

SAN GABRIEL/POMONA **REGIONAL CENTER**

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 and at the listed location:

DATE: Wednesday, February 22, 2023,

TIME: 7:15 p.m.

**PLACE: San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center
75 Rancho Camino Drive
Pomona, CA 91766**

**THE MEETING
IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE.**

**ZOOM Meeting ID: 234 566 141
Password: 916227**

The upcoming meeting will be convened via videoconference.

***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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 REGIONAL CENTER
 75 Rancho Camino Drive
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MEETING AGENDA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
 (Meets 4th Wednesday of each Month)

Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 7:15 p.m.
Videoconference Meeting
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Gisele Ragusa, Board President

Julie Chetney, 1st VP

Trish Gonzales, 2nd VP

Bill Stewart, Treasurer

Preeti Subramaniam, Secretary

Mary Soldato

Susan Stroebel, VAC Chairperson

Joseph Huang

Jaye Dixit

Bruce Cruickshank

Wendy Lai

Natalie Webber

Karen Zarsadiaz - Ige

Tina Wright

Richard Centeno

		ACTION	MATERIA L	COLOR
7:15 - 7:25	CALL TO ORDER (Gisele Ragusa, Board President)	None	None	None
	• Roll Call & Review Agenda	Quorum	None	None
	• Minutes of January 25, 2022	Consent	Attached	White
7:25 - 7:30	<i>GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT</i> (To sign up, please email @egomez@sgprc.org)	Info	None	None
7:30 - 7:35	<i>Contracts for Approval (Consent)</i> (Tim Travis, Associate Director of Community Services) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ICO North ○ People's Care Montellano ○ Reliable Contract 	Consent	Attached	Ivory
7:35-7:45	<i>UPDATES</i> – Social Rec Grants and Technology Lending Library Update	Info	None	None
7:45- 7:55	<i>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</i> (Jesse Weller, Executive Director)	Info	None	None
7:55 - 8:55	<i>Board Training(s)</i> Understanding Needs, Resources, and Services for Addressing Mental Health Steve Mouton, Clinical Psychologist/Policy Liaison Hortencia Tafoya, Director of Clinical Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services Salvador Gonzales, Director of Service Access and Equity	Info	None	None
	OTHER BOARD & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS	Info	None	None

APPROXIMATE SCHEDULE	ITEM	ACTION	MATERIAL	COLOR
<u>ADJOURNMENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING</u>				
EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel & Legal matters				

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

January 25, 2022

ATTENDANCE

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

PRESENT:

Gisele Ragusa
Natalie Webber
Susan Stroebel
Mary Soldato
Bruce Cruickshank
Joseph Huang
Julie Chetney
Wendy Lai
Karen Zarsadiaz - Ige
Jaye Dixit
Bill Stewart
Trish Gonzales
Preeti Subramaniam
Richard Centeno

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Director, Community Services
Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer
Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services
Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Outreach & Compliance
and Team
Rosa Chavez, Assoc. Director Family & Transition
Tim Travis, Associate Director, Community Services
Jessie Lagos, Manager, Specialized Services II, Special
Projects
Yaned Busch, Specialized Services Manager & Team
Yvonne Gratianna, Manager, Communications/P.R.
Erika Gomez, Liaison BOD & RDDF

ABSENT:

Tina Wright

GUESTS:

Albert Feliciano, SCDD
Nikisia Simmons, DDS
Ali Dorri
Nada Saleh
Nancy Bunker
Nicole Mirikitani
A Skrow

INTERPRETERS:

Jonathan Y (Mandarin)
Eduardo K (Spanish)
Amelia M (ASL)
Charlene S (Mandarin)

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Gisele Ragusa, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

The agenda for today's meeting was reviewed.

The minutes for the December 14, 2022, meeting were reviewed and approved by the Board.

M/S/C (Stewart & Soldato) The Board approved the minutes.

B. PUBLIC INPUT:

- Mr. Carl Argila reminded the Board that he records the meeting while he provides input and uploads the video to his personal blog. He spoke about a meeting he had with Jesse Weller, Executive Director, and his wishes. He also shared what he would like to see on the agendas for the Board meetings. Lastly, he requested that his son's conservatorship be terminated.
- Albert Feliciano, SCDD, shared information regarding a series of trainings. He provided the flyers. He also shared that Self Determination orientations have resumed statewide. Lastly, SCDD facilitates a monthly independent facilitator round table session.

C. EXECUTIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE

Financial Report

Dara Mikesell, CFO, reported the following:

In regional center operations, the allocation based on the D-1 Amendment is projected to meet expenditure projections. Projections include operating continuation cost and expenditures from the prior fiscal year. The operations D-1 allocation for fiscal year 2022-23 is currently at \$43,584,193 with projected expenditures of \$42,012,565. The year-to-date expenditure is \$14,403,409 with projected remaining expenditures of \$30,706,975. This results in an unencumbered amount of **\$1,571,628** 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 \$1,380,278, staff expect the full amount to be spent. The Fairview program's is included in this amount.

The Community Placement Plan (CPP) and DC ongoing Workload operations was **only allocated at 50%** in the D-1 amendment. Staff expect to receive full funding at the same level as last year in the amount of \$1,628,181. If not the full allocation for

CPP and DC Closure Ongoing expenditures is not received, the regular operations budget would have to absorb these costs, thereby reducing our budget unencumbered balance to **\$ 797,643** for the year.

The Purchase of Service allocation is based on the D-1 amendment in the amount of \$377,421,013. The current month's expenditure amounted to \$25,434,961, bringing the year-to-date expenditures for services to \$119,541,092. The remaining projected expenditures and late bills are in the amount of \$227,516,875 leaving an unencumbered amount of **\$30,363,045**.

CPP POS is in a separate line item, staff allocated \$100,000 for placement only.

Contracts for Review

Lucina Galarza, Director of Community Services, presented the following contracts:

- *Akuchi SLS*
(M/S/C – Huang & Soldato) **The Board reviewed and approved the contract based on their policy for contracts over \$250,00.**
Abstain: Stroebel
- *Voice*
(M/S/C – Stewart & Soldato) **The Board reviewed and approved the contract based on their policy for contracts over \$250,00.**
Abstain: Stroebel
- *CBC*
(M/S/C – Lai & Cruickshank) **The Board reviewed and approved the contract based on their policy for contracts over \$250,00.**
Abstain: Stroebel
- *CBEM*
(M/S/C – Cruickshank & Subramaniam) **The Board reviewed and approved the contract based on their policy for contracts over \$250,00.**
Abstain: Stroebel

Vendor Insurance Policy - Lucina Galarza, Director of Community Services, shared that the policy was developed in 2005 and the signed document cannot be found. Staff will update the draft policy and provide it first to the Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC) for review and feedback and then to the Advisory Committee of Individual Served and Their Families for review and feedback. The revised draft policy will go to the full Board for its review and discussion after each of these advisory committees have reviewed it.

D. COMMUNITY RELATIONS/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Joseph Huang, Chairperson, reported that the committee heard from the different members of the Community Outreach & Compliance Department and their efforts to the community. (See Community Outreach Report for more details). Also shared, was information about the legislative items that can/will impact the Developmental Disabilities System.

E. ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR INDIVIDUALS SERVED AND THEIR

Wendy Lai, Co-Chairperson, reported that the committee learned about “Coordinated Family Supports” as well as the new updates regarding Self Determination.

F. VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VAC)

Susan Stroebel, Chairperson, shared that service providers continue to face staffing issues. The VAC members have discussed the significance of introducing young people to the field and would like to do job fairs at high schools to educate younger generations. She would also like the VAC to collaborate with the Community Relations/ Legislative Committee and the Advisory Committee For Individuals Served and Their Families in doing legislative and community guidance and education.

G. STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

On behalf of Julie Chetney, Gisele Ragusa stated that the committee is actively working on the upcoming Strategic Planning event for Board and Committee members. The committee also revised the application for committee membership.

H. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Gisele Ragusa, Board President, shared the following information:

- Preparations for Grassroots Day sponsored and organized by ARCA, have commenced.
- Next month’s Board meeting will be a training. Ragusa provided a memo submitted to DDS listing all the upcoming Board trainings, some of which are required by DDS and others generated by the Board’s annual training and information survey.

I. DISCUSSION FORUM – SELF DETERMINATION

Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services, provided information on the following:

- Data on enrolled cases
 - By diagnoses

- By language
- By ethnicity
- Data on interested cases
 - By diagnoses
 - By department
 - By ethnicity
 - By language
- Barriers for SDP participants/families
- Barriers for FMS providers
- Technology barriers
- Drop in numbers

J. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, discussed the following (for the complete, detailed Director’s Report, please see attachment)

- *Monterrey Park Incident* - A tragic event occurred in Monterey Park that resulted in the loss of many lives and many injuries. Monterey Park is a predominantly Asian American Pacific Islander community. SG/PRC celebrates the inclusion, equity, and diversity for all people served, their families, staff, service providers, our neighbors, and communities that we support and represent. SG/PRC stands against attacks toward Asian American Pacific Islander communities.
- *Winter Storms State of Emergency & Declarations* - The Governor issued a statewide disaster declaration for all counties dated January 4, 2023, which mobilized the California National Guard and authorized supports for local response and recovery. In addition, a federal disaster assistance declaration was issued on January 11, 2023, to help assist 41 counties that were impacted.
- *COVID – 19 State of Emergency Status* - On October 17, 2022, Governor Newsom, announced that the COVID-19 State of Emergency will end on February 28, 2023.
- *Department of Developmental Services Safety Net and Other Crisis Services Plan* - On January 10, 2023, the Department released their plan for Crisis and Other Safety Net Services. The Department is required to submit updates to this plan to the legislators, last submitted in 2017 and 2020.
- *Little Hoover Commission Hearings on Developmental Services* - The Little Hoover Commission held its last hearing on Thursday December 8, 2022.

- *Office of Administrative Hearing Advisory Committee (OAHAC)* - The Department is seeking applications to form a statewide advisory committee that will provide input to the Office of Administrative Hearings and the Department of Development Disabilities (DDS), about ways to improve the hearing and mediation process related to the Lanterman Act.
- *AB 152 (Asm. Budget) – COVID-19 Paid Sick Leave* - This bill extended the existing COVID-19 paid sick leave requirements through the end of 2022 calendar year.
- *AB 2693 (Reyes) – Cal-OSHA Extensions Related to COVID-19* - This bill will extend Cal-OSHA enforcement powers related to COVID-19 to January 1, 2024.
- *Minimum Wage Increase (Department of Industrial Relations)* - Starting January 1, 2023, the minimum wage in California shall increase to \$15.50 per hour for all employers.
- *California State Employee Holiday Recognition* - Three new state holidays are slated to be added to the next calendar year, which includes Lunar New Year, Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day (April 24th), and Juneteenth (June 19th).
- *Regional Center Performance Measures* - The Department of Developmental Services (Department) worked with the Regional Center Performance Measures (RCPM) Workgroup consisting of representatives from all aspects of the developmental disabilities services system to develop performance incentives and measures to promote improvements for individual and families served and regional center performance.
 - *Person Centered Planning for Service Coordinators*
 - *Early Start – Child Find*
 - *Early Start – Time Access to Services*
- *Service Access and Equity Grants* - SG/PRC received acknowledgement that our Service Access and Equity grant applications for our Asian Outreach Specialist efforts and Parent/Training Educational videos were not approved; Parent Mentor Initiative was approved. That said, we will continue these important efforts through other sources of funding.
- *Staffing Statistics* - As of December 2022, SG/PRC has 427 authorized positions. This total number includes 401 full time employees and 26 vacancies or growth positions.
- *Individual Served Statistics* - As of December 2022, SG/PRC served 15,645 individuals.

- *Weekly meeting with vendors* – Currently, SG/PRC holds weekly meetings with the vendors. The vendor community was surveyed about how often it would like to meet.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

Next meeting on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 7:15 p.m.

BOARD MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 25, 2023 MEETING

Submitted by:

Gisele Ragusa, Board President

Date



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Jesse Weller, Psy.D.

Executive Director's Report

Wednesday January 18, 2028

State/Local Updates

- Winter Storms State of Emergency & Declarations
The Governor issued a statewide disaster declaration for all counties dated January 4, 2023, which mobilized the California National Guard and authorized supports for local response and recovery. In addition, a federal disaster assistance declaration was issued on January 11, 2023, to help assist 41 counties that were impacted. On January 15, 2023, the federal assistance declaration expanded to affected individuals in Merced, Sacramento, and Santa Cruz counties.
- COVID-19 State of Emergency Status
The COVID-19 State of Emergency order will end on February 28, 2023. This timeline provides the health care system with some flexibility to address the needs of the community in the event of any COVID-19 surges. In addition, this timeline allows for state and local entities to prepare for this transition.
- Department of Developmental Services Safety Net and Other Crisis Services Plan
On January 10, 2023, the Department released their plan for Crisis and Other Safety Net Services. The Department is required to submit updates to this plan to the legislators, last submitted in 2017 and 2020. A few highlights from the 68-page report:
 - This updated plan (2023) continues to examine the safety net continuum of care and expands the focus from crisis services to emphasizing the priorities on *prevention, de-escalation, and abuse awareness, as well as continued efforts to improve access and equity and respond to the system's changing needs*, i.e., the supports needed for an aging I/DD population, aging caregivers, individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), youth in foster care who have severe trauma, individuals affected by fetal alcohol syndrome (FAS), and other individuals with complex needs.
 - ASD will become the largest diagnostic category within the next five years. The number of individuals diagnosed with autism grew by nearly one-third from FY 2018-19 through FY 2021-22. RCs now serve approximately 26,000 more individuals under age 22 with autism than in FY 2018-19, and over 75% of individuals served with autism are under age 22. However, the rate of growth was higher over this period for individuals aged 22

and older. The total autism population grew at four times the rate of the overall population.

- With this data in mind, the 2023 Governor’s Budget proposal includes establishment of an Autism Services Branch at DDS (the current plan is for 6 new positions).

- Little Hoover Commission Hearings on Developmental Services
The Little Hoover Commission held its last hearing on Thursday December 8, 2022. The exact timeline for the Commission’s release of its final report has not been released. The focus of these hearings was on assessing service access and equity, discussing underlying causes of disparities, and for proposals on how the systems can be improved overall for consistency for individuals and their families.

- Office of Administrative Hearing Advisory Committee (OAHAC)
The Department is seeking applications to form a statewide advisory committee that will provide input to the Office of Administrative Hearings and DDS about ways to improve the hearing and mediation process related to the Lanterman Act. The Committee will have up to 18 members, including representation from individuals and families served, Disability Rights California, the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, representatives of regional centers, the Association of Regional Center Agencies, the Office of the Clients’ Rights Advocacy, and developmental services advocacy organizations. Applications are due by Tuesday January 31, 2023.

Legislative Information

AB 152 (Asm. Budget) – COVID-19 Paid Sick Leave

This bill extended the existing COVID-19 paid sick leave requirements through the end of 2022 calendar year. It also allowed employers to request additional COVID-19 tests when employees experience symptoms or illness.

AB 2693 (Reyes) – Cal-OSHA Extensions Related to COVID-19

This bill will extend Cal-OSHA enforcement powers related to COVID-19 to January 1, 2024. The bill also simplifies workplace notification requirements and ends the requirement to report an “outbreak” status.

Minimum Wage Increase (Department of Industrial Relations)

Starting January 1, 2023, the minimum wage in California shall increase to \$15.50 per hour for all employers. This bill does not supersede any higher local minimum wage.

California State Employee Holiday Recognition

Three new state holidays are slated to be added to the next calendar year, which includes Lunar New Year, Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day (April 24th), and Juneteenth (June 19th). ARCA noted that these will not be paid holidays but one of them can be counted, for state employees, against their annual eight hours of personal holiday.

