



San Gabriel / Pomona
Regional Center

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOTICE OF MEETING (TRAINING)

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, via Videoconference:

DATE: Wednesday, October 28, 2026

TIME: 7:15 p.m.

**Join Zoom Meeting:
Meeting ID: 234 566 141
Password: 916227**

The meeting session is open to the public .

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

Please check our website, sgprc.org to access the zoom link and meeting materials.

***If you wish to sign up for public input,
please email egomez@sgprc.org***

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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, October 28, 2026 - 7:15 PM

Zoom/Video Teleconference

Join by Zoom ([link](#))

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Board of Directors

Trish Gonzales, Board President	Bill Stewart, 1 st VP
Julie Chetney, Secretary	Preeti Subramaniam, Treasurer
Kelly Privitt, VAC Chairperson	Joseph Huang
Phillip Loi	Richard Centeno
Adriana Pinedo	Tina Wright

7:15 PM	1.	Public Meeting Call to Order – <i>Trish Gonzales, Board President</i> A. Review of Agenda B. Review of Board Minutes* – September 23, 2026
7:20 PM	2.	Public Comment - Please email egomez@sgprc.org to sign up
7:25 PM	3.	President's Report – <i>Trish Gonzales</i> - Board Chair or Designee Statement for Public Comment at SG/PRC Board Meetings - Code of Conduct for SG/PRC Board and Committee Meetings
7:35 PM	4.	Training - <i>Lena Morán-Acereto, Bridging Voices</i> Linguistic and Cultural Competency
8:30 PM	5.	Revision of Policy Draft Standardized Social Rec Policy* - Daniela Santana

Please note: There will not be a Board meeting in November.
The next meeting will be on December 9, 2026 at 7:15pm.

Executive Session – Legal/Personnel

***Action items**



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

September 23, 2026

ATTENDANCE

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

PRESENT:

Trish Gonzales
Bill Stewart
Joseph Huang
Richard Centeno
Preeti Subramaniam
Tina Wright
Adriana Pinedo
Phillip Loi

ABSENT:

Julie Chetney
Kelly Privitt

STAFF:

Jesse, Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer
Yeilen Hernandez, Chief People Officer
Hortencia Tafoya, Director of Clinical Services
Yvonne Gratianne, Communications and Public
Engagement Officer
Jessi Romero, Manager, Specialized Services- Special
Projects
Kristy Owens, Senior Executive Assistant
Erika Gomez, Liaison to BOD & RDDF
Elba Moreno, Department Assistant, Communications

GUESTS:

INTERPRETERS:

ASL - Issac and Leslie
Spanish – Marisol and Eduardo
Mandarin – Charlene and Ken
Korean – Sally and Kaitlyn
Vietnamese – Peter Le and
Thienai

Willie Ramirez, DDS
Albert Feliciano, SCDD
Nada Saleh
Yan Li
Willanette Stewart Satchell
Manny Lira
Lisa Nguyen
Graciela Marquez
Jay
Mark

Trish Gonzales, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

- The agenda for today’s meeting was reviewed and the following item was tabled: Draft Standardized Social Rec Policy
- Review of minutes for the August 26, 2026.
(M/S/C Wright & Centeno) The Board approved the minutes.

A. PUBLIC INPUT:

- Carl Argila 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.
- Albert Feliciano, SCDD, provided the following information:
 - Systems Watch: SCDD launched Systems Watch to gather information on how state and federal policy changes are affecting individuals with developmental disabilities and their families, including changes, delays, or loss of services and benefits.
 - Community Conversations: SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers will be hosting community conversations throughout California to discuss issues affecting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
 - Self-Determination Program (SDP) Orientation: Effective April 1, 2026, SDP Orientation is offered in two separate two-hour sessions. Both sessions must be completed before beginning the SDP transition. Individuals who previously completed orientation or are already enrolled are not required to repeat it.
 - Back-to-School Resource Guide: SCDD released a resource guide to help families navigate special education, educational rights, Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), inclusion, and advocacy.
 - Regional Center Services Resource: SCDD introduced a new resource outlining regional center services and their corresponding service codes, including services available through traditional and self-determination models.

B. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Board President, Trish Gonzales, provided information on the following:

- [Code of Conduct for SG/PRC Board and Committee Meetings](#) –The document provides an opportunity to establish expectations for productive and respectful meetings.
- [Board Chair or Designee Statement for Public Comment at SG/PRC Board Meetings](#) . The complete statement was read:
Thank you for the public comment this evening. In addition to the information shared this meeting, San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center (SG/PRC) publishes comprehensive information on its official website: SGPRC.org
SGPRC.org is the only website affiliated with SG/PRC and is the most reliable source for accurate information about the regional center. Any other websites with similar domain names are not affiliated with SG/PRC and do not represent the organization.
To stay connected and for additional information on board or committee membership, upcoming events, official social media accounts, and conservatorship information, including alternatives to conservatorships - please visit the Department of Developmental Services webpage here: [DDS Conservatorship Information](#)
- Bylaws Adhoc Committee – The first meeting will be held on October 20, 2026 in the Irwindale office.

C. ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR INDIVIDUALS SERVED AND THEIR FAMILIES

Phillip Loi reported that Talesha Payne, Chief Services & Engagement Officer, was introduced. Yvonne Gratianne, Communications & Public Engagement Officer, also presented on Emergency Preparedness. Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services, presented the Draft Standardized Social Rec Policy.

D. STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

On behalf of Julie Chetney, Ms. Gonzales reported that the Committee will distribute its annual survey to Board and committee members to gather feedback to help guide the development of the 2027 Board training schedule.

E. VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VAC)

Kelly Privitt was not present. Executive Director, Jesse Weller, provided a reminder that the VAC meetings start at 9:30am.

F. COMMUNITY RELATIONS/LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

On behalf of Adriana Pinedo, Tina Wright reported that the Committee received a presentation on the Olmstead Decision. Yvonne Gratianne, Communications and Public Engagement Officer, highlighted September awareness and recognition campaigns, and Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity, provided updates on community outreach efforts. The next meeting will be on January 13, 2027.

G. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, presented his monthly report (attached) and linked [here](#):

- *Direct Support Professionals*
 - SG/PRC has tremendous gratitude for every Direct Support Professional who makes it possible for us to carry out the Lanterman Act every single day.
 - Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed Direct Support Professional Recognition Week honoring the essential workforce.
- *Master Plan for Aging: Advancing the National Strategy to Support Caregivers Webinar* - Save the date/time: Monday September 28, 2026, from 11:00AM-Noon. The Objective is to increase understanding of efforts to improve awareness, navigation, and educational opportunities for California family caregivers who support older adults and people with disabilities.
- *Back to School Resource Guide* - The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) released the 2026-2027 Back To School Guide. It offers resources to get students with disabilities, and their families ready for the school year.
- *What is Public Charge?* - Public charge is an assessment used in some matters related to immigration. It can apply when some individuals seek entry to the United States or apply for a green card. It does not apply to most immigrants already in the United States.
- *California Public Records Act* - Public records requests may be submitted through our online request portal which can be accessed here: [Public Records RequestNextRequest - Modern FOIA & Public Records Request Software](#)

- *SG/PRC Individual Served Statistics* - As of August 31, 2026, SG/PRC served 18,893 individuals.
- *SG/PRC Staffing*: As of August 31, 2026, SG/PRC had 571 employees.
- *Self Determination Program Statistics* - As of August 31, 2026, SG/PRC enrolled 383 participants in the Self-Determination Program.

H. OTHER BOARD & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Personnel/Legal

Next meeting on Wednesday, October 28, 2026, at 7:15 p.m.

BOARD MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 23, 2026, MEETING

Submitted by:

Julie Chetney, Board Secretary

Date



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Sept 2026

JESSE WELLER, PSY.D.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

SEPTEMBER 23, 2026

SG/PRC's Vision Statement

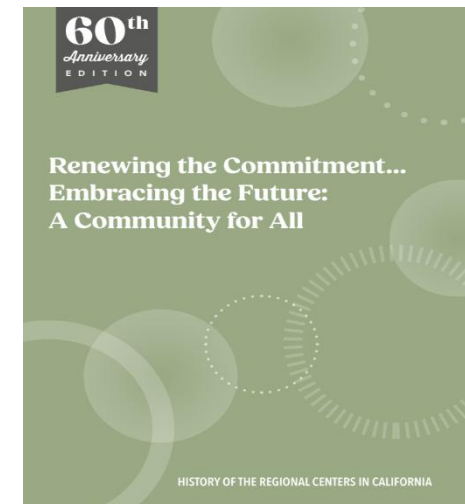
A world where individuals with developmental disabilities have endless possibilities and thrive.



Celebrating 60 Years of Regional Centers

- ▶ A digital booklet celebrating six decades of progress, advocacy, inclusion, and partnership in California's developmental disabilities system.
- ▶ It honors the contributions of individuals with I/DD, families, professionals, providers, community organizations, and government partners and reflects on the journey from the system's origins to its future.
- ▶ Explore the 60th Anniversary Booklet → [Digital 60th Anniversary Booklet](#)

If a Board Member would like a physical booklet mailed to you, please let Erika Gomez know.



Richard D. Davis Foundation 38th Annual Event



Thank you, Direct Support Professionals



Direct Support Professional
RECOGNITION WEEK
September 13 - 19, 2026



- ▶ Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week took place last week, 9/13-9/19.
- ▶ SG/PRC has tremendous gratitude for every Direct Support Professional who makes it possible for us to carry out the Lanterman Act every single day.
- ▶ Governor Gavin Newsom *proclaimed Direct Support Professional Recognition Week* honoring the essential workforce: [Direct-Support-Professional-Recognition-Week-Sept-13-19-2026.pdf](#)
- ▶ Reflecting on how much progress we have made in our history from institutions to community-based living – thank you DSPs!



