Satchell, Executive Assistant

GUESTS:

None

ABSENT:

None

ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 20.04 OF THE BYLAWS

All actions taken by the Executive/Finance Committee on behalf of the Board of Directors shall be reported at the next meeting of the Board.

The actions taken by the Executive/ Finance Committee at this meeting were:

Approval of Financial Report- For the month of February 2025 in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025. These expenditures are for services paid through March 31, 2025.

ITEMS DISCUSSED

A. Call to order

Julie Chetney, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:16 pm. A quorum was established.

- The committee reviewed the agenda.
- The committee reviewed and approved the meeting minutes of April 9, 2025 with the following amendment: add Trish Gonzales as “present.”
(M/S/C Stewart & Zarsadiaz-Ige) The Executive Finance Committee approved the minutes.

B. Public input: None

C. CONSENT AGENDA

Financial Report

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, presented the following:

In regional center operations, the allocation based on the A-2 Amendment is projected to meet expenditure projections. Projections include operating continuation costs and expenditures from the prior fiscal year. The operations A-2 allocation for fiscal year 2024-25 is currently at \$54,947,125 with projected expenditures of \$54,947,125. The year-to-date expenditure is \$32,631,503 with projected remaining expenditures of \$22,315,622. This results in a fully utilized allocation with no remaining balance.

The Family Resource Center allocation is projected to meet expenditure projections, resulting in a zero-balance remaining in allocation. The current allocation is \$154,564 with projected expenditures of \$154,564.

The Lanterman Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion program has a current allocation in the amount of \$1,330,372, staff expect to spend the full amount.

The Community Placement Plan (CPP) and DC ongoing Workload operations were allocated 100% in the A-2 amendment.

The Purchase of Service allocation is based on the A-2 amendment in the amount of \$513,502,744. The current month's expenditure amounted to \$45,712,548 bringing the year-to-date expenditure for services to \$349,093,561. The projected remaining expenditures, including late bills, are estimated at \$164,409,183, resulting in a fully utilized allocation with no remaining balance.

CPP/CRDP POS is a separate line item, SG/PRC is allocated \$100,000 for placement. Staff are expecting additional allocations in A-3 for Start-up projects.

(M/S/C Stewart & Zarsadiaz-Ige) The committee approved the Financial Report.

E. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Julie Chetney, Board President, provided the following updates:

- A. Upcoming Board Meeting Agenda – May 28, 2025: FY25-26 Performance Contract (20 min), Notice of Elections, Review Attendance,

Strategic Plan Q3 Updates

- B. Board Dinner – The Board of Directors will hold an in-person dinner on June 11, 2025. The Executive Finance Committee will also meet in person at 6:00 PM. The Community Relations/Legislative Advisory Committee meeting will be canceled for June and will resume its regular schedule on July 9, 2025.
- C. Upcoming Executive Finance Committee meeting agenda – June 11, 2025 – Same agenda items.

F. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Jesse Weller, Executive Director reported the following:

May Revise

- Budget Solutions:
 - Savings: \$867 million in past-year savings and \$123.7 million in new cuts help reduce the state budget deficit.
 - Key reductions include:
 - Ending the rate reform hold harmless policy earlier (March 2026).
 - Adding protections to the Self-Determination Program.
 - Canceling the unlaunched DSP training program (“DSP University”).
 - Cutting implicit bias training refresh and waiver application help.
- AB 1147: Legal support for regional centers will continue.
- Future Changes (Starting 2026–27):
 - Providers must meet quality and audit standards to receive incentive payments.
 - \$10 million reduction for Porterville Developmental Center.
- New Investments
 - LOIS Project: \$13.3 million to continue planning and support for improving outcomes.
 - Federal Compliance: \$1.9 million to meet new federal rules.
 - Health & Safety Staffing: \$1.4 million for handling appeals and complaints.
 - Specialized Homes Oversight: \$680,000 to monitor community homes.
 - Cost Recovery: \$1.3 million to help regional centers collect payments from insurers.

Contracts \$250,000+ Updates - On December 2, 2024, ARCA/DDS provided an update to all regional centers regarding contracts of \$250,000 or more. DDS

noted that Boards do not need to approve contracts unless an actual amount is stated in the contract that exceeds \$250,000 such as CPP startup or Housing Development Organization acquisitions. An update about this was provided in the Executive Director report on December 11, 2024. The following update was provided on the same day as this meeting by DDS: the statute applies only to contracts specifically awarding \$250,000 or more. DDS is working on a directive. Once SG/PRC receives the directive from DDS, staff will match the language and revise SG/PRC's policy from July 2011.

SG/PRC Recruitment Update – There are currently 545 employees.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned. The next regular meeting will be held on June 11, 2025, at 6 p.m. in-person.

CLOSED SESSION – Personnel and Legal

SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER
FINANCIAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2024-25
PAYMENTS THROUGH APRIL 17, 2025 FOR SERVICES PROVIDED THROUGH MARCH 31, 2025

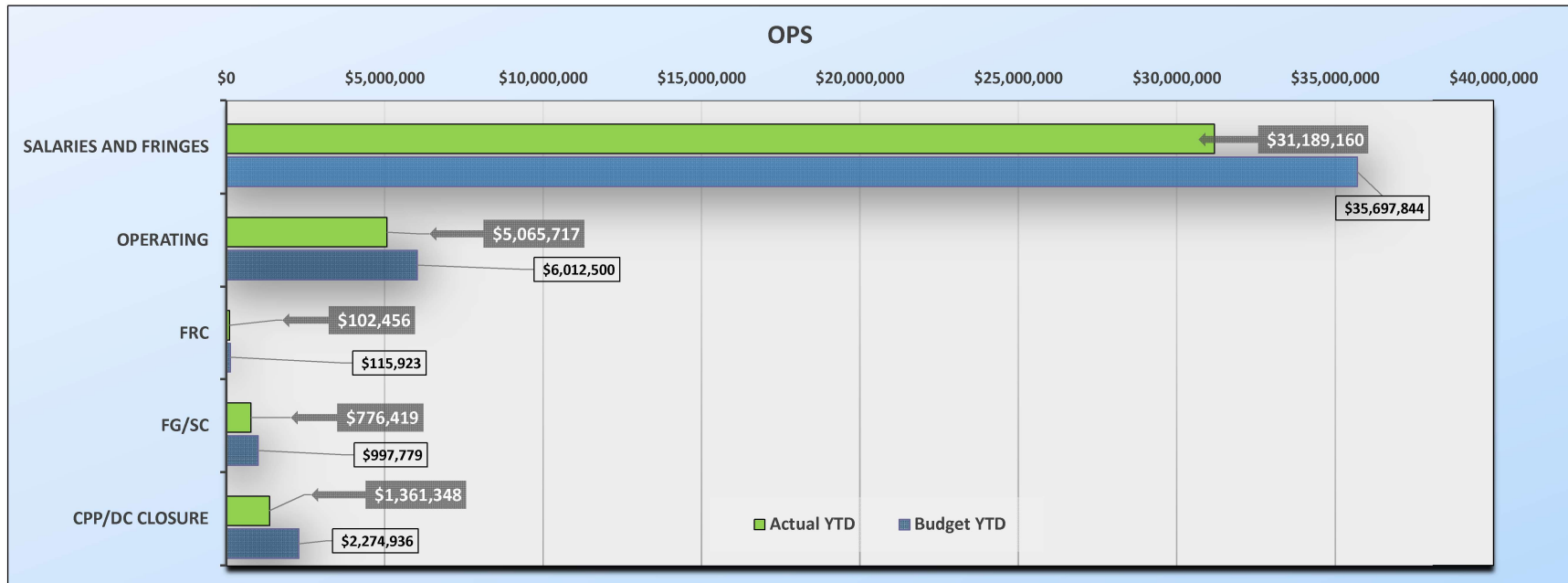
OPERATIONS (OPS)

REGIONAL CENTER

	MTD	YTD	Remaining	Total	FY 23/24
Salaries and Fringes	\$3,197,831	\$31,189,160	\$15,592,007	\$46,781,167	\$41,245,525
Operating Expenses	\$425,543	\$5,065,717	\$2,237,833	\$7,303,550	\$8,320,494
Total	\$3,623,375	\$36,254,877	\$17,829,840	\$54,084,717	\$49,566,019
Allocation (A-2)				\$54,947,125	\$50,283,519
Allocation Balance/(Deficit)				\$862,408	\$717,500

RESTRICTED OPS FUNDS

Family Resource Center	\$8,210	\$102,456	\$52,108	\$154,564	\$154,564
Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion	\$95,314	\$776,419	\$553,953	\$1,330,372	\$1,303,368
CPP and DC Closure Ongoing Workload	\$393,151	\$1,361,348	\$155,276	\$1,516,624	\$1,516,624
Total	\$496,675	\$2,240,223	\$761,337	\$3,001,560	\$2,974,556
Allocation (A-2)				\$3,001,560	\$2,974,556
Allocation Balance/(Deficit)				\$0	\$0



SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER
FINANCIAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2024-25
PAYMENTS THROUGH APRIL 17, 2025 FOR SERVICES PROVIDED THROUGH MARCH 31, 2025

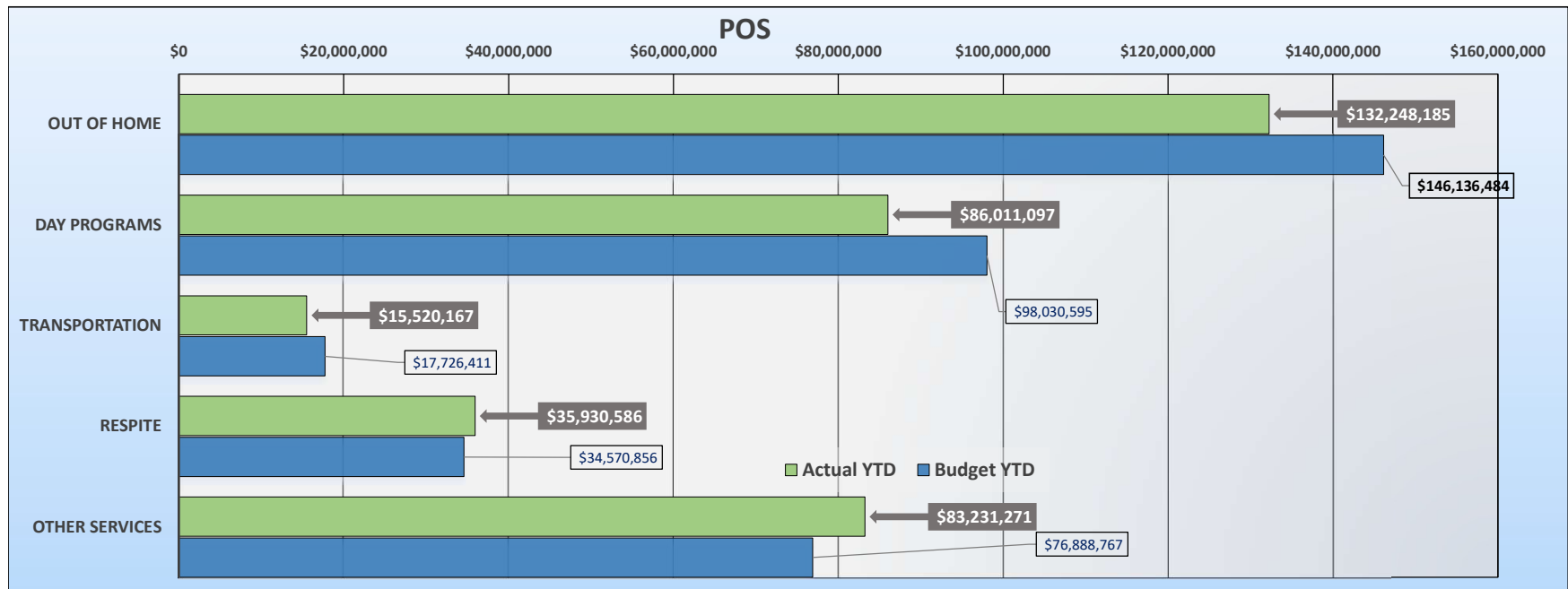
PURCHASE OF SERVICES (POS)

REGIONAL CENTER

	MTD	YTD	Remaining	Total	FY 23/24
Out of Home	\$15,898,472	\$132,248,185	\$62,853,294	\$195,101,479	\$159,423,550
Day Programs	\$9,947,966	\$86,011,097	\$42,032,441	\$128,043,538	\$107,845,652
Transportation	\$1,897,347	\$15,520,167	\$6,848,882	\$22,369,049	\$18,910,601
Respite	\$5,473,780	\$35,930,586	\$17,809,256	\$53,739,843	\$37,475,777
Other Services	\$13,036,071	\$83,231,271	\$35,617,565	\$118,848,836	\$90,979,398
SPA/ICF Reimbursements	(\$541,089)	(\$3,847,746)	(\$752,255)	(\$4,600,000)	(\$4,600,000)
Total	\$45,712,548	\$349,093,561	\$164,409,183	\$513,502,744	\$410,034,978
Allocation (A-2)				\$513,502,744	\$447,038,293
Allocation Balance/(Deficit)				\$0	\$37,003,315