Department of Developmental Services Directives

- Department Guidance on Extension of Waivers, Modifications, and Directives due to COVID-19

This Directive extends the provisions of former extensions, waivers, and modifications into January 2023.

- Regional Center Performance Measures

The Department of Developmental Services (Department) worked with the Regional Center Performance Measures (RCPM) Workgroup consisting of representatives from all aspects of the developmental disabilities services system to develop performance incentives and measures to promote improvements for individual and families served and regional center performance.

Person Centered Planning for Service Coordinators

- Regional Center will identify trainers who are employed by regional center by June 1, 2023 (measure) and then have all Service Coordinators participate in person-centered planning by June 1, 2024 (measure).
- Regional Centers will submit certificates of successful completion from a certified organization.

Early Start – Child Find

- Regional Centers submits a Child Find Plan by April 1, 2023, and work with DDS to establish a reporting structure that will be used by all regional centers on the types of outreach/child find activities.
- Number of children identified in proportion to the total number of children, birth through age two in the county, zip code, reported by language, race and ethnicity.

Early Start – Time Access to Services

- Adhering to timelines by using Early Start Report (ESR) data fields on date of referral and completion of IFSP date.
- DDS will submit baseline data to regional centers to validate by January 16, 2023, and to address data anomalies by March 16, 2023.
- This measure is focused on data collection and establishing baseline data.

- Service Access and Equity Grants

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- Staffing Statistics

As of December 2022, SG/PRC has 427 authorized positions. This total number includes 401 full time employees and 26 vacancies or growth positions. Projected Recruitment for January 2023 to fill vacancies: 1 IT Network Specialist, 1 IT System Operator, 2 Early Start Managers, 1 Nurse Consultant, 1 Mental Health Specialist, 1 Board Certified Behavior Analyst, 1 Part-Time Board-Certified Behavior Analyst, and a Federal Revenue Specialist.

- Individual Served Statistics

As of December 2022, SG/PRC served 15,645 individuals. For December of 2022, Early Start Admissions (Birth to Three Years of Age) received 111 new referrals, 88 were found to be eligible for Early Start Services. Lanterman Admissions (3 Years of Age through Adulthood) received 51 new referrals. From previous months for referrals, 20 were found to be eligible under Lanterman. Exiting Early Intervention at 3 years of age, 21 were found eligible under Lanterman and 5 under Provisional Lanterman eligibility.

- Self-Determination Program (SDP)

As of December 15, 2022, SG/PRC successfully enrolled 98 participants to the Self-Determination Program. The SDP Team attends monthly meetings with DDS and actively disseminates information and updates to SG/PRC community. Additionally, the SDP Team continues to offer training opportunities and SDP support groups to further enhance the implementation of SDP. Trainings such as SDP Training Series: The Financial Management Services (FMS) and The Waiting Room support group continued through the month of December. SG/PRC also partnered with DDS for training on Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) on January 17, 2023. SDP Meet & Greet and LVAC meetings resumed January 10, 2023.

- Weekly Meetings

SG/PRC Weekly Meetings with Vendors continue to be held every Monday at 10AM. The SG/PRC Community Meetings continue to be held every Tuesday at 10AM.

SAN GABRIEL/POMONA
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Committee Reports & Information



January – February 2023

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

February 8, 2023

PRESENT:

Gisele Ragusa, Board President
Julie Chetney, 1st VP
Trish Gonzales, 2nd VP
Preeti Subramaniam, Secretary
Bill Stewart, Treasurer
Natalie Webber
Joseph Huang
Wendy Lai

GUESTS:

A Skrow

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Director, Community Services
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Rosa Chavez, Associate Director of Family and Transition Services
Hortencia Tafoya, Director, Clinical Services
Erika Gomez, Executive Assistant – BOD & RDDF

ABSENT:

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 December 2022 in the Fiscal Year 2022-23. These expenditures are for services paid through January 19, 2023.

ITEMS DISCUSSED

A. CALL TO ORDER

Gisele Ragusa, Board 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 minutes of January 11, 2022. **(M/S/C Stewart & Subramaniam) The committee approved the minutes.**

B. PUBLIC INPUT:

None

D. Financial Report

Dara Mikesell, CFO, reported the following:

In regional center operations, the allocation based on the D-1 Amendment is projected to meet expenditure projections. Projections include operating continuation cost and expenditures from the prior fiscal year. The operations D-1 allocation for fiscal year 2022-23 is currently at \$43,584,193 with projected expenditures of \$42,121,989. The year-to-date expenditure is \$18,172,721 with projected remaining expenditures of \$23,949,268. This results in an unencumbered amount of **\$1,462,204** in regular operations.

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CPP POS (is in a separate line item), SG/PRC is allocated \$100,000 for placement only.

HCBS is allocated in the amount of \$ 638,638, and staff expect to spend within the allocated amount.

(M/S/C Stewart & Gonzales) The committee approved the Financial Report.

E. Contracts for Review

Lucina Galarza, Director of Community Services, presented the following contracts:

- *ICO North*
(M/S/C – Subramaniam & Stewart) **The committee approved to recommend the above-mentioned contract to the Board for their review.**
- *People's Care Montellano*
(M/S/C – Stewart & Huang) **The committee approved to recommend the above-mentioned contract to the Board for their review.**
- *Reliable Contract*
(M/S/C – Chetney & Huang) **The committee approved to recommend the above-mentioned contract to the Board for their review.**

Updates:

Lucina Galarza, Director of Community Services, presented the following updates:

- CRDP – SG/PRC got approval for a CRDP that would allow for a few individuals to pay only about \$300/month in rent for a loft located in Pomona.
- SG/PRC was awarded 2 Behavior Enhanced Support Homes, one for children and one for adults.
- SG/PRC was awarded a grant for the development of a Day Program with a medical focus.
- SG/PRC will develop a dental program for children, “Interceptive Endodontics.”
- SG/PRC is one of three regional centers to receive funding for a technology lending library.

F. Board President's Report

Gisele Ragusa, Board President, provided the following updates:

- ARCA Update – There was an in-person meeting in Sacramento. The focus of the meeting was on Strategic Planning and the Little Hoover Commission.
- Strategic Planning Workshop –The Strategic Development Committee continues to move forward with coordinating the Strategic Planning Workshop that will take place in the Spring and will likely go into the summer. Amy Sullivan will attend the next meeting the committee will review her proposal.

- Agenda for the upcoming Board *Training* – February 22, 2023
 - Part 1: *SG/PRC Whistleblower Policy*.
 - Part 2: *Advanced Strategic Planning and Development*.
 - CRDP Updates – E.I Lending Library and Social Rec Grants
 - Executive Director Report
- Agenda for Executive Finance Committee Meeting – March 8, 2023
 - Audit Report
 - Financial information
 - Strategic Planning Workshop Update
 - Recruitment

F. Information

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, and staff reported the following:

- 2023/24 FY Governor’s Budget – Mr. Weller reviewed a breakdown provided on DDS’ website, titled “Department of Developmental Services 2023-24 Governor’s Budget”
- ARCA Summary of the Governor’s January Budget for FY 23-24 -The overall budget for the service system now stands at \$14 Billion – 60% (8.6 Billion) of which is General Fund.
- COVID-19 State of Emergency Status Update - On October 17, 2022, Governor Newsome announced that the COVID-19 State of Emergency will end on February 28, 2023.
- Transportation Services - The Department of Developmental Services, (DDS) released directive on Transportation Services Monthly Reimbursement Rate that allows for a temporary reimbursement methodology through January 1st, 2023, through December 31st 2023. Transportation providers have voiced that it is not sustainable. That message has been relayed to DDS. SG/PRC staff met with transportation providers to collaborate on solutions to address the staff/rates challenges they are facing. Staff will work on an AB 637 waiver.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned. The next regular meeting will be held on March 8, 2023, at 7:15 p.m. via videoconference.

CLOSED SESSION

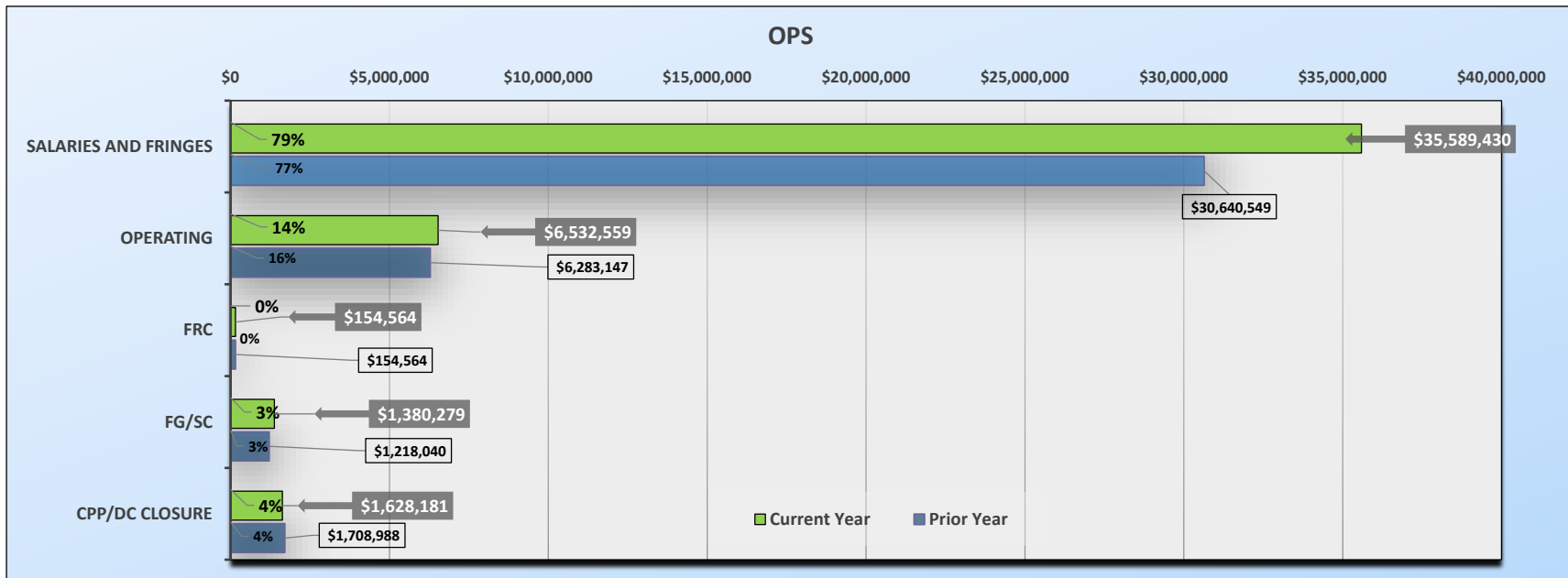
The committee held a closed session to discuss a personnel matter.

SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER
FINANCIAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

PAYMENTS THROUGH JANUARY 19, 2023 FOR SERVICES PROVIDED THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022

OPERATIONS (OPS)

REGIONAL CENTER	MTD	YTD	Remaining	Total	FY 21/22
Salaries and Fringes	\$3,564,925	\$15,499,138	\$20,090,292	\$35,589,430	\$30,640,549
Operating Expenses	\$204,387	\$2,673,582	\$3,858,977	\$6,532,559	\$6,283,147
Total	\$3,769,312	\$18,172,721	\$23,949,268	\$42,121,989	\$36,923,696
Allocation (D-1)				\$43,584,193	\$36,923,696
Surplus/(Deficit)				\$1,462,204	\$0
RESTRICTED OPS FUNDS					
Family Resource Center	\$24,664	\$66,583	\$87,981	\$154,564	\$154,564
Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion	\$66,362	\$328,426	\$1,051,852	\$1,380,279	\$1,218,040
CPP and DC Closure Ongoing Workload	\$15,199	\$61,241	\$1,566,940	\$1,628,181	\$1,708,988
Total	\$106,226	\$456,250	\$2,706,774	\$3,163,024	\$3,081,592
Allocation (D-1)				\$2,389,337	\$3,081,592
Surplus/(Deficit)				(\$773,687)	\$0

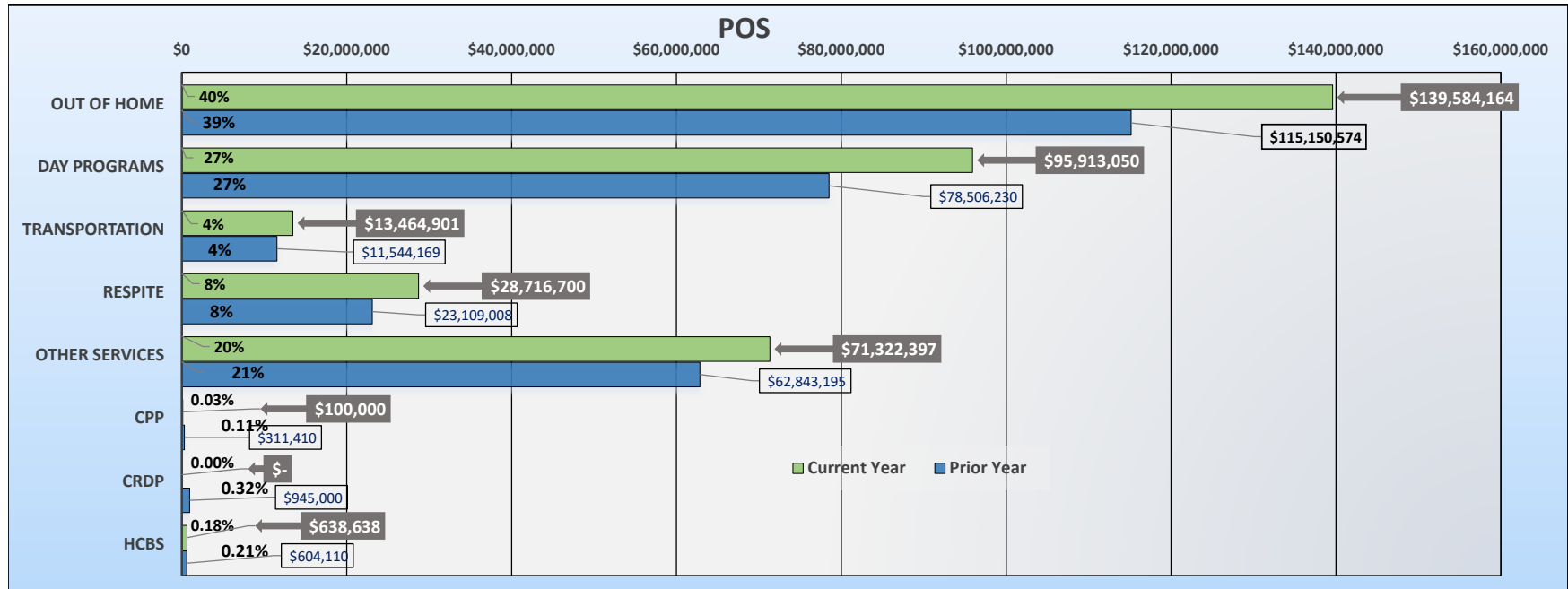


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PURCHASE OF SERVICES (POS)

<u>REGIONAL CENTER</u>	MTD	YTD	Remaining	Total	FY 21/22
Out of Home	\$10,784,505	\$63,668,269	\$75,915,895	\$139,584,164	\$115,150,574
Day Programs	\$6,944,226	\$38,376,133	\$57,536,917	\$95,913,050	\$78,506,230
Transportation	\$1,281,707	\$6,080,847	\$7,384,054	\$13,464,901	\$11,544,169
Respite	\$2,039,245	\$10,112,643	\$18,604,057	\$28,716,700	\$23,109,008
Other Services	\$5,197,752	\$29,105,223	\$42,217,174	\$71,322,397	\$62,843,195
SPA/ICF Reimbursements	(\$270,980)	(\$1,825,569)	(\$2,374,431)	(\$4,200,000)	(\$4,415,158)
Total	\$25,976,454	\$145,517,547	\$199,283,665	\$344,801,212	\$286,738,018
Allocation (D-1)				\$376,782,375	\$318,032,645
Surplus/(Deficit)				\$31,981,163	\$31,294,627
RESTRICTED POS FUNDS					
CPP	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$311,410
CRDP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$945,000
HCBS	\$0	\$0	\$638,638	\$638,638	\$604,110
Total	\$0	\$0	\$738,638	\$738,638	\$1,860,520
Allocation (D-1)				\$738,638	\$1,854,978
Surplus/(Deficit)				\$0	(\$5,542)



SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31		2022
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	68,611,056
Receivable - State Regional Center Contracts		66,080,964
Receivable - Intermediate Care Facility Providers		1,720,572
Other Receivables		203,947
Prepaid Expenses		19,014
Deposits		12,459
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	136,648,012
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$	27,424,618
Advance - State Regional Center Contracts		108,066,624
Accrued Salaries and Payroll Taxes		1,055,272
Other Payables		1,498
Reserve for Unemployment Insurance		100,000
Total Liabilities	\$	136,648,012
Net Assets		
Without Donor Restriction	\$	-
With Donor Restriction		-
Total Net Assets	\$	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	136,648,012

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CONTRACT ALLOCATIONS	Regular POS	CPP	HCBS	Other	Total		
Preliminary Allocation (Regular POS)	279,364,111				279,364,111		
D-1	98,056,902	100,000			98,156,902		
D-2					0		
D-3					0		
Total Contract Allocation	377,421,013	100,000	0		377,521,013		
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		Current Month Expenditures	Year-to-Date Expenditures	YTD Actual as percent of Allocation	Projected Remaining Expenditures	Total Projected Expenditures	Projected as percent of Allocation
Total POS Actual & Projected Expenditures		25,976,454	145,517,547	38.5%	200,022,303	345,539,850	91.5%
OUT OF HOME CARE							
Community Care Facilities		10,767,810	63,555,952	16.8%	75,557,421	139,113,374	36.9%
ICF/SNF Facilities		16,695	112,316	0.0%	358,474	470,790	0.1%
Total Out of Home Care		10,784,505	63,668,269	16.9%	75,915,895	139,584,164	37.0%
DAY PROGRAMS							
Day Care		1,656,366	7,550,951	2.0%	18,931,116	26,482,066	7.0%
Day Training		4,582,827	26,163,647	6.9%	32,530,415	58,694,061	15.6%
Supported Employment		542,814	3,683,243	1.0%	4,812,387	8,495,629	2.3%
Work Activity Program		162,219	978,293	0.3%	1,263,000	2,241,293	0.6%
Total Day Programs		6,944,226	38,376,133	10.2%	57,536,917	95,913,050	25.4%
OTHER SERVICES							
Non-Medical: Professional		701,257	4,555,644	1.2%	8,041,697	12,597,342	3.3%
Non-Medical: Programs		1,422,741	7,462,401	2.0%	8,886,691	16,349,092	4.3%
Home Care: Programs		164,381	1,168,939	0.3%	1,583,655	2,752,594	0.7%
Transportation		636,283	2,968,540	0.8%	2,949,480	5,918,021	1.6%
Transportation Contracts		645,423	3,112,307	0.8%	4,434,574	7,546,881	2.0%
Prevention		1,329,400	6,892,950	1.8%	7,972,170	14,865,120	3.9%
Other Authorized Services		1,200,899	7,059,097	1.9%	11,247,077	18,306,174	4.9%
Personal and Incidentals		7,473	84,130	0.0%	113,628	197,758	0.1%
Hospital Care		0	10,650	0.0%	990,835	1,001,485	0.3%

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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		13,956	16,966	0.0%	48,500	65,466	0.0%
Medical Service: Professional		138,581	971,597	0.3%	2,440,715	3,412,311	0.9%
Medical Service: Programs		217,815	868,816	0.2%	886,720	1,755,536	0.5%
Respite: In Own Home		2,034,808	10,094,501	2.7%	18,500,595	28,595,096	7.6%
Respite: Out of Home		4,437	18,142	0.0%	103,461	121,604	0.0%
Camps		1,248	14,033	0.0%	5,487	19,520	0.0%
Total Other Services		8,518,703	45,298,714	12.0%	68,205,285	113,503,998	30.1%
Total Estimated Cost of Current Services		26,247,434	147,343,116	39.0%	201,658,096	349,001,212	92.5%
OTHER ITEMS							
HCBS	0	0	0		638,638	638,638	
Total Other Items		0	0	0.0%	638,638	638,638	0.2%
Total Purchase of Services		26,247,434	147,343,116	39.0%	202,296,734	349,639,850	92.6%
Deduct: Estimated Receipts from Intermediate Care Facilities for State Plan Amendment Services		(270,980)	(1,825,569)	-0.5%	(2,374,431)	(4,200,000)	-1.1%
Expenditures Regular POS (Net of CPP)	377,421,013	25,976,454	145,517,547	38.6%	199,922,303	345,439,850	91.5%
Projected Allocation Balance (Deficit) Regular POS						31,981,163	8.5%
COMMUNITY PLACEMENT PLAN							
Community Placement Plan (inc. CRDP)	100,000	0	0	0.0%	100,000	100,000	100.0%
Allocation Balance (Deficit) CPP and CRDP						0	0.0%
Total Projected Allocation Balance (Deficit) Regular & Community Placement Plan POS						31,981,163	8.5%

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CONTRACT ALLOCATIONS	Regular	CPP/CRDP DC Ongoing	Family Resource Center	Foster Grandparent Senior Companion	Other	Total									
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Preliminary Allocation	29,085,212					29,085,212									
D-1	14,498,981	854,494	154,564	1,380,279		16,888,318									
D-2						0									
D-3						0									
Total Operations Contract Allocation	43,584,193	854,494	154,564	1,380,279	-	45,973,530									
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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
Total Operations - Actual and Projected Expenditures	45,973,530	100.00%	3,875,538	18,628,970	40.5%	26,656,042	45,285,013	688,517	1.50%						
PERSONAL SERVICES (REGULAR OPERATIONS)															
Salaries	29,766,129	68.30%	2,975,353	12,555,435	28.8%	15,959,592	28,515,027	1,251,102	2.87%						
Temporary Staff	0	0.00%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.00%						
Retirement (includes 403B)	3,604,678	8.27%	349,504	1,482,562	3.4%	2,046,245	3,528,807	75,872	0.17%						
Social Security (OASDI)	431,609	0.99%	42,387	179,125	0.4%	228,508	407,633	23,976	0.06%						
Health Benefits/Long Term Care	2,661,092	6.11%	168,447	1,118,427	2.6%	1,538,502	2,656,929	4,163	0.01%						
Worker's Comp Insurance	297,661	0.68%	13,572	85,363	0.2%	171,532	256,896	40,766	0.09%						
Unemployment Insurance	105,000	0.24%	0	25,829	0.1%	77,487	103,317	1,683	0.00%						
Non-Industrial Disability/Life Insurance	125,018	0.29%	15,663	52,397	0.1%	68,426	120,823	4,195	0.01%						
Clinical Consultants - Consumer Services	0	0.00%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.00%						
Total Personal Services (Regular Operations)	36,991,187	84.87%	3,564,925	15,499,138	35.6%	20,090,292	35,589,430	1,401,757	3.22%						
OPERATING EXPENSES (REGULAR OPERATIONS)															
Equipment Rental	65,000	0.15%	14,019	41,782	0.1%	20,891	62,673	2,327	0.01%						
Equipment Maintenance	39,200	0.09%	1,818	16,663	0.0%	18,678	35,341	3,859	0.01%						
Facility Rent	2,628,000	6.03%	0	1,533,000	3.5%	1,095,000	2,628,000	0	0.00%						
Facility Maintenance	57,000	0.13%	18,332	28,041	0.1%	28,041	56,083	917	0.00%						
Communications (postage, phones)	373,800	0.86%	15,445	164,854	0.4%	208,788	373,642	158	0.00%						
General Office Expense	428,052	0.98%	53,643	190,500	0.4%	225,500	416,000	12,052	0.03%						
Printing	13,000	0.03%	(695)	2,455	0.0%	7,455	9,911	3,089	0.01%						
Insurance	360,000	0.83%	0	174,202	0.4%	186,067	360,269	(269)	0.00%						
Data Processing	90,000	0.21%	7,679	44,084	0.1%	44,084	88,167	1,833	0.00%						
Data Processing Maintenance / Licenses	360,000	0.83%	10,095	93,634	0.2%	249,231	342,865	17,135	0.04%						
Interest Expense	0	0.00%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.00%						
Bank Service Fees	15,000	0.03%	68	63	0.0%	15,063	15,126	(126)	0.00%						
Legal Fees	450,000	1.03%	54,516	198,426	0.5%	251,574	450,000	(0)	0.00%						
Board of Directors Expense	2,000	0.00%	0	168	0.0%	1,618	1,787	213	0.00%						
Accounting Fees	68,500	0.16%	0	0	0.0%	68,500	68,500	0	0.00%						
Equipment Purchases	600,000	1.38%	22,806	63,630	0.1%	533,630	597,260	2,740	0.01%						

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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	807,996	1.85%	800	78,116	0.2%	729,112	807,227	769	0.00%
Contract - ABX2 Disparities	0	0.00%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.00%
Travel/mileage reimbursement	180,000	0.41%	10,952	64,969	0.1%	104,539	169,509	10,491	0.02%
ARCA Dues	80,458	0.18%	0	0	0.0%	80,458	80,458	0	0.00%
General Expenses	53,000	0.12%	71	14,828	0.0%	31,579	46,407	6,593	0.02%
Total Operating Expenses (Regular Operations)	6,671,006	15.31%	209,549	2,709,415	6.2%	3,899,810	6,609,225	61,781	0.14%
Total Personal Services & Operating Expenses (Regular Operations)	43,662,193	100.18%	3,774,474	18,208,554	41.8%	23,990,102	42,198,655	1,463,538	3.36%
OTHER INCOME									
Interest & Other Income	(78,000)	-0.18%	(5,162)	(35,833)	-0.1%	(40,833)	(76,666)	(1,334)	0.00%
Total Personal Services & Operating Expenses Net of Other Income (Regular Operations)	43,584,193	100.00%	3,769,312	18,172,721	41.7%	23,949,268	42,121,989	1,462,204	3.35%
RESTRICTED FUNDS									
Family Resource Center Expenses	154,564	100.00%	24,664	66,583	43.1%	87,981	154,564	0	0.00%
Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Expenses	1,380,279	100.00%	66,362	328,426	23.8%	1,051,852	1,380,279	0	0.00%
Community Placement Plan Expenses	854,494	100.00%	15,199	61,241		1,566,940	1,628,181	(773,687)	
Total Restricted Funds	2,389,337		106,226	456,250	99.2%	2,706,774	3,163,024	(773,687)	
Total Expenses (Including Restricted Funds)	45,973,530		3,875,538	18,628,970	40.5%	26,656,042	45,285,013	688,517	1.52%
Total Allocation Balance (Deficit)								688,517	

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

February 2, 2023

The following committee members attended said meeting:

PRESENT:

Susan Stroebel, Chairperson
David Bernstein
Olaf Luevano
Nicole Mirikitani
Jose Meraz
Grace Kano
Brenda Baldeon
Chris Schlanser
Nancy Bunker
Jay Smith
Theresa Jones Zarour
Christina Buth

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Director, Community Services
Tim Travis, Associate Director, Community Services
Rosa Chavez, Associate Director of Family and
Transition Services
Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services
Salvador Gonzales, Director of Service Access and Equity
Dara Mikesell, CFO
Scott Kelley, Manager, Client Services (Residential II)
Lourdes Sanchez, Program Evaluator
Yvonne Gratianne, Manager, Communications/Public
Relations
Jaime Anabalón, Quality Assurance Manager
Erika Gomez, Executive Assistant - BOD & RDDF

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jeanette Cabrera
Charmayne Ross

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

THE VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

None

A. CALL TO ORDER

Susan Stroebel called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. A quorum was established.

The minutes of the meeting on January 5, 2023, were reviewed approved.
M/S/C (Bernstein & Luevano) The committee approved the minutes.

B. SG/PRC STAFF UPDATES

- Referral Report – Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services, presented the monthly report. There was discussion about choice and supports for individuals served and their families.
- Virtual Transition Fair – Rosa Chavez, Associate Director of Family and Transition Services, announced the Annual San Gabriel Valley Transition Task Force Annual Collaborative Virtual Transition Fair, scheduled for March 8, 2023.

Lucina Galarza, Acting Deputy Director, and Director of Client Services, gave updates on the following areas:

- Remote Services – She provided a short informational presentation at the last Day Program Subcommittee meeting and will be sharing it with case management tomorrow.
- DSP Survey – Those that completed the first one *are* qualified to complete the second one. There is a \$8,000 incentive to those that complete it.
- Reimbursement For Early Start Provider Training - DDS will allocate \$5 million from the ARPA Part C funds to regional centers to reimburse early intervention service providers for 1) the cost of training fees and/or 2) staff time to attend training to:
 - Support the early intervention service provider in delivering effective and family-centered services that are responsive to the needs of the child and the family.
 - Promote acquisition of knowledge and skills in delivering culturally and linguistically sensitive services; and
 - Increase and retain workforce diversity.

The allocation of funds to each regional center will vary based on the number of active Early Start consumers as of September 2022

- Funding to Support Compliance with the Home and Community-Based Services Final Rule – The Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget includes \$15 million to assist providers in complying with the HCBS Final Rule, and to support broader work in each community that promotes and sustains ongoing compliance. Regional centers should work collaboratively with people who receive services, their families, and their service provider community to

- prioritize the use of available funds to meet the needs of individuals served in their local area.
- Transportation - SG/PRC staff met with transportation providers to collaborate on solutions to address the staff/rates challenges they are facing. Staff will work on an AB 637 waiver.
 - Email – Staff continue to ask that each vendor provide a centralized (permanent) email address.
 - Person Center – DDS has trainings on its website on Person Centered practices.
 - Coordinated Family Supports – DDS sent out a survey. The purpose is to better tailor services for everyone with a big focus on providing services in each family’s preferred language.
 - Insurance – The last signed policy was developed in 2005. Staff will update it and provide it to this committee for their review before it goes to the Board of Directors for approval.
 - Weekly meeting with Vendors – Beginning in March, SG/PRC will hold meetings with vendors on the third Monday of the month, instead of every Monday. The monthly VAC meetings will continue on the first Thursday of every month, at 10am.
 - The Special Needs Network will meet on February 8, 2023. Through a grant, they are rolling out a new program, Creating Opportunities Resources and Equity (CORE) in Early Intervention. More information can be found on their website.
 - Regional Centers have been awarded under \$1 million for service access and equity efforts that includes an overhaul of technology and adaptation of Consumer Electronic Records Management Systems, (CERMS).
 - Jaime Anabalon, Manager of Quality Assurance, is putting a list together for licensing of providers that have been impacted by the delays of Licensing’s Guardian System. Please email janabalon@sgprc.org if you should be added.

C. MOST PRESSING CONCERNS FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS

- Theresa Zarour shared, please see below under “Transportation.”
- Providers continue to be affected by staff shortages. They expressed their concerns of the impact that individuals served face when staff do not stay longer than six months.
- Providers will hold an advocacy meeting on February 28, 2023, at 10am.

D. VENDOR CATEGORY REPORTS

Adult Programs

Vocational – Olaf Luevano shared there will be a subcommittee meeting on February 15, 2023, at 10am.

Adult Day – Jose Meraz and Christina Buth reported that Lucina Galarza and Tim Travis, Associate Director of Community Services, were present at the last subcommittee meeting. They are planning on having a subcommittee meeting on the last Wednesday of each month and they would like Quality Assurance to do a presentation on their process at the next one.