Master Plan for Aging: Advancing the National Strategy to Support Caregivers Webinar

- ▶ Save the date/time: **Monday September 28, 2026, from 11:00AM-Noon.**
- ▶ Objective: *Increase understanding of efforts to improve awareness, navigation, and educational opportunities for California family caregivers who support older adults and people with disabilities.*
- ▶ To learn more about California Master Plan for Aging, **click here:** [Master Plan for Aging](#)
- ▶ **Register Here:** [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)



Back-to-School Resource Guide

- ▶ The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) released the 2026-2027 Back To School Guide.
- ▶ **Click here:** [Back-to-School Resource Guide 2026-2027 \(English\)](#) [Guia de Recursos para el Regreso a Clases \(Spanish\)](#)
- ▶ This guide offers resources to get students with disabilities, and their families ready for the school year.
- ▶ You will find information about:
 - ▶ Special education and IEPs
 - ▶ Educational rights
 - ▶ Inclusive education
 - ▶ Health and wellness
 - ▶ Transition planning
 - ▶ Community resources and support



What is Public Charge?

What is the *Public Charge*?

- ▶ Public charge is an assessment used in some matters related to immigration. It can apply when some individuals seek entry to the United States or apply for a green card.
- ▶ It does not apply to most immigrants already in the United States.
- ▶ Each person's situation is different. Get trusted advice before you change health care, food aid, or other support for you or your family
- ▶ The public charge rule does not decide who can get Medi-Cal, CalFresh, or other public benefits. It is an immigration rule, not a benefits eligibility rule.



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[Click The Icon for A Summary](#)



California Public Records Act

- ▶ Public records requests may be submitted through our online request portal which can be accessed here: [Public Records RequestNextRequest - Modern FOIA & Public Records Request Software](#)
- ▶ For any questions regarding CPRA or the request process, please contact Maria Nunez, Public Records and Policy Compliance Manager.





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SG/PRC Individual Served Statistics

As of August 31, 2026

Fun Fact:
We are approaching serving
nearly **19,000** people



Individual Served Statistics (Aug 1, 2026 – Aug 31, 2026):

- ▶ As of Aug 31st, 2026, SG/PRC served **18,893** individuals.
- ▶ In August 2026, **Early Start Intake** (Birth to Three Years of Age) received **188** new referrals; **172** were found to be eligible for Early Start Services (including Re-Activations/Transfer-Ins/Previous Referrals).
- ▶ **Lanterman Intake** (3 Years of Age through Adulthood) received **79** new referrals. From Previous referrals, **50** were found to be eligible under Lanterman eligibility.
- ▶ Exiting **Early Intervention** (at 3 Years of Age), **53** were found eligible under Lanterman and **23** under Provisional Lanterman eligibility.



SG/PRC Staffing Dashboard

As of August 31, 2026

Authorized Positions	Current Headcount	Current Vacancies
590	571	19

Vacancies (19):

- Service Coordinators: 16
- Specialized Roles: 3
- Leadership: 0

Recent Hires & Transfers (August - September):

- 25 Positions Filled

**Year To Date
Employee Turnover Rate
6.7%**



Self Determination Program Statistics

As of Aug 31, 2026, SG/PRC enrolled **383** participants in the Self-Determination Program.

SG/PRC SDP Enrollment data by Diagnosis as of August 31, 2026

Diagnosis	Total	Percentage
Autism	254	66%
Intellectual Disability	88	23%
Cerebral Palsy	22	6%
Epilepsy	15	4%
Other	4	1%
Grand Total	383	100%



Self Determination Program Statistics

Ages Served

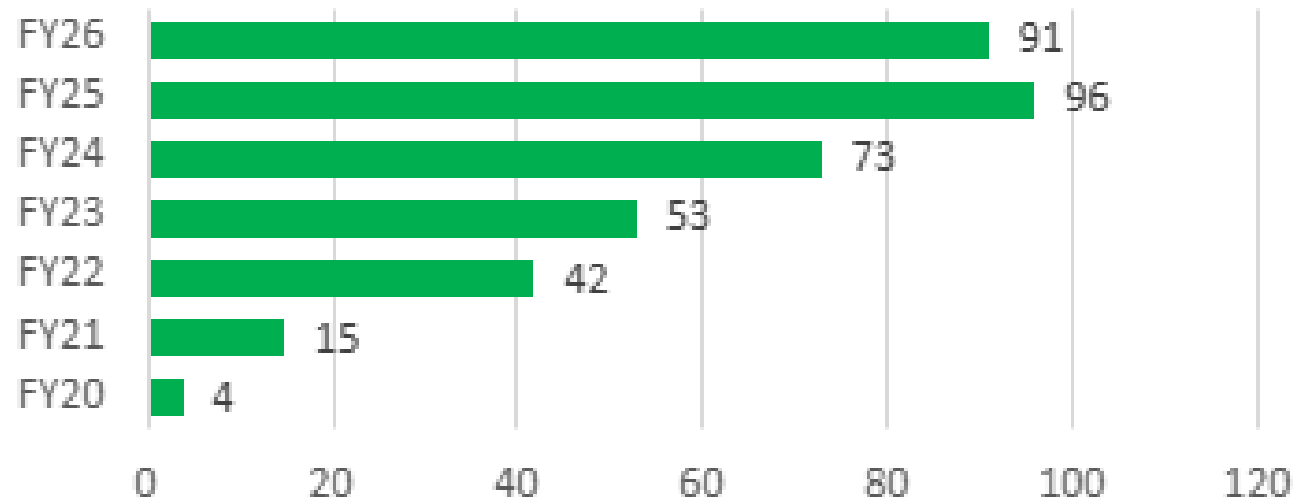
SG/PRC SDP Enrollment data by Department (Age) as of August 31, 2026

Department (Age)	Total	Percentage
Family (6 - 14yrs old)	132	34%
Adult (25yrs +)	112	29%
Transition (14 to 25yrs old)	109	28%
Preschool (3 to 6yrs old)	30	8%
Grand Total	383	100%



Self Determination Program Statistics

New participants by fiscal year



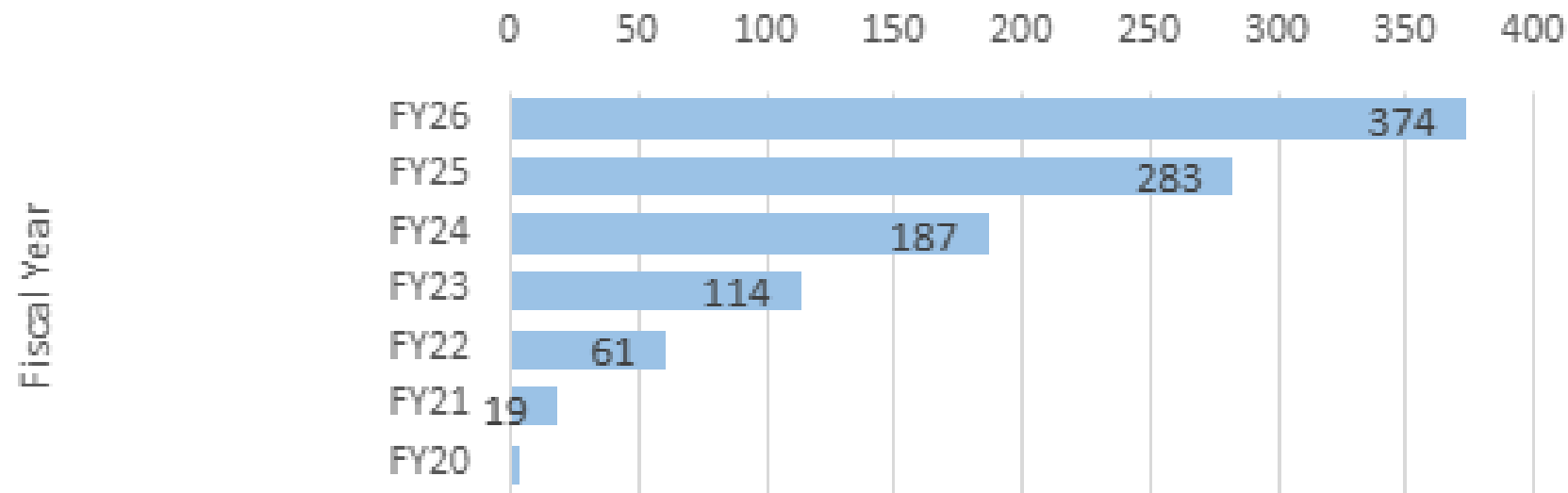
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26
■ New participants by fiscal year	4	15	42	53	73	96	91

■ New participants by fiscal year



Self Determination Program Statistics

Cumulative participants by fiscal year



	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26
Cumulative participants by fiscal year	4	19	61	114	187	283	374

■ Cumulative participants by fiscal year



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Committee Reports & Information



September – October 2026

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

October 14, 2026

PRESENT:

Preeti Subramaniam, Treasurer
Julie Chetney, Secretary
Bill Stewart, 1st VP
Phillip Loi

STAFF:

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer
Yeilen Hernandez, Chief People Officer
Maria Nuñez, Public Records and Policy
Compliance Manager
Kristy Owens, Senior Executive Assistant
Erika Gomez, Liaison to the BOD and RDDF

ABSENT:

Trish Gonzales, Board President
Adriana Pinedo

GUESTS:

Nada Saleh
Jenny Ku
Mark

**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 August 2026 in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

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

ITEMS DISCUSSED

A. CALL TO ORDER

Bill Stewart, 1st Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:17 pm. A quorum was established.

