

PURCHASE OF SERVICE EXPENDITURE DATA MEETING MINUTES HISPANIC/SPANISH SPEAKING COMMUNITY

Date:	March 06, 2025
Time:	11:00am
via Zoom	Meeting ID: 865 9741 9310 https://sgprc-org.zoom.us/j/86537419310

IN ATTENDANCE

Service Access and Equity Team, 2 Spanish Interpreters, 15 Community Members

COMMUNITY INPUT AND COMMENTS

What should SG/PRC do differently?

A participant shared that when she asks questions, she wants answers, she often feels she is given links to resources instead, and often times those are old and no longer in use. She wants her questions are answered.

A participant stated that not everyone can navigate the internet; therefore, providing actual & updated resources on paper or a listing would be helpful.

A participant would like for Service Coordinator's to be more forthcoming with what services and supports are available and would benefit their child.

A participant said that it would be beneficial to have a listing with the types of resources and vendors for those services, i.e. speech, OT, PT, etc.

A participant said that it would be great for SC's or units that cover different age groups to share resources available with other departments or units, so they too are aware what is available across the board in terms of social recreational opportunities or vendors.

What should SG/PRC continue to do that is working?

A participant welcomed Service Coordinators & other SG/PRC personnel to continue to "planting the seeds" of information into the community.

Questions:

Does RC support adults with obtaining Medi-Cal and Food aid through the State as well?

Does the RC connect with the individuals Case Manager at the Health Plan Level to support in coordinat ing the ECM enrolled members to increase better health outcome for the RC Client?

Is SGPRC's ECM team open to doing a training with Clinics/Medical Groups on what they provide under their ECM program and collaborate to meet DHCS/DDS requirements?

Total individual count for all ages in the area of social recreation by Race/Ethnicity is 101. What has the regional center learned to be the barrier to accessing social recreation services? What steps will the regional center take to increase total individual count access to social recreation services?

Camping:

Total individual count for all ages in the area of camping is 99. What has the regional center learned to be the barrier to accessing camping? What steps will the regional center take to increase total individual count access to camping

Other Social Recreation:

Total individual count for all ages in the area of other social recreation is 623. What are examples of these services?

What explains the higher total individual count compared to social recreation and camping service?

Digital copies of the presentation were provided in the chat in English & Spanish. Digital copies of the SG/PRC Resource in English & Spanish were provided in the chat. A participant requested the SG/PRC Resource Guide to forward to her. Email was taken and a digital copy was forwarded following the meeting.



PURCHASE OF SERVICE EXPENDITURE DATA MEETING MINUTES BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY

Date:	March 13, 2025
Time:	11:00am
via Zoom	Meeting ID: 865 9741 9310 https://sgprc-org.zoom.us/j/86537419310

IN ATTENDANCE

Service Access and Equity Team, 19 Community Members

COMMUNITY INPUT AND COMMENTS

What should SG/PRC do differently?

A participant shared that "Pre pandemic, my son was part of the special needs swim team at Rose Bowl Aquatic Center. I highly recommend this venue."

A participant commented that: "Regarding the new data for social recreation and camping services, I hope SG/PRC will have training for service coordinators so that they know these are available to the families. Creativity to find new social rec vendor is good. But besides training to new staff, I hope there will be other strategy and plan be implemented for individuals/families access the social recreation/camping services."

A participant asked: Are we still a long way to Instagram?

A participant shared that "I would like to see more opportunities to share information to SC's and families in person."

What should SG/PRC continue to do that is working?

A participant shared that "I got a text message reminder for this meeting! If you send text messages to share information, that works!"

A participant shared that "Having open conversations with Individuals served, families and vendors. Targeting those communities that are underserved. We see the effort being put out from SGPRC and its truly amazing!!"

Questions:

A participant asked: "Regarding to Social Recreation, Camping, and other Social Recreation Services— Has the regional center identified any barriers to accessing these services? Will the regional center develop a plan or strategies to increase access and utilization of these services?"

A participant asked: "Do parents and clients feel comfortable in stating what the barriers are?"



PURCHASE OF SERVICE EXPENDITURE DATA MEETING MINUTES ASIAN COMMUNITY

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IN ATTENDANCE

Service Access and Equity Team, Mandarin, Korean, and Vietnamese Interpreters, 26 Community Members

COMMUNITY INPUT AND COMMENTS

A Vietnamese participant commented: "Data are very good this time for Vietnamese 0-2 age group and 22+ group. For Vietnamese 3 to 22 age group, no POS percentage is still higher than average. Just wondering what can be done? Do Vietnamese parents know about afterschool-social rec services offered and other new ones?

A participant asked: "Where can we find providers?"

A participant commented: "If information about individuals served don't need to go the SG/PRC vendors for social rec program can be shared with parents, that would be very helpful."

What should SG/PRC do differently?

A Chinese participant commented: "The SDP waiting period is too long. The SDP enrollment process should be streamlined."

A Vietnamese Participant commented:

"There should be a position for someone to reach out to Vietnamese parents and inform them of socialrecreational programs available."

Questions:

A participant asked: "Regarding to Social Recreation, Camping, and other Social Recreation Services— Has the regional center identified any barriers to accessing these services? Will the regional center develop a plan or strategies to increase access and utilization of these services?"

Social Recreation, Camping, and Other Social Recreation Services -

Has the regional center identified any barriers to accessing these services?

Will the regional center develop a plan or strategies to increase access and utilization of these services? A participant asked: "Great presentation. Thanks"

A participant commented: Thank you so much! Very valuable information shared.



San Gabriel / Pomona Regional Center

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

March 26, 2025

ATTENDANCE

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

PRESENT:

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

<u>ABSENT</u>: Karen Zarsadiaz – Ige (8:15 p.m)

INTERPRETERS:

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

STAFF:

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

GUESTS:

Alma Jansenn, DDS Elizabeth Cuevas Nada Saleh Yan Li Graciela Marquez Nancy Bunker Lisa Nguyen Julie Chetney, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

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

A. <u>PUBLIC INPUT:</u>

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

B. CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

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

C. EXECUTIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer, presented the following:

In regional center operations, the allocation based on the A-1 Amendment is projected to meet expenditure projections. Projections include operating continuation costs and expenditures from the prior fiscal year. The operations A-1 allocation for fiscal year 2024-25 is currently at \$54,743,524 with projected

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

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

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

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

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

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

D. COMMUNITY RELATIONS/LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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

E. <u>ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR INDIVIDUALS SERVED AND THEIR</u> <u>FAMILIES</u>

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

F. VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VAC)

Kelly Privitt shared the following concerns:

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

G. STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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

H. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

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

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

to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS).

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

SPECIAL BOARD PRESENTATION

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

FY23-24 Performance Contract Plan Objective and Outcomes

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

Purchase of Services Expenditure Data and NCI FY23-24

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

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

I. OTHER BOARD & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS None

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

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

BOARD MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 26, 2025 MEETING

Submitted by:

Patricia Gonzales, Board Secretary

Date