Infant & Children Services

Infant Development Program – Charmayne Ross was not present, but Brenda Baldeon shared that the Justification template continues to be worked on. The next LICA meeting will be on February 9, 2023.

Transportation

Theresa Zarour was reported that the transportation vendors met with SG/PRC staff to voice their concerns as they continue to struggle to stay afloat because of the lack of new rates. As a group, they reached out to DDS requesting a meeting but haven't heard back. Theresa expressed she feels they are not being heard and she would like to work closer with SG/PRC.

Staff assured the Transportation providers that they will continue to provide advocacy and support.

Independent Living Services

ILS – Nicole Mirikitani had nothing to report.

& *SLS Services* – Nancy Bunker shared that it is important that rates be adjusted so people with life skills can be hired. She really encouraged that the vendors get together and do local advocacy work. She is also really concerned about how the high cost of living will impact the individuals served. She asked a few questions and staff provided the following answers:

- Faxes can be sent to the direct number of staff, and they will be received as an email.
- SIRs must be sent to the dedicated line.
- The leadership team is evaluating if a staff roster will be uploaded to SG/PRC's website.
- Remote meetings with individuals served should only be scheduled if that is the option the individual prefers.

Residential Services

Specialized – Chris Schlanser will schedule a subcommittee meeting.

CCF - David Bernstein expressed that this meeting was the best one. He also shared that as the Governor announced that the State of Emergency is coming to an end, he is waiting to see when it will impact service providers as they continue to be expected to follow COVID-19 protocols.

Jay Smith, inspired by how the group has been listening to each other, provided the following quote: *"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."* – Martin Luther King, Jr.

ICF- Grace Kano encouraged her peers to keep tabs on the CAP AIM Program; there are monthly meetings to help vendors prepare. She too, wonders how it will be with Licensing as President, Joe Biden, anticipates the end of the Public Health emergency.

Other Vendored Services- Jeanette Cabrera was not present.

At Large- Susan Stroebel shared a link in the chat to a training taking place on March 8, 2023 for individuals served on how to be better advocates.

E. **RECRUITMENT SUBCOMMITTEE**

Vacancy in Vocational, to apply please email egomez@sgprc.org

F. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Nothing was reported.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The next regular meeting will be held on March 2, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

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

COMMUNITY RELATIONS/ LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF JANUARY 18, 2023

The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT

Joseph Huang
Karen Zarsadias-Ige
Trish Gonzales

GUESTS

Gisele Ragusa
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STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Community Outreach
& Compliance
Community Outreach Team
Yvonne Gratianne, Manager of Communications &
Public Relations
Erika Gomez, Executive Assistant - BOD & RDDF

ABSENT:

Paula Rodarte
Tina Wright
Rachel McGrath

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTIONS

The Community Relations/Legislative Committee recommends the following:

None

CALL TO ORDER

Joseph Huang, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. A quorum was not established.

The minutes of the November 6, 2022, meeting were tabled

PUBLIC INPUT

None

COMMUNITY OUTREACH/COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Community Outreach/Compliance Department staff shared where their efforts have been and presented their monthly report. Updates for the following areas were provided:

- The Foster Grandparent Program
- The Senior Companion Program
- Organizing & Facilitating Workshops/ADEPT ABA
- Person-Centered Conversation (PCC)
- Translation for Korean Families
- Asian Community Outreaching Events
- Outreaching through SG/PRC Community Meetings and WSGV SELPA CAC Meetings
- CHLA Early Start Research Project
- Language Access & Cultural Competency Plan
- Outreaching through Asian Pediatricians
- Parent Mentor Initiative Progress
- Bridging families to Case Management
- ARCA Culture Specialist meetings
- Staff Training
- Help Me Grow Pathways Grant
- Outreach Presentation
- SAE Grant Proposal
- DDS Training and Orientation
- Community Based Organization Meetings
- Critical Issues Trainings
- Promoting PMI
- Performance Contract
- DDS Grant Conference
- Equity Partners

Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Outreach and Compliance, announced the upcoming “Sirens of Silence” event that is scheduled for April 29, 2023. He also shared that the three grants that the team applied for, for the Parent Mentor Initiative, were approved.

*(The full report is attached to these minutes)**

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES & OTHER INFORMATION

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, reported the following:

Local Statewide Updates:

- *ARCA Grassroots Day*

This advocacy event is scheduled for March 29, 2023. All meetings will be done via Zoom. Yvonne Gratianne, Manager of Communications & Public Relations, will lead SG/PRC's legislation group and is currently building that team. Karen Zarsadias-Ige expressed interest in participating.

Mr. Weller has joined the ARCA Legislative Committee.

- *Inland Empire Caucus Legislative Breakfast*

Mr. Weller will attend this event along with Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services.

Legislation:

- *AB 412 (Reyes) California Commission on Human Rights*

Would establish in state government the California Commission on Human Rights, as an advisory commission, and would require it to, among other things, identify and evaluate California's successes and failures in protecting human rights of individuals living within the state, determine statutory, regulatory, or budgetary solutions to better protect human rights, and report, at least annually, on the status of human rights to the Legislature and the Governor with statutory and regulatory recommendations. The bill would require the commission to consist of 17 members, including, among others, Members of the Assembly and the Senate. The bill would also create the California Commission on Human Rights Fund in the General Fund to, upon appropriation by the Legislature, carry out these provisions and support the commission.

- *AB 1041 (Wicks) California Family Rights Act*

This bill expands the class of people for whom an employee may take leave to care for to include a designated person. The bill defines "designated person" to mean any individual related by blood or whose association with the employee is the equivalent of a family relationship. The bill authorizes a designated person to be identified at the time the employee requests the leave. The bill authorizes an employer to limit an employee to one designated person per 12-month period.

- *AB 12 Housing Updates*

Existing law regulates the terms and conditions of residential tenancies and prohibits a landlord from demanding or receiving security for a rental

agreement for residential property, however denominated, in an amount or value in excess of an amount equal to 2 months' rent, in the case of unfurnished residential property, and an amount equal to 3 months' rent, in the case of furnished residential property, in addition to any rent for the first month paid on or before initial occupancy. This bill would instead prohibit a landlord from demanding or receiving security for a rental agreement for residential property in an amount or value in excess of an amount equal to one month's rent, regardless of whether the residential property is unfurnished or furnished, in addition to any rent for the first month paid on or before initial occupancy.

- *New State Holidays*

California will have three new state holidays in 2023: Juneteenth, the Lunar New Year and Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day. Juneteenth will be June 19th and celebrates the abolishment of slavery in the United States. Lunar New Year is celebrated in Asian countries and coincides with the first new moon between the end of January and the first 15 days of the first month of the lunar calendar. Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day would be April 24 and would recognize the killing of millions of Armenians in the Ottoman Empire during World War I.

Public Health Updates:

- *Free COVID-19 Tests* – Residential households in the U.S can order their Free at Home Covid-19 Tests. There is a limit of 4 per household. To place an order, families can call 1-800-232-0233. An eblast went out to inform families of this opportunity.
- *AB 152 - COVID-19 Paid Sick Leave* – There are no more extensions to use “COVID-19 Paid Sick Leave.”

ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting will be on February 15, 2023.



San Gabriel / Pomona
Regional Center

Community Outreach and
Compliance
Annual Calendar Report
2022

December 16, 2022

Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Community Outreach and
Compliance

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Mission Statement:

San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center works in partnership with individuals with developmental disabilities, their families, service providers, and the community, to promote choice, empowerment, independence, and full inclusion into community life.

The Regional Center represents the community in supporting and advancing the intent and entitlement of the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act through services such as assessment, advocacy, service coordination, education, training, communication, resource development and prevention services.

Community Outreach and Compliance Department

It is our goal to meet our agency's mission statement by collaborating our individual talents and our unique job responsibilities, the Community Outreach and Compliance Department Team strengthens partnerships with individuals served, their families, and our diverse community – and empowers individuals and families to achieve independence and exercise their rights to maximize educational, healthcare and other generic benefits, and regional center services and supports to optimize individuals' quality of life.

The Community Outreach and Compliance Team contributes to SG/PRC's success in exceeding the State's expectations for performance, transparency, and increased equity.

SG/PRC believes that staff training regarding SG/PRC's mission, values, and internal policies related to business communications and timely response times will improve overall satisfaction with SG/PRC's approach to meeting the needs of individuals served and their families. We are excited to report that in 2022 SG/PRC provided 18 trainings to our staff and we had over 1000 participants attend these trainings through the year. We also provided 11 Critical Issues trainings to our community utilizing Language Access Cultural Competency and provided multiple translations in Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean and American Sign Language. Lastly, SG/PRC was excited to work in partnership with Department of Mental Health and provided six series trainings in English, American Sign Language, Chinese, Korean and Spanish. So, as we come near to the end of SG/PRC's 2022 calendar year, please refer to the end of the report as we would like to share the trainings offered to our SG/PRC staff as well as the trainings offered to the community that we serve.

Josefina Martinez, Community Outreach Specialist

Josie stepped into the role of Community Outreach Specialist in July of 2022. The following information is a combined summary of work done by Outreach Specialists prior to July and current Outreach Specialist:

- **Parent Mentor Initiative Progress:**

Number of...	January to December 2022
Referral to PMI	34
Parent Mentors	6
Graduates	33
Avg. # of Parents Served	40
Hours of Mentoring	1939

- **Bridging families to Case Management:** In 2022 (46) families were bridged back to case management for a variety of reasons such as accessing trainings, services, and resources.
- **ARCA Culture Specialist meetings** held on 2/11/22 to bring awareness of Equity Partner projects. Presentation was University of Irvine, California – The Center for Autism & Neurodevelopmental Disorders and American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Part C: Family Wellness Initiative. Meeting with UCI was requested to bring support for SG/PRC families. Held on 2/17/22. 4+4 meeting was held to discuss what is working and what is not working with SAE Grant process. Outcomes will be provided to DDS. On 7/28/22 meeting was held to discuss what is working and what is not working with SAE Grant process. Outcomes will be provided to DDS. On 8/19/22 meeting with DDS for Cultural Specialists and Community Based Organizations was held. Presentations were done by the following CBO's: Black Infant Health Program and Ally Comprehensive Services where information about the services they offer, as well as increasing equity and accessibility to the community was presented on.
- **Staff Training:** At the request of parents from last year's POS Data Community Meeting and now a goal of SG/PRC equity plan, staff will receive training to increase their knowledge and information to better supports parents. On 8/4/22 support was provided to Community Outreach Specialist, Amos Byun who provided a staff training on Family Education and Training Modules found on the ARCA Learn Portal. Information on how to navigate to the portal, which courses are offered, and other basics were shared with staff.
- **Help Me Grow Pathways Grant:** Documents requested to finalize Scope of Work and Budget were submitted on 2/16/22. Year 1 Agreement Period: July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023, with funding amount- 120,000 to support outreach, development of web-based referral portal. On 7/18/22 a kickoff meeting was held; introductions were made, and some preliminary information and goals were shared regarding the project. On 7/27/22 a Pathways UA café was held where participants shared about collaboratives, sharing ideas, and provided space for learning. On 8/11/22 Josie and Amos met with Ellen Paddock from Help Me Grow who provided direction on activities to be worked on; forming collaborative group, upcoming technical assistance orientation and unifying agency community meeting. On 8/23/22 a meeting was held with LA Care, SPIRITT and Parent's Place to formalize a collaborative partnership towards the Help Me

Grow project. On 8/24/22 a Technical Assistance orientation with VIVA and Help Me Grow was attended where information about the reporting, benchmarks, measures was reviewed. On 8/31/22 a meeting was held with unifying agencies and what strategies are being implemented toward increasing access and utilization of services. On 9/26/22 Josie and Adrianna met with SG/PRC's admission and assessment department to gain insight on the eligibility process as well as admission and assessment process. A&A department provided valuable information that will be useful in developing approaches that will improve early detection and intervention services for children prior to starting school. On 9/28/22 Josie attended a HMG unifying agency meeting to discuss areas of success and areas that need continued improvement.

On 10/19/22 Josie and Adrianna met with SCLARC members that were on the HMG wave 1 project. They were able to provide some guidance and advice on the project. On 10/20/22 Josie met with VIVA TA consultant for HMG project and shared progress on the project. VIVA went over some upcoming activities, timelines, and models. On 10/2/22 Josie and Adrianna met with the HMG collaborative group to discuss high level approaches, and upcoming community events.

- **Outreach Presentation:** Date of presentation was 2/16 to SPA-3 Collaborates in collaboration with Monica Barrios, EI Compliance Specialist. Presentation focused on referral process for Early Intervention and Lanterman referrals. A presentation was provided to Parent's Place on 7/19/22; an overview of the Community Outreach and Compliance Department and each staff member's role and responsibilities was given. A presentation was also provided on 7/27/22 to the Department of Mental Health where an overview of the Regional Center system was given. On 8/10/22 Josie and Sal provided a presentation to Foothill Family Services and provided an overview of the Regional Center which included information on the Regional Center system, who we serve, types of services and supports offered, and contact information to Community Outreach Department.
- **SAE Grant Proposal:** On 10/25/22 Josie completed and submitted a grant proposal to DDS for continuation of the Parent Mentor Initiative. The grant project will serve 75 families with low or no POS that need assistance with navigating the RC, obtaining generic services and resources as well as RC services and resources. The program focuses on non-white ethnic groups and addresses language barriers as well as cultural barriers. The program is in its third year of funding and has served 654 parents since its inception and graduated 176 families out of the project. Families report being more confident in knowing who to call, process for services, what's available and the role of the SC.
- **DDS Training and Orientation:** On 10/4/22 Josie attended DDS' LACC Training and Orientation. As of 10/4/22 the Community Outreach and Compliance Department didn't have an LACC specialist therefore community outreach specialists attended. DDS went over the Grant Vantage reporting system, measures and data collection, and upcoming trainings. On 10/14/22 Josie also attended the RC cultural specialist meeting where presentations were given by Congreso Familiar and Fiesta Educativa, which are both community organization that provide supports to the DD community.