- The committee reviewed the agenda.

- The committee reviewed and approved the meeting minutes of September 9, 2026.
(M/S/C Chetney & Loi) *The Executive Finance Committee approved the minutes.*)

B. PUBLIC INPUT: None

D. FINANCIAL REPORT Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer:

Regional Center Operations

Based on the C-2 Amendment, operations allocations are projected to meet expenditure projections. These projections include continuation costs and expenditures carried forward from the prior fiscal year. The FY 2026–27 operations C-2 allocation totals \$60,465,841, with projected expenditures equal to the full allocation. Year-to-date expenditures are \$9,519,690, with projected remaining expenditures of \$50,946,151, resulting in a fully utilized allocation with no remaining balance.

Family Resource Center

The Family Resource Center allocation is projected to fully meet expenditures, resulting in a zero remaining balance. The current allocation is \$169,611, with projected expenditures totaling \$169,611.

Lanterman Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Program

The program's current allocation is \$1,196,236, and expenditures are projected to fully utilize the allocation.

Community Placement Plan (CPP) and Developmental Center (DC)

Ongoing Workload Operations

CPP and DC ongoing workload operations were allocated at 100% under the B-4 Amendment.

Purchase of Services (POS)

The POS allocation under the C-2 Amendment totals \$624,594,398. Year-to-date service expenditures are \$86,751,973, with projected remaining expenditures—including late billings—estimated at \$537,842,425. This results in a fully utilized allocation with no remaining balance.

Community Placement Plan/Community Resource Development Plan

Purchase of Service is reflected as a separate line item with a current

allocation of \$110,000 for placement. Additional allocations for start-up projects are anticipated in the C-2 Amendment.

(M/S/C Loi & Subramaniam) The committee approved the Financial Report.

E. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Trish Gonzales, Board President, provided the following updates:

- *Upcoming Board Training:* The October 28, 2026 - Upcoming Board Training Agenda 10/28/2026 – *Linguistic and Cultural Competency*
- *Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee:* The first meeting will be on October 20, 2026 in the Irwindale office.

F. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director, presented the following:

Department of Rehabilitation (DOR): DOR has implemented an Order of Selection process due to limited resources, prioritizing individuals with the most significant disabilities. SG/PRC may need to assume some service costs, with additional funding being sought to offset the impact.

Chief People Officer's Recruitment Report – Yeilen Hernandez

Ms. Hernandez provided an update on recruitment and staffing. She reported that SG/PRC currently has 16 vacant positions and a total headcount of 587 employees.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be held on January 13, 2026, at 7:15pm.

CLOSED SESSION – Legal/Personnel

SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER

Contract Status Report

August 31, 2026

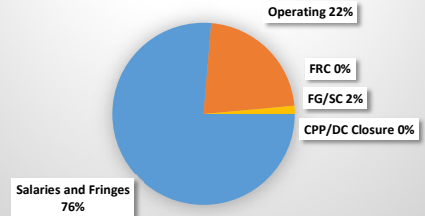
FY	Amount Description	Operation				Purchase of Services			Total
		General	Community Placement Plan/Resource Develop. Plan & DC Closure Ongoing	Foster Grandparent & Senior Companion	Family Resource Center	General	Community Placement Plan/Resource Develop. Plan	Home and Community Based Services	
26-27	Allocation - C-2	\$ 60,465,841	\$ 1,516,624	\$ 1,196,236	\$ 169,611	\$624,594,398	\$ 110,000	\$ 658,108	\$ 688,710,818
	Year-to-Date Expenditures	9,519,690	-	138,635	-	86,751,973	-	-	96,410,298
	Balance	\$ 50,946,151	\$ 1,516,624	\$ 1,057,601	\$ 169,611	\$ 537,842,425	\$ 110,000	\$ 658,108	\$ 592,300,520
25-26	Allocation - B-5	\$ 57,773,373	\$ 1,516,624	\$ 1,252,121	\$ 169,611	\$588,702,805	\$ 924,940	\$ 658,108	\$ 650,997,582
	Year-to-Date Expenditures	53,852,811	1,516,624	1,083,024	169,611	596,292,523	253,926	-	653,168,519
	Balance	\$ 3,920,562	\$ -	\$ 169,097	\$ 0	\$ (7,589,718)	\$ 671,014	\$ 658,108	\$ (2,170,937)
24-25	Allocation - A-3	\$ 55,192,688	\$ 1,686,235	\$ 1,290,480	\$ 169,611	\$511,251,157	\$ 1,782,636	\$ 658,108	\$ 572,030,915
	Year-to-Date Expenditures	53,643,884	1,516,624	1,117,815	169,611	508,284,737	1,006,035	75,543	565,814,250
	Balance	\$ 1,548,804	\$ 169,611	\$ 172,665	\$ 0	\$ 2,966,420	\$ 776,601	\$ 582,565	\$ 6,216,665

FY 26-27 Operations & Purchase of Services Expenditures by Category as of August 31, 2026

Operation Expenditures Category

	Year-to-Date Expenditures
Salary & Benefits	\$ 7,374,748
Facility Rent and Maintenance	1,330,468
Information Technology	245,971
General Expenses	104,927
Communication	99,470
Insurance	274,812
Accounting & Legal Fees	51,438
Consultants	74,840
Staff Mileage/Travel	29,256
Equipment	47,621
Board Expenses	-
Interest, SPA, Misc. Income & Training Fee Reimb.	(113,861)
Total Year-to-Date Expenditures Operations Expenditures:	\$ 9,519,690

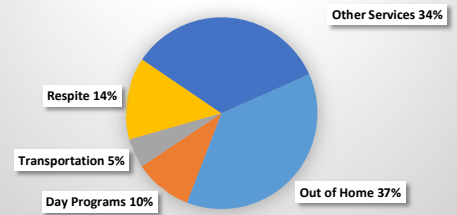
Operation Expenditures by Category



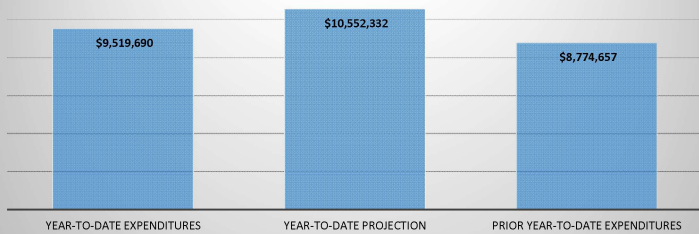
Purchase of Services Expenditures Category

	Year-to-Date Expenditures
Out of Home	\$ 32,567,047
Day Programs	8,455,423
Respite	12,075,313
Non-Medical Services	13,660,318
Supported Living Services	345,686
Transportation	4,296,980
Prevention Services	3,110,715
Other Services	5,673,214
Personal Assistance	50,367
Medical Services	7,405,072
Camps	133,942
CPP/CRDP	-
ICF SPA & Other Income	(1,022,104)
Total Year-to-Date Purchase of Services Expenditures:	\$ 86,751,973

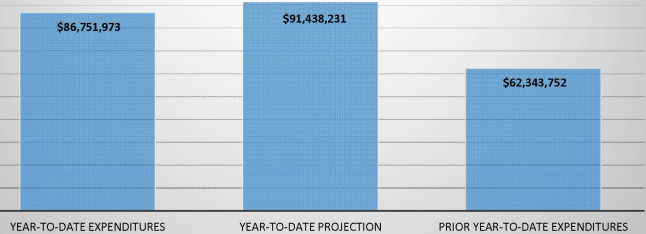
Purchase of Services Expenditures by Category



Year-to-Date Operations Comparison



Year-to-Date Purchase of Services Comparison





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DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.**

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS/ LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 2026**

The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT

Adriana Pinedo,
Chairperson
Teshia Obi
Alayna Effinger
Jenny Liu
Karen Zarsadiaz-Ige
Joseph Huang
Tina Wright
Diana Hernandez

STAFF

Yvonne Gratianne, Communications
& Public Engagement Officer
Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access &
Equity
Kristy Owens, Senior Executive Assistant
Erika Gomez, Liaison to the Board of Directors and
the RDDF

ABSENT

Daniela Barrera
Melissa Song

GUESTS

Mark
Ann
Irene

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTIONS

The Community Relations/Legislative Committee recommends the following:
None

CALL TO ORDER

Tina Wright, on behalf of Adriana Pinedo, called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m. A quorum was established.

The agenda was reviewed.