RESTRICTED POS FUNDS

CPP	\$9,489	\$116,016	(\$0)	\$116,016	\$245,925
CRDP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$769,430
HCBS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$421,653
Total	\$9,489	\$116,016	(\$0)	\$116,016	\$1,437,008
Allocation (A-2)				\$100,000	\$1,402,578
Allocation Balance/(Deficit)				(\$16,016)	(\$34,430)



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75% OF YEAR ELAPSED

CONTRACT ALLOCATIONS	Regular	CPP/CRDP DC Ongoing	Family Resource Center	Foster Grandparent Senior Companion	Other	Total			
Preliminary Allocation	32,434,204					32,434,204			
A-1	22,309,320	758,312	154,564	1,324,230		24,546,426			
A-2	(1,269,052)	758,313	154,564	1,324,230		968,055 0			
Total Operations Contract Allocation	53,474,472	1,516,625	309,128	2,648,460	-	57,948,685			
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Total Operations - Actual and Projected Expenditures	57,948,685	100.00%	4,120,050	38,495,100	66.4%	18,591,177	57,086,277	862,408	1.49%
PERSONAL SERVICES (REGULAR OPERATIONS)									
Salaries	37,870,219	70.82%	2,515,123	25,157,597	47.0%	12,712,623	37,870,219	0	0.00%
Temporary Staff	0	0.00%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.00%
Retirement (includes 403B)	4,733,777	8.85%	302,615	3,026,243	5.7%	1,527,714	4,553,957	179,820	0.34%
Social Security (OASDI)	549,118	1.03%	35,787	354,886	0.7%	181,363	536,249	12,869	0.02%
Health Benefits/Long Term Care	3,616,606	6.76%	288,195	2,371,127	4.4%	899,797	3,270,924	345,682	0.65%
Worker's Comp Insurance	568,053	1.06%	18,520	142,095	0.3%	147,241	289,336	278,717	0.52%
Unemployment Insurance	70,000	0.13%	0	10,849	0.0%	72,170	83,019	(13,019)	-0.02%
Non-Industrial Disability/Life Insurance	189,351	0.35%	37,592	126,364	0.2%	51,100	177,463	11,888	0.02%
Tuition Reimbursement	0	0.00%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.00%
Total Personal Services (Regular Operations)	47,597,125	89.01%	3,197,831	31,189,160	58.3%	15,592,007	46,781,167	815,958	1.53%
OPERATING EXPENSES (REGULAR OPERATIONS)									
Equipment Rental	82,000	0.15%	13,756	64,280	0.1%	12,856	77,136	4,864	0.01%
Equipment Maintenance	53,000	0.10%	3,456	27,210	0.1%	9,070	36,279	16,721	0.03%
Facility Rent	3,330,000	6.23%	283,250	2,766,500	5.2%	553,300	3,319,800	10,200	0.02%
Facility Maintenance	80,000	0.15%	8,272	24,495	0.0%	8,165	32,660	47,340	0.09%
Communications (postage, phones)	442,000	0.83%	13,368	273,285	0.5%	157,930	431,215	10,785	0.02%
General Office Expense	462,000	0.86%	10,351	311,650	0.6%	103,883	415,533	46,467	0.09%
Printing	16,000	0.03%	1,854	12,743	0.0%	4,248	16,991	(991)	0.00%
Insurance	550,000	1.03%	0	508,832	1.0%	310	509,142	40,858	0.08%
Data Processing	250,000	0.47%	15,010	111,287	0.2%	137,096	248,382	1,618	0.00%
Data Processing Maintenance / Licenses	235,000	0.44%	31,138	276,121	0.5%	0	276,121	(41,121)	-0.08%
Interest Expense	0	0.00%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.00%
Bank Service Fees	5,000	0.01%	5	196	0.0%	65	262	4,738	0.01%
Legal Fees	600,000	1.12%	12,860	69,675	0.1%	523,225	592,900	7,100	0.01%
Board of Directors Expense	10,000	0.02%	0	2,676	0.0%	892	3,568	6,432	0.01%
Accounting Fees	70,000	0.13%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	70,000	0.13%
Equipment Purchases	250,000	0.47%	2,816	5,152	0.0%	249,717	254,870	(4,870)	-0.01%

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75% OF YEAR ELAPSED

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	Current Allocation	% of Allocation	Current Month Expenditures	Year-to-Date Expenditures	YTD Actual as % of Allocation	Projected Remaining Expenditures	Total Projected Expenditures	Projected Balance Remaining Amount	Percent
Contractor & Consultants - Adm Services	858,000	1.60%	51,320	618,183	1.2%	421,430	1,039,613	(181,613)	-0.34%
Contract - ABX2 Disparities	0	0.00%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.00%
Travel/mileage reimbursement	320,000	0.60%	22,637	209,674	0.4%	107,906	317,580	2,420	0.00%
ARCA Dues	121,000	0.23%	0	125,611	0.2%	41,870	167,481	(46,481)	-0.09%
General Expenses	106,000	0.20%	14,587	68,956	0.1%	42,805	111,761	(5,761)	-0.01%
Total Operating Expenses (Regular Operations)	7,840,000	14.66%	484,679	5,476,525	10.2%	2,374,769	7,851,294	(11,294)	-0.02%
Total Personal Services & Operating Expenses (Regular Operations)	55,437,125		3,682,510	36,665,685	68.6%	17,966,776	54,632,461	804,664	1.50%
<u>OTHER INCOME</u>									
Interest & Other Income	(490,000)	-0.92%	(59,135)	(410,808)	-0.8%	(136,936)	(547,744)	57,744	0.11%
Total Personal Services & Operating Expenses Net of Other Income (Regular Operations)	54,947,125	102.75%	3,623,375	36,254,877	67.8%	17,829,840	54,084,717	862,408	1.61%
<u>RESTRICTED FUNDS</u>									
Family Resource Center Expenses	309,128		8,210	102,456		52,108	154,564	154,564	100.00%
Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Expenses	2,648,460		95,314	776,419		553,953	1,330,372	1,318,088	99.08%
Community Placement Plan and DC Ongoing Workload	1,516,625		393,151	1,361,348		155,276	1,516,624	1	
Total Restricted Funds	4,474,213		496,675	2,240,223	99.2%	761,337	3,001,560	1,472,653	
Total Expenses (Including Restricted Funds)	59,421,338		4,120,050	38,495,100	64.8%	18,591,177	57,086,277	2,335,061	4.09%

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CONTRACT ALLOCATIONS	Regular POS	CPP/CRDP	HCBS	Other	Total		
Preliminary Allocation (Regular POS)	343,854,786				343,854,786		
A-1	136,412,938	100,000			136,512,938		
A-2	33,135,019	100,001			33,235,020		
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Total Contract Allocation	513,402,743	200,001	0		513,602,744		
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						Allocation	
Total POS Actual & Projected Expenditures		45,722,037	349,209,577	68.0%	164,409,183	513,618,760	100.0%
<u>OUT OF HOME CARE</u>							
Community Care Facilities		14,775,870	119,850,018	23.3%	38,412,393	158,262,410	30.8%
ICF/SNF Facilities		1,122,602	12,398,168	2.4%	24,440,901	36,839,069	7.2%
Total Out of Home Care		15,898,472	132,248,185	25.8%	62,853,294	195,101,479	38.0%
<u>DAY PROGRAMS</u>							
Day Care		3,014,552	20,288,453	4.0%	13,528,690	33,817,142	6.6%
Day Training		5,310,016	53,810,876	10.5%	23,362,315	77,173,192	15.0%
Supported Employment		1,622,447	11,390,341	2.2%	4,462,423	15,852,763	3.1%
Work Activity Program		949	521,427	0.1%	679,013	1,200,440	0.2%
Total Day Programs		9,947,966	86,011,097	16.8%	42,032,441	128,043,538	24.9%
<u>OTHER SERVICES</u>							
Non-Medical: Professional		2,441,411	17,799,715	3.5%	7,841,816	25,641,530	5.0%
Non-Medical: Programs		4,364,649	21,260,797	4.1%	6,469,413	27,730,210	5.4%
Home Care: Programs		246,143	2,026,439	0.4%	960,991	2,987,430	0.6%
Transportation		1,347,107	11,009,371	2.1%	4,462,946	15,472,317	3.0%
Transportation Contracts		550,240	4,510,796	0.9%	2,385,935	6,896,731	1.3%
Prevention		2,206,533	16,587,050	3.2%	6,003,188	22,590,238	4.4%
Other Authorized Services		2,668,723	19,877,469	3.9%	7,343,983	27,221,452	5.3%
Personal and Incidentals		24,454	191,233	0.0%	62,386	253,619	0.0%
Hospital Care		38,750	396,250	0.1%	670,000	1,066,250	0.2%

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		Current Month Expenditures	Year-to-Date Expenditures	YTD Actual as percent of Allocation	Projected Remaining Expenditures	Total Projected Expenditures	YTD & Projected as percent of Allocation
Medical Equipment		1,171	55,968	0.0%	44,398	100,366	0.0%
Medical Service: Professional		283,286	2,886,739	0.6%	2,349,889	5,236,628	1.0%
Medical Service: Programs		759,520	2,024,750	0.4%	3,106,805	5,131,555	1.0%
Respite: In Own Home		5,461,180	35,844,327	7.0%	17,345,821	53,190,148	10.4%
Respite: Out of Home		12,600	86,259	0.0%	463,435	549,694	0.1%
Camps		1,430	124,862	0.0%	764,696	889,558	0.2%
Total Other Services		20,407,199	134,682,025	26.2%	60,275,703	194,957,727	38.0%
Total Estimated Cost of Current Services		46,253,637	352,941,307	68.7%	165,161,437	518,102,744	100.9%
<u>OTHER ITEMS</u>							
HCBS	0	0	0		0	0	
Total Other Items		0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%
Total Purchase of Services		46,253,637	352,941,307	68.7%	165,161,437	518,102,744	100.9%
Deduct: Estimated Receipts from Intermediate Care Facilities for State Plan Amendment Services		(541,089)	(3,847,746)	-0.7%	(752,255)	(4,600,000)	-0.9%
Expenditures Regular POS (Net of CPP)	513,402,743	45,712,548	349,093,561	68.0%	164,409,183	513,502,744	100.0%
Projected Allocation Balance (Deficit) Regular POS						(100,001)	0.0%
<u>COMMUNITY PLACEMENT PLAN</u>							
Community Placement Plan (inc. CRDP)	200,001	9,489	116,016		(0)	116,016	
Allocation Balance (Deficit) CPP and CRDP						83,985	0.0%
Total Projected Allocation Balance (Deficit) Regular & Community Placement Plan POS						(16,016)	0.0%

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Mar-25

2025

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	73,690,262
Receivable - State Regional Center Contracts		97,165,586
Receivable - Intermediate Care Facility Providers		2,254,423
Other Receivables		540,340
Prepaid Expenses		394,490
Deposits		202,973
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	174,248,074

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$	40,395,000
Advance - State Regional Center Contracts		133,326,829
Accrued Salaries and Payroll Taxes		328,795
Other Payables		0
Reserve for Unemployment Insurance		100,000
Deferred Revenue		97,450
Total Liabilities	\$	174,248,074

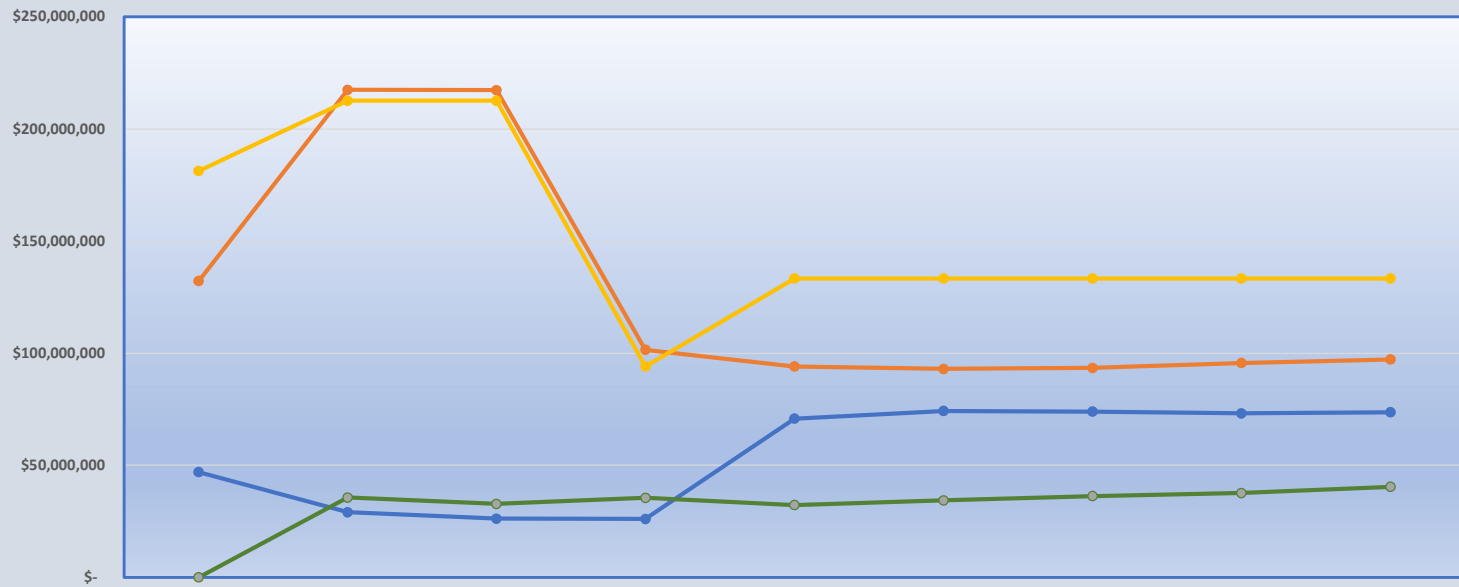
Net Assets

Without Donor Restriction

With Donor Restriction

Total Net Assets	\$	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	174,248,074

