

To: Board of Directors

Date: April 8, 2026

Committee Schedule and Agenda for the WRC Board of Directors Board Meeting, **Wednesday, April 15, 2026.**

Attached is the agenda for the **April 15, 2026, WRC Board of Directors Board Meeting** which will be held virtually on Zoom Webinar.

All Board of Directors will receive a link inviting you to be a panelist at the April 15, 2026 meeting. On the day of the Board meeting, **please click on your link to ensure you join the meeting as a panelist (speaker). This link is unique to you and should not be shared with anyone else.**

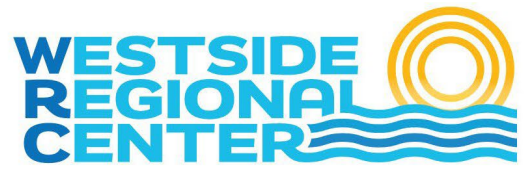
All members of the public who wish to attend the meeting should follow these instructions to register:

1. Sign up for a [free Zoom account](#) if they have not already done so
2. [Click on this link to register](#) to attend the meeting
 - Attendees will be asked for their name and email address
 - This is so we can take attendance instead of using a sign-in sheet
 - Attendees will receive an email with a link to join the meeting
 - **Webinar ID: 854 8510 4345 # • Password: 114772 #**
3. On the day and time of the meeting, attendees should click the link to join and enter the password.
 - Spanish interpretation will be available upon entering the meeting

The public session Call-to-Order is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Much of the work of the Board is done in the WRC various committees, including Finance, Political Action, Client Services, and others. Your participation is needed and welcomed.

The following Committees are scheduled to meet:

Committee Name	Date & Time	Location
Board Development Committee	April 20, 4:00 p.m.	ZOOM Video Conference
Client Services Committee	April 7, 5:00 p.m.	ZOOM Video Conference
Consumer Advisory Committee	April 16, 5:00 p.m.	Burger King 10812 Jefferson Blvd, Culver City
Finance Committee	April 8, 5:00 p.m.	ZOOM Video Conference
Policy Committee	April 16, 4:00 p.m.	ZOOM Video Conference
Self Determination	April 14, 6:00 p.m.	ZOOM Video Conference
Service Provider Advisory Committee	April 14, 10:30 a.m.	WRC



BOARD OF DIRECTORS BOARD MEETING
 COASTAL DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES FOUNDATION
 777 AVIATION BLVD • SUITE 105 • EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245

Wednesday, April 15, 2025

Via Zoom

6:00 p.m. - Closed Session • 6:30 p.m. - Public Session

A G E N D A

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed Session 4663 (a) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (b) <i>'Real estate', 'appointment, employment, evaluation, of performance or dismissal of a Regional Center employee'. 'Pending litigation'. Pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 4660.</i> 	
• Public Session Call to Order	Almarietha Mathews
• Welcome	Almarietha Mathews
• Mission Statement	Todd Rubien
• Code of Conduct	Kyle Jones
• Roll Call of Board Members – Quorum	Almarietha Mathews
• President’s Report	Almarietha Mathews
• Executive Director’s Report	Jane Borochoff
• Public Comment on Agenda Items	
• APPROVAL OF Minutes of March 11, 2026 Board Meeting	Todd Rubien - ACTION
• Committee Reports	
• Board Development	Jennifer E. Cohen
• Client Services	
• APPROVAL OF Educational Support/Advocacy Services Standard	Dr. Wakelin McNeel - ACTION
• Finance	
• APPROVAL OF Contract over \$250,000: Community Corporation of Santa Monica	Kyle Jones - ACTION
• Policy	Terry Magady
• Service Provider Advisory (SPAC)	Justin Levi
• Consumer Advisory (CAC)	Esther Kelsey
• Public Comment	
• Adjournment	Almarietha Mathews - ACTION

Pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code 4660 (c), time shall be allowed for public input on all properly noticed agenda items prior to board action on that Item.

The Next Board Meeting is on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

It is WRC's mission to support people with developmental disabilities, their families, and communities of choice by facilitating access to person-centered, culturally responsive services and resources.

La misión de WRC es apoyar a las personas con discapacidades del desarrollo, a sus familias y a las comunidades de su elección facilitando el acceso a servicios y recursos culturalmente sensibles y enfocados en la persona.