The following meeting minutes were reviewed:

- May 13, 2026 and July 8, 2026, August 12, 2026 and September 9, 2026.
(M/S/C Stewart & Wright) *The Community Relations/Legislative Advisory Committee approved the minutes.*)

PUBLIC INPUT

None

WHAT'S COMING UP IN THE COMMUNITY

Diana Hernandez provided information on the following events:

- Boundless SGV & Skate Inclusion – Covina Park, October 17, 2026 from 10am – 12pm. There is a wait list.
- Hello-ween Community Social – The Chatterbox Pomona, October 31, 2026 at 10am

STATEWIDE/LOCAL UPDATES BY YVONNE GRATIANNE, COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT OFFICER

Statewide/Local Updates by Yvonne Gratianne, Communications and Public Engagement Officer

- *Staff Introduction:* Introduced Talesha, Chief Services & Engagement Officer.
- *October Awareness and Recognition:* Highlighted National Disability Employment Awareness Month, Down Syndrome Awareness Month, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, ADHD Awareness Month, Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Awareness Month, World Cerebral Palsy Day, and the Great California ShakeOut.
- *Safety Signal Newsletter:* Shared SG/PRC's emergency preparedness newsletter, developed with input from the Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families. A copy was included in the meeting materials.
- *RDDF Golf Scramble:* Reported that the Foundation's primary fundraising event sold out and was well supported.
- *Artisan Fair:* Scheduled for November 12, 2026. A flyer was included in the meeting materials.
- *Aging Caregiver Conference:* Planned for Spring 2027.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH-UPDATE

Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity, shared about the community outreach his department has participated in and reviewed each slide. Please see his report, attached or click [here](#).

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting will be on January 13, 2027.



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Service Access and Equity Department

September 2026

Presented By

Salvador Gonzalez

Director of Service Access and Equity



BACK TO SCHOOL AUTISM AWARENESS THRIVERS COMMUNITY EVENT

POMONA, CA

AUGUST 2, 2026

10AM - 6PM

Josie and Luz attended OldSkool Funktionz's Back to School event in Pomona and met with several local families. The event provided children a backpack, school supplies, and offered hair cuts. In addition families were treated to a car show, live music, performances and were able to get resources in the form of SGPRC Resource guides, Community Information Forum flyers, Special Education Training, and Hard of Hearing Resources. A total of 40 people stopped at the SGPRC table for information.



BACK TO SCHOOL RESOURCE FAIR

CHARTER OAK STUDENT &
FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
COVINA, CA

AUGUST 6, 2026

Josie Martinez, Community Outreach Specialist, attended a Back to School Resource Fair in our catchment area. Resource guides, Community Information Forum flyers, Special Education Training, and Hard of Hearing Resources were handed out to attendees.



**WELCOME
BACK TO
SCHOOL**

RESOURCE FAIR

**FREE HAIRCUTS, BACKPACKS, &
SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

THURSDAY AUGUST 6, 2026

9AM-11AM

STUDENT & FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER AT
ROYAL OAK MIDDLE SCHOOL
303 S. GLENDORA AVE. COVINA, CA 91724

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS CALL OR EMAIL JENNIFER HELGUERA
EMAIL: JHELGUERA@COUSD.NET
PHONE: (626) 825-7190

**STUDENT & FAMILY
RESOURCE CENTER**
CHARTER OAK UNITED SCHOOL DISTRICT

The poster is a colorful flyer for a 'Back to School Resource Fair'. It features a yellow cloud-like shape at the top with the text 'WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL'. Below this, it says 'RESOURCE FAIR' and 'FREE HAIRCUTS, BACKPACKS, & SCHOOL SUPPLIES'. The event is scheduled for 'THURSDAY AUGUST 6, 2026' from '9AM-11AM' at the 'STUDENT & FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER AT ROYAL OAK MIDDLE SCHOOL, 303 S. GLENDORA AVE. COVINA, CA 91724'. Contact information for Jennifer Helguera is provided. The bottom of the poster includes the 'STUDENT & FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER' logo and the 'CHARTER OAK UNITED SCHOOL DISTRICT' name. The poster is decorated with various school-related icons like a tree, a comb, scissors, a clock, a globe, and a backpack.

PAULY'S PROJECT

BOUNDLESS & THE INCLUSIVE SOCIAL MAMAS

An Inclusive Event for Neurodivergent Students

August 8, 2026

10am-2pm

Luz Rodriguez-Urbe and Tiffany Loong attended the Back to School Bash hosted by Pauly's Project, Boundless, and Inclusive Social Mamas for an inclusive event for neurodivergent students in the city of West Covina. The LACC specialist reached about 50 families, handing out resource guides, pamphlets, and informational brochures.



PAULY'S PROJECT, BOUNDLESS
& THE INCLUSIVE SOCIAL MAMAS PRESENT
AN INCLUSIVE EVENT FOR NEURODIVERGENT STUDENTS

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

AUGUST 8TH, 2026 | 10 AM - 2 PM
WEST COVINA
CORTEZ PARK COMMUNITY & SENIOR CENTER

WHAT TO EXPECT

- ✓ FREE BACKPACKS + SCHOOL SUPPLIES & GIVEAWAYS
- ✓ SENSORY FRIENDLY HAIRCUTS
- ✓ FOOD VENDORS & FUN GAMES
- ✓ ENTERTAINMENT
- ✓ QUIET CORNER / SENSORY BREAK SPACE
- ✓ AND MORE!

MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND

- Register through the link in our bio.
- Open to TK-12th grade neurodivergent students only

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

- Registration is limited
- Register early to reserve your child's backpack and school supplies

@paulysproject | @boundless.sgv | @t.i.s.mamas

QUES IN THE CITY

A SUMMERTIME MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA

August 16, 2026

Community Outreach/Partnership

Sal and Tiffany Loong attended the 3rd annual “Ques in the City” live jazz concert, hosted by the Zeta Tau Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. The event featured the Blue Breeze Band and the John Tirabasso Youth Jazz Ensemble, bringing together music, community resources, and local organizations. Funds raised from the event supported the chapter’s community service initiatives and scholarship program for graduating seniors in Pasadena public high schools. The event highlighted the fraternity’s ongoing commitment to community uplift, youth development, and educational opportunities.



 ZETA TAU CHAPTER PRESENTS

QUES IN THE CITY

A SUMMERTIME MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA!

— FEATURING —

Blue Breeze BAND

— ★ OPENING PERFORMANCE BY ★ —

JOHN TIRABASSO YOUTH JAZZ ENSEMBLE



 SUNDAY
AUGUST 16, 2026

 TICKET PRICE
\$30

 5PM – 10PM

 CONTACT
626-394-9795

 PASADENA
CITY HALL
100 N. GARFIELD
PASADENA, CA 91101



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KOREAN SUPPORT GROUP

AUGUST 17, 2026

SGPRC CONFERENCE ROOM C

10:00AM - 12:00PM

Amos Byun, Community Outreach Specialist, hosts the Korean Support Group at the Regional Center. Together, Amos and members of the Korean community participate in special education trainings and continue to meet in person to discuss and learn about Regional Center supports and services. The group also provides a welcoming space for members to share heartfelt moments, build meaningful connections, and strengthen their support system within the Regional Center community. The month of August welcomed approximately 100 community members and families.



SG/PRC KSG

한인부모모임

KOREAN SUPPORT GROUP

SG/PRC 한인부모모임에 참여해 주셔서 감사합니다.
이 모임은 서비스 이용/형평성 증진부서(SAE)가 지원합니다.
Welcome to SG/PRC Korean Support Group.
This group is supported by Service Access & Equity (SAE) Department.

모임안내 MEETING

이번 8월 17일(월) 미팅은 컨퍼런스 룸 C에서 열립니다. 교육전문가인 Nora씨가 줌으로 진행하는 IEP 학부모교육에 참여하고, 대면 미팅을 진행합니다.

On 8/17, we will meet at the Room C to participate in the IEP Parent Training provided by Nora Perez-Givens. Then we will have in-person meeting.

주제 TOPIC

발표자 Speaker:
Nora Perez-Gives, SG/PRC 교육전문가
Education Specialist

주제 Topic:
학생을 지원하는 IEP 만들기
Creating a Supportive IEP For Your Student

다음미팅 SAVE DATES

10/19/26 (월) SG/PRC Room C
IEP: Discipline & Behavior

12/12/26 (토) SG/PRC Room A & B
Korean Gathering



San Gabriel/Pomona
Regional Center



SPECIAL EDUCATION TRAININGS FOR PARENTS' CAREGIVERS

AUGUST 17, 2026

Education Specialist, Nora Perez-Givens, hosts a series of special education advocacy trainings for parents and caregivers. During the month of August 17th, Nora presented on *Creating a Supportive IEP for Your Student*, where (43) parents and caregivers learned how to become active and informed participants in the IEP process. The training focused on understanding the purpose and components of an Individualized Education Program (IEP), identifying their student's unique strengths and needs, asking meaningful questions, and effectively advocating for appropriate supports and services. Participants also learned strategies for collaborating with school teams to help ensure that their student's educational program is supportive, individualized, and designed to promote meaningful progress and success.

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DDS
Department of
Developmental
Services

2026 Special Education Training for Parent/Caregivers

Presented by: Nora Perez-Givens, SG/PRC Education Specialist

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For more information, please contact Nora Perez-Givens
ngivens@sgprc.org, (909) 710-8820

Join via ZOOM
Click [here](#) or Scan QR code to join training session
Meeting ID: 812 4883 3560 Dial-in#: 16694449171



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

COMMUNITY INFORMATION FORUM

August 20, 2026

BUILDING STRONG FOUNDATIONS FOR DEAF+ CHILDREN REGIONAL CENTER & COMMUNITY SUPPORTS IN EARLY CHILDHOOD

PRESENTED BY: JESSICA WILSON SG/PRC DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING SPECIALIST

In the month of August, Jessica Wilson presented Building Strong Foundations for Deaf+ Children in Early Childhood. There were 32 community members in attendance at this training, including DHH itinerants from local school districts, vendored programs, and families served by the Regional Center. The goal of this training was to introduce the community to Early Intervention services for Deaf children, the role and support provided by Regional Centers, and generic resources that support language acquisition and educational advocacy for young children. This presentation included interpretation by two Certified American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters as well as interpretation in all threshold languages.