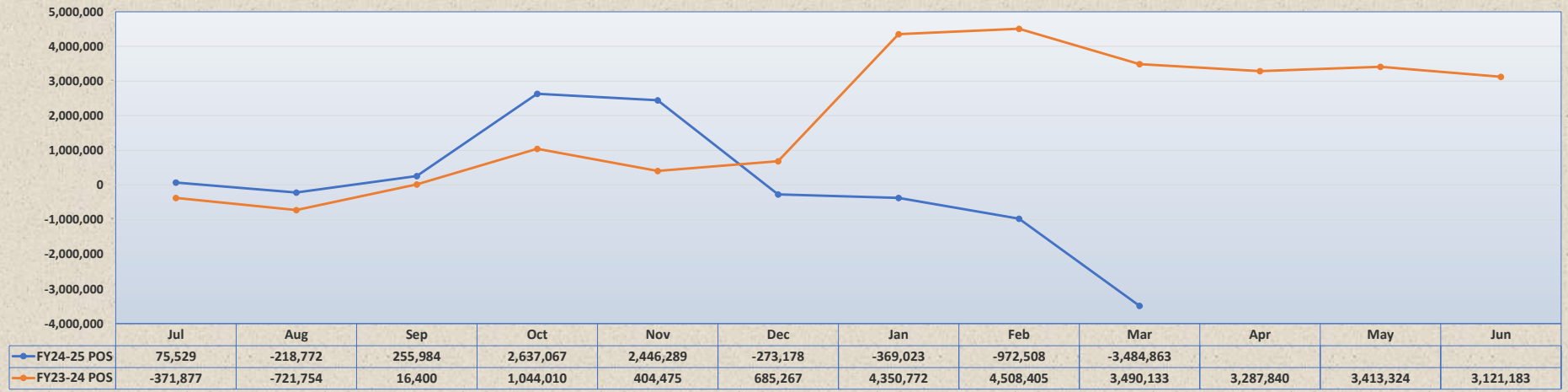
**SGPRC Statement of Financial Position
MARCH 31, 2025**



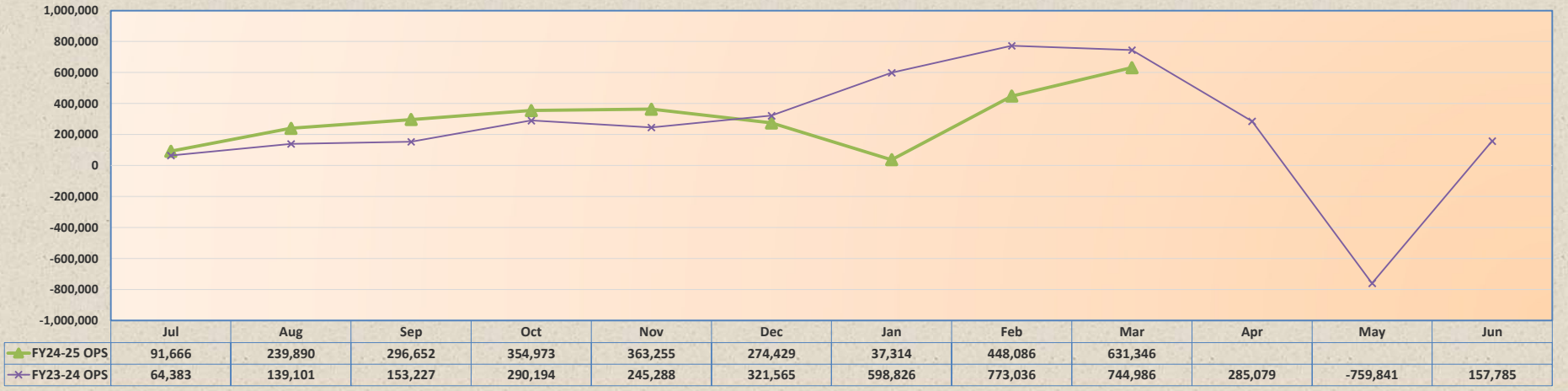
	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$47,006,064	\$29,033,297	\$26,196,681	\$26,165,043	\$70,792,251	\$74,254,392	\$73,937,199	\$73,141,876	\$73,690,262
Receivable - State RC Contracts	\$132,207,336	\$217,450,774	\$217,338,742	\$101,532,294	\$94,061,425	\$92,988,178	\$93,429,217	\$95,665,265	\$97,165,586
Accounts Payable	\$-	\$35,646,491	\$32,818,687	\$35,519,399	\$32,288,535	\$34,383,542	\$36,268,125	\$37,655,458	\$40,395,000
Advance - State RC Contracts	\$181,259,816	\$212,617,026	\$212,617,026	\$94,072,248	\$133,326,829	\$133,326,829	\$133,326,829	\$133,326,829	\$133,326,829

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SGPRC POS Surplus
MARCH 31, 2025



SGPRC OPS Surplus
MARCH 31, 2025



Please note that there will not be a meeting of the Community Relations/Legislative Advisory Committee on June 11, 2025. The next meeting will be on July 9, 2025.



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**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA VALLEYS
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.**

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS/ LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF MAY 14, 2025**

The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT

Karen Zarsadiaz-Ige
Adriana Pinedo
Tina Wright
Teshia Obi
Daniela Barrera
Alayna Effinger

STAFF

Yvonne Gratianne, Communications and Public
Engagement Officer
Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and
Equity and Community Outreach Team
Erika Gomez, Liaison to the Board of Directors and the
RDDF

ABSENT

Joseph Huang

GUESTS

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTIONS

The Community Relations/Legislative Committee recommends the following:
None

CALL TO ORDER

Karen Zarsadiaz-Ige called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. A quorum was established.

The agenda was reviewed and the following informational items were added: June 11th meeting update, Keep the Promise Rally, May Revise Updates, and Second SG/PRC location.

The minutes of the April 9, 2025, meeting were reviewed and approved.
M/S/C (Wright & Zarsadiaz-Ige) The committee approved the minutes.

PUBLIC INPUT

None

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES & OTHER INFORMATION

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, presented the following:

- A. *Roundtable at SG/PRC with First Responders/Law Enforcement* – On June 12, 2025, SG/PRC will host a collaborative panel with First Responders and Law Enforcement to learn about their efforts to better serve individuals with developmental disabilities and to share ideas, experiences, and recommendations from our community to help strengthen those efforts.
- B. *Keep the Promise Rally* – May 22, 2025, at the Capitol. Around 1,000 people are expected to attend this rally to protect Medicaid and support people with developmental disabilities. SG/PRC will be there to show support and take part in the advocacy efforts.
- C. *May Revise May Revise*
 - Budget Solutions:
 - Savings: \$867 million in past-year savings and \$123.7 million in new cuts help reduce the state budget deficit.
 - Key reductions include:
 - Ending the rate reform hold harmless policy earlier (March 2026).
 - Adding protections to the Self-Determination Program.
 - Canceling the unlaunched DSP training program (“DSP University”).
 - Cutting implicit bias training refresh and waiver application help.
 - AB 1147: Legal support for regional centers will continue.
 - Future Changes (Starting 2026–27):
 - Providers must meet quality and audit standards to receive incentive payments.
 - \$10 million reduction for Porterville Developmental Center.
 - New Investments
 - LOIS Project: \$13.3 million to continue planning and support for improving outcomes.
 - Federal Compliance: \$1.9 million to meet new federal rules.
 - Health & Safety Staffing: \$1.4 million for handling appeals and complaints.
 - Specialized Homes Oversight: \$680,000 to monitor community homes.

- Cost Recovery: \$1.3 million to help regional centers collect payments from insurers.

D. June 11, 2025, Meeting Update: The Community Relations/Legislative Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for June 11, 2025, has been cancelled as the Board of Directors will be holding a dinner that evening. The committee will reconvene at its next meeting on July 9, 2025.

E. Second SG/PRC Office – Mr. Weller was happy to announce that SG/PRC has secured a lease for a second office location in Irwindale. The new site is expected to open in 2026 and will help improve access to services, particularly for individuals and families who have found it challenging to travel to the Pomona office. This expansion supports SG/PRC's continued growth, with nearly 18,000 individuals served and a workforce of over 550 staff members.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH-UPDATE

Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity, shared recap videos of the Spring Dance and the Sirens of Silence events.

ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting will be on July 9, 2025.



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Service Access and Equity Department Monthly Report

May 9, 2025

Salvador Gonzalez

Director of Service Access and Equity

Service Access and Equity Team

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Josefina Martinez, Community Outreach Specialist

T.E.A.M. UP: On 4/1 Josie and other members of the SAE Team attended the Together for Education, Awareness and Mental Wellness (TEAM Up) event in the City of Industry. The event was hosted by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Mental Evaluation Team and the City of Industry. The event included partners such as: NAMI, Autism Interaction Solutions, L.A. Found, and the Alzheimer's Association. The outreach event aimed to bridge the gap between the community, resources, and first responders in supporting individuals with Alzheimer's, Autism, and other cognitive impairments. The team hosted a resource table and distributed information regarding the Regional Center. Some of the information shared were SG/PRC's general brochure, CIF flyers, Special Education flyers, SDP flyers and We also provided Resource Guides to other community partners in attendance as well as individuals.

Spring Dance: On 4/4 Josie and other members of the SAE Team were present for the Spring Dance event with over 160 individuals in attendance. The evening was filled with music, dancing, light food and refreshments, and a picture booth. Attendees enjoyed their time and many of the guests' requested songs for the DJ to play. One individual requested to sing and was given that opportunity. Many individuals as well as their parents/guardians expressed appreciation for hosting the event.

Sirens of Silence: On 4/12 SG/PRC hosted A Special Day with First Responders in celebration of Autism Acceptance Month. Over 500 families explored first responders' apparatus, tried on fire and law enforcement gear, and shared best practices to approach their loved ones with special needs. In addition, the event also hosted sensory stations and an art station for children to enjoy. SG/PRC also had resource tables for families to visit and obtain information from the outreach team, mental health specialist, and ABA specialist. Other community based mental health resources were also available such as Foothill Family, Pacific Clinics, and Alma Family Services for families to meet and connect with. The event also had an onsite dental clinic where individuals served could obtain dental screening and recommendations.

CLAP Workshop: On 4/22 Josie attended an evening workshop hosted by an Equity Partners, Familias First. Biannually, the providers hosts the Creating Leadership Among Parents workshops in English and Spanish for SG/PRC's families. Josie was invited by Victor Campos and I had the opportunity to meet families, share how the SAE department supports families and how they can contact us, as well as how we can help families needing extra support. In addition, flyers for upcoming presentations were shared and they were also encouraged to sign up for constant contact.

Dia Del Nino: On 4/30 Josie and Amos attended the Dia Del Nino event in the city of Pomona at Apollo Park. The team hosted a resource table and distributed information regarding the Regional Center. Some of the information shared was SG/PRC's general brochure, CIF flyers, Special Education flyers, SDP flyers and We also provided Resource Guides to other community partners in attendance as well as individuals. Approximately 250 families attended the event.



Amos Byun, Community Outreach Specialist

A. Promoting Service Access & Equity for All Receiving Regional Center Services

- **SG/PRC Resource Guide Distribution** – In the month of April, Amos reached out to Dr. Milan Kim, pediatrician, DMH Area 4 Office, Good Stewards Church, and other places to distribute Resource Guides. Amos will continue to reach out to pediatricians, religious agencies, and other community-based organizations and school district offices to distribute Resource Guides in 2025 to increase community recognition of ID/DD and regional center services.
- **Support for DDS Reports and Contracts** – In April 2025, Amos provided support on creating FY22-23 National Core Indicator (NCI) Survey result review PowerPoint and FY25-26 Performance Contract Draft. On 4/23/25, Amos also participated in the SG/PRC Board Meeting to support SAE Department Director's presentation for both of NCI and PC.
- **Person-Centered Conversation (PCC)** – In the month of April 2025, Amos had 7 PCCs with 7 Korean caregivers who are monolingual Koreans through telephone call and in-person meetings in community settings.
- **Translation for Korean Families** – In the month of April 2025, Amos completed correcting DDS' "Your Child's Plan" Korean translation and sent to DDS on 4/29/25. Amos will continue to complete reviewing what DDS requested previously. Amos also continued reviewing and correcting Korean translations for SAE Department event related documents.