Business etiquette is essential to a well-run, successful meeting. Everyone who attends all WRC Board-related meetings agrees to:

- Understand and promote collaboration by allowing for a productive, safe and welcoming environment;
- Treat everyone with respect and consideration;
- Allow for open and inclusive discussions that do not demean, discriminate or harass others;
- Refrain from using discriminatory or demeaning language or language that could be considered bullying, threatening or intimidating;
- Critique ideas and suggestions but not individuals;
- Respect the responsibility and authority of the Board Chair in preserving order and decorum; and
- Avoid disrupting others when speaking and waiting for the Board Chair to determine the next speaker(s).

If, after being warned, anyone's actions violate this Meetings Code of Conduct, they may be asked to leave the meeting by the Board Chair.

Board Meetings Code of Conduct was Adopted on June 3rd, 2020.
Amended by the Board of Directors June 8, 2022.

La etiqueta en los negocios es esencial para el éxito de una reunión. Todas las personas que asistan a las reuniones del consejo del WRC se comprometen a:

- Comprender y fomentar la colaboración permitiendo un entorno productivo, seguro y acogedor;
- Tratar a todos con respeto y consideración;
- Permitir debates abiertos e inclusivos que no degraden, discriminen o acosen a los demás;
- Abstenerse de utilizar lenguaje discriminatorio o degradante o que pueda considerarse acoso, amenaza o intimidación;
- Criticar ideas y sugerencias, pero no a individuos;
- Respetar la responsabilidad y la autoridad del presidente de la Junta para mantener el orden y el decoro; y
- Evitar interrumpir a los demás al hacer uso de la palabra y esperar a que el presidente de la Junta determine el/los siguiente(s) orador(es).

Si, tras haber sido advertido, alguien infringe este Código de Conducta en las Reuniones, el presidente de la Junta podrá pedirle que abandone la reunión.

El Código de Conducta para las Reuniones del Consejo fue adoptado el 3 de junio de 2020.
Modificado por el Consejo de Administración el 8 de junio de 2022.

Board of Directors Meeting

Coastal Development Services Foundation

Wednesday, March 11, 2026 | 6:30 P.M.

Via Zoom

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Meshell Baylor
Nilo Choudry
Jennifer E. Cohen
Justin Levi
Almarietha Mathews
Dr. Wakelin McNeel
Todd Rubien
Carmen Tripp
Todd Withers
Terry Magady

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kyle Jones

STAFF PRESENT: Jane Borochoff, Peggy Bottger, Stephen Browning, Linda Butler, Pablo Ibañez, Robert Kutaj, Natasha Lopez, Michael McAllister, Natalie Monge, Andy Ponce, Angela Quiñonez, Aga Spatzier, Martha Thompson, Megan Tommet-Ramirez, Kristina Zerhusen.

GUESTS: Antonietta Schulz (Interpreter), Jose Luis (Interpreter), Willie Ramirez (DDS), Dmarcus Baptist, Amanda Copeland, Nadiia Grant, Stella Guillen, Donell Hill, Esther Kelsey, David Lester.

CALL TO ORDER (ACTION*)

Meeting was called to order by Board President, Almarietha Mathews, at 6:35 p.m. The Mission Statement was read by Nilo Choudry and Meeting Code of Conduct was read by Terry Magady.

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

It was established that the members present represented a quorum necessary pursuant to Section 7.03 (6) of the bylaws of Westside Regional Center which states:

(h) Quorum. A majority of the Directors serving on the Board at the time of the meeting of the Board shall constitute quorum at any meeting of the Board

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Almarietha Mathews opened her report by noting various awareness events in March, including Developmental Disability Awareness Month, Cerebral Palsy and Multiple Sclerosis Awareness,

World Down Syndrome Day and International Women's Day. Purim, an International Day of Remembrance, recognizes the Jewish victims of slavery on March 25.