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COMMUNITY
INFORMATION

2026
FORUM

Building Strong Foundations for Deaf+ Children Regional Center and Community Supports in Early Childhood

As part of SG/PRC's Community Information Forum 2026, Jessica Wilson will be presenting information on the Deaf & Hard of Hearing Resources.

Attendees will learn about:

- Overview of Regional Center Early Start services, including Deaf Specialists
- Generic and community resources for Deaf+ children and families
- Educational supports aligned with Early Start services



Thursday
August 20, 2026



10AM-11AM

Join us via Zoom

Zoom ID: 865 3741 9310

<https://sgprc-org.zoom.us/j/86537419310>

For additional information, contact

Language Access Specialists:

Tiffany Loong (909) 710-8827, tloong@sgprc.org

Luz Rodriguez-Urbe (909) 710-8828, lrodriguez@sgprc.org



Presented by:

Jessica Wilson
Deaf & Hard of Hearing
Specialist

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Services

Interpretation will be provided in ASL, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese.

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SOUTHEAST ASIAN SUPPORT GROUP

AUGUST 22, 2026

SGPRC ASSEMBLY ROOMS

9:30AM - 2:00PM

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Southeast Asian Support Group

SUMMER PICNIC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2026

9:30 AM-2:00 PM

SG/PRC CONFERENCE ROOM
75 RANCHO CAMINO DRIVE, POMONA CA 91766

Welcome
Cristina Macasaet

Special Presentation
Topic: Medication for Individual with ID/DD
Dr. Jeanine Tan Pharm D.

Panel Discussion
Nora Perez-Givens, SG/PRC Education Specialist
Jessica Razo, SG/PRC Family home Specialist

Potluck Picnic
Multicultural potluck lunch/musical guests/games
Bring your native dish for our multi-cultural potluck lunch.
Bottle water & utensils will be provided



For questions please contact **Cristina Macasaet** at
Cmacasaet@sgprc.org or 562-619-0872



KASEC'S 7TH ANNUAL DREAM ART CONTEST AWARD CEREMONY AND EXHIBITION.

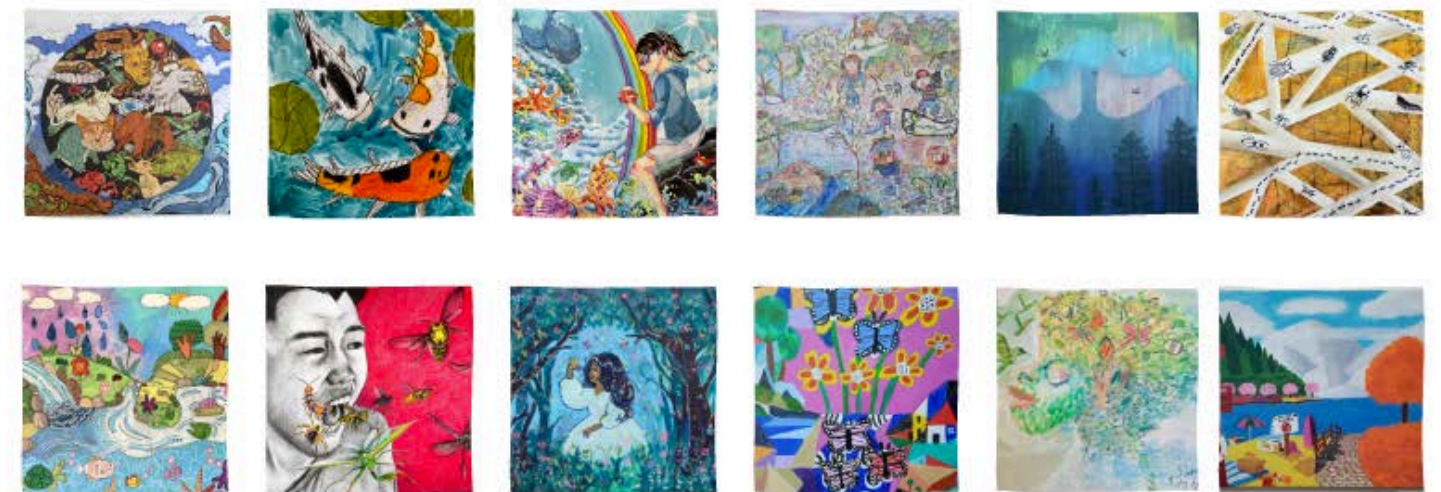
AUGUST 22, 2026

SGPRC's Sal Gonzalez attended KASEC's Dream Art Contest as one of the judges, supporting the organization's mission to discover, encourage, and celebrate the artistic talents of individuals with developmental disabilities. This year, the contest received many unique and inspiring submissions, resulting in the selection of 12 winners and 12 honorable mention recipients. The exhibition will also feature four invited artists who were previous top winners of the Dream Art Contest. The award ceremony and exhibition will take place at The Source OC on Saturday, August 22, 2026, promoting greater awareness, inclusion, and appreciation of artists with developmental disabilities within the community.



KASEC PRESENTS
DREAM
CONTEST
2026 **art**

Exhibition



Saturday, August 22nd

10am - Award Ceremony

12pm - 4pm Exhibition & Activity Fair

📍 The Source OC, 1st floor
(6940 Beach Blvd. Buena Park, CA 90621)



**ENJOY INCREDIBLE ARTWORK CREATED BY ARTISTS WITH
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES!**

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LA CARE VACCINE AND FOOD PANTRY

EL MONTE, CA

AUGUST 25, 2026

Josie and Luz tabled resources at the Vaccine and Food Pantry Event in efforts to disseminate information on regional center services. Resource guides, Community Information Forum flyers, Special Education Training, and Hard of Hearing Resources were handed out to attendees.



Community Resource Center

VACCINE & FOOD PANTRY EVENT!

PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY



EL MONTE

3570 Santa Anita,
El Monte, CA 91731



Tuesday, August 25th, 2026
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**FREE
Resources
&
Food Pantry**

FREE* Walk-up Vaccines + Food Pantry Available!

- » **Flu Vaccine**
- » **COVID-19 Vaccine**
- » **Community Resources**
- » **Adult Vaccines**
- » **Children's Vaccines (School Compliance)**

- Flu vaccines are available for everyone 3 years of age or older.
- COVID-19 vaccines are available for everyone 12 years of age or older.
- Adults: COVID, Pneumonia, RSV, Shingles, Tdap, Hepatitis A/B, flu vaccines (if available)
- Children: MMR, Varicella, Polio, DTaP (tetanus booster for <9yo), Tdap (tetanus booster 9+), Hepatitis A/B, HPV, Meningitis, Flu (if available)

*While supplies last.

*COVID vaccines are offered based on availability

* Services are provided at no-cost to you; however, services may be billed to, and covered by your insurance, if applicable. Limited vouchers available for those who do not have insurance coverage.

For more information, visit communityresourcecenterla.org or call **213.428.1495**

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SG/PRC SUMMER VENDOR RESOURCE FAIR

AUGUST 27, 2026

2PM-4PM

SG/PRC hosted the Summer Vendor Resource Fair 2026, providing individuals, families, and Service Coordinators with an opportunity to learn about community resources and available services. The event featured a variety of vendors offering programs such as adaptive and social skills, independent and supported living, day programs, social recreation, and respite services. SAE's APU Intern, SDP Transition Specialist, and SDP staff participated in hosting a table on behalf of SAE Department at the event, sharing information and connecting with attendees about SDP and SAE related services and available supports. The fair also provided a valuable opportunity for networking, collaboration, and strengthening connections within the vendor community.



The poster for the Summer Vendor Resource Fair features a light blue background with white clouds and a large yellow sun in the top right corner. At the top left is the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center logo, which includes a green tree icon. The title 'Summer Vendor Resource Fair' is written in large, bold, yellow letters. Below the title, in smaller blue text, is the description: 'Independent Living Services/Supported Living Services, Social Recreational Vendors, Tailored Day Services, and Supported Employment Resource Fair'. Underneath this, in bold black text, is 'For Families of Individuals Served'. Two photographs are included: one on the left shows four people (three women and one child) smiling and posing together outdoors; the one on the right shows an indoor view of the fair with various vendor booths and people. At the bottom, there is a calendar icon next to the date 'Thursday, August 27, 2026' and time '2:00 PM-4:00 PM'. Next to a location pin icon is the address '75 Rancho Camino Drive, Pomona CA 91766'. To the right of this is a call to action: 'Click here or scan to register!' with a QR code. At the very bottom, contact information is provided: 'For questions please contact: Xotchil Rodriguez XRodriguez@sgprc.org (909)710-8368' and 'Eliza Martinez EMartinez@sgprc.org; (909)710-8506'.

San Gabriel/Pomona
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Summer Vendor Resource Fair

Independent Living Services/Supported Living Services, Social
Recreational Vendors, Tailored Day Services, and Supported
Employment Resource Fair

For Families of Individuals Served

Thursday, August 27, 2026
2:00 PM-4:00 PM

75 Rancho Camino Drive
Pomona CA 91766

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register!**

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COMMUNITY PRESENTATION

IRI PRIDES

SUPPORTING THE WHOLE PERSON

BEST PRACTICE RECOMMENDATIONS AT THE INTERSECTION OF DISABILITY & LGBTQ+ IDENTITY

Thursday, September 3, 2026

In-Person - SGPRC
10am-12pm

An in-person presentation on Supporting the Whole Person: Best Practice Recommendations at the Intersection of Disability & LGBTQ + Identity. This presentation will be offered by IRIOC and held on Thursday, September 3, from 10:00 a.m. to 11 a.m. at San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center. Please share this flyer with families served by SG/PRC.