B. Community Outreaching to Promote Service Access & Equity

- **Outreaching to Community Events** – In April 2025, Amos participated in total of seven (7) community events with SAE Department staff as shown below:

04/02/25	Let's T.E.A.M. Up LAC Sheriff & City of Industry
04/10/25	LACDA Victim's Rights Symposium
04/12/25	Sirens of Silence
04/18/25	APFC Earth Day by Pacific Clinics
04/26/25	Southeast Asian Support Group
04/27/25	Parents' Place Information Fair & Festival
04/30/25	Dia Del Nine: Community Resource Fair

- **T.E.A.M. Up Community Resource Event** – On 4/2/25, Amos participated in the Let's TEAM Up event held at the Industry Hills Expo Center, hosted by Los Angeles County Sheriff and the City of Industry with SAE director and 3 staff to provide information table for participants.
- **LACDA Victim's Rights Symposium** – On 4/10/25, Amos participated in the symposium and linked with community organizations who serves victims of crimes.
- **4th Annual Sirens of Silence** – SG/PRC hosted LA County First Responders and SG/PRC individuals and families to 4th Annual Sirens Of Silence event. Amos created event summary video to play at SG/PRC All Staff meeting on 5/7/25.

- **APFC Earth Day Event** – Amos reached out to Pacific Clinic Asian Pacific Family Center’s Earth Day event held at Pacific Clinic in Rosemead on 4/18/25 as invited by Korean Family Specialist.
- **Southeast Asian Support Group** – Amos participated in the support group meeting hosted by Filipino Support Group on 4/26/25 at SG/PRC to provide support for the group.
- **Parents’ Place 30th Annual Resource Fair** – On 4/27/25, Amos participated in the fair with SAE department staff and other SG/PRC staff to provide information desk for all the participated individuals and their families.
- **Dia Del Nine Resource Fair** – On 4/30/25, Amos participated in the community resource fair with Josie Martinez, Cultural Specialist, to disseminate Resource Guide and other information flyers for the community.

Tiffany Loong and Luz Rodriguez-Uribe, Language Access and Cultural Competency Specialists

➤ Translation & Interpretation

LACC Specialists continue to arrange and supervise interpretation services in our threshold languages for several monthly meetings for the agency, including Community Meeting, Board of Director’s Meeting, and SDP LVAC meeting. During this month, interpretation services were also provided during Spring Dance, Sirens of Silence event, Education Specialist Parent Training—Understanding the IEP Document, and CIF—CalAble Presentation. In terms of translation, LACC Specialists continue to support other departments within SG/PRC, such as SLS/ILS/Social Rec Fair flyer for Community Service Department, SDP training assessment and training series letter for SDP unit, Appeal letter for Appeals manager and 202 form for HR department etc. LACC continues to promote the use of the Language Line for all staff that needs support with interpretation over the phone and need general information relayed to them or to simply schedule a meeting. The LACC Specialists continue to oversee the tracking of all translation and interpretation invoicing and ensure vendors receive timely payment.

	April 2025	Total-to-date
Translations	22	156
Interpretations	24	101
Language Line Usage	Not available yet	\$ 3626.01

➤ Outreach Event:

In April, Luz and Tiffany, along with other SAE team members, organized Spring Dance and 4th Annual Sirens of Silence event. The dance was a successful event as we had well over 150 attendees and a lot of fun. LACC had the opportunity to coordinate interpretation for a deaf attendee, and it provided a much better experience for the individual. In addition, SG/PRC staff supported families in other languages.

The Sirens of Silence Event was an outdoor event that allowed individuals of the Regional Center to get close to first responders, their vehicles and engage with them. There was also an artsy wagon providing children with crafts, therapy groups providing sensory stations, Western University providing dental education along with dental screenings and Baja Cali providing delicious food. One SGPRC family in attendance requested the support of an ASL interpreter to support their two children’s language needs during the event. The event was a fun-filled event with more than 500 people attending.

Tiffany also attended the 30th Annual Parents' Place Information Fair & Festival. Hundreds of parents visited the SG/PRC booth. Tiffany provided the Resource Guides, CIF, Special Education Parent Workshop flyers to attendees. Tiffany also connected families with Intake, EI and Families Service Directors. Tiffany met some food and art business vendors who serve Special needs individuals who will be interested in partnering with SAE department for future events.

Luz and Nora attended the "Soñando Por Nuestras Estrellas" Parent Support Group in Baldwin Park. The group meets, comprised of mostly Spanish-speaking and Latino parents invited Norma and Luz to briefly meet with their group and share the SG/PRC Resource Guide. Luz reviewed the Resource Guide in Spanish with the attendees and Nora explained her role as an Education Specialist. The parent group expressed their desire to have Nora and Luz back for a presentation on education or post-education programs available to young adults.

➤ **Case management support and Bridging Family back to Case Management**

The LACC Specialists continue to provide support to Service Coordinators and Staff to find translation/interpretation resources or need to look for SG/PRC translated materials.

	April 2025	Total to Date
Case Management Support	4	14
Bridging Family	4	9

➤ **Community Information Forum**

The Community Information Forum is a platform to address important, new or current issues that support individuals and families served by SG/PRC. The LACC Specialists planned 7 CIF in the year 2025. In April, the LACC team hosted CalAble Presentation. Over 50 participants attended the workshop. Many parents who couldn't join the presentation emailed Luz and Tiffany for a copy of PowerPoint and the recording.

➤ **Engagement Events**

Luz and Tiffany have been collaborating with the Service Access and Equity Team in the planning of two large events that will take place in April 2025: Spring Dance and Sirens of Silence. They will be reviewing individual's and family's needs and ensure they receive the information in their language and are supported during those events.

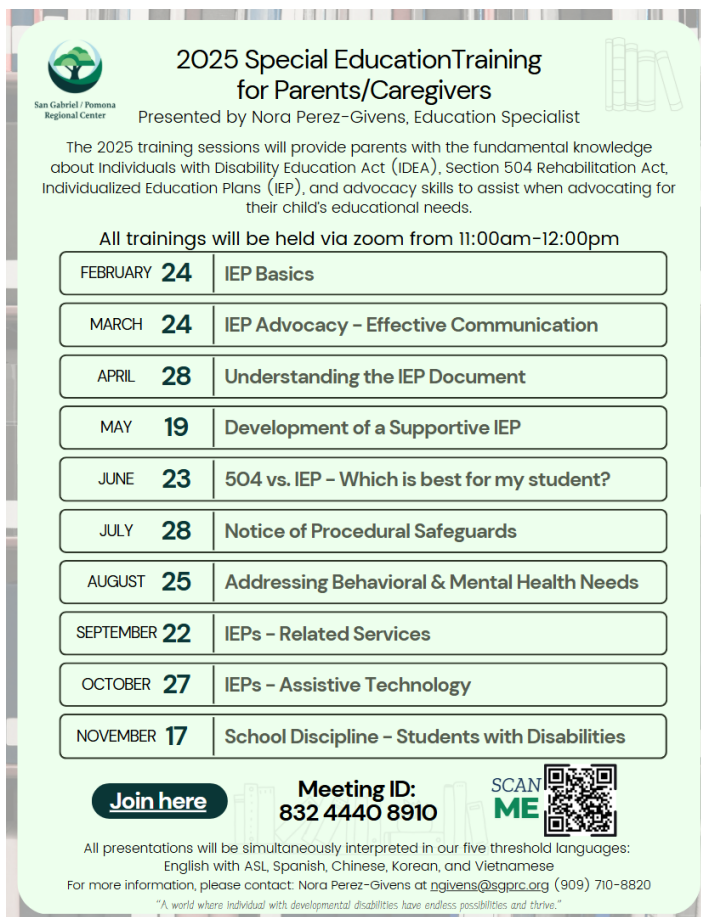
Nora Perez-Givens, Education Specialist

The Education Specialist assists regional center staff, families, and community partners with questions related to educational matters for students ages 3 and up to include post- secondary school years.

Upcoming Trainings

2025 Virtual Trainings for parents. The training sessions will provide parents with the fundamental knowledge about Individuals with Disability Education Act (IDEA), Section 504 Rehabilitation Act and advocacy skills to assist parents when advocating for their child's educational needs. Training is provided in multiple languages.

2025 Virtual Trainings for SG/PRC Staff. The trainings sessions will provide service coordinators with the fundamental knowledge about Individuals with Disability Education Act (IDEA) and Section 504 Rehabilitation Act to assist staff in supporting individuals with developmental disability in educational advocacy.



2025 Special Education Training for Parents/Caregivers
Presented by Nora Perez-Givens, Education Specialist

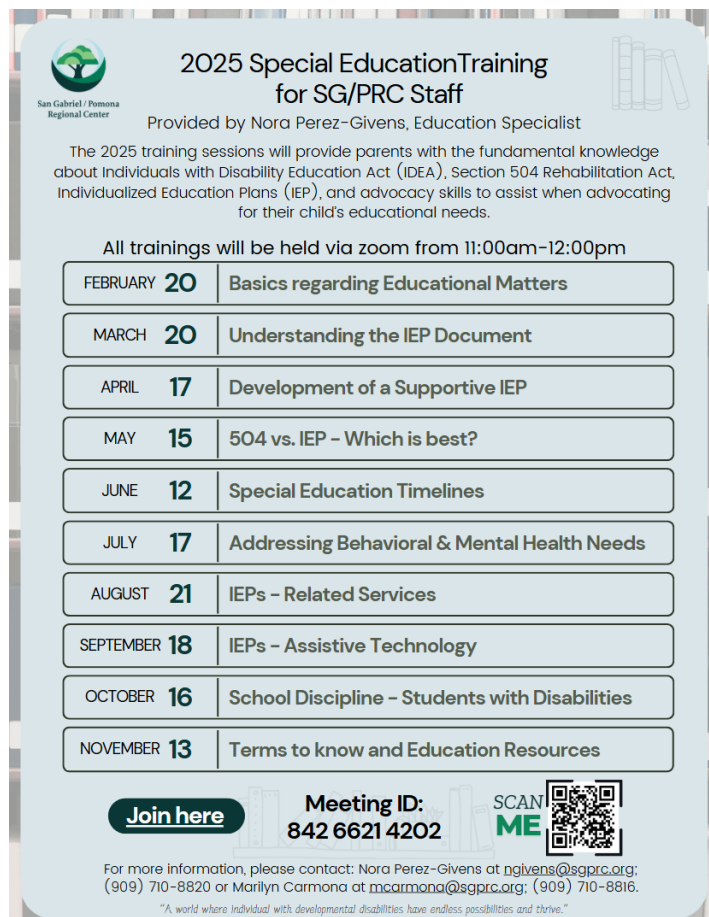
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All trainings will be held via zoom from 11:00am-12:00pm

FEBRUARY	24	IEP Basics
MARCH	24	IEP Advocacy – Effective Communication
APRIL	28	Understanding the IEP Document
MAY	19	Development of a Supportive IEP
JUNE	23	504 vs. IEP – Which is best for my student?
JULY	28	Notice of Procedural Safeguards
AUGUST	25	Addressing Behavioral & Mental Health Needs
SEPTEMBER	22	IEPs – Related Services
OCTOBER	27	IEPs – Assistive Technology
NOVEMBER	17	School Discipline – Students with Disabilities

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All presentations will be simultaneously interpreted in our five threshold languages: English with ASL, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese
For more information, please contact: Nora Perez-Givens at ngivens@sgprc.org (909) 710-8820
"A world where individual with developmental disabilities have endless possibilities and thrive."



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APRIL	17	Development of a Supportive IEP
MAY	15	504 vs. IEP – Which is best?
JUNE	12	Special Education Timelines
JULY	17	Addressing Behavioral & Mental Health Needs
AUGUST	21	IEPs – Related Services
SEPTEMBER	18	IEPs – Assistive Technology
OCTOBER	16	School Discipline – Students with Disabilities
NOVEMBER	13	Terms to know and Education Resources

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2025 Virtual Trainings for individuals/families going through the SG/PRC intake process. Attendees will receive information on: School support for students with disabilities at any level at any level at any level at any grade including post-secondary education and how to access the supports. Training is provided in multiple languages.

Date	Time	Training Topic
5/14	11am-12pm	Education Advocacy
8/13	11am-12pm	Education Advocacy
11/12	11am-12pm	Education Advocacy

Other Trainings: Community Information Forum – These virtual trainings address the important, new, or current issues that support delivery and accessibility to individuals served by SG/PRC.