On March 3, Almarietha, Jane, and Allyson attended Grassroots Day in Sacramento, organized by ARCA, to meet with legislators representing the North LA, South LA, Harbor, Lanterman, and Westside regions. They advocated two specific bills:

- AB 2324 (Educational Youth Caregivers Career Pathway): This bill would provide school credit for students in grades 9-12 who act as caregivers for family members. Almarietha shared a personal story about her daughters caring for their brother, Andrew, and noted that such a program could address staff shortages in direct support professions and reduce the 22% dropout rate among student caregivers.
- AB 1670 (Oral Health Services): This bill aims to improve dental access by allowing dentists to bill for up to four "desensitization" visits per year. This would allow patients to become comfortable with the dental environment before undergoing procedures like cleanings or root canals. Jane noted that these bills are particularly appealing to legislators because they have no fiscal impact during a time of tight state finances.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Jane highlighted several operational updates and community initiatives, beginning with the "Get to Know WRC" Training. This is a series of short interactive online modules that cover topics such as Early Start, eligibility, IPP meetings and specific services like respite and the Self-Determination Program (SDP).

The SDP Resource Fair is scheduled for Saturday, March 28 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with a specific focus on the Spanish-speaking community. Jane encouraged all, including vendors, to register and attend.

Jane attended the groundbreaking of Batia Family Village, a housing project formerly known as Cornerstone or "The Village". The event was attended by Mayor Karen Bass and Supervisor Lindsey Horvath. Board Vice President Terry Magady, who lives near the project, described it as a "gamechanger" for the community.

WRC has officially moved from Culver City to its new location in El Segundo. While operations have begun, construction delays in large meeting rooms have pushed the tentative community grand opening to July 26, coinciding with the anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The center is currently out of compliance regarding required caseload ratios for service coordination. Additionally, annual Purchase of Service (POS) equity meetings are scheduled for

March 25 which will be held virtually in Spanish. A second, in-person meeting will be held at WRC on April 2 to discuss service disparities.

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA (3 minutes)

Donell Hill thanked everyone for the continued support of the SDP Fair. At this time, there are over 100 registrants, and they are working toward a goal of 400.

APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2026 (ACTION)

Jennifer E. Cohen (Motion) and Meshell Baylor (Second) to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2026. There was no discussion.

10 AYES
0 NO
0 ABSTENTION

The motion passed.

RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2026.

APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 18, 2026 (ACTION)

Jennifer E. Cohen (Motion) and Meshell Baylor (Second) to approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2026. There was no discussion.

10 AYES
0 NO
0 ABSTENTION

The motion passed.

RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 18, 2026.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board Development

Committee Chair, Jennifer E. Cohen, reported that the committee is updating the board recruitment flyer with WRC's new logo and planning future board trainings.

Client Services

Committee Chair, Dr. Wakelin McNeel, reported on discussions regarding adaptive skills training and educational support. Member attendance was also discussed. The next meeting date is April 7 at 5:00 p.m.

Finance

Board President, Almarietha Mathews, reported on behalf of Committee Chair Kyle Jones. She reported that the committee met earlier that day and reviewed financial reports through January 2026. They reviewed and approved legal invoices and a contract for Board approval at the next meeting. They discussed the status of the outstanding CPA audit. The DDS fiscal audit for 2022-2024 has been completed and posted on the WRC website. The next meeting will take place on April 8 at 5:00 p.m.

Policy

Committee Chair, Terry Magady, shared that the committee met on Feb 19 and spent time discussing where to focus future efforts. The next meeting is March 12 at 4:00 p.m.

Political Action (PAC)

Nilo Choudry, speaking on behalf of Committee Chair, Zoey Giesberg, encouraged everyone to review the governor's budget analysis in the board packet, and thanked the leadership for providing budgetary and legislative information.

Service Provider Advisory (SPAC)

Committee Chair, Justin Levi, reported that the Committee met on February 17. He announced that PRA training for vendors will take place virtually with April being the target date for the training.

A DSP hiring fair was held due to a shortage of specially trained individuals.

SPAC is getting busier as far as attendance.

Consumer Advisory (CAC)

Esther Kelsey delivered the CAC report, noting that advocates completed 33 volunteer hours and attended a town hall with Maxine Waters to discuss housing and homelessness. The group also honored Black History Month by researching prominent Black individuals.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes)

Amanda Copeland, mother of an individual served at WRC, expressed her concerns about a welfare check of her daughter.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting was adjourned by Almarietha Mathews, Board President at 7:15 p.m.

Todd Rubien

Board Secretary

DEFINITION:

Education Support Services strive to support regional center eligible school-aged (ages 3-22) individuals' access to appropriate school related services under the Individuals with Disabilities Act, (IDEA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and American with Disabilities Act (ADA). School districts are required to provide a free appropriate public education (FAPE) to qualified students with disabilities in their jurisdictions.