IN PERSON

SUPPORTING THE **WHOLE PERSON**

**Best Practice Recommendations at the Intersection
of Disability & LGBTQ+ Identity**

 **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2026 | 10:00 AM 11:00 AM**

 **75 RANCHO CAMINO DRIVE POMONA, CALIFORNIA, 91766**

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED!

This series focuses on improving services for individuals with intellectual disabilities who are part of the LGBTQ+ community. Trainings are centered around the lived experiences of LGBTQ+ individuals with IDD and aimed at promoting more inclusive work environments within provider organizations. This presentation will be an introduction to the intersection of queerness and disability. It will discuss key terms, the importance of this topic, uplift lived experiences, discuss statistics, and explore best practices for service providers.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Attendees will be able to define four key LGBTQIA+ terms
- Attendees will be able to explain the intersection of LGBTQIA+ and disability.
- Attendees will be able to identify relevant statistics related to LGBTQIA+ and disability.
- Attendees will be able to explore four best practice recommendations.

MEET THE TRAINER



REGISTER NOW AT [IRIOC.ORG/PRIDES](https://irioc.org/prides)

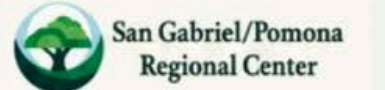
COMMUNITY EVENT

CENTERING VOICES & BRIDGING ACCESS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

**IRWINDALE COMMUNITY CENTER
IRWINDALE, CA**

Join the SAE team, as they host a table, for a day of fun, learning, and community engagement!



CENTERING VOICES & BRIDGING ACCESS

Community Event



Join the community to learn about available supports, discuss challenges, and collaborate on solutions around intellectual and developmental disabilities within the Black/African American community residing in the San Gabriel/Pomona catchment area.

EVENT DETAILS



**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2026**
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM



**IRWINDALE
COMMUNITY CENTER**
16102 Arrow Highway
Irwindale, CA 91706



**FOOD & REFRESHMENTS
WILL BE PROVIDED.**



**A WELCOMING SPACE FOR
FAMILIES & CHILDREN**

JOIN US TO:



Connect with other families



Learn about available resources



Share your experiences



Meet community advocates



Help shape future services

*Your voice.
Your community.
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TO REGISTER



FOR MORE INFORMATION
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COMMUNITY EVENT

2026 BENEFITS FAIR CITY OF EL MONTE

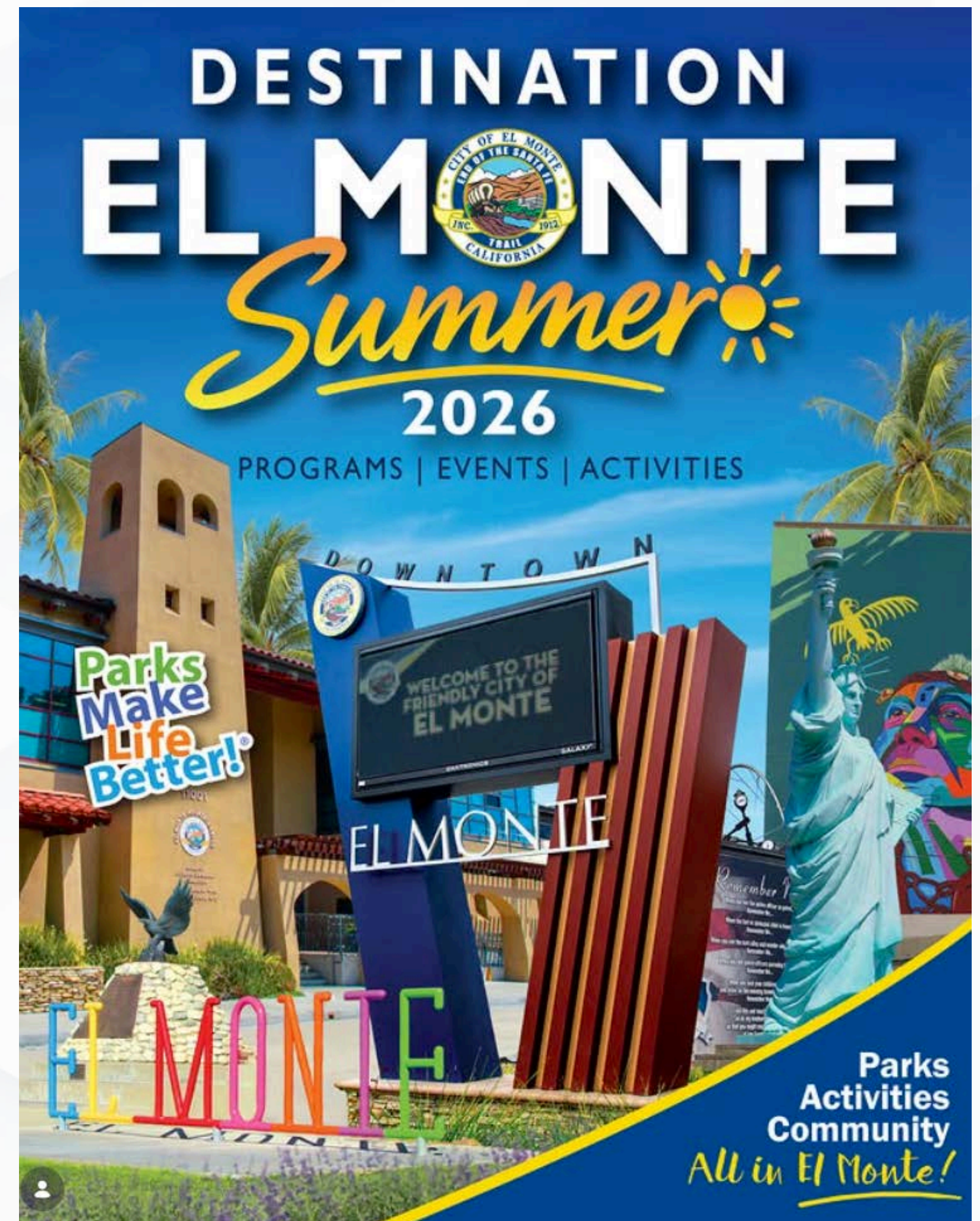
EL MONTE, CA

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2026

TIME: 10AM - 2PM

Grace T. Black Auditorium

Join the SAE team, as they host a table,
for a day of fun, learning, and
community engagement!



THE WAITING ROOM

BY EDUCATION SPECTRUM

Sessions Resume

Thursday, **September 17th**, 2026

Time: **5:30PM**

3rd Thursday of the month

Location: Zoom

The Waiting Room is a safe place to share, listen, and learn for all participants, families, parents and caregiver of the Self-Determination Program.

Registration Required



San Gabriel / Pomona
Regional Center

Education Spectrum in collaboration with
the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center
announce the following monthly support group

The Waiting Room

SDP SUPPORT GROUP

A safe place to share, listen and learn for
all Participants, Families, Parents and
Caregivers of the Self-Determination Program.



In English, Spanish, and Chinese languages
Meetings will be facilitated by independent moderators.

Meetings will be held on
the 3rd Thursday of the month
Starting at 5:30 p.m.

Via Zoom Platform



- April 16, 2026
- May 21, 2026
- June 18, 2026
- September 17, 2026
- October 21, 2026
- January 21, 2027
- February 18, 2027
- April 22, 2027
- June 17, 2027

Register in advance for this meeting
After registering you will receive a confirmation email
containing information about joining the meeting

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

For general questions, please contact your Service Coordinator or
email the SG/PRC SDP Team at SelfDetermination@sgprc.org

To submit a question directly to meeting moderators – **[CLICK HERE](#)**

COMMUNITY EVENT

PACIFIC CLINICS RESOURCE FAIR

CITY OF EL MONTE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2026

TIME: 2PM - 4:30PM

Join the SAE team, as they host a table,
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community engagement!



COMMUNITY PRESENTATION

VOTING RIGHTS & ACCESSIBLE VOTING TECHNOLOGY

Thursday, September 17, 2026

10:00am - 12:00pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 863 6353 6941

This session offers accessible, nonpartisan information for adults served by SG/PRC on voter registration, voting rights, and accessibility at polling places. It's presented by Disability Rights California advocates Scott Barron and Gabriel Taylor.

Contact Elisa Herzog for more information
(909) 710-8190 / EHerzog@sgprc.org

San Gabriel/Pomona
Regional CenterDisability
Rights
California

VOTING RIGHTS & ACCESSIBLE VOTING TECHNOLOGY

FOR ADULT INDIVIDUALS SERVED BY SG/PRC

**Thursday
September 17, 2026**

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center
75 Rancho Camino Dr.
Pomona, CA 91766

Join us for an in-person informational session providing
accessible, nonpartisan information about:

- ★ Voter Registration
- ★ Voting Rights
- ★ Accessibility at polling places

PRESENTED BY:
Scott Barron, Peer Advocate
Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy, Disability Rights California
&
Gabriel Taylor, Senior Voting Rights Advocacy
Disability Rights California

More info contact:
Elisa Herzog, Advocacy Liaison
(909) 710-8190
Amos Byun, Community Outreach
Specialist (909) 710-8815
Josie Martinez, Community Outreach
Specialist, (909) 710-8817



Scan QR code to
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link below.