Date	Time	Training Topic
7/24	11am-12:00pm	Transitioning from High School to College for Students with IEPs & 504 Plan

Maria Vargas, Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Manager North and Wendy Hemminger, Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Manager South

North	South
Total volunteers: 52	Total volunteers: 47
Individuals served: 97	Individuals served: 84
Total hours served: 5,052	Total hours served: 4,007

In the month of April, we had a total of 99 volunteers serving 181 individuals for both FG/SC programs. SGPRC-North Program Manager provided pre-service on-boarding training for two new volunteers who will be placed at Easter Seals in Glendora and Dignity Adult Day Healthcare Center in Montclair. Several site visits took place throughout the month and managers attended monthly and individual meetings with DDS. Two of SGPRC's longest serving volunteers were featured on a billboard in the City of Industry. The billboard will be up for 4 weeks in hopes of recruiting potential volunteers to serve our communities. SGPRC North held its annual volunteer recognition event at the Flower Fields in Carlsbad followed by a buffet lunch at BJ's. The Program Manager from SGPRC-South provided volunteers with 3 hours of in-service training on developmental disabilities and showed a Cyber Seniors DVD. Volunteers received new uniforms after the training and April birthdays were celebrated.

SGPRC North Volunteer Recognition Trip to the Carlsbad Flower Fields



SGPRC Promotional Billboard of AmeriCorp's Foster Grandparent Senior Companion Program



Jessica Wilson, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Specialists:

Outreach Events and Connections

Jessica participated in the 4th annual Sirens of Silence event hosted by the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center in partnership with LA County Fire department. Jessica supported this event by securing 3 vendors who provided sensory stations and bins (4/12). Jessica also supported with outreach and providing ASL support to Deaf attendees. Jessica also volunteered for the annual Spring dance for individuals served. Jessica was available to support in ASL and helped secure interpretation. (4/4).

Special/upcoming projects:

Upcoming social gathering for SG/PRC's DeafPlus Community. Families can come together to connect, celebrate, and build community. [Click here](#) for flyer.

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Let's come together to connect, celebrate, and build community!

- 🗣️ SOCIALIZING & COMMUNITY
- 🍴 FOOD AND GAMES
- 📁 RESOURCES

DEAFPLUS INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES ARE WELCOME!
PLEASE, SGPRC FAMILIES ONLY
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QUESTIONS OR TO RSVP: CONTACT JESSICA WILSON, JWILSON@SGPRC.ORG (909) 710-8823

SATURDAY
May 17, 2025

11:00AM-1:00PM

PATIO OF GOOD STEWARDS CHURCH
2701 S. Woodgate Ave.
West Covina, CA 91792

CLICK HERE OR SCAN QR CODE TO RSVP!

ASL Classes for Families:

As part of the Language Access and Cultural Competency initiative, Jessica has been offering 3 ASL classes per year since 2023. The next class will begin in June 2025. These classes are free and designed to support families and caregivers of Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals. These classes teach topics including emergency signs, family signs, personal care, basic communication, and much more. Please register for the constant contact communication or email jwilson@sgprc.org for class information.

Trainings and Development:

4/5: California Hands and Voices AStra training for Education Advocacy. Jessica attended an 8-hour in-person training session at the Huntington Beach school district. This training was designed to empower parents and professionals supporting Deaf, Hard of Hearing and DeafPlus students. The training covered topics on Special education, IEPs and more.

4/9: Deaf+ Cultural Training: Building Awareness of the Unique Needs of Deaf+ Individuals



Consultations and In-house support, Misc. support

In April, Jessica provided support to SGPRC service coordinators and families.

- 4/2 Jessica coordinated ASL interpreters for individuals served for an upcoming event
- 4/2 Jessica had a consultation with an SC to support and DHH individual. Jessica provided a variety of resources for Deaf children and parent support
- 4/22 Jessica set up a Sorenson video phone for a SC and individual served to allow for better communication
- 4/22 Jessica coordinated with DHH residential home to provide resources and upcoming events

Other projects and Miscellaneous:

- In Person Gathering for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Individuals and Families 5/17
- Vendor Training Workgroup for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Specialists
- Deaf and Hard of Hearing Resource Guide
- Housemate Matching Tool Statewide Workgroup

2023-24 SG/PRC SAE Grant Equity Partners

Regional Center Equity Partners and project descriptions to promote equity.

Organization Name	Project Name	Project Description	Population Focus	Language(s)	Project Type	Awarded Amount	Duration of project
Access Nonprofit Center	Parent Leadership, Advocacy + Founders Forum	Provide Black parents mentorship and training opportunities to empower them and increase representation and participation on community decision-making platforms	African American	English	Education and Training	\$150,000	18 months
Acorns to Oak Trees	Harley's Hope Project	Raise awareness of IDD & combat stigmatism in tribal communities across the state through a series of culturally competent outreach events and provide educational materials to tribes about the importance of early intervention.	Native American	American Sign Language, Spanish	Community Connector	\$700,000	24 Months
Being Built Together	Community Connector Service for Korean Speaking Families	Korean-speaking navigators to provide culturally and linguistically competent support and educational opportunities for parents and caregivers	Korean	Korean	Community Connector	\$475,000	24 months
California Community Education Center	Equity and Access for Intersectional LGBTQIA+ Communities	Equip LGBTQIA+/communities of color with the tools necessary to access and utilize culturally and linguistically affirming services through training workshops and provide cultural humility trainings for Regional Center staff.	Hispanic	American Sign Language, English, Spanish	Education and Training	\$500,000	24 Months
Chasing 7 Dreams	Pamper My Baby	Train BIPOC parents to serve as parent advocates and host workshops to increase early intervention awareness and services access	African American, Asian, Hispanic	Chinese (Mandarin), English, Japanese, Spanish	Education and Training	\$275,000	18 months

SG/PRC Service Access and Equity

Disability Voices United	The Statewide Emerging Leaders Program	Train and mentor diverse self-advocates and family members to become community leaders and create a council of program graduates who will train future leaders	African American, Asian, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Hispanic	American Sign Language, Amharic, English, Korean, Spanish, Vietnamese	Education and Training	\$325,000	18 months
Familias First	Client Access and Resolution for Essential Services (CARES)	Equip parents with knowledge and skills through workshops in Spanish that teach about Regional Center services, and the fair hearing process.	Hispanic	English, Spanish	Education and Training	\$500,000	24 Months
Foothill Family Service	Early Support, Training, and Education for Partners Services – Early STEPS	Deliver accessible educational workshops on early intervention to RC staff and service providers and offer individualized support through follow-up meetings to ensure referral linkage and improve service access.	Chinese, African American, Hispanic, Vietnamese	American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese (Cantonese), Chinese (Mandarin), English, Farsi, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog, Vietnamese	Education and Training	\$500,000	24 Months
Seesaw Communities, Inc	Seesaw	Culturally sensitive seminars in Korean and meaningful engagement to increase family access to employment-related resources	Korean	Korean	Education and Training	\$250,000	18 months
USC UCEDD	Peer Navigation Transition Training	Train a team of Peer Transition Navigators (PTNs) consisting of Black and Hispanic self-advocates to support young adults with IDD aged 14-22 with transition and adult services.	African American, Hispanic	Spanish	Education and Training	\$500,000	24 months

Yanad Busch and Jessi Romero, Specialized Services I and II:

Enhanced Service Coordination

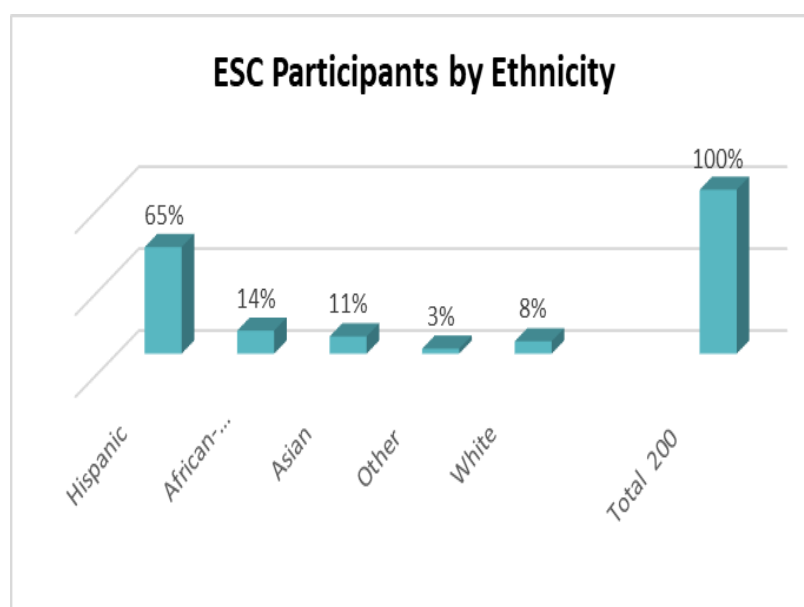
The Budget Act of 2021/2022 allocated funding for Enhanced Service Coordination (ESC) with a specific caseload ratio of 1 service coordinator (SC) to 40 individuals in underserved and diverse communities with low and no purchase of service (POS). With smaller caseloads, specially trained SCs provide focused support and increased service coordination to the individuals served and their families.

The primary role of the ESC SC is to provide individuals served and their families valuable training opportunities to understand their diagnosis, the regional center system, the role of their service coordinator, the IPP process, and SG/PRC's various service delivery models - Traditional Funding services, Participant Directed services, and Self-Determination Program. This is achieved with increased communication, quarterly meetings, and accessibility to community outreach events.

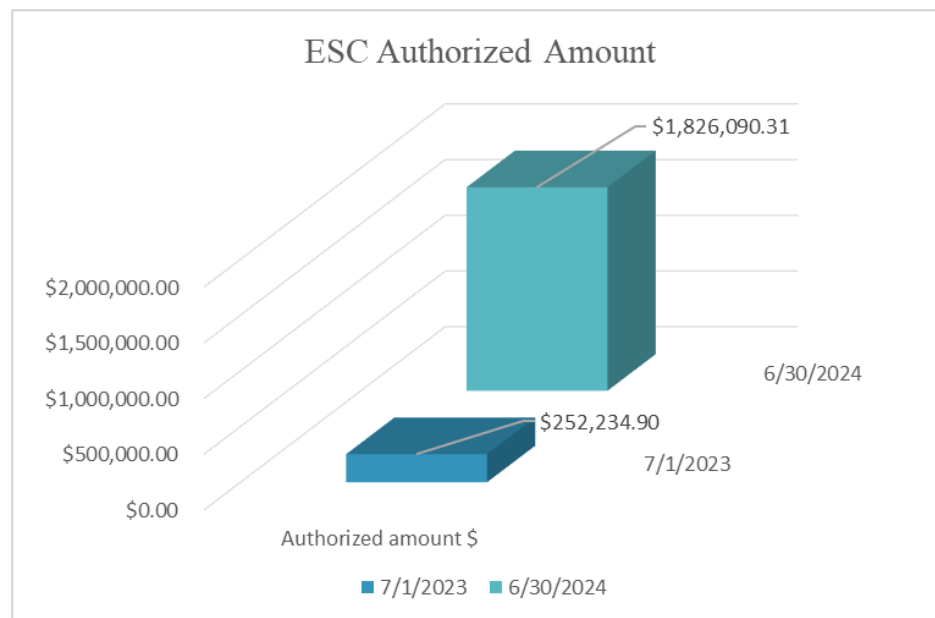
Enhanced Service Coordination Outreach

The ESC program emerges as a comprehensive and strategic approach to service coordination, resource allocation, and community empowerment, ultimately contributing to improved outcomes for individuals with developmental disabilities. As such, SG/PRC strategically centralized the five Enhanced Service Coordination (ESC) positions allocated by DDS within two Specialized Services units. The selection process for the first 200 individuals served was based on a Department of Developmental Services (DDS) list identifying those with zero-to-low POS (less than \$2,000 of regional center funded services). Individuals and their families were notified of their transfer to Specialized Services, accompanied by information that the ESC program is voluntary and spans a 12-month service period. The voluntary nature of the ESC program ensures that the individuals and their families are active participants in the decision-making process regarding their services.

ESC participants are identified in a database generated by the Department of Developmental Services (DDS). Participation in the program is voluntary, with individuals and their families agreeing to a 12-month service period aligned with SG/PRC's fiscal year. They also commit to quarterly visits with their ESC. Through a person-centered approach and enhanced communication, ESCs provide valuable training opportunities, helping individuals and families better understand their diagnosis, the regional center system, the role of their service coordinator, the Individual Program Plan (IPP) process, and the various service delivery models available, including Traditional Funding services, Participant Directed services, and the Self-Determination Program. On July 2024, a new cohort of 200 individuals joined the ESC program. Enrollees in fiscal year 2023-2024 returned to traditional service coordination. Once a participant returns to traditional service coordination, both the ESC and traditional service coordinator maintain communication throughout the year to sustain continuous support for participants.



The efficacy of the ESC program is evident in the significant increase of authorized services. Authorizations indicated what the IPP team agreed to and authorized on behalf of the individual served. SG/PRC has served 400 individuals since the inception of the program in April 2022. Purchase of service authorizations for fiscal year 2023-2024 yield \$1,826,090.31. The authorized amount for ESC participants in the fiscal year 2023-2024 increased significantly from a baseline of \$252,234.90 to \$1,826,090.31. These figures highlight the program's success as the ESC team focuses on empowering the individuals served and their families with the knowledge and skills necessary to navigate and access essential services and support.