Education Support Services are provided to address advocacy needs relating to the development and implementation of a student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) or a 504 plan. Services must be delivered in a way that is respectful of the language, ethnicity, and culture present in the individual's home.

PURPOSE/POLICY

Education Support Services may provide coordination and some or all of the listed supports to regional center eligible students attending a public school within the Westside Regional Center's catchment area.

- Prepare for IEP and 504 meetings, by reviewing materials, reports and evaluations with parents/educational rights holders/individuals. Prioritize goals and objectives with parents/educational rights holders/individuals.
- Attend and participate in IEP and Section 504 multidisciplinary team meetings to offer advice and assistance to parents/educational rights holders/individuals.
- Report on the status and/or continuing efforts and outcomes of meetings, interventions and services.
- Review due process rights and procedures with parents/educational rights holders/individuals.
- Assist parents/educational rights holders/individuals in alternative dispute resolution (ADR) and/or informal dispute resolution (IDR), if warranted, on an individual basis.
- Assist parents/educational rights holders/individuals in reviewing and understanding reports and evaluations.
- Assist parents/educational rights holders/individuals with drafting and submitting written requests, responses, and complaints to school districts.

CRITERIA FOR SERVICES

- The individual and the IPP planning team will identify the need for this service.
- The individual and the IPP planning team will review current regional center and generic services (which may include private pay and school district related services) to ensure that generic services are utilized to meet the educational needs of the individual.

- Education Support Services shall not replace or duplicate any regional center service coordination, generic service, or other regional center service that the individual and family are receiving.
- This support is not intended to be a permanent and ongoing service. Services can be re-evaluated as needed.

If Education Support Services is identified as an appropriate service to meet the individual's needs, a provider resource will be identified. The provider will:

- Have current knowledge of IDEA and school district policy within the WRC catchment area.
- Have demonstrated knowledge and professional experience in the provision of education advocacy services.
- Have demonstrated understanding of the continuum of placement options and least restrictive environment (LRE).
- Have demonstrated knowledge of the complex system of federal, state, and local laws.

Westside Regional Center recognizes that some individual's educational support needs are so unique that they may not be addressed in this Service Policy and may require an exception. Such requests for an exception to a Service Policy will be made through the Westside Regional Center's Purchase of Service Committee.

WESTSIDE REGIONAL CENTER
BUDGET STATUS REPORT as of February 28, 2026
66.67 % of Year

	B-2 ALLOCATION Fiscal Year 25-26	YTD EXPENDITURES 7 months of expenditures in base	% OF ALLOCATION
OPERATIONS	\$ 40,843,406	* \$ 25,223,064	62%
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	\$ 623,591,542	\$ 394,749,321	63%
TOTAL	\$ 664,434,948	\$ 419,972,386	63%

NARRATIVE

OPERATIONS

WRC's projected expenditures will be within our budget allocation. We project a balanced budget for FY 25-26. Note- Some of WRC's operations allocation are restricted funds due to policy mandates.

PURCHASE OF SERVICE

Based on the B-2 Budget Allocation for FY 25-26, WRC is projecting a balanced POS budget.

* Expenditures through 2/28/26

Westside Regional Center Multi-Family Housing Contract
 Contract Approval for Fiscal Year 2025-2026
 WRC Board of Directors
 April 15, 2026

Westside Regional Center (WRC) is requesting that the WRC Board of Directors approve the attached contract Agreement so that the WRC community will have access to at least 20 subsidized housing units (set at 15% of Area Median Income) within the Red Tail Crossing housing project located at 8333 Airport Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90045. This contract allocation is provided by DDS from the '26 fiscal year with funding to be distributed prior to conclusion of the '28 fiscal year to allow for successful completion and implementation of the project. Funds would be earmarked to cover general contractor costs relating to work necessary to pass city inspections and architect/construction costs needed to receive final Certificate of occupancy from the city.

No.	Description	Contract Summary
1.	Contract Overview: (New, Renewal or Amendment) (POS or OPS)	New POS
2.	Name of Vendor or Service Provider	Community Corporation of Santa Monica
3.	Purpose of Contract	Development of a new Multi-Family Housing Projects
4.	Contract Term	July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2028
5.	Total Amount of Contract	Contract approved at \$4,000,000.00 Total: \$ 4,000,000
6.	Rate of Payment	Payment to occur through completion of to be agreed upon milestones totaling the maximum allotment of the contract Total: \$ 4,000,000
7.	Method or Process Utilized to Establish the Rate.	DDS CPP/CRDP approved allotment

The Westside Regional Center's (WRC) Executive Team reviewed and discussed the above contract and is recommending an action of the Board of Directors to **Approve** the contract.