- **Community Based Organization Meetings:** On 9/12/22 Josie attended SPA 3 Community Advisory Meeting which included other community agencies. On 9/19/22 Josie attended AAIMM (African American Infant and Mother Mortality workshop which include members from other community agencies to discuss the increased number of infant and mother mortality statistics. Members discussed some areas where outreach is needed. On 10/19/22 Josie attended SPA 3 Community Advisory Meeting which included other community agencies. This was a great networking opportunity where I was able to connect with other agencies like Zhemyr Diaz from Chase bank who offers trainings on financial health, and Prototypes which is a community-based organization providing services to the community and has a few programs for African American families. Josie has since the SPA 3 meeting, has connected with Brittany Clark from Prototypes to coordinate a presentation for 2023.
- **Critical Issues Trainings:** on 7/14/22 the Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness, Inc (GLAD) provided a presentation on deaf and hard of hearing awareness. Valuable information on the deaf and hard of hearing community was provided. The presentation was well received, and feedback will be part of equity report. On 8/10/22 support was provided to Housing Specialist, Lisa Cipres who did a presentation on housing options. Valuable information was shared with our community on section 8, types of support, generic resources and housing alternatives. On 8/18/22 support was provided to Fair Hearing Specialist; Daniel Ibarra wo did a presentation on preparing a notice of proposed action. On 8/25/22 support was provided to Education Specialist, Nora Perez-Givens on Assistive Technology; what it is, who is eligible, types of AT, and how to request for one. On 9/29/22 the Community Outreach Department in collaboration with Edwin Gamino put together a First Responders panel presentation. Josie attended in person and provided support where needed. The presentation was well received by the community and was recorded for those not in attendance. For the month of October Josie provided coverage for the first DMH workshop session in Spanish, Josie also covered the third session in Spanish and the fourth session in English and Spanish. The trainings were attended by both case management staff and family members. Families were able to ask questions and obtain resources. Josie also secured a Housing presentation by the Housing Rights Center for 10/20/22. The presentation was well attended, and the presenter covered on housing rights, landlord rights, COVID-19 protections, information on the eviction process and more. Josie was able to help one client get connected with the Housing Rights Center.
- **Promoting PMI:** Community Outreach Department continues to promote the PMI project and on 9/7/22 Josie emailed a one- page fact sheet addressing frequently asked questions. The fact sheet is intended to help staff understand the objectives of the project so that they have a better idea of who to refer to the program. Josie also promoted the PMI project at the CLAP sessions which included parents and professionals. Josie gave a brief overview of the program and provided a flyer to the workshop participants.
- **Performance Contract:** Josie worked closely with Amos and Sal on the Performance Contract draft and PowerPoint presentations to the community and to the Board. Josie acquired information on various performance measures and updated the contract draft. On 9/15/22 Sal,

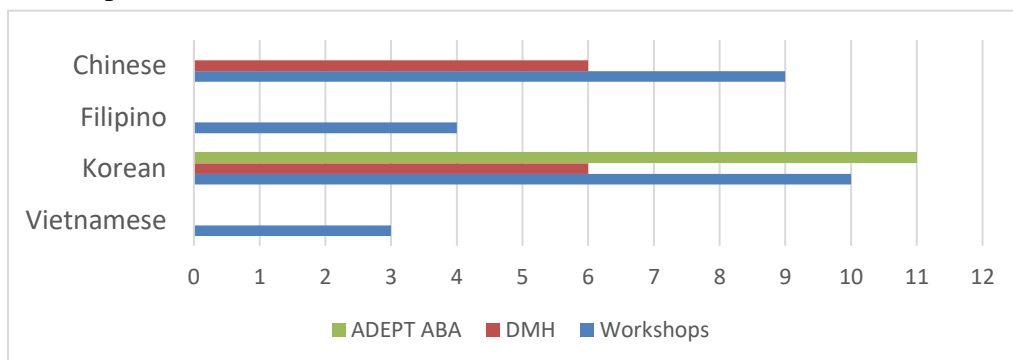
Amos and Josie provided our community with a Performance Contract PowerPoint presentation and on 9/28/22 a presentation was also given to the Board.

- **DDS Grant Conference:** On 9/8/22 Josie attended DDS’ SAE grant conference. The department is accepting applications from Regional Centers and other community- based organizations to promote access and equity. DDS reviewed the application process, guidelines, and deadline date.
- **Equity Partners:** On 8/15/22 Josie met with Alma Family Services and met the Parent Mentors that are part of the PMI program. There was an opportunity to listen from each parent mentor and areas where continued improvement is needed toward connecting with the families served by SG/PRC. On 8/30/22 Josie attended Familias First CLAP workshop on services and resources. Information was shared with participants on services and resources offered by SG/PRC. On 9/26/22 Josie met with Victor, CLAP manager, to discuss upcoming CLAP series and strategy ideas for reaching more families and ways to improve participation. Victor shared that only an average of 9 families from SG/PRC participated. On 9/30/22 Josie scheduled a meeting with Ardena Bartlett from Parenting Black Children to discuss an outreach opportunity on success rate of hospital referrals for Early Intervention. A meeting was scheduled for October with Director of Community Outreach and Compliance.

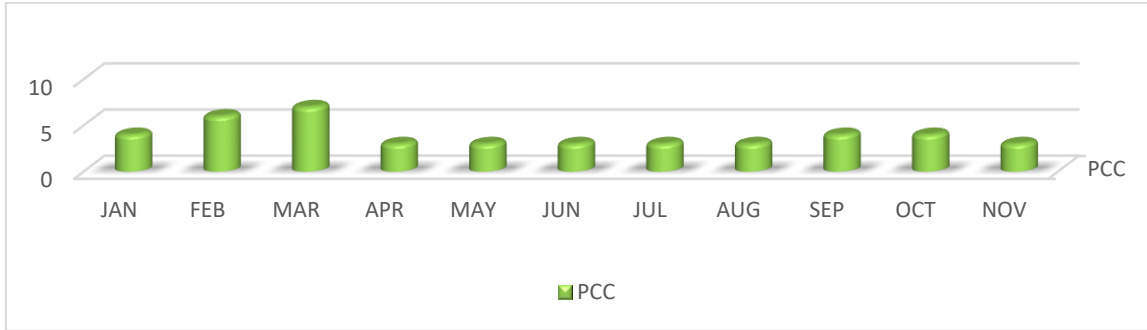


Amos Byun, Community Outreach Specialist

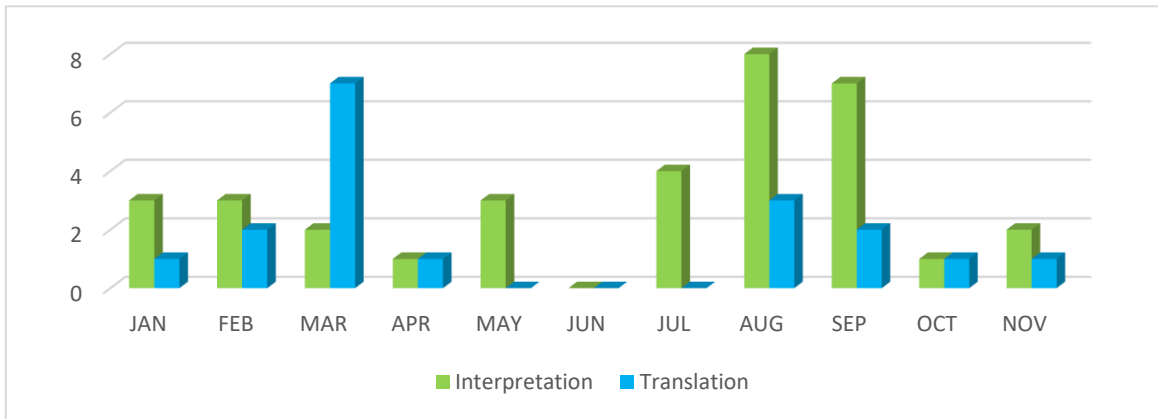
- **Organizing & Facilitating Workshops/ADEPT ABA** – In 2022, Amos organized and facilitated total of 26 Support Group workshops for Chinese, Korean, Filipino and Vietnamese families. Amos facilitated all of six DHM 6 Week Workshops for Chinese and Korean from 10/6/22 to 11/10/22. Amos provided 11 ADEPT ABA Korean facilitations.



- **Person-Centered Conversation (PCC)** – Amos had total of 43 PCCs with Korean, Chinese, and Vietnamese parents. PCCs were conducted remotely through telephone call or Zoom meeting.



- **Translation for Korean Families** – Amos provided total of 52 Korean interpretation (verbal) and translation (written) in 2022 for a Psych Consultation, informal meetings, and other meetings and SG/PRC letters and materials.



- **Asian Community Outreaching Events** – Amos participated total of 10 outreaching events and disseminated SG/PRC information materials to participants.

Month 2022	Event Title	Ethnicity
February	VPDCA TET Festival	Vietnamese
March	POS Expenditure Data Korean Community Meeting	Korean
April	WSGV SELPA Student with Disabilities Resource Fair	All Asian
	Walnut Valley USD Parents Night	All Asian
	Fiesta Educativa Autism Conference	All Asian
	SCIL Community Spring Fling	All Asian
	Sirens Of Silence	All Asian
	VPDCA Family Resource Fair	Vietnamese
	May	Parents’ Place Chinese Parent Group
December	WSGV SELPA Jingle & Mingle Holiday Party	All Asian
	FFDY Year End Party	Chinese
	Monrovia Rotary Club Presentation	

- Outreaching through SG/PRC Community Meetings and WSGV SELPA CAC Meetings** – Amos participated most of weekly Community Meetings in 2022 to update events/workshop information and to share brochures electronically. Amos also participated total of 5 WSGV SELPA CAC Meetings through Zoom meetings to update and share SG/PRC information.
- CHLA Early Start Research Project** – Amos participated in this project as a private investigator to provide client information as project IRB requested to SG/PRC since 7/1/22. Amos completed Private Data Investigator certificate to start requesting all intake data to IT team through research period, and then randomly selected more than 500 client data out of more than 8,000 records from IT. Amos also created ACCESS Data Input file based on a Codebook created by CHLA IRB. Amos provided training to data input staff and started updating 300 client data for Phase I Chart Review with three other SG/PRC staff.
- Language Access & Cultural Competency Plan** – Amos submitted LACC Plan Proposal draft to the director and also completed submitting the revised proposal to DDS through the GrantVantage, and then SG/PRC received total of \$985,993 was rewarded. Amos collaboratively worked with the director and two LACC Specialists to complete the first Semi-Annual LACC Reports and the LACC Plan.
- Outreaching through Asian Pediatricians** – Amos continued updating Asian Pediatrician/Physician list and reached out to Korean and Chinese pediatricians in Rowland Heights and Pomona. Amos also updated SG/PRC Information Packet to distribute packets in English, Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese.

How to contact San Gabriel Pomona Regional Center for Intake	
Language	
English	If you think that your child has a developmental disability, i.e., intellectual disability, autism, epilepsy, cerebral palsy or other condition which constitutes a substantial handicap for the individual, and you are looking for service to meet the needs, please contact SG/PRC at (909) 620-7722 to talk to Admissions & Assessments Department. Please visit SG/PRC website, www.sgprc.org , for more information.
Español	Si usted cree que su hijo(a) tiene una discapacidad de desarrollo, como por ejemplo, una discapacidad intelectual, autismo, epilepsia, parálisis cerebral, u otra condición que representa una discapacidad substancial para el individuo, u usted busca servicios para hacer frente a esas necesidades, por favor comuníquese al SG/PRC (909) 620-7722 y pida hablar con el Departamento de Admisión. Para más información, por favor consulte nuestro sitio web, www.sgprc.org .
中國傳統的	如果您認為您的小孩具有發育障礙，即智力障礙，自閉症，癲癇，腦癱或其他對個人造成重大障礙的病症，並尋求服務滿足需求，請聯繫 SG/PRC (909) 620-7722 與入場部溝通。請訪問 SG/PRC 網站 www.sgprc.org 了解更多信息。
簡體中文	如果您認為您的小孩具有發育障礙，即智力障礙，自閉症，癲癇，腦癱或其他對個人造成重大障礙的病症，並尋求服務滿足需求，請聯繫 SG/PRC (909) 620-7722 與入場部溝通。請訪問 SG/PRC 網站 www.sgprc.org 了解更多信息。
한국어	여러분의 자녀가 지적장애, 자폐증, 간질, 뇌성마비 혹은 다른 장애요소 등의 일상생활에 현저한 지장을 주는 발달장애를 갖고 있어서 그 자녀의 필요를 채우기 위한 서비스를 찾고 있으시면, 저희 산 가브리엘/포모나 리저널센터 (SG/PRC), (909) 620-7722이나 한인담당자에게 (909) 868-7673번으로 연락하셔서 접수 및 진단부서 (Admissions & Assessments Department) 담당자와 통화하시기 바랍니다.
TIẾNG VIỆT	(Vietnamese). Nếu bạn nghĩ rằng con của bạn bị khuyết tật về phát triển, ví dụ như khuyết tật về trí tuệ, chứng tự kỷ, chứng động kinh, bại não hoặc các tình trạng khác gây nên sự tàn tật đáng kể cho cá nhân và tìm kiếm dịch vụ để đáp ứng nhu cầu, vui lòng liên hệ với SG / PRC theo số (909) 620-7722 để nói chuyện với Cục thụ nhập. Vui lòng truy cập trang web SG / PRC, www.sgprc.org , để biết thêm thông tin.



San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center

Information Packet

OCTOBER 1, 2017

75 Rancho Camino Dr, Pomona, CA 91766

For additional information please contact SG/PRC (909) 620-7722 www.sgprc.org

我們的使命宣言是什麼?

聖蓋博/波莫納區域中心與有發育障礙的個人，其家庭和社區共同合作以促進選擇、權力、獨立、和完全融入社區生活。

區域中心代表社區通過服務以支援和促進蒙特曼發展障礙服務法案 (Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act) 的意願與權利，這些服務例如評估、辯護、服務協調、教育、培訓、溝通、資源發展和預防服務。

我們服務哪些地區?

聖蓋博/波莫納區域中心服務以下位於洛杉磯縣聖蓋博和波莫納山谷裡的社區:

Altadena	Claremont	La Puente	South El Monte
*Arcadia	Covina	La Verne	*Temple City
Azusa	Diamond Bar	Monrovia	Valinda
Baldwin Park	Duarte	*Pasadena	Walnut
Bassett	El Monte	*Pomona	West Covina
Bradbury	Glendora	Rowland Heights	*Whittier
Charter Oak	Hacienda Heights	San Dimas	
City of Industry	Irwindale	Sierra Madre	

聖蓋博/波莫納區域中心(SG/PRC) 提供服務與屬於洛杉磯縣健康區域的居民，例如 El Monte, Poothill 及 Pomona，而在 Arcadia, Pasadena, Pomona, Temple City 和 Whittier 部分地區的居民則由另一個區域中心提供服務。