Enhanced Service Coordination 2024-2025

Effective July 2024, SG/PRC selected a new group of 200 individuals to participate in the Enhanced Service Coordination (ESC) program. ESC SCs aim to empower individuals and their families with the knowledge and skills they need to navigate and readily access the services and support they need. Participation in SG/PRC community events is a key component of this effort. These events connect individuals and families to various services, support groups, social and recreational activities, SG/PRC staff, and other families served by SG/PRC. An example of this engagement is the Empowerment Conference: Enhanced Services hosted by the ESC team on May 23, 2024. Three previous Enhanced workshops were held during the fiscal year 2023-2024, designed to increase awareness of services and resources available at SG/PRC and within the community.

During these workshops, families had the opportunity to enjoy a light breakfast while getting to know the SG/PRC Service Access and Equity team. They also became more aware of how to navigate the Regional Center and access Regional Center-funded services, which can be a critical aspect of providing comprehensive support to individuals and families with developmental disabilities. These efforts help ensure that all individuals have the information and resources they need to access the services and support they require more effectively.

The ESC team is taking proactive steps to ensure families' participation in the upcoming Enhanced Service Workshops. They plan to use a combination of mailing, emails, and text reminders to engage with the participants. This communication strategy demonstrates a commitment to inclusive and accessible outreach,

ensuring that families from diverse backgrounds are well-informed and can actively participate in these valuable workshops and events.

1. **Mailing, Emailing, and Hand Delivering Flyers:** The team will mail, and hand deliver a flyer containing information about the upcoming workshops to all 200 participants. This allows for physical reminders and reference material for the events.
2. **Text Reminders:** Amos Byun, the Community Outreach Specialist, will send out text reminders to notify participants about the workshops. Text messages can serve as a quick and convenient way to keep families informed.
3. **Multilingual Support:** To ensure effective communication, the team has made flyers and texts available in multiple preferred languages. LACC Specialists, Luz Rodriguez and Tiffany Loong have translated the materials into Spanish, Mandarin, and Vietnamese, accommodating a diverse group of participants.

Upcoming Enhanced Service Conference:

- June 18, 2025- Conference: DoubleTree by Hilton, Monrovia, CA.

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DDS Department of Developmental Services

Our 2nd Annual Empowerment Conference for those in Enhanced Services is a place to gather with others, learn, grow, and get connected. We are committed to supporting families obtain information about regional center, generic resources, and community organizations. SG/PRC specialists, self-advocates, and other generic resources will be present to provide information of available resources.

This event is sponsored by DDS-Language Access and Cultural Competency Funds
Interpretation will be provided in Spanish, American Sign Language, Korean, Vietnamese, and Chinese.
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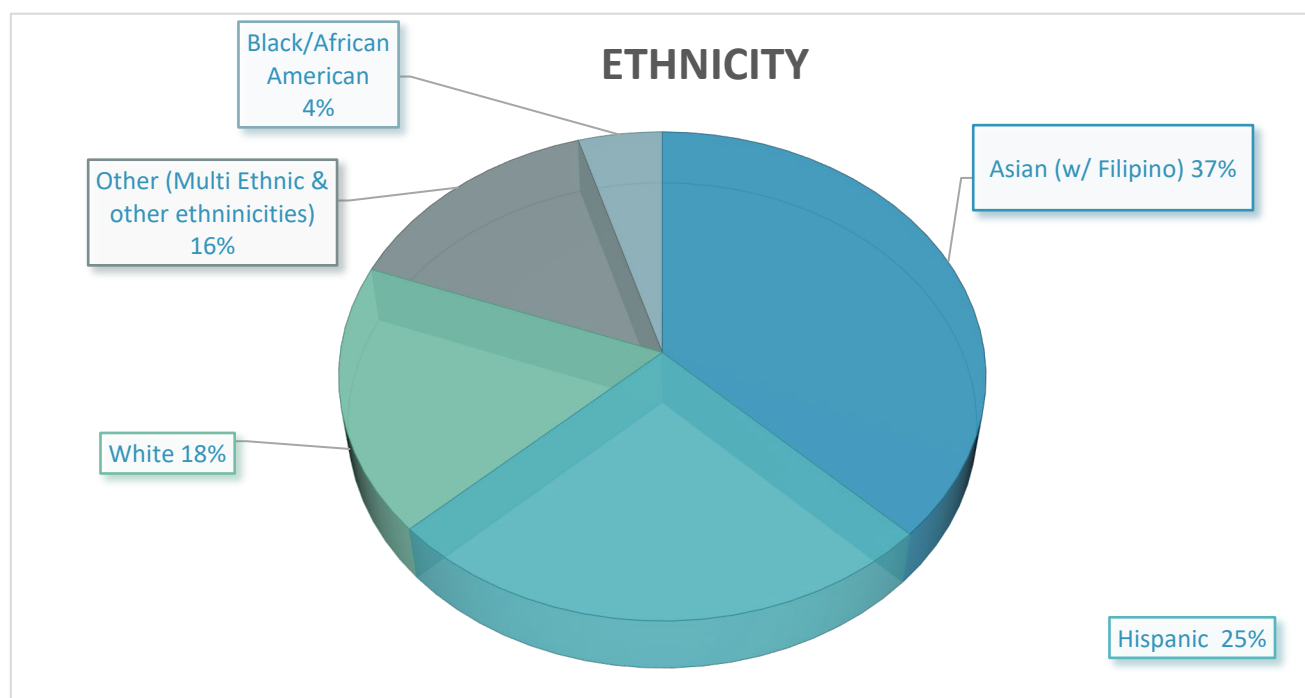
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Self-Determination Program:

As of April 30, 2025, SG/PRC has successfully enrolled 275 participants into the Self-Determination Program (SDP). SDP is an alternative funding model to traditional services and became accessible to all regional center clients on July 1, 2021. SG/PRC SDP Team develops and promotes training opportunities to further enhance the implementation of SDP for all individuals served by SG/PRC. Additionally, the SDP Team aims to bridge any disparities for underserved communities. Training and support groups are offered in English, Spanish, Chinese, American Sign Language (ASL), and other languages, as needed. The charts below depict data collected by diagnosis, language, and ethnicity. Below you will see data on enrolled cases in SDP as of 04/30/2025.



SG/PRC individuals served in SDP by diagnosis and ethnicity

Enrollees by Diagnosis	# of Enrollees	Percentage
Autism	182	66%
Intellectual Disability	62	23%
Cerebral Palsy	19	7%
Epilepsy	10	4%
Other	2	1%
Grand Total	275	100%

SG/PRC individuals served in SDP by departments as of 03/31/2025.

Department	Total	Percentage
Family (6 - 14yrs old)	100	36%
Adult (25yrs +)	85	31%
Transition (14 to 25yrs old)	80	29%
Preschool (3 to 6yrs old)	10	4%
Grand Total	275	100%

SDP Participant Enrollment 11/1/2019 through 04/30/2025

SDP Enrollees	Total	SDP Year
November 1, 2019	1	
January - December 2020	12	6 th year
January - December 2021	28	5 th year
January - December 2022	52	4 th year
January - December 2023	51	3 rd year
January – December 2024	87	2 nd year
January 2025- April 2025	44	1st year
Grand Total	275	

Below you will see the Table: SG/PRC Fact Sheet of individuals served by diagnosis and ethnicity as of 12/01/2024.

SG/PRC Fact Sheet		
Diagnosis	# of Clients	%
Autism	6,444	48%
Cerebral Palsy	1,372	10%
Epilepsy	1,823	13%
Intellectual Disabilities	8,144	60%
Other Dev. Disabilities	1,228	9%
SGPRC Fact Sheet		
Client by Ethnicity	# of Clients	%
Asian w/Filipino	2,200	12%
African American	807	5%
Multi-Cultural	1,515	9%
Native American	22	0%
Other & Unknown	588	3%
Polynesian/Pacific Islands	23	0%
Hispanic	9,809	57%
White	2,211	13%

SG/PRC SDP Team

The Self-Determination Program at SG/PRC has undergone remarkable development since its inception in July 2021, when it first became available to interested and eligible participants. The program's enrollment has grown at an impressive rate, necessitating an increase in the number of subject matter experts to address the specialized needs of SDP participants.

With the steadfast support of SG/PRC's Executive Director and the SAE Director, as of July 1, 2024, the centralization of the SDP expanded further by growing the SDP team by two additional positions. Including modifying the role of the SDP SC and Participant Choice Specialists. The roles within the program were enhanced to match the complexities and intricacies of SDP. SDP Service Coordinators transitioned to Self-Determination Support Specialists, and the Participant Choice Specialist-System Analysts became Lead Self-Determination Program Support Specialists. This strategic reorganization underscores SG/PRC's commitment to providing exceptional support and resources to SDP participants, ensuring the continued success and growth of the program.

The role of the SDP team is to provide ongoing training and support to SG/PRC staff in navigating the SDP process. Training is delivered via 1:1 with budget and spending plan meetings, revising spending plans, training Independent Facilitators on the SG/PRC system, attending meetings to support families in understanding the role of the Independent Facilitator and/or FMS, and attending meetings to support with SDP-IPP.

The team receives daily calls from SG/PRC staff and daily emails via the SDP Workgroup email system requesting support with the SDP process. These calls vary from assisting SCs with access to SDP material,

training on the SDP process, and/or general information in understanding the SDP process, how to explain the SDP process to the individuals served; and accessing SDP material.

Specialized Services (SPS) Managers host Manager Collaboration Meetings with SG/PRC Managers to review DDS directives and SDP trends. SPS Managers present SDP updates and promote training opportunities, support groups, and training tools at the monthly Vendor Meetings, Community Meetings, and the Board Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families, including attendance for the DDS bi-monthly meetings with the DDS SDP Manager and staff. Through all these meetings and trainings discussed above, the SDP team collects data on individuals served and their families who are interested in learning more about SDP and potentially enrolling in the program. The list of those interested in exploring SDP averages 57 individuals. Of the interested-list, 5-10 individuals successfully transition to SDP monthly.

DDS Meetings and Trainings

SG/PRC SDP-Team attends bi-monthly meetings with DDS for further guidance on DDS directives and to discuss progress in the SDP service delivery model. The last meeting with SG/PRC SDP Team, DDS, Frank D. Lanterman, and Inland Regional Center was held on **April 8, 2025**.

The last directive released was in July 2024: [DDS SDP Program Directives](#)

DDS continues to update their website with the approved FMS Employer's burden. Action FMS and GT Independence FMS are still pending to be approved and updated to the website. DDS shared they are working with FMS providers who may have "other" rates and will provide regional centers an update with the outcome.

[DDS SDP FMS Contact List](#)

[DDS Summary of Approved FMS Employers Burden](#)

DDS continues to hold SDP Office Hours for Q & A. They also reviewed SDP SANDIS Data collection and for regional centers to continue updating as needed. DDS is working on releasing information on budget thresholds and will release a directive as soon as it's ready. The next scheduled DDS meeting will be in April 2025.

SDP Statewide Meeting with ARCA

The SDP Team participates in quarterly SDP Statewide Meetings with ARCA and SDP Leadership Team representatives from all 21 regional centers. This meeting was held on February 12, 2025, to review the further implementation of DDS directives and other topics such as common trends, spending plan revisions, and resolutions of Notice of Actions. The next meeting is pending to be scheduled.

California State Assembly

June 11, 2024, the California State Assembly reviewed two Senate Bills to enhance the Self-Determination Program:

Senate Bill 1281- Advancing Equity and Access in the Self-Determination Program Act-would establish an administrative process to simplify and streamline the procedures for enrolling participants and assisting them in remaining in the Self Determination Program (SDP).

Senate Bill 1463 – the bill would require the Governor to appoint a Deputy Director of Self-Determination, responsible for overseeing the successful implementation and operation of the program.

Self-Determination Implementation Funds

Welfare and Institution Code section 4685.8(f) allocated funds to regional centers to support implementation of the Self-Determination Program. Specialized Services Managers, Yaned Busch and Jessi Romero, and the Director of SAE work collaboratively with the Local Voluntary Advisory Committee (LVAC) to develop training opportunities and support groups to enhance the implementation of SDP. The LVACs play an important role in the implementation and oversight of the SDP. The regional centers and LVAC work collaboratively to prioritize the use of available funds to meet the needs of participants in their local area. Funds may only be expended after agreement is reached on local needs.