[Register Here](#)



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Services



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COMMUNITY PRESENTATION

VOTING REGISTRATION, VOTING RIGHTS & ACCESSIBILITY AT THE POLLS

Thursday, September 24, 2026

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 863 6353 6941

This TAC (The Advocacy Connection) virtual session offers accessible, nonpartisan information for adults served by regional centers on voter registration, voting rights, and accessibility at polling places. It's presented via Zoom by Disability Rights California advocates Scott Barron and Gabriel Taylor.

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For adult individuals served by regional centers

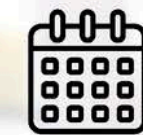


San Gabriel/Pomona
Regional Center

Voter Registration, Voting Rights, & Accessibility at the Polls

This session will provide accessible,
nonpartisan information about:

- voter registration
- voting rights
- accessibility at polling places



THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 24, 2026
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Presented By:

Scott Barron

Peer Advocate, Office of Clients' Rights
Advocacy, Disability Rights California

Gabriel Taylor

Senior Voting Rights Advocacy,
Disability Rights California

JOIN US:

[Click Here to Join Us On Zoom!](#)

Meeting ID: 863 6353 6941

(No RSVP & No Zoom Password Required)

For more information:

Elisa Herzog, B.A.

SG/PRC Advocacy Liaison To Individuals Served

Phone: (909) 710-8190

Email: Eherzog@sgprc.org

In partnership with:



COMMUNITY PRESENTATION

SPECIAL EDUCATION TRAININGS FOR PARENTS' CAREGIVERS

Upcoming Training:

September 21st

Transition Planning for Middle/High School

In September, Education Specialist Nora Perez-Givens will host a special education training for parents and caregivers focused on Transition Planning for Middle/High School. The training will provide families with information and strategies to help students prepare for future educational, vocational, and independent living goals as they transition into adulthood.

ANNUAL CALENDAR 2026 CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE.



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NEW FAMILY ORIENTATION

Saturday, September 26, 2026

Time: 9:30am - 12:00pm

Location: SGPRC

The New Family Orientation welcomes parents, guardians, and caregivers who are new to the regional center or need to more information about services and supports. Attendees will learn about SG/PRC, what to expect going forward, meet staff, and receive essential resources, with interpretation available in Spanish, Korean, Chinese, Vietnamese, and ASL; a light breakfast is provided and registration is required. SG/PRC is a private, non-profit organization that has served the El Monte, Foothill, and Pomona areas of Los Angeles County under contract with the California Department of Developmental Services since 1986. It supports individuals with intellectual disabilities, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, and closely related conditions originating before age 18, as well as infants and toddlers through its Early Start program.



New Family Orientation



San Gabriel/Pomona
Regional Center



About the Orientation

Welcome to San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center! We would like to invite parents, guardians, and caregivers that are new to the regional center to attend a morning of information where you will learn more about SG/PRC, what you can expect in the coming years, meet some of our staff, and get essential resources.



Interpretation will be provided in
Spanish, Korean, Chinese, Vietnamese,
and American Sign Language.

RSVP

Registration is required,
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**Saturday,
September 26,
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9:30am to 12pm**
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Pomona, CA 91766

Light Breakfast will be
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Josie Martinez (Spanish)
909-710-8817

Amos Byun (Korean)
909-710-8815

Tiffany Loong (Chinese)
909-710-8827

Luz Rodriguez-Urbe (Spanish)
909-710-8828

SDP CONFERENCE & SERVICE PROVIDER EXPO

Thursday, October 8, 2026

Time: **9:30am - 3:30pm**

Location: SGPRC

Individuals and families served by San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center are interested or are in the Self-Determination Program are invited to join us for a day of information and connecting with service providers. Families will hear from SGPRC staff, vendors, and other families with an opportunity to network.

The poster features a background image of the Sheraton Fairplex Conference Center. At the top left is the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center logo, which includes a stylized tree and the text "San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center". The main title "SELF-DETERMINATION PROGRAM CONFERENCE & SERVICE PROVIDER Expo" is prominently displayed in the center. Below the title, an invitation text states: "We invite individuals and families served by the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center who are interested or are in the Self-Determination Program to join us for a day of information and connecting with service providers." A dark blue banner contains the date and time: "THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2026 | 9:30 AM-3:30PM". Below this, the text "SCAN THE QR CODE OR CLICK HERE TO REGISTER" is shown next to a QR code. Another dark blue banner provides contact information: "FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT: JOSIE MARTINEZ | JMARTINEZ@SGPRC.ORG | (909) 710-8817 OR KIM LAU | KLAU@SGPRC.ORG | (626) 720-5005". The bottom section includes the "DDS Department of Developmental Services" logo, a list of languages for interpretation (American Sign Language, Chinese, Korean, Spanish, and Vietnamese), and the funding source (LACC program funds). Social media and website links are provided at the bottom: Instagram (@sgp_rc), a location pin for the Sheraton Fairplex Conference Center, and the website www.sgprc.org.

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THANK YOU!

SAE is pleased to join outreach events in our service area and host events that serve our community and partners.

During the month of August we hosted and participated in 12 outreach events and presentations. September is projected to total 9 outreach events and community presentations.



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Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families

Wednesday, October 28, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Videoconference Meeting

ZOOM Meeting ID: 191 486 135 Password: 681356

Committee Members:

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

Jovenal Malonzo, Jr
Pete Rodriguez
Diana Ramirez
Lenny Kwari
David Sarmiento

Staff:

G. Daniela Santana, Dir. Client Services
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Dir.
Talesha Payne, Chief Services &
Engagement Officer
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 August 26, 2026 & September 23, 2026 C. Review of Standardized Social Rec Policy Draft by Daniela Santana, Director Client Services
6:05 PM	2.	Public Comment - Please email elba.moreno@sgprc.org to sign up
6:10 PM	3.	• Special Presentation – Performance Contract – Salvador Gonzalez
6:40 PM	4.	Future Training Topics • December 9, 2026 – TBD • January 23, 2027 – TBD • February 24, 2027– TBD
6:45	5.	SG/PRC Information A. Updates by Daniela Santana, Director Client Services B. Updates by Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director C. ARCA Client Delegate Report by Preeti Subramaniam D. Advocacy Liaison Updates by Elisa Herzog, Advocacy Liaison
7:00	6.	Adjournment – There will not be a meeting in November. The next meeting will be on December 9, 2026.

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

Minutes of the Meeting of the

Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families

September 23, 2026

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families was held on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT

Phillip Loi, Chair
Preeti Subramaniam
Richard Centeno
Pete Rodriguez
Lenny Kwari

ABSENT:

Sam Yi
David Sarmiento
Jovenal Malonzo Jr.
Diana Ramirez
Jaye Dixit

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Rosa Chavez, Associate Director, Family &
Transition Services
Zorahida Escarcega, Associate Director, Adult &
Residential Services
Yvonne Gratianne, Communications & Public
Engagement Officer
Kristy Owens, Senior Executive Assistant
Elba Moreno, Department Assistant,
Communications
Elisa Herzog, Advocacy Liaison to Individuals
Served
Anthony Hoang, Emergency Management
Coordinator

GUEST:

Nada Sadeh
Jacqueline Atempa
Albert Feliciano
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ITEMS DISCUSSED

CALL TO ORDER

Phillip Loi, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum was not established.

- The minutes of August 26, 2026, meeting were tabled.
- Jesse Weller, Executive Director, introduced Ms. Talesha Payne San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center's new Chief Services & Engagement

Officer.

- Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services, reviewed the SG/PRC Standardized Social Rec Policy Draft to the committee.

PUBLIC INPUT - None

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Emergency Preparedness by Anthony Hoang, Emergency Management Coordinator and Yvonne Gratianne, Communications & Public Engagement Officer

- Safety Signal Newsletter Vol. 2
- Great ShakeOut earthquake drill takes place on Thursday, 15 October 2026, at 10:15 a.m.
- Feeling Safe Being Safe
- Lanterman and Friends Video Portal

Future Training Topics:

- October 28, 2026 – TBD
- December 9, 2026 – TBD
- January 27, 2026 – TBD

Updates and Information by SG/PRC Staff

- Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services, shared the following:
 - Artisan Fair on November 12, 2026, from 10am-12pm at the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center.
 - New preschool unit has been formed. The preschool team is currently serving over 2,100 individuals and continues to grow.
- Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director shared that in January the set aside apartments in Pomona will be finalized, there will be a tour.
- Preeti Subramaniam, ARCA Delegate shared the last meeting was on August 28, 2026. During the meeting three new committees were announced, the Employment committee, SSI and other benefits committee, and the Dignity, Risk and respect committee. The next meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2026, no meeting will be held in September, due to board training.
- Elisa Herzog, Advocacy Liaison made the following announcement:
 - September Voting-Rights Meetings, two separate voting-rights and accessibility meetings planned for September. Both meetings will feature Scott Barron, Peer Advocate with the Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy at Disability Rights California and Gabriel Taylor, Senior Voting Rights Advocate with Disability Rights California. The first meeting is an in-person Voting Rights and Accessible Voting Technology session on

Thursday, September 17, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

- The Advocacy Connection voting-rights meeting on Zoom on Thursday, September 24, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. The topic will be “Voter Registration, Voting Rights, and Accessibility at the Polls.”

ADJOURN

Chair, Philip Loi, adjourned the meeting.

The next Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 28, 2026, via video conference at 6 P.M.