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VPDCA Family Resource Fair

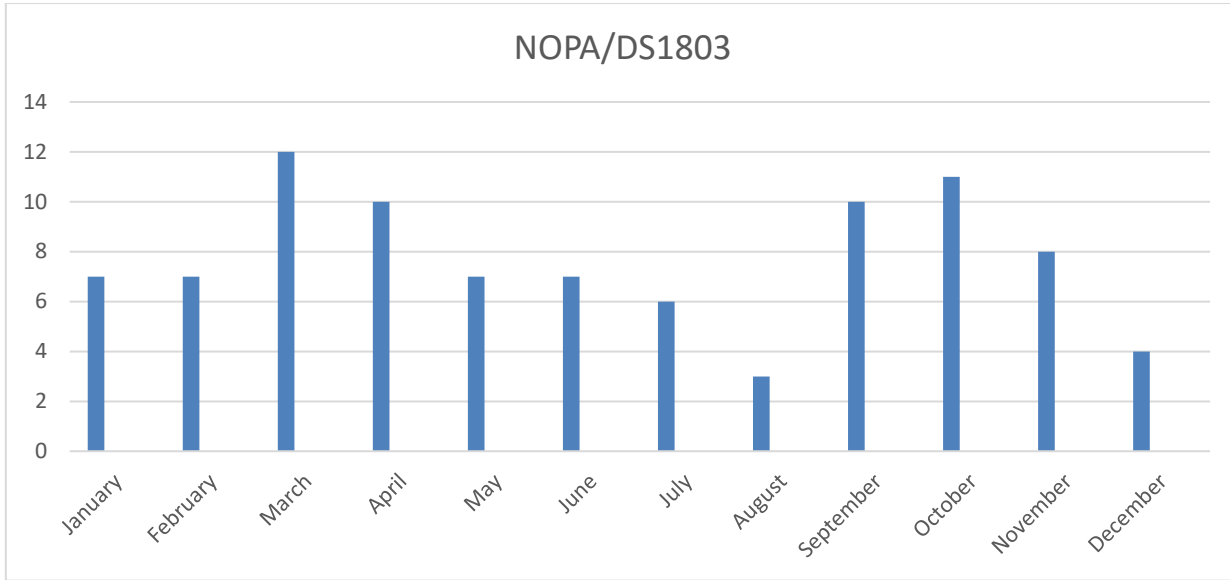


VPDCA TET Festival

Daniel Ibarra, Fair Hearing Specialist

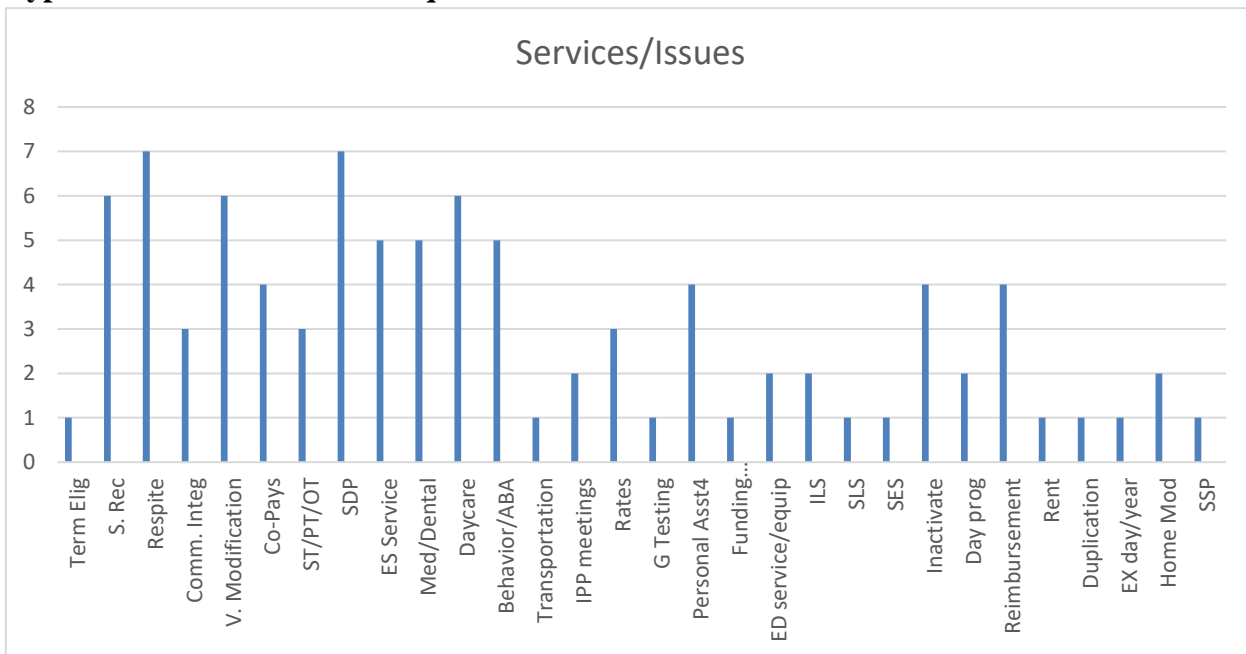
The following is a summary of data collected through 2022 by Fair Hearing: Daniel Ibarra (Fair Hearing Specialist) and Marilyn Carmona (Executive Assistant).

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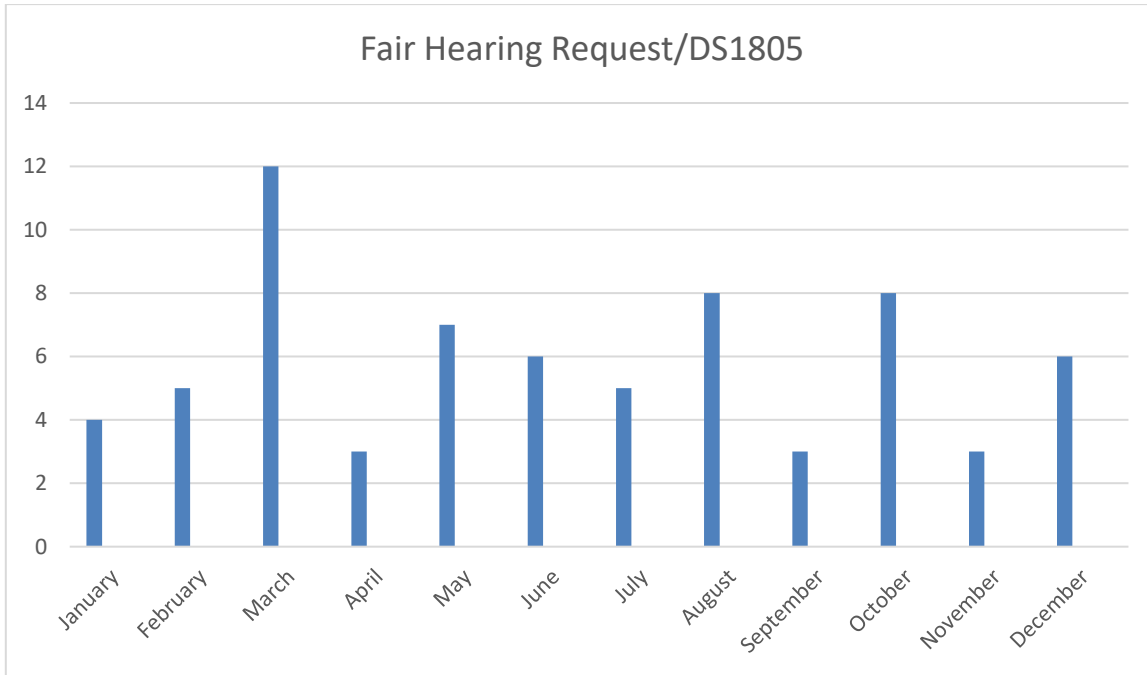


Jan	Feb	March	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
7	7	12	10	7	7	6	3	10	11	8	4	92

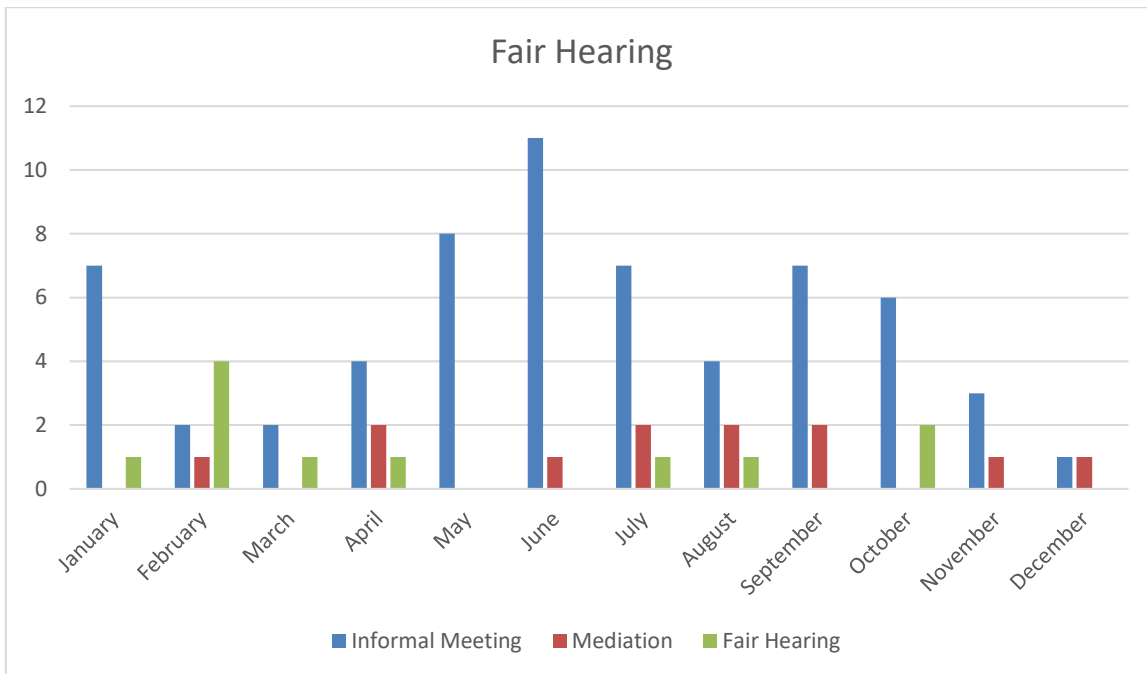
Types of issues and services requested that resulted in a NOPA.



Fair Hearing Request/DS1805 that were filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH).



Informal meetings, Mediations, and Fair Hearings held in 2022.



Fair Hearing completed the annual Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Fair Hearing survey for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year. The survey was due on 9/16/22. It was completed by 9/7/22. Fair Hearing Specialist, Daniel Ibarra, and Director, Salvador Gonzalez, met with DDS on 9/14/22 to review the survey and answer questions. DDS provided positive feedback regarding the data collected and how SG/PRC is utilizing the informal meeting process to resolve appeals. The survey was approved and accepted by DDS on 9/15/22. Daniel attended the Fair Hearing Debriefing presented by DDS on 5/12/22. It provided an overview of the changes to the Fair Hearing process proposed by DDS. The changes were approved through Senate Bill 188. On 12/8/22, he participated in a DDS Focus Group to provide input regarding the areas it should focus on to accomplish the changes to the process efficiently. Daniel attended a statewide webinar hosted by the Office of Clients’ Rights Advocacy (OCRA) regarding “Regional Center Fair Hearing Reform: What the Changes Are and Why are They important.”

Fair Hearing trainings provided in 2022 to SGPRC staff and the community.

Date	Training
4/27/22	Fair Hearing Workshop for Self-Advocates at the Annual Autism Conference by Fiesta Educativa
4/28/22	Critical Issues Forum re: The Fair Hearing Process
6/30/22	Staff Training: Becoming Familiar with the Fair Hearing Process and Forms
8/18/22	Staff Training: How to Prepare a NOPA
9/24/22	Workshop re: SG/PRC’s Social Recreational Policy for the Chinese Parents Support Group
12/1/22	Impromptu Training for staff: How to Prepare a NOPA

Nora Perez-Given, Education Specialist

The Education Specialist provides support to regional center staff, families, and community partners in two different areas. These areas include providing supports regarding educational matters for students ages 3 and up to include post- secondary school years and in the review of the limited conservatorship letters being forwarded to court. As part of the support provided to staff in limited conservatorship, this specialist will provide one on one training or group training to staff as needed regarding what is limited conservatorship and the regional center role regarding completion of limited conservatorship letters. Additionally, this specialist will also provide answers to general (non-legal type questions) regarding limited conservatorship to support service coordinators, families, and community members.

With regards to supports provided in educational matters

Meetings related to supporting individuals with their education:

Month	Consults Completed	School Meetings Attended (IEP's, 504 Plan, SST, Resolution Type Meetings)
January	14	12
February	51	13
March	36	20
April	28	14
May	23	24
June	24	2 (school summer break)
July	22	0 (school summer break)
August	30	8
September	39	10
October	34	11
November	27	6
	Total Consults Completed for Reporting Period is 328	Total School Meetings Attended for Reporting Period is 120

Trainings Education Specialist Provided/Assisted with:

1/18/2022 – Individualized Education Program (IEP) 101- before, during & after an IEP:

Training provided to The Parents Place with a total of 17 participants

Attendees learned:

- How to prepare for IEP
- What is an IEP and team members?
- Types of IEP meetings
- Eligibility Categories
- Present Levels of Performance, annual goals, objectives
- Placement options/LRE
- Services
- IEP Consent
- Educational Resources

3/16/2022 – 2022 Virtual Transition Fair provided by the Transition Fair Collaborative Workgroup which prepares the annual transition fair. Workgroup includes San Gabriel Valley Workability, 1 Partners, School District Partners, and several staff from San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center. Transition Fair had over 500 virtual participants. This is a virtual transition fair that provided transition age students, their families, vendors, and community partners with resources for transition age youth that included resources life after high school. This fair included live speakers and the opportunity for conference participants to visit with the available vendors. Education specialist was one of the SG/PRC team members to assist with this transition fair.

3/24/2022 – IEP Basics & Your Role In Supporting Families/Students with Educational Matters
Training provided to regional center staff – 42 participants

Attendees learned:

- What is an IEP/Laws/Regulation
- SC's role
- Types of IEP meetings
- What happens at IEP meetings including discussion of placement options, LRE, Services, IEP consent
- How education specialist can support

4/26/2022 – Navigating the Regional Center – Education Specialist was one of the speakers of SG/PRC Community Outreach/Compliance Department Team who presented at the 2022 Virtual “Living with Autism & Co-Occurring Conditions Conference” coordinated by Fiesta Educative.

Conference Participants learned about the regional center system, who is eligible for services, regional center services/supports and how to access regional center services.

5/5/2022 – Limited Conservatorship- Letters & Regional Center Roll training was provided to regional center staff with a total of 58 participants.

Attendees learned:

- Types of Conservatorships in California
- What is Limited Conservatorship and discussion of 7 powers to be considered
- Considerations of alternatives to conservatorship
- Regional Center Role in conservatorship
- Generic Resources

5/10/2022 – Alternatives to Conservatorship training was provided to the CAC with a total of 12 participants.

Attendees learned:

- Types of Conservatorships in California
- Available alternatives to conservatorship

5/26/2022 – 504 Plans & Individualized Education Programs (IEP) Training provided to regional center staff with a total of 38 participants.

Attendees learned:

- Ways schools help students including Student Study Teams, 504 plans & IEP's.
- SC's Role when supporting families with educational available plans.

6/23/2022 – IEP BASICS Training provided at the Critical Issues Forum for parents, community members and regional center staff with a total of 59 participants.

Attendees learned:

- What is an IEP and eligibility for special education?
- Preparing for an IEP
- What to do during an IEP
- Types of IEP meetings
- Format to IEP meetings
- Placement options/LRE
- Present Levels of Performance and how this relates to annual goals/objectives/placement/proposed services
- Services
- IEP consent
- After an IEP
- Educational resources

7/19/2022 – How SG/PRC Compliance Team Can Provide Support to Families training provided to The Parents Place with a total of 21 participants.

Attendees learned:

- SG/PRC Supports and Services
 - How Can Regional Center Compliance Team can support families?

7/21/2022 – Special Education & Related Services Training provided to regional center staff with a total of 48 participants.

Attendees learned:

- IDEA/Related Services
- Questions to ask when considering services to identify if service is educationally necessary and educationally relevant
- Continuum of Services
- Delivery of Services
- Requesting for a Related Service
- When related services are being reduced/discontinued- what to do?

8/25/2022 – Assistive Technology Training provided to regional center staff with a total of 554 participants.

Attendees learned:

- Laws/Regulation pertinent to AT
- What is AT
- Who is eligible?
- AT levels

- How to obtain AT
- Documenting AT in IEP
- Training of AT

10/01/2022 – Navigation of The Regional Center – Conference Speaker for One of the Sessions at the Let’s Talk LD 2022 conference (post-secondary planning and transition conference for individuals with autism and other neurodivergent individuals)

19 attendees learned about who are the regional centers, who do regional centers serve, what services/supports are offered and how to access regional center services.

10/13/2022 – Working Together to Support Families in The Transition From Early Start Program To Next Steps Training provided at the SG/PRC LICA October Monthly Meeting

40 participants learned about the transition from family focus to child focus and how to assist families during this process.

Attendees learned about laws/regulations related to transition from Part C to Part B.

10/18/2022 – Special Education Timelines training to 54 regional center staff. Attendees learned about timelines related to the following topics: initial assessment/IEP development, timelines applicable to all IEP’s, re-assessments and IEE’s, transition planning including termination of special education services; discipline, student records.