Self-Determination Implementation Funds

2022-2023 Self-Determination Program Implementation Funds-Special Projects
\$93,152.28

Project Name	Provider	Contact Person	Brief Description	Contract Dates	Contract Cost	Balance
						\$93,152.28
SDP Training and Coaching Services	Healed Women Heal	Tracy Evanson	Supplemental training for SDP orientation	8/1/2023 to 3/15/2025	\$30,960.00	\$62,192.28
SG/PRC SDP Video Voice Overs	Education Spectrum	Cathy Gott	SDP training video voiceovers	11/01/2023 to 3/15/2025	\$30,800.00	\$31,392.28
The Waiting Room	Education Spectrum	Cathy Gott	SDP Support Group	12/04/2023 to 3/15/2025	\$20,832.00	\$10,560.28
SDP Conference Material	Pasadena Promos	Priya Raghuram	SDP Conference Material	10/18/2024	\$10,560.26	\$0
				Balance		\$0

SDP Training and Coaching Services

Training will be provided by Healed Women Heal. This training is a supplement to SDP orientation. Many of our families require additional training after attending the SDP orientation. The training will focus on bridging the gap in understanding the SDP enrollment process. Many families complete the orientation and find themselves having more questions about the SDP process. The participants will increase their understanding of SDP which will further empower them to manage their relationships with their Independent Facilitators, the Regional Center, and the financial management services. This training course is a 4-week series. Healed Women Heal completed three training series. The first series took place 1/22/24 through 2/14/24 and the second series 6/1/24 to 6/24/24. The third English series began 10/7/2024 and concluded on 11/04/24. The Spanish series began 10/09/24 and ended on 11/06/24. The fourth series began on Monday 4/28/25 and Spanish session on Wednesday 4/30/25. Training is held on Mondays in English with Chinese interpretation and on Wednesdays in Spanish. Spanish training sessions are held by Spanish speaking trainers. However, training sessions are offered in various languages. SG/PRC community members and individuals served by other regional centers were in attendance.

SG/PRC SDP Video Voice Overs

The SDP Team continues to collaborate with Cathy Gott of Education Spectrum to continue the SDP Training video voiceover translations. Education Spectrum has completed all four videos in Spanish, Vietnamese and Mandarin. The Korean and ASL videos have been completed and are currently being reviewed for approval.

Waiting Room by Education Spectrum 2023-2024

Education Spectrum held their final 2024 monthly parent support group on December 19, 2024. They had a total of 12 participants attending their meeting. Translation services were provided in Spanish and Chinese. SG/PRC staff do not attend this meeting so that families can support one another and openly share their experiences with SDP and SG/PRC staff. Cathy Gott, founder of Education Spectrum, provides SG/PRC with a monthly report to further enhance the SDP program at SG/PRC and shares resources with SDP participants.

SG/PRC SDP Conference

In collaboration with the Local Volunteer Advisory Committee, SG/PRC held their first SDP Conference using SDP Implementation Funds. The SDP Conference was held on October 18, 2024, at Le Meridien in Arcadia, CA. There were 305 guests in attendance, which included SDP participants and their families, individuals interested in learning more about SDP, and those going through the enrollment process. Individuals served and their families had an opportunity to meet other SDP participants and network with one another. The conference highlighted success stories and video testimonials from parents of SDP participants. Families also connected with SG/PRC staff to share experiences and resources, fostering a supportive community. Key presentation by Deputy Executive Director Lucina Galarza informed the SDP community on the “Background and History of Self-Determination” and the Director of Client Services Daniela Santana enlighten the audience with “Initiation of Self-Determination at SG/PRC.” Managers of Specialized Services-Special Projects Yaned Busch and Jessi Romero presented an overview on the “Transitioning into Self-Determination Program” and valuable information on available supports from the SDP Team. Lead Specialists Yvette Espinoza and Marlene Alvarez shared an overview of their role within the SDP program. The audience

also received valuable information on the appeals and resolution process from the Manager of Appeals and Resolutions, Daniel Ibarra. Other presenters included Aimee Delgado from the Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy and the Department of Rehabilitation Office. A panel of parents and the Local Volunteer Advisory Committee shared their personal experience with SDP. They also encouraged families to connect with one another and their regional center to fully experience the benefit of available resources and support. The conference attendees received a special treat with an afternoon of laughter from an SDP Participant Comedian who has a successful career in the comedy world. The SDP conference is one of many events funded by SDP Implementation Funds. SG/PRC is committed to further enhance the implementation of SDP and continues to foster a supportive community for SDP participants.

2023-2024 Self-Determination Program Implementation Funds-Special Projects

2023-2024 Self-Determination Program Implementation Funds-Special Projects

\$92,951.39

Project Name	Provider	Contact Person	Brief Description	Contract Dates	Contract Cost	Balance
						\$92,951.39
SDP Conference 2024	Le Meridien Hotel		SDP Informational Conference	10/18/2024	\$30,590.71	\$62,360.68
SDP Conference 2024	Blue Dragon Video Production		SDP Interviews Video Production	10/18/2024	\$23,419.00	\$38,941.68
The Waiting Room	Education Spectrum	Cathy Gott	The Waiting Room/SDP Support Group	12 months	\$20,832.00	\$18,109.68
SDP Conference 2025	Pacific Palms Resort		SDP Informational Conference	10/10/2025	\$18,109.68 of \$55,519.49	\$0
				Balance		\$0

2024-2025 Self-Determination Program Implementation Funds-Special Projects

\$92,377.13

Project Name	Provider	Contact Person	Brief Description	Contract Dates	Contract Cost	Balance
						\$92,377.13
SDP Conference 2025	Pacific Palms Resort		SDP Informational Conference	10/10/2025	\$ 37,409.81	\$54,967.32
				Balance		\$54,967.32

Waiting Room by Education Spectrum 2025

Education Spectrum held their monthly parent support group on April 17, 2025. 71 individuals registered to attend and a total of 23 participants attended the meeting. Translation services were provided in Spanish and Chinese. SG/PRC staff do not attend this meeting so that families can support one another and openly share their experiences with SDP and SG/PRC staff. Cathy Gott, founder of Education Spectrum, provides SG/PRC with a monthly report to further enhance the SDP program at SG/PRC and shares resources with SDP participants. The monthly report may be found in the Google Drive folder. [Click here](#) to access these resources:

Yvette Espinoza and Marlene Alvarez, Lead SDP Support Specialists

The focus of the Lead SDP Support Specialist is to provide outreach and training for staff and community members. They support SG/PRC staff and individuals served to understand and access Participant-Directed Services and the Self-Determination Program. The Lead SDP Specialists are the central point of contact for staff and the community for support, training, and advocacy for individuals accessing these two programs. They collaborate with multiple departments within the agency including Client Services, Community Services, and Accounting. They also engage with the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) by providing monthly information and attending bi-monthly meetings. They engage in Person-Centered planning meetings with individuals, families, and independent facilitators as needed. They also participate in the development, review, and certification of individual budgets, review spending plans, and Individual Program Plans.

Case-management Support: The Lead SDP Support Specialists host weekly consultations with staff called SDP office hours, where service coordinators sign up to ask case-specific questions. SDP office hours are now being held three times a week on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays to support case management staff and the community. The support may vary from developing an SDP Budget, reviewing SDP spending plans, writing SDP IPPs, and securing SDP authorizations.

The Self-Determination team also meets every week or as necessary to disseminate information from DDS and discuss ways to streamline the process for all parties. Additionally, managers may invite The Lead SDP Specialists to attend their unit meetings for further training.

Lead Specialists, Yvette and Marlene, support SG/PRC staff in transitioning families into SDP. They also provide support to SDP Support Specialists with those enrolled in the program. Their support extends to answering questions about the difference between Participant-Directed services and Self-Determination, the process of the program, the development of budgets (unmet needs), accessing generic resources if necessary, and reviewing SDP spending plans with SDP definitions, and attending meetings with families and IFs when requested. The Lead SDP Specialists participate in quarterly Statewide meetings related to the Self-Determination Program. They meet with the rest of the Regional Centers alongside the Association of Regional Center Agencies (ARCA). They also attend and participate in monthly Self-Determination Community meetings such as the Local Volunteer Advisory Committee held every 2nd Tuesday of the month. Lastly, they meet with DDS bi-monthly for updates and to share current trends within the Self-Determination Program.

Additional SG/PRC training/presentations: Yvette Espinoza, Lead SDP Support Specialist, and Jessica Wilson, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Specialist received certification as SG/PRC's Person-Centered Planning (PCP) Coaches as of June 30, 2023. This meets a performance measure outlined by DDS. The outcome is for all case management staff including managers to be trained in person-centered planning skills. They continue to meet monthly with Helen Sanderson Associates for support in disseminating training for staff. Staff training will consist of video recordings uploaded to eLearning Modules and in-person workshops for practice.

On August 8, 2024, Yaned Busch, Specialized Services Manager I; Jessi Romero, Specialized Services Manager II; and Marlene Alvarez, Lead SDP Support Specialist received certification as SG/PRC's Person-Centered Planning (PCP) Coaches.

The Financial Management Service (FMS) Providers

Individuals served/families may choose the FMS provider of their choice. The SDP team provides a list of providers upon request. Individuals served/families may also visit the DDS website to obtain a list of FMS providers. At SG/PRC, GT Independence has the highest numbers of individuals enrolled in SDP, followed by Ritz. The highest percentage of SDP participants are in the Adult Services Department (25 years +), followed by those in the Family Services Department (5-15 years). The Financial Management Services (FMS) providers report a significant waiting period to enroll SDP participants. FMS providers may have waiting lists that vary between three to six months. The SDP team encourages individuals served/families to contact and interview FMS providers in the early stages of the SDP process.

For additional information on the FMS models, please click below:

https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/FMS_Directive_20181221.pdf

For the FMS model comparison chart:

https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/FMSModelsComparisonChart_04272021.pdf

For the DDS list of FMS providers:

<https://www.dds.ca.gov/initiatives/sdp/financial-management-service-contact-list/>

FMS Providers Vendored with SGPRC

Name	FMS Models	Language	Phone	Email
ACCURA	Bill payer, Sole-Employer, Co-employer	English	510-386-1399	Vidhya Govindaraju Vidhyags83@gmail.com

Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting Referrals.
- ❖ Participants/family must contact FMS minimum 30 to 60 days before starting SDP.
- ❖ Budgets over \$120,000 may require additional review.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

ACE FMS	Bill payer & Sole-Employer	English	833-344-7272	sara@acefms.com or peyman@acefms.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting Referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must contact FMS minimum 30 to 60 days before starting SDP.
- ❖ Budgets over \$120,000 may require additional review.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

Action FMS	Bill Payer & Co-employer	English	(310)867-8882	contact@actionFMS.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting Referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must contact FMS minimum 30 to 60 days before starting SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

Acumen	Bill payer & Sole-Employee	English, Spanish	(424) 210-8810	yvettet@acument2.net
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting Referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact Acumen a minimum 30 to 60 days before starting SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

Aveanna, formerly known as Premier	Bill payer & Sole-Employer	English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Cantonese, Mandarin & Trieu Chau	(310) 215-1730	FMSInfo@aveanna.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact FMS a minimum of 30 to 60 days before starting SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

Cambrian	Bill payer, Sole-Employer & Co-Employer	English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Tagalog, Farsi	(877) 390-4300	Paulq@cfms1.com davide@cfms1.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact FMS a minimum 30 to 60 days before starting SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

Community Interface Services (CIS)	Bill Payer	English & Spanish	(760) 729-3866	CSheppard@communityinterfaceservices.org
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact FMS a minimum of 30 to 60 days before starting SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

Essential Pay	Bill Payer	English & Spanish	(833) 268-8530	contact@essentialpay.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact FMS a minimum of 30 to 60 days before starting SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

Fact Family	Bill payer, Sole-Employer & Co-Employer	English	(310) 475-9620 ext. 298	FMS@factfamily.org
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact FMS a minimum 30 to 60 days before start SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

FMS Pay LLC	Bill Payer	English & Spanish	(858) 281-5910	connect@fmsspay.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact FMS a minimum 30 to 60 days before start SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

GT Independence	Bill payer, Sole-Employer & Co-Employer	All languages	(877)659-4500 ext.356	tjones@gtindependence.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact FMS a minimum 30 to 60 days before start SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.
- ❖ **As of June 2024, GTI placed a hold on accepting Co-Employer Model referrals.**

Home of Guiding Hands	Bill Payer	English	(619) 938-2853	fms@guidinghands.org
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Servicing San Diego RC only

Mains'1	Bill payer, Sole-Employer & Co-Employer	English & Spanish	(866) 767-4296	JMBergquist@mainsl.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals
- ❖ Must complete Mains'ls Meet & Greet orientation to start the process for enrollment.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.
- ❖ **Mains'1 will continue to support the individual in the Co-Employer Model through 9/30/2024.**
- ❖ **Effective 10/01/2024, Mains'1 will no longer offer Co-Employer Model.**

Public Partnerships LLC (PPL)	Bill payer & Sole-Employer	English & Spanish	(844)902-6665	pplcalifornia@pplfirst.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact FMS a minimum 30 to 60 days before start SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.
- ❖ No budget limits; however, internal alerts are set for budgets exceeding \$225k
- ❖ Upon enrollment, participants are assigned a Supports Broker as their 1:1 contact for enrollment and case-specific questions.

Ritz Vocational	Bill Payer & Co-Employer	English, Spanish & Mandarin	(833) 748-9888	info@ritzfms.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals with budgets under \$120,000.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact Ritz a minimum 30 to 60 days before starting SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.

Sentinel Four	Bill Payer, Sole Employer & Co-Employer	English	530-638-5170	Brian Torum btorum@sentinelfour.com
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Referral Process:

- ❖ Accepting referrals.
- ❖ Participant/family must verbally contact FMS a minimum 30 to 60 days before start SDP.
- ❖ Must have signed budget and draft spending plan when completing referral.
- ❖ Authorizations must be submitted, approved, and processed on e-Billing by no later than the 15th of the previous month.