 Almarietha Mathews

 Date

WRC Board of Directors



PETE CERVINKA
DIRECTOR

State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
Department of Developmental Services
1215 O Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
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GAVIN NEWSOM
GOVERNOR

April 14, 2026

Jane Borochoff, Executive Director
Westside Regional Center
5901 Green Valley Circle, Suite 320
Culver City, CA 90230-6953

Dear Jane Borochoff:

Amendment of Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Community Resource Development Plan (CRDP)

The Department of Developmental Services (Department) approves the following amendment to a previously approved project submitted under Westside Regional Center's (WRC) FY 2025-26 CRDP. Details of the amendment are as follows:

WRC-2526-1

The Department authorizes WRC to modify the Area Median Income (AMI) criteria for the Red Tail Crossing project by Community Corporation of Santa Monica, to be located at 8333 Airport Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90045.

This project was approved to use up to \$4,000,000 in FY 2025-26 CRDP funds and to include 20 one-bedroom units designated for individuals at 15 percent AMI. Due to challenges individuals have experienced qualifying under the 15 percent AMI threshold, WRC may now designate these units as a mix of 15 percent and 20 percent AMI. This modification will allow the project to accommodate individuals and support future backfilling of units when vacancies occur.

This development will consist of 102 total units, of which 20 units are set-aside for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). The units will consist of the following:

- **One-bedroom:** 20 set-aside IDD units at 15% and 20% AMI

Two (2) One-bedroom units will feature fully Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant roll-in showers. The remaining eighteen (18) units will be constructed to be fully adaptable, allowing for future modifications to meet ADA accessibility requirements if necessary.

Below captures summary of all WRC specific designated 20 units set-aside, AMI and ADA roll in showers.

Summary of CRDP Unit Restrictions	Number of Units by Bedroom Count		
	One Bedroom 15% AMI	One Bedroom 20% AMI	Total
ADA Fully Accessible Roll in Shower	1	1	2
ADA Adaptable	12	6	18
Total	13	7	20

<u>WRC CRDP set-aside Unit/AMI</u>			
Bedroom Type:	15%	20%	Total Number of
	AMI	AMI	CRDP Units
One Bedroom	13	7	20
Total	13	7	20

Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please contact Elizabeth Guerra, Community Development Division, at (916) 654-1904 or via email at elizabeth.guerra@dds.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Harnack S. Soomal (Nekea)

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 Branch Chief
 Community Development Division

cc: Andy Ponce, Westside Regional Center
 Monica Jaurequi, Westside Regional Center
 Ellen Liao, Westside Regional Center
 Angela Munoz, Department of Developmental Services
 Julia Kim, Department of Developmental Services
 Murphy Martinenko, Department of Developmental Services

Red Tail Crossing

Ribbon Cutting

February 27 2026



SPAC Meeting Notes – 3/17/26

- I. SDP requested topics
 - a. Broad overview
 - b. How to protect Program Design from people asking for it
 - c. Email communications between vendors and WRC
 - d. Encrypted emails that delete after a certain time
 - i. Anything discouraged to put in email?
- II. Multiple office rule
 - a. In proposal stage
- III. Jane
 - a. Grand opening
 - i. Tentatively Sunday, July 26
 - ii. Need volunteers
- IV. Ricardo
 - a. Behavioral Day Services
 - i. BCBA/behavioral consultant requirement not subject to audit until March 1, 2027
 - b. Coordinated Career Pathways
 - i. No more new enrolled participants
- V. Andy
 - a. Reminder to stay on top of audit requirements
- VI. Service provider introductions