With Regards to Supports Provided Regarding Limited Conservatorship Matters

Month	# Of Limited Conservatorship Letters Reviewed
January	11
February	19
March	33
April	11
May	22
June	18
July	13
August	13
September	10
October	15
November	11
Total Number reviewed for period January -November 2022	176 total number of conservatorship letters

Joshua Trevino, Intensive Transition Specialist

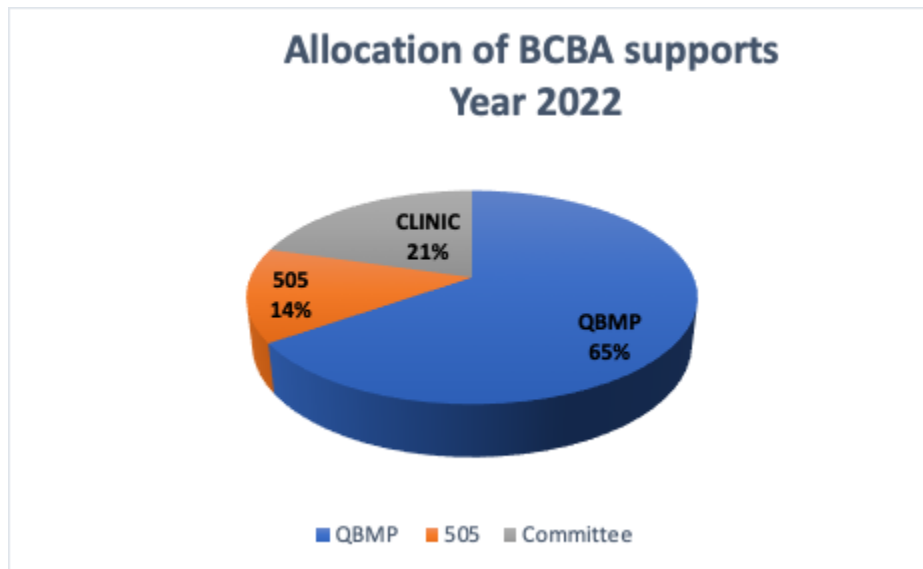
In 2022 your BCBA conducted workshops & presentations attended by over **150** Service Coordinators, vendors, community members and families. The workshops & presentations this year included the following:

- *Enrichment of ABA Services: Incorporating Siblings into ABA Therapy.*
- *The Utilization of Visual Supports; An Evidence Based Practice*
- *An Introduction to the Individual Behavior Support Plan*
- *Intensive Transition Services*

To ensure the execution of best practice standards in the field of Applied Behavior Analysis your BCBA attended multiple conferences in 2022. Conferences attended this year include the following:

- *2022 Autism Conference by Fiesta Educativa*
- *Dementia & IDD: A Masterclass by Teepa Snow*
- *Captain: 2022 Annual Summit on Evidence Based Practices*

In 2022 your SGPRC Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) directly supported Individuals in private homes, residential group homes, Community Crisis homes & Enhanced Behavior Support Homes. A total of **210** Qualified Behavior Modification reviews & **48** consultations/observations (505 Requests) were completed. Your BCBA also served as a member in **68** Community Clinics (BBCC, MED REVIEW & BMRC) throughout the year.



In 2022, **65%** of support in the community setting was utilized in the area of conducting in person/remote Qualified Behavior Modification reviews (QBMP Monitoring). These reviews execute Title 17 regulatory monitoring duties specific to SGPRC Enhanced Behavioral Support Homes and Community Crisis Homes. A total of **14%** of BCBA support was utilized providing 1:1 consultation to families and Service Coordinators. **21%** of BCBA support was utilized via direct behavioral consultation in your SGPRC Bio Behavioral Consultation Clinic (BBCC) and SGPRC Medication Review Clinic (MRC).

Adrianna Utley- Transition Liaison Specialist

Adrianna started in her position mid-August and has been assisting in multiple projects including the First 5 Help Me Grow Grant, DDS/CHLA pre/post Covid Early Intervention Participant Research Project and she is the preceptor for the APU intern.

Bridging families to Case Management: From August to December a total of 26 individuals have been provided information regarding the transition process. The table below shows the breakdown of who was helped.

Contacted By	Total to date
Parent/Guardian	9
Service Coordinator	8
Vendors	0
RCOC Employee	1
ELARC Employee	1
School Representative	6
Community member	1

Help Me Grow Pathways Grant:

The purpose of this grant is to better address disparities in the early identification of young children with developmental delays or at risk for delays and assist with timely and appropriate connection to intervention services in their community. Adrianna has hosted 3 collaborative meetings with unifying agencies attached to this project. Our collaborative partners include LA Care, SPIRITT, Foothill Families, Tracy Everson, Wayfinder and Parents Place. With the help of Josefina, Adrianna has created high level approaches to help with the goals of this project. Our collaborative group completed a training strategies prioritization worksheet, that submitted to VIVA to help with outlining goals for this project. High level approaches will be put into place in 2023 to help with the admission and evaluations of children 0-5 years old. The group’s next collaborative meeting will be held January 19th with VIVA.

Community Outreach:

Adrianna has attended multiple community events to represent SGPRC. On 9/29, Adrianna was a panelist representing regional centers during the Crime Survivors Partnering Agency Roundtable meeting with nearly 95 participants. The panel discussed various topics including the referral process, evaluations provided by Regional Centers, the difference between early start and Lanterman services, IHSS, SSI and the IPP process.

On 10/12, Adrianna participated in “Purple with a Purpose” in El Monte to support Domestic Violence Awareness. There were 12 other community agencies in addition to the El Monte Police Department providing information to the residents of El Monte. Purple with a Purpose received an award from California Senator Susan Rubio for raising awareness to end Domestic Violence. survivors and their families.



On 11/12, Adrianna and Josefina attended a transition at Parent’s Place for students 14-22 years of age and their families. This was the 14th Annual Transition conference “Life After High School... What You Need To Know”. Adrianna and Josefina were able to speak with parents and students about what SG/PRC offers for those graduating high school.

SGPRC/APU Internship Program:

An APU intern was connected with SGPRC in August and as her preceptor, Adrianna has trained her in SGPRC practices and policies. The Intern has completed her rotation in Early Intervention and has conducted a total of 10 meetings and completed the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) reports and accompanying documents. She has been provided 10 new cases in Family Services and will be completing Individual Program Planning (IPP) meeting and reports.

Work with Local School Districts and SELPA’s:

Adrianna continues to remain in contact with all 23 school districts within SG/PRC catchment area and continues to update transition meeting information for Early Intervention Service Coordinators. Adrianna also created a document for SG/PRC staff with the contact information for all 23 districts with who to contact if an SC needs to request a copy of an individualized Education Plan (IEP) report. 2022-2023 MOU’s have been finalized with 4 SELPA’s and Adrianna is working with the remaining 3 SELPA’s to finalize their MOU’s.

Transition Liaison Meetings:

Adrianna has attended monthly meetings with the Transition Liaison's from 11 other Regional Centers. DDS also attended these meetings and discussed topics such as parental consents, working with difficult districts and the transition handbook/documents provided to families.

Tiffany Loong, Language Access and Cultural Competency Specialist

Tiffany started the new position as Language Access and Cultural Competency Specialist (LACC) on 10/24/22. She is overseeing all Asian languages interpretation and translation needs for outreach, workshop, training, and agency materials. Together with Luz, Tiffany is also responsible for conducting language needs and cultural surveys and providing staff training. Tiffany serves as a point of contact in the agency and community for interpretation and translation needs for Asian Languages.

LACC Planning: With support of Amos Byun, Tiffany and Luz completed LACC 2022-2023 plan.

LACC Grant Report: On 11/04/22, Tiffany completed and submitted the LACC semi-annual performance and financial report to DDS. This is the first year SG/PRC is given this grant to improve and promote Language Access and Cultural Competency to better support the language needs of individuals with developmental disabilities, their caregivers, and their family members to make regional center service more equitable.

Interpretation & Translation: Tiffany coordinated and arranged Mandarin Chinese interpretation for Nov. and Dec. Board of Director meetings. Tiffany provided Chinese translations for Executive Director letters to the community. Tiffany met with two existing interpretation/translation vendors and one new potential company. Tiffany also reached out and had conversation with several potential Independent Contractors for interpretation and translation in Mandarin Chinese, Vietnamese, and Korean. Tiffany reached out and arranged a meeting with a potential consultant company to conduct language needs and cultural competency survey.

DMH Workshop Chinese: Tiffany facilitated three DMH Chinese workshops in Oct. and Nov. Tiffany translated the workshop flyers in Chinese.

Chinese Parent Workshop Series: Tiffany arranged Chinese interpretation for two Chinese Parent Workshops hosted by FFDY on the weekends. The topics were: Workshop #4: Education, Life Skills and Career Training Options; Workshop #5 Bio-Behavioral Clinic. Total 45 participants attended the workshop.

Critical Issues Forums: Tiffany translated the CIF flyer in Chinese, arranged interpretation for Mandarin Chinese and Vietnamese. Total over 70 participants to these two forums. Among them, around 20 were Asian.

Case Management Support: Tiffany supported two case management staff to locate interpretation service for their meetings/clients.

Outreach effort: Tiffany reached out several Asian Equity Partners, such as FFDY, CPAD and VPDCA to introduce herself and explained the LACC project.

CHLA EI Research Project: Tiffany provides support to Adrianna Utley for the CHLA EI Research Project.

Equity Partners: Tiffany attended the Equity Partners Meeting on 11/17/22 to do a presentation on LACC Grant.

Luz Rodriguez-Uribe, Language Access and Cultural Competency Specialist

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Luz started the new position as Language Access and Cultural Competency Specialist (LACC) on 10/24/22. She works in collaboration with Tiffany Loong while overseeing all Spanish language and ASL interpretation and translation needs for outreach, workshop, training, and agency materials. Luz will be responsible for conducting language needs and cultural surveys and providing staff training and serves as a point of contact in the agency and community for interpretation and translation needs.

LACC Planning: With support of Amos Byun, Tiffany and Luz completed LACC 2022-2023 plan. Luz contacted potential presenter for cultural diversity training for SGPRC staff.

LACC Grant Report: In conjunction with Tiffany, Luz completed and submitted the LACC semi-annual performance report to DDS. Luz will also support with the completion and submission of the semi-annual financial report by the end of year. This is the first year SG/PRC is given this grant to improve and promote Language Access and Cultural Competency to better support the language needs of individuals with developmental disabilities, their caregivers, and their family members in order to make regional center services more equitable.

Interpretation & Translation: Luz coordinated and arranged for ASL and Spanish interpretation for Nov. and Dec. Board of Director meetings. Luz provided Spanish translations for Executive Director letters to the community. Luz met with two existing interpretation/translation vendors and one new potential company. Luz coordinated the translation of the Whistleblower Policy into 4 languages: Spanish, Traditional Chinese, Korean and Vietnamese with a new translation vendor. Luz met with the potential consultant company to conduct language needs and cultural competency survey. Luz has overseen the tracking of all translation and interpretation invoicing and ensures vendors receive payment.

Critical Issues Forums: Luz translated the CIF flyer in Spanish, arranged interpretation for Spanish and ASL. Total over 70 participants to these two forums.

Case Management Support: Luz provided case management support by providing interpretation for a 3-year-old psychological assessment.

CHLA EI Research Project: Luz is supporting Adrianna Utley in the CHLA EI Research Project.

Equity Partners: Luz participated the Equity Partners Meeting on 11/17/22 to do a presentation on LACC Grant.

Maria Vargas and Wendy Hemminger, Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Program Managers of North and South

The mission of the Foster Grandparent & Senior Companion Program is to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteers.

The Foster Grandparent & Senior Companion Program benefits two generations of our community. Our volunteers bring a lifetime of experience, along with support, care and dedication to those they serve, all while remaining active, healthy and engaged.

South: This year, our program provided an opportunity for 52 senior volunteers to serve a total of 37,052 hours serving 72 individuals with special needs.

North: This year, our program provided an opportunity for 72 senior volunteers to serve a total of 42,500 hours serving 64 individuals with special needs.

The Foster Grandparent Program:

The Foster Grandparent Program connects limited income volunteers aged 55 and older with special-needs children in schools, day care centers, Head Start classrooms, and other agencies. Foster Grandparents are mentors, tutors, friends, and role models who provide one-on-one support to children with disabilities to improve their academic, social, or emotional development in the communities we serve.

Some examples of the activities completed by the Foster Grandparent volunteers during their service hours include:

- Assisting children with cognitive activities
- Encouraging communication with others
- Modeling proper social skills
- Encouraging following rules and routines
- Providing positive encouragement/redirection
- Helping with classroom activities
- Helping with math, reading and writing

- Providing companionship
- Providing emotional support
- Acting as a role model and encouraging appropriate behavior

South: From January through November of 2022, our **29 Foster Grandparent volunteers** have provided **17,345 hours of service to 46 children with special needs.**

North: From January through November of 2022, our **39 Foster Grandparent volunteers** have provided **19,646 hours of service to 24 children with special needs.**

The Senior Companion Program:

The Senior Companion Program connects limited income volunteers aged 55 and older with adults with special needs in day programs and vocational settings. Senior Companions are mentors, tutors, friends, and role models who provide supportive, individualized services to help older adults with special needs maintain their dignity and independence and encouraging social achievement and growth in those we serve.

Some examples of the activities completed by the Senior Companion volunteers during their service hours include:

- Provide companionship
- Being positive, encouraging and praising efforts
- Providing emotional support
- Acting as role models and encouraging appropriate behavior and social etiquette
- Supporting and assisting in learning situations as assigned by the supervisor
- Modeling positive social interaction and support integration
- Talking and listening to individuals and encouraging them in communication
- Encouraging self-help skills, good grooming and personal appearance

South: From January through November of 2022, our **23 Senior Companion volunteers** have provided **19,707 hours of service to 26 adults with special needs.**

North: From January through November of 2022, our **33 Senior Companion volunteers** have provided **22,854 hours of service to 40 adults with special needs.**



Jessica Wilson, Deaf and Hard or Hearing Specialists:

Jessica has been a service coordinator at SGPRC since 2013 serving a Deaf and Hard of Hearing and English-speaking caseload. In November 2021, she transitioned into the role of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Specialist. Her role provides support to SGPRC’s DHH community by developing staff trainings, securing generic resources for DHH, assisting with resource development, IPP, IDT meetings, vendor and community outreach and collaboration with sister Regional Centers to further develop role.

Below is a summary of the community engagement and agency supports that have been completed in the past year.

Trainings:

On 5/13/21 Jessica created and presented the first informational training on the Deaf Specialist role, overview and resources to SGPRC staff. Over 70 attendees were present.

Jessica worked with GLAD- Deaf Advocacy agency to arrange ongoing staff and community trainings titled “Are you Deaf Aware?” This was presented by a Deaf Advocate with interpretation on 7/14/2021.

SCR-ILS prepared an extensive level two ASL training for SGPRC vendors to educate them on helpful sign language skills and Deaf Culture awareness. Jessica collaborated with them to provide important information on the Deaf Plus population and emergency/medical information that would be beneficial in emergency situations.

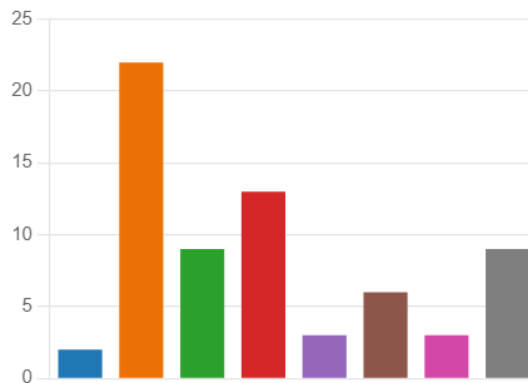
Jessica attended several trainings to increase knowledge of Deaf services and generic resources including Hearing Aid Coverage for Children (HACCP) Training, Grant Vantage Overview Training, DDS, Diversity and Equity Training, Regional Center.

IDT meetings/SC consultations/In house support/Communication assistance:

During the months of December to May Jessica assisted 23 individuals and service coordinators with IPP meetings, Quarterly meetings, placements, communication support, interpreting, and resources to support the DHH individuals we serve.