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

October 1, 2026

The following committee members attended said meeting:

PRESENT:

Sharon Ehrig
Valerie Donelson
Johnnie Martinez
Jazmine Ulibarri
Ookie Voong
Edgar Cartagena
Janee Blackburn
Jaime Currie
Baldo Paseta
Mario Escobedo

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Kelly Privitt, Chairperson
Jazmyne Robinson
Beba Saba (LOA)

GUESTS:

STAFF:

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services
Rosa Chavez, Associate Director, Family &
Transition Services
Jaime Anabalon, Quality Assurance Specialist
Dara Mikesell, CFO
Marylou Garcia, HCBS/Resource Developer
Yamily Valdez, Health Care Support Specialist
Maria Nunez, Public Records and Policy
Compliance Manager
Robert Romero, QA Specialist
Kristin Gener, Manager, Community Services
Linda Flores, Community Services Specialist
Scott Kelley, Manager, Residential Services II
Cynthia Espinoza, QA Specialist
Patricia Valdivia, Transportation Coordinator
Kathy Castillo, QA Specialist
Edith Hernandez, Resource Developer
Linh Lee, Employment Specialist
Monica Buenrostro, Program Evaluator
Gabriel Valdivias, QA Specialist
Patricia Ornelas, Manager, Fiscal Services POS
Elisa Herzog, Advocacy Liaison
Elba Moreno, Assistant Communications
Department

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

THE VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

None

A. CALL TO ORDER

Sharon Ehrig, on behalf of Kelly Privitt, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. A quorum was not established.

The minutes of the meeting on July 2, 2026, August 6, 2026 & September 3, 2026, were reviewed and approved.

M/S/C (Donelson & Currie) The Vendor Advisory Committee approved the minutes.

B. MOST PRESSING CONCERNS FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS

Vendors shared a concern with the level of transparency from the regional center with the referrals they're receiving. They feel that they're not getting a full picture before the individual has already been onboarded.

C. VENDOR CATEGORY REPORTS

Adult Programs

Vocational –Jazmyne Robinson was not present.

Adult Day – Johnnie Martinez the next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2026, at 10 A.M.

Infant & Children Services

Infant Development Program – Jazmine Ulibarri shared that at the last subcommittee meeting vendors raised two questions, they want to know why the same provider can receive different rates for delivering identical services across different regional centers, and whether there are any upcoming proposed legislative changes or ballot propositions that can affect their business or the individuals they serve, and what potential impact could these changes have on service and delivery; conversation was had. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2026, at 9:30 AM.

Transportation

Baldo Paseta shared that vendors are concerned about the decrease of referrals as well as high gas prices. Mr. Pasate informed vendors that he will be issuing a letter, and sharing it with 875 and 880 providers, welcoming them to sign to share their concerns with the Department of Developmental Services.

Independent Living Services

ILS – Sharon Ehrig shared that gas prices are also a concern for ILS vendors with staff driving individuals to appointments and to go to community resources etc. Making it difficult for staff who must absorb some of the costs beyond what mileage reimbursement rate covers. Individuals who receive EBT benefits will get a small increase. There haven't been too many problems with individuals that do

not have social security benefits to be able to get EBT. There is a clause stating that the intake worker can advocate and document that they can see that the individual has either mental health or physical disabilities.

SLS Services – Mario Escobedo was not present.

Residential Services

Specialized – Janee Blackburn was not present.

CCF – Valerie Donelson had nothing to report.

ICF- Ookie Voong shared that Residential ICF subcommittee met September 29, 2026, Olivia Funaro, Justin Chan and Monique Galindo attended and clarified some of the operational logistics and how they process referrals and placement. The possibility of coordinating a Residential Vendor Fair in the future for service coordinators and individuals and families in the future was discussed as vendors continued to share their concerns about high vacancy rates; conversation was had. Ms. Voong shared that Health Net will be holding another office hours session via zoom on October 21st at 3 PM, registration is required. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2026, at 10:00 AM

Other Vended Services- Beba Saba on (LOA)

At Large- Jaime Currie shared widespread denial of services by health care provider networks citing MCG; however, under California's SB 855, the commercial plans must use these medical necessities. There was an article that came out where a journalist reported on ghost networks, Ms. Currie shared how it affects families and regional centers. Lastly, she shared that on October 21st Western University will have an event to train medical doctors on how to conduct interviews and visits with families. Individuals with developmental disabilities or autism will receive \$50 gift card for participating.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Jamie Currie shared that effective July there was an increase from 72¢ to 76¢ per mile which will be retroactive. Also, shared that AB 2233, which prevents the health plans from imposing restrictions on the utilization of treatment hours within a 6-month authorization period, goes into effect January 1, 2027.

RECRUITMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

Recruiting for FY 26/27 (effective July 1, 2026)

- Residential CCF
- Vocational

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

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATES

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, was not present.

SG/PRC UPDATES

Elisa Herzog, Advocacy Liaison made the following announcement:

- September 17th SG/PRC hosted an in-person voting rights and accessible voting technology event
- The final advocacy connection meeting of the year was held on Thursday, September 24, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. The topic was “Voter Registration, Voting Rights, and Accessibility at the Polls.”
- In 2027 the San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center will introduce The Community Lounge. The Community Lounge is a brand new quarterly in-person series for adult individuals served. It will officially launch on Monday, January 11, 2027, from 10 AM to 12 PM at SG/PRC Pomona office.
- In 2027 The Advocacy Connection will have a new name. The Advocacy Exchange will continue with the familiar Zoom format and will give adult individuals served the opportunity to hear from presenters, ask questions, share ideas, and learn about topics that are important for them to learn. The Advocacy Exchange will meet every other month on the 4th Thursday from 5 to 6 PM. The first meeting will be Thursday, January 28, 2027.

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director:

- Important DDS updates from September 2026
- Department of Rehabilitation Services (DOR) announces Order of Selection
- Medi-Cal Changes Timeline
- Community Needs Survey for FY 26/27
- Important Changes to the required DSP 1 and 2 training
- DSP Collaborative LA County
- DSP Collaborative Job Fair October 13, 2026, at the Torrance Art and Venues
- DSP University
- DSP Internship Program
- Service Provider Portal
- Standardized Vendorization
- ICF - Bed holds during temporary absences
- Rate Reform
- DDS QIP – Provider Eligibility to Earn Quality Incentive Rate for FY 2026-27
- How to Check Your Provider Survey Status

- Day Program: Updates for length of day and corresponding billing
- American Sign Language Training Support
- Home and Community-Based Services Final Rule
- Future HCBS Projects
- HCBS trainings coming soon
- Road Safety
- Stay Connected with SGPRC

Detailed notes can be found in meeting materials.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ms. Rodriguez shared a transportation policy issue that affects service delivery to individuals served by regional centers.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The next regular meeting will be held on November 5, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.



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STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, October 28, 2026 - 6 P.M.

VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS		STAFF
Julie Chetney, Chairperson		Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Trish Gonzales, Board President	Bill Stewart, 1 st VP	Yeilen Hernandez, Chief People Officer
Gisele Ragusa, Committee Member	Natalie Webber, Committee Member	Erika Gomez, Liaison- BOD & RDDF
Yan Li, Committee Member	Lisa Nguyen, Committee Member	

6 PM	1.	Public Meeting Call to Order
6 PM	2.	A. Review of Agenda B. Review Meeting Minutes of September 23, 2026 C. Public Comment - Please email egomez@sgprc.org to sign up
6:05 PM	3.	Strategic Plan Update – Jesse Weller
6:15 PM	4.	Board Training Survey – Julie Chetney A. Review Questionnaire Results B. Decide on the training topics for 2027
6:45 PM	5.	Continuation of Review of Interview Process/ Questions <i>Julie Chetney and Yeilen Hernandez, Chief People Officer</i> A. Finalize Application
6:55 PM	6.	Upcoming Agendas Agenda for 12/9/2026 –
7:00 PM	7.	Adjournment

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

September 23, 2026

The following committee members were present at said meeting:

MEMBERS:

Julie Chetney, Chairperson
Trish Gonzales, Board President
Gisele Ragusa, Committee
Member
Bill Stewart, Board Director
Lisa Nguyen, Committee
Member
Yan Li, Committee Member

STAFF:

Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Yeilen Hernandez, Chief People Officer
Erika Gomez, Liaison to the BOD & RDDF

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Natalie Webber, Committee
Member

GUESTS:

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTIONS

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

ITEMS DISCUSSED

Chairperson Julie Chetney, called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. A quorum was established.

A) The agenda for the meeting was reviewed.

The minutes of the August 26, 2026 meeting were reviewed and approved.
M/S/C (Stewart/Gonzales) The committee approved the minutes.
Abstained: Nguyen

Public Input - None

B) BOARD TRAINING SURVEY

The Committee developed its annual questionnaire to gather Board and committee members' input on 2027 training topics. The survey will be distributed, and the results will be reviewed at the next meeting. The Committee will then develop the 2027 training schedule and submit the required training plan report to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS).

C) CONTINUATION OF REVIEW OF INTERVIEW PROCESS

The Committee continued its discussion on the recruitment and interview process. Julie Chetney and Yeilen Hernandez, Chief People Officer, reviewed the application questions and discussed how to identify qualified candidates for committee and potential Board membership, including the importance of relevant personal experience.

The Committee worked on revisions to the application, which Ms. Chetney will finalize. Discussion of the interview questions will continue at the next meeting.

D) UPCOMING AGENDAS:

Agenda for 10/28/2026 – Review Board Training Survey Results and set Board Training Topics/Schedule.

There will not be a meeting in November.

E) ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned.

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