**San Gabriel / Pomona
Regional Center**

Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families

Wednesday, May 28, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Videoconference Meeting

ZOOM Meeting ID: 191 486 135 Password: 681356

Committee Members:

Phillip Loi, Chairperson
Preeti Subramaniam
Sam Yi
Ricardo Centeno
Jaye Dixit

Jovenal Malonzo
Pete Rodriguez
Diana Ramirez
Lenny Kwari

Staff:

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Dir.
G. Daniela Santana, Dir. of Client Services
Elba Moreno, Assistant, Comm. & Public
Engagement Department
Elisa Herzog, Advocacy Liaison

6 PM	1.	Public Meeting Call to Order A. Review of Agenda B. Review Meeting Minutes of Aril 23, 2025
6:05 PM	2.	Public Comment - Please email elba.moreno@sgprc.org to sign up
6:10 PM	3.	Special Presentation — Grandparent Foster Program by Maria Vargas, Grandparent Foster Program Manager
6:40 PM	4.	Future Training Topics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• June 25, 2025 – Panel of SDP Families• July 23, 2025 – CAPTAIN• August 27, 2025 –TBD
6:45	5.	SG/PRC Information <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Updates by Daniela Santana, Director Client ServicesB. Updates by Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Directorc. Self Determination – Yaned Busch Mgr. of Specialized Services I or Jessi Romero, Manager of Specialized Services IID. Advocacy Liaison Updates – Elisa Herzog, Advocacy Liaison
7:00	6.	Adjournment

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.**

Minutes of the Meeting of the

Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families

April 23, 2025

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families was held on Wednesday, April 23, 2025. The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT

Phillip Loi, Co-Chair
Richard Centeno
Jaye Dixit
Preeti Subramaniam
Jovenal Malonzo Jr.
Sam Yi
Lenny Kwari

ABSENT:

Diana Ramirez
Pete Rodriguez

STAFF:

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services
Zorahida Preciado, Associate Director, Adult & Residential Services
Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity
Elba Moreno, Department Assistant, Communications
Elisa Herzog, Advocacy Liaison

GUESTS:

ITEMS DISCUSSED

CALL TO ORDER

Phillip Loi, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm. A quorum was established.

Happy Birthday Phillip!

- The minutes from March 26, 2025, meeting were reviewed and approved.
M/S/C (Dixit/Subramaniam) The minutes from the meeting were approved by the committee.

PUBLIC INPUT - None

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Self Determination Program by Yaned Busch & Jessi Romero; Mgrs. of Specialized Services I & II

The following was discussed:

- Introduction
- SDP Terms

- General Description of the SDP
- Traditional Service vs The Self-Determination Program
- Self-Determination Program Orientation Options
- How does a family get started?
- Specialized Services – Special Projects SDP Support Groups
- Self-Determination Process

Future Training Topics:

- May 28, 2025 – Foster Grandparent Program
- SDP Panel of Members
- June 25, 2025 – CAPTAIN

Updates and Information by SG/PRC Staff

- Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services, presented the following:
 - SG/PRC Delegated Conservatorship Policy
 - Vendor Resource Fair in August
 - Parents Place Annual Information Fair
 - Vendor Craft Fair in October
 - Updating Purchase of Service Policy
- Yaned Busch, Manager, Specialized Services- Special Projects I- reported on the following regarding Self Determination:
 - There are currently 261 individuals enrolled.
 - The SDP Team currently has four SDP projects:
 1. SDP Orientation held weekly
 2. SDP support group The Waiting Room hosted by Education Spectrum. Their monthly meetings are held every third Thursday of the month and are well attended.
 3. SDP training and coaching series is a four-week training session in collaboration with Healed Women Heal.
 4. LVAC continues to meet every second Tuesday of the month.
- Elisa Herzog, Advocacy Liaison made the following announcement:
 - State Council on Developmental Disabilities
 - "Follow the Yellow Brick Road to Self-Advocacy" is the theme for the upcoming Supported Life Conference in Sacramento
 - The next SG/PRC 'The Advocacy Connection' meeting via Zoom
The Advocacy Connection is designed & intended for adult individuals served by San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center on

Thursday, May 22, 2025, from 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM with: ‘Tips for Healthy Eating & Living’ Presented by: Isabelita Austria MSN, NP, PHN, SG/PRC Nurse Manager & Marilu Romero SG/PRC Nutritionist Consultant. No RSVP Required and no Zoom Password is required. A copy of the flyer is located in the meeting materials folder and on sgprc.org in the calendar of upcoming events.

ADJOURN

Chair, Phillip Loi adjourned the meeting.

The next Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 28, 2025, via video conference at 6 P.M.

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA VALLEYS
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

May 1, 2025

The following committee members attended said meeting:

PRESENT:

Kelly Privitt, Chairperson
Sharon Ehrig
Valerie Donelson
Jay Smith
Ookie Voong
Christina Buth
Jaime Currie
Jesse Silva (10:45 am)
Beba Saba
Johnnie Martinez

STAFF:

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services
Jaime Anabalon, Quality Assurance Specialist
Lisa Cipres, Housing Specialist
Yvonne Gratianne, Communications & Public
Engagement Officer
Elba Moreno, Assistant Communications
Department

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Alyssa Zubia
Theresa Jones Zarour
Janee Blackburn

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

THE VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

None

A. CALL TO ORDER

Kelly Privitt, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. A quorum was established.

The minutes of the meeting on April 3, 2025, were reviewed and approved.
M/S/C (Ehrig & Donelson) The Vendor Advisory committee approved the minutes.

B. MOST PRESSING CONCERNS FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS

None

C. VENDOR CATEGORY REPORTS

Adult Programs

Vocational – (1 Vacancy) Alyssa Zubia was not present.

Adult Day – Johnnie Martinez: The subcommittee did not meet; their next meeting will be held on the end of May 2025.

Infant & Children Services

Infant Development Program – (1 Vacancy)

Transportation

Theresa Jones Zarour was not present.

Independent Living Services

ILS – Sharon Ehrig shared that in Loma Linda ambulance services are no longer accepting government insurance. The Department of Managed Care may assist the consumer with this matter or anything similar if a claim is filed, they will investigate why the services are not being covered. She also shared the concern regarding individuals that are losing their Medi-Cal coverage due to their increased wages, Medicare has state programs that they may qualify for through a Dual Advantage Plan.

SLS Services – Jesse Silva was not present.

Residential Services

Specialized – Janee Blackburn was not present.

CCF – Jay Smith reported that the vacancy report was received and reviewed. The subcommittee was reminded about the upcoming deadline to register for the Provider Directory. It was also noted that some providers are receiving IPP's disclosing the authorized dollar amounts.

ICF- Ookie Voong: the subcommittee met, they were reminded that LAG funding is ending at the end of June, if vendors are experiencing billing or payment issues it is important they reach out to the managed care plans. There was concern with managed care plans dropping some individuals' IPA in the beginning of the year delaying health care services. The next meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2025, at

10:00 AM.

Other Vendored Services- Beba Saba: The subcommittee discussed AB-617, the Provider Directory, the Medicaid Rally, the subcommittee would like a contact for questions regarding PT, OT and SLP providers and discrepancies in bill rates for codes.

At Large- Jaime Currie reported that there's questions regarding the new DDS regulations no longer requiring parent participation to provide behavior analysis services however in the BA code of ethics parent participation is required. Although services are not contingent to parent participation it is not being communicated properly to families, especially when there's also a language barrier.

RECRUITMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

Currently recruiting for the following for FY 24/25:

- Vocational (1)
- Infant Development Program (1)

To apply, please email elba.moreno@sgprc.org or egomez@sgprc.org

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Jamie Currie met with the Department of Managed Health Care's Executive Director regarding the issue of the disparity gap for children receiving behavioral therapy, speech therapy, PT, OT through Medi-Cal plans, especially L.A. Care. A capacity ratio formula is being worked out to help reduce the number of individuals on waiting lists due to panels being closed. In the meantime, families can file a complaint with the Department of Managed Health Care, if they are experiencing difficulty receiving services.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATES

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, presented the following:

- The May Revise on the budget will be coming out of the Governor's office soon.
- Communication and Support Pathway for Service Providers
- Autism Registry concept will not be moving forward.
- Disability Week of Action

SG/PRC UPDATES

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director:

- Multi-Family Housing Project in Pomona
- Statewide Provider Directory
- Rate Reform Implementation
- Waiver of fees for Licensed Facilities damaged in fires in LA and Ventura Counties
- Remote Services
- Direct Support Professional (DSP) Internship Program
- Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Final Rule
- HCBS Trainings
- Future HCBS Projects
- Quality Incentive Program (QIP) Update
- Payment Assistance for ICFs during transition to Managed Care
- DSP Training Stipend Program

PUBLIC INPUT

None

MEETING ADJOURNED

The next regular meeting will be held on June 5, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.



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STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, May 28, 2025
6 P.M.

VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING
ZOOM Meeting ID: 988 615 875
Password: 667011
Join by [ZOOM link](#)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS		STAFF
Julie Chetney, Interim Chairperson		Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Trish Gonzales, Board Secretary	Bill Stewart, Board Treasurer	Erika Gomez, Liaison- BOD & RDDF
Gisele Ragusa, Committee Member	Natalie Webber, Committee Member	
Yan Li, Committee Member	Lisa Nguyen, Committee Member	

6 PM	1.	Public Meeting Call to Order A. Review of Agenda B. Review Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2025* C. Public Comment
		Public Comment - Please email egomez@sgprc.org to sign up
6:10 PM	2.	Strategic Plan Updates by Jesse Weller
6:30 PM	3.	Board Composition – Propose a Slate of Officers FY 25/26. *Must propose at the Board Mtg
7:00 PM	4.	Adjournment

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA VALLEYS
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES**

April 23, 2025

The following committee members were present at said meeting:

MEMBERS:

Julie Chetney, Board President
Bill Stewart, Board Director
Trish Gonzales, Board Director
Yan Li, Committee Member
Natalie Webber, Committee
Member
Lisa Nguyen, Committee
Member

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Yvonne Gratianne, Communications & Public
Engagement Officer
Erika Gomez, Liaison to the BOD & RDDF

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Gisele Ragusa, Committee
Member

GUESTS:

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTIONS

**THE STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT
THEY TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:**

ITEMS DISCUSSED

- A) **CALL TO ORDER** – Julie Chetney, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. A quorum was established.
- B) **AGENDA & MINUTES APPROVAL**
- The agenda was reviewed.
 - The minutes from the meeting on March 26, 2025, were reviewed and approved *M/S/C (Stewart/Gonzales) The committee approved the minutes.*
Abstain: Chetney
- C) **PUBLIC INPUT**

None

D) STRATEGIC PLAN – Quarter 3 Updates

Executive Director, Jesse Weller, provided the following updates

In Quarter 3 (Q3), SG/PRC focused on creating clear strategies and goals (KPIs) for each department to help carry out the Strategic Plan. Leadership took part in planning meetings, and areas needing better teamwork across departments were identified. The strategies and draft goals are expected to be finished by May 31, 2025.

Strategic Plan Implementation Timeline Highlights:

- Phase 1 (Feb–May): Leadership alignment and strategy development (on track).
- Phase 2 (June–July): Setup of the Monday.com platform and staff training.
- Phase 3 (Aug–Sept): Implementation and mid-year review.
- Phase 4 (Oct–Dec): Optimization and final report due Dec 31, 2025.

Early Wins & Progress Examples:

- Goal 1: Advancing Service Delivery: Faster response times and improved ticket tracking systems.
- Goal 1 & 2: Equity in Services: "No POS" rate for ages 3–21 reduced from 37% to 20%; per capita spending increased across all ethnic groups, notably a 205% increase for African American/Black youth.
- Goal 2: Community Engagement: Strong event turnout and improved data tracking; rebranded public forums for increased accessibility.
- Goal 1 & 4: Data Utilization: Use of state data and surveys to guide KPIs and accountability efforts.
- Goal 1: Self-Determination Program: Participation nearly tripled in two years through community-driven strategies.
- Goal 2 & 4: Trust Building: Soft-scripting and collaboration with community advocates improved engagement.
- Operational Insight: Need for clearer ownership of goals prompted creation of a goal assignment process.
- Goal 3: HR & Talent Development: Lower turnover, improved onboarding, and leadership development.
- Goal 4: Operational Efficiency: Major tech upgrades underway, including cybersecurity and cloud migration.

Next steps include completing strategy finalization, configuring the KPI tracking system, and launching staff training to prepare for full implementation and live tracking in Q3 2025.

Yvonne Gratianne, Communications and Public Engagement Officer, presented the results of the Community Survey on SG/PRC's "Next Business Day" response time expectations. 88 people participated in the survey.

E) BOARD COMPOSITION

The committee reviewed options for the Board slate of officers for the 2025–2026 fiscal year. A final discussion and decision will take place at May 28, 2025, meeting. The slate of officers must be presented to the Board that evening.

F) ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned. The next Strategic Development Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for May 28, 2025.

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