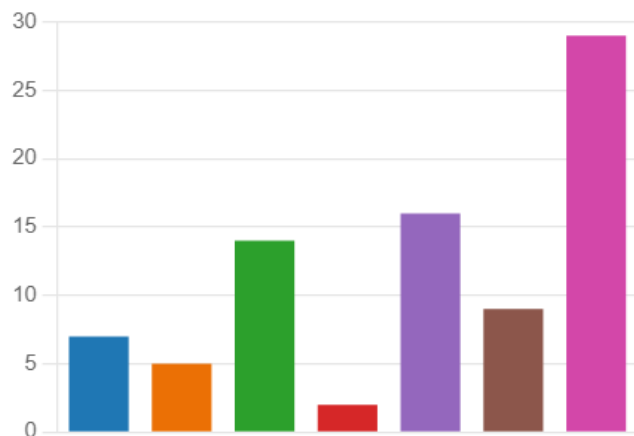
Type of Referral/Outreach and number of Inquiries

● Parent/Guardian	2
● Service Coordinator	22
● Vendor	9
● Community Partner	13
● DDS	3
● Committee	6
● Individual Served	3
● Other	9



Supports provided

● Interpreting resources	7
● Regional Center program with A...	5
● Generic Resources	14
● Communication Assessment	2
● Interpreting/Meeting support	16
● DHH & ADA rights	9
● Other	29



Community Outreach/Community Partners:

Jessica has begun to make community partnerships and community outreach efforts to develop resources and spread information. Some connections include meetings with Southern California Resource Services (SCRS-IL) to provide feedback on Deaf and Hard of Hearing/ASL Training for Vendor community.

Meeting with Job Accommodation Network (JAN) an agency to support with disability and ADA accommodations in the workplace and Deaf and Hard of Hearing specialist available for consultations.

Partnership with Greater Los Angeles Agency for the Deaf (GLAD) to provide staff training on Deaf Sensitivity and resources and advocacy referral.

Sorenson Communications, set up 5 Video Relay Phones for individuals served in their homes

Secured vendor Certified Interpreting Services (CIS) to become vendor to provide communication assessments for all DHH

Resources for safety equipment for DHH like smoke alarms, doorbells, Video Relay Service

Assistive Technology Conference CSUN- 3/17/22: Attended conference at the Anaheim convention center. Met with various vendors who support the Deaf, blind, and disabled community with technology access.

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Specialist Collective Meetings:

Jessica attended 8 meetings to collaborate on development of DHH role and projects. Discussions included development of support for Deaf Individuals residing in group homes, Health and Safety waiver, ADA rights, communication aids, Assistive Technology apps, ARCA attendance, interpreter funding, CDER data, POS data, ASL/Deaf training for staff and vendors, DeafPlus community training, effective communication and more.

Regional Center Recommendations and Plan to Promote Equity

Continue to collaborate and support the efforts of the Community Based Organizations known as “CBO” that were funded for an equity project from DDS. SG/PRC will continue to invite these partners to be active in promoting their projects at SG/PRC weekly Community Meeting. Current Equity Partners and their projects are:

- **Access Nonprofit Center- Parenting Black Children** - Village Wrap Around Parent and Caregiver Support model to empower and educate African American families.
- **Children's Hospital Los Angeles Parent Navigator Project**-Parent Navigators in Pediatric Clinics to Support Service Access-Pediatric navigator project to work 1:1 with families and facilitate new referrals to RC.
- **Chinese Parents Association for The Disabled**-Bilingual/Bicultural Chinese Family & Self-advocate Virtual Training Project to increase technology knowledge and access for consumers and families who speak Spanish, Vietnamese, Tagalog, Mandarin, Cantonese, and Mixteco.
- **Familias First**- Creating Leadership Among Parents (CLAP)-Parent education and training for Latino families focused on multiple RC services.
- **Korean American Special Education Center**-Developmental Screening and Parent-Empowerment, Early Intervention advocacy and empowerment support for Korean parents.
- **USC UCEDD at CHLA** - Peer Education Project-Promoting and Increasing Vietnamese Parents and Children with I/DD to Access Purchase of Service and be Independent-Family support project for Vietnamese families to increase system knowledge, access to services and independence.
- **VPDCA** – Promoting and increasing Vietnamese Parents and Children with I/DD to Access Purchase of Service and Be Independent.

-2022 SG/PRC Training Calendars –

Table 1

2022 Annual Purchase of Service (POS) Expenditure Data Community Meetings			
Date	Training Topic & Presenter	Date	Training Topic & Presenter
2/24/2022 Thursday	Critical Issues Forum in English/Spanish* 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	3/19/2022 Saturday	POS Expenditure Data Community Meeting in Vietnamese 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
3/02/2022 Wednesday	POS Expenditure Data Community Meeting in Spanish 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	3/23/2022 Wednesday	SG/PRC Board of Directors Meeting English 7:15 p.m. mtg start time
3/10/2022 Wednesday	LICA Meeting for Early Start providers and SG/PRC staff English 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	3/24/2022 Thursday	POS Expenditure Data Community Meeting in Korean 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
3/12/2022 Saturday	POS Expenditure Data Community Meeting in Chinese (Mandarin) Only 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.		

Table 2

2022 Critical Issues Forum			
Date	Training Topic & Presenter	Date	Training Topic & Presenter
2/24/2022	Critical Issues Forum in English/Spanish* Annual POS Expenditure Data SG/PRC Equity Team	9/22/2022	CY2023 Performance Contract Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Community Outreach and Compliance Department
3/24/2022	Anxiety Disorders LA County Department of Mental Health Promoters	09/29/2022	First Responders Panel Presentation LA County Fire Department, LA County Sheriff's Department, City of Pomona Police Department
4/28/2022	Fair Hearing Process Daniel Ibarra, Fair Hearing Specialist	10/20/2022	Housing Rights and Landlord Rights Erica Nam, Housing Rights Center (HRC)
6/23/2022	Special Education Nora Perez-Givens, Education Specialist	10/20/2022	Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) – Citrus College Emmy Madrid, DSPS Specialist
7/14/2022	Are you Deaf Aware? GLAD-Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness, Inc. Johanna Hinojosa-Martinez, Community Educator	11/17/2022	Services Available through Bio-Behavioral/Desensitization Clinics Joshua Trevino, Statewide Transition Service Specialist
7/28/2022	Housing Options and Resources Lisa Cipres, Housing Specialist		

Table 3

2022 Community Outreach and Compliance Staff Training Calendar			
Date	Training Topic & Presenter	Date	Training Topic & Presenter
02/23/2022 Wednesday	Marssia Chutan, LA Care Liaison How to Access ABA & Other Therapies	07/21/2022 Thursday	Nora Perez-Givens, Education Specialist Requesting Related Services
03/03/2022 Thursday	Xochitl Gonzalez, Cultural Specialist The Regional Center Purpose	08/04/2022 Thursday	Amos Byun, Cultural Specialist How to Utilize Family Education/Training Modules
03/10/2022 Thursday	Xochitl Gonzalez, Cultural Specialist The Regional Center and Family/Individual Partnership	08/11/2022 Thursday	Daniel Ibarra, Fair Hearing Specialist Overview of Fair Hearings and Your Role as a Service Coordinator
03/24/2022 Thursday	Nora Perez-Givens, Education Specialist IEP Basics & Your Role at School Meetings	08/17/2022 Wednesday	Marssia Chutan, LA Care Liaison ICFs & Medical Equipment
04/07/2022 Thursday	Amos Byun, Cultural Specialist How to Utilize Family Education/Training Modules	08/25/2022 Thursday	Nora Perez-Givens, Education Specialist Assistive Technology
04/14/2022 Thursday	Joshua Trevino, Board Certified Behavior Analyst An Introduction to Individual Behavior Support Plan	09/15/2022 Thursday	Nora Perez-Givens, Education Specialist Special Education Timelines
05/05/2022 Thursday	Nora Perez-Givens, Education Specialist Limited Conservatorship-Letters & Regional Center Role	10/13/2022 Thursday	Joshua Trevino, Board Certified Behavior Analyst Enrichment of ABA Programing: Incorporating Siblings
05/12/2022 Thursday	Jessica Wilson, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Specialist DHH resources and Specialist Role	10/20/2022 Thursday	Emmy Madrid, DSPS Specialist Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) – Citrus College
05/26/2022 Thursday	Nora Perez-Givens, Education Specialist IEP's & 504 Plans		

Table 4

2022 Department of Mental Health Workshop Series			
Date	Training Topic & Presenter	Date	Training Topic & Presenter
Week 1	Positive Parenting: Understanding Learning Disabilities, Autism, and ADHS 10/05 10am – English with American Sign Language Sylvia Gonzales-Youngblood 11am – Spanish, Idalia Oquendo 10/06 10am – Chinese, Sylvie Wang 11am – Korean, Inae Yoo	Week 4	Emotional Wellbeing and Stress 10/26 10am – English with American Sign Language Sylvia Gonzales-Youngblood 11am – Spanish, Idalia Oquendo 10/27 10am – Chinese, Sylvie Wang 11am – Korean, Inae Yoo
Week 2	Positive Parenting: Understanding Behavioral Struggles in Children 10/12 10am – English with American Sign Language Sylvia Gonzales-Youngblood 11am – Spanish, Idalia Oquendo 10/13 10am – Chinese, Sylvie Wang 11am – Korean, Inae Yoo	Week 5	Child Abuse Prevention and Resilience 11/02 10am – English with American Sign Language Sylvia Gonzales-Youngblood 11am – Spanish, Idalia Oquendo 11/03 10am – Chinese, Sylvie Wang 11am – Korean, Inae Yoo
Week 3	Grief, Loss, and Resilience 10/19 10am – English with American Sign Language Sylvia Gonzales-Youngblood 11am – Spanish, Idalia Oquendo 10/20 10am – Chinese, Sylvie Wang 11am – Korean, Inae Yoo	Week 6	Family Violence Prevention and Resilience 11/09 10am – English with American Sign Language Sylvia Gonzales-Youngblood 11am – Spanish, Idalia Oquendo 11/10 10am – Chinese, Sylvie Wang 11am – Korean, Inae Yoo



SAN GABRIEL/POMONA
REGIONAL CENTER

Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families

Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.
Videoconference Meeting

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AGENDA		ACTION
6:00 – 6:05	CALL TO ORDER Preeti Subramaniam and Wendy Lai, Co-Chairpersons	None
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll Call • Review Agenda • Minutes of January 25, 2022 	Quorum
		Info
		Consent
6:05 – 6:10	Public Input	Info
6:10 – 6:15	Client Advocate Update – Elisa Herzog	Info
6:15 – 6:40	Special Presentation – EVV and Remote Services	Info
6:40 – 6:45	Future Training Topics	Info
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 22, 2023 – New Fair Hearing Appeals • April 26, 2023 – Training Approaches and Strategies for Service Coordinators 	
6:45 – 7:00	Updates and Information by SG/PRC	Info
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self Determination Advisory - Meetings & Updates <i>-Daniela Santana, Lucina Galarza, Yaned Busch, Jessi Lagos</i> 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Center Services Updates– <i>Daniela Santana & Lucina Galarza</i> • Coronavirus Update – <i>Hortencia Tafoya</i> 	

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

Minutes of the Meeting of the

Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families

January 25, 2023

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families was held on Wednesday, January 25, 2023. The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT

Preeti Subramaniam, Co-Chair
Wendy Lai, Co-Chair
Jessica Porter
Mary Soldato
Jaye Dixit
Herminio Escalante
Jessica Porter
Richard Centeno

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Director, Community Services
Daniela Santana, Director, Client Services
Rosa Chavez, Assoc. Director, Family/Transition
Yaned Busch, Manager, Specialized Services
Jessie Lagos, Manager, Specialized Services
Elisa Herzog, Client Advocate
Erika Gomez, Liaison, BOD & RDDF

ABSENT:

Flor Tolley

GUESTS:

Gisele Ragusa
A. Skrow
Nada Saleh
Sam Yi

ITEMS DISCUSSED

CALL TO ORDER

Preeti Subramaniam, Co-Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.
A quorum was established.

The minutes of the December 14, 2022 meeting were reviewed and approved with one change, it should state that the next meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2023, not the 15th.

M/S/C (Soldato & Porter) Minutes from the meeting were approved by the committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT– None

CLIENT ADVOCATE UPDATE – Elisa Herzog announced she is back to work and looking forward to meeting with Executive Director, Jesse Weller, to find out where her path will be in the future.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – “Coordinated Family Supports” Lucina Galarza, Acting Deputy Director, and Director of Community Services, presented on the following:

- What is Coordinated Family Supports (CFS)
- Where CFS is available
- Who can get CFS
- When is CFS available
- How to get it
- CFS Input

Future Training Topics:

- March 22, 2023 – New Fair Hearing Appeals
- April 26, 2023 – Training Approaches and Strategies for Service Coordinators

Updates and Information by SG/PRC Staff

- DDS issued a few directives, one of which would have regional centers discuss with families the complaint process and the family’s preference of being contacted regarding their IPP or IFSP.
- There was a training today at a West Side Regional Center on the appeal process efforts to better support families. Moving forward, families will be able to receive notices in their preferred way and not only via certified mail. Regional centers are expected to inform the community of the new options.
- A home has been developed for individuals who are substance abusers. It was licensed to open in February. Staff are working on a home for individuals that are Deaf or Hard of Hearing.
- Social Connections Workshops – A free 8-week workshop for adults served by SG/PRC focused on building community and friendships. To register, please call 909-621-6722.
- Self Determination Program (SDP) –
 - SG/PRC has 98 participants that are fully in the SDP program with approved spending plans and SDP IPPs.
 - SG/PRC partnered with DDS to hold an EVV training on January 17, 2023. DDS has the training on their website, for those unable to attend.

- Staff also participated in a meeting with DDS and FMS providers to discuss barriers when transitioning people to Self Determination.
- Staff continue to:
 - promote The Waiting Room
 - remind the community of the meet and greet events
 - remind the community of the live SDP orientations
- There was a discussion about a news article regarding an individual served by another regional center who had been abused. Staff shared some telling signs of when someone may be experiencing abuse. During SG/PRC's community meeting, staff highlighted the importance of unannounced and quarterly visits.
- The COVID-19 data was reviewed.

ADJOURN

Co-Chairperson Preeti Subramaniam adjourned the meeting.

The next Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 22, 2023 via videoconference.

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

February 8, 2023

The following committee members were present at said meeting.

MEMBERS:

Julie Chetney, Chairperson
Gisele Ragusa
Bruce Cruickshank
Trish Gonzales
Bill Stewart

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Director of Community Services
Erika Gomez, Executive Assistant – BOD &
RDDF

MEMBERS ABSENT:

GUESTS:

None

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTIONS

**THE STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT
THEY TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING: None.**

ITEMS DISCUSSED

A) **CALL TO ORDER** - Chairperson, Julie Chetney, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. A quorum was established.

B) **AGENDA & MINUTES APPROVAL**

- The agenda was reviewed.
- The Minutes from the January 11, 2023, meeting were reviewed and approved.

M/S/C (Stewart & Gonzales) The committee approved the minutes.

C) **PUBLIC INPUT**

None

D) **STRATEGIC PLANNING**

- Strategic Planning Event – This even will be scheduled throughout the Spring and possibly Summer.
 - Amy Sullivan, with Kinetic Flow, will be a consultant as well as George Steven, former Executive Director of North Los Angeles Regional Center.
 - Chairperson, Julie Chetney, Board President, Gisele Ragusa, and Executive Director, Jesse Weller, met with Amy and the meeting was productive. A key point that came up was communication with stakeholders as well as engagement with them.
 - Data will be gathered from different sources, including leadership staff, Board/committee members, vendors, individuals served and their families.
 - Amy Sullivan will be present at the March committee meeting and the committee will review her proposal.

E) BOARD COMPOSITION

The terms of the Board members were reviewed. 5 Board members, including the VAC Chairperson, will term off at the end of June 2023. The members and staff discussed ideas to recruit.

The members also discussed mentoring the new Board members and possibly providing them with a mini training.

ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned.

The next Strategic Development Committee meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2023.

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