APRIL SELF ADVOCACY CALENDAR 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<div style="border: 1px solid green; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> If it rains group will be canceled </div>		1. Public Relation Westfield Mall Fox Hills Mall 6000 SEPULVEDA BLVD CULVER CITY (CROSS STREET SLAUSON AVE) 5PM- 7PM	2. POS @ WRC 777 AVIATION BLVD EL SEGUNDO (CROSS STREET ROSECRANS AVE) 10AM-12PM	3. <div style="border: 1px solid green; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> Good Friday No Group </div>
6. LINDBERG PARK Exercise 5041 Rhoda Way Culver City (Cross street Ocean Dr.) 5PM-7PM	7. SELF DETERMINATION ZOOM 6PM- 8PM	8. WRC BOARD MEETING ZOOM REGISTER 6:30PM – 8PM	9.	10. GUEST SPEACKER WENDY'S 9036 VENICE BLVD CULVER CITY (CROSS STREET CULVER BLVD) 5PM- 7PM
13. DR. PAUL MEMORIAL PARK 10400 BRADDOCK DR. CULVER CITY (CROSS STREET LE BOURGET AVE) 5PM-7PM	14.	15. LINDBERG PARK EXERCISE 5041 Rhoda Way Culver City (Cross street Ocean Dr.) 5PM-7PM	16. CAC BURGER KING 10812 JEFFERSON BLVD CULVER CITY (CROSS STREET COTA AVE) 5PM – 7PM	17. MOVERS HAMBURGER HABIT 11223 NATIONAL LOS ANGELES (CROSS STREET SEPULVEDA BLVD) 5PM -7PM
20. FOX HILLS PARK 6250 BUCKINGHAM PKWAY (GREEN VALLEY CIRCLE) 5PM-7PM	21.	22. SHAKERS DEL TACO 11446 JEFFERSON BLVD CULVER CITY (CROSS STREET SLAUSON AVE) 5PM-7PM	23.	24. VOLUNTEER INFORMATION EL POLLO LOCO 5529 SEPULVEDA BLVD CULVER CITY (CROSS STREET BERRYMAN AVE) 5PM-7PM
27. AAC/SLARC 10AAM-12PM	28. movies Howard Hughes Center Dr. (Cross street Sepulveda Blvd) 4PM-7PM	<div style="border: 1px solid green; border-radius: 15px; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> For More information contact Linda Butler (310) 258-4245 </div>		30.

April 2026

Good evening, Board Members & Guest:

Here is our report for April. On March 23rd

Advocates attended SLARC AAC (Jeremy Murphy)

did a presentation Sign Language we learn how to the ABC's in Sign Language.

On March 28th

Self-advocates attended the Ability Expo in Long Beach at the Long Beach Convention center.

There were over 200 vendors and 200 exhibitors showcasing products, technologies, and services for the disability community, these vendors offer things from wheelchairs equipment and much more.

On April 2nd

CAC members attended the POS it was located at Regional Center.

April 10th

(Wesley Witherspoon) a Peer Advocate for CAC. He did presentation on voting and discussed who is the candidates who is running for governor for California 2026. Primary Election will be June 2, 2026, and November 3, 2026, is the General Election.

CAC also discuss about any updates that's going on in the world that's affected us. CAC also has a whole volunteer work in the community we did 58 hour for the month of March. CAC members will be attending the upcoming Supportive Life Conference May 7th-Thu 9th we attend each IPP meetings for support.

And that's the Report!

Haciendo que tu Centro Regional trabaje para ti

Acompáñenos para aprender cómo los **servicios de Recreación Social** pueden apoyar a su familia y cómo aprovechar al máximo su Centro Regional.



Jueves 30 de abril

5:00 PM- 6:30 PM

[Haga clic aquí](#) para registrarse

Temas a tratar:

- Descripción general de los servicios de recreación social
- Oportunidad para hacer preguntas
- Conéctate con proveedores en español.
- [Haz clic aquí](#) para compartir tus preguntas con nosotros.

**Ayudemos a
su hijo a
conectar, jugar
y desarrollarse
plenamente.**

Making Your Regional Center Work for You

Join us to learn how **Social Recreation services** can support your family and how to make the most of your Regional Center services.



Thursday, April 30th

5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

[Click here](#) to Register

Topics to Discuss:

- Overview of Social Recreation Services
- Opportunity to ask questions
- Connect with Spanish-speaking vendors
- [Click here](#) to share your questions with us

**Let's help
your child
connect, play,
and thrive.**



**Public Meeting - Thursday, May 7th, at 5pm for
input on the coming year's WRC performance
objectives**

Please see survey linked below for feedback

During the May 7th meeting, WRC will seek input on the annual performance objectives that will be incorporated into our Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Performance Contract with the Department of Developmental Services (DDS). We will gather insights from those most closely connected to WRC on activities we could take to continue improving our performance on the objectives measured through our previous performance contract in Fiscal Year 2026. Once we have received your input, WRC will review feedback to include in the planned activities within our updated Performance Contract, which will be submitted to our Board of Directors for review and approval. The performance contract is comprised of goals and objectives that are developed as the result of community input to DDS and the regional centers. This meeting is intended for individuals served by WRC and their families—whose firsthand experiences and perspectives are vital in shaping the direction and goals for the coming year—as well as service providers, advocates, and others within our communities who support them.

Join us to share your feedback and help set what to expect in the coming year at WRC!

You are invited to join this meeting remotely by using the following Zoom meeting link.

Please register in advance for this meeting:

Zoom link: <https://tinyurl.com/yc5np4n8>

Meeting ID: 821 1412 7732

Passcode: 839553

If you would like to provide additional comment or cannot participate in the May 7th public meeting, please complete the survey below by end of day on May 7th.

[\(survey linked here\)](#)



Reunión Pública - Jueves 7 de mayo a las 5:00 p.m.

Para recibir comentarios sobre los objetivos de desempeño de WRC para el próximo año

Por favor, consulte la encuesta enlazada a continuación para compartir sus comentarios.

Durante la reunión del 7 de mayo, WRC buscará aportes sobre los objetivos de desempeño anual que se incorporarán en nuestro Contrato de Desempeño para el Año Fiscal 2026-2027 con el Departamento de Servicios para el Desarrollo (DDS, por sus siglas en inglés). Recopilaremos ideas de quienes están más estrechamente vinculados con WRC sobre las actividades que podríamos llevar a cabo para seguir mejorando nuestro desempeño en los objetivos medidos a través de nuestro contrato de desempeño anterior en el Año Fiscal 2026. Una vez que recibamos sus comentarios, WRC los revisará para incluirlos en las actividades planificadas dentro de nuestro Contrato de Desempeño actualizado, el cual será presentado a nuestra Junta Directiva para su revisión y aprobación.

El contrato de desempeño está compuesto por metas y objetivos que se desarrollan como resultado de los aportes de la comunidad al DDS y a los centros regionales. Esta reunión está dirigida a las personas

atendidas por WRC y a sus familias, cuyas experiencias y perspectivas de primera mano son fundamentales para definir la dirección y los objetivos del próximo año, así como también a los proveedores de servicios, defensores y otros miembros de nuestras comunidades que los apoyan.

¡Acompáñenos para compartir sus comentarios y ayudar a establecer qué esperar de WRC en el próximo año!

Está invitado a unirse a esta reunión de manera remota utilizando el siguiente enlace de Zoom.

Por favor regístrese con anticipación para esta reunión:

Enlace de Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/yc5np4n8>

ID de la reunion: **821 1412 7732**

Código de acceso: **839553**

Si desea proporcionar comentarios adicionales o no puede participar en la reunión pública del 7 de mayo, por favor complete la siguiente encuesta antes de que finalice el día 7 de mayo.

([enlace a la encuesta aquí](#))

Survey for Westside Regional Center (WRC) Annual Performance Objectives
2026

Thank you for taking the time to provide your feedback to support WRC in setting our performance objectives for the coming year through this brief 10 question survey. (Average time to complete is 8 minutes)

Ethnicity/Race

In which language do you prefer to receive services?

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2026

Question 1

* Are you a person served by or a family member of a person served by WRC?:

- Yes
 No

If no, then are you,

- a. Friend of the individual/family
 b. Service Provider
 c. Employee of community partner agency
 d. Interested community member
 e. Individual/family supported by another regional center
 f. Other (please specify)

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Question 2

* What services could/does WRC assist in accessing that most support children maintaining successful placement in the family home?

- a. In home respite service
- b. Out of home respite services
- c. Day care/specialized supervision/personal assistance support
- d. Social/recreation services and/or camp
- e. Support in dealing with behavioral challenges
- f. Other, if none of the above

* Do you believe that the chosen service is reasonably available through WRC?

- Yes
- No

If no, then why do you believe this:

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2026

Question 3

* What services could/does WRC assist in accessing that most support adults in maintaining successful placement in the family home?

- a. In home respite service
- b. Out of home respite services
- c. Personal Assistance support
- d. Day activity/training programs to provide support socialization opportunity and access to meaningful activities
- e. Support in dealing with behavioral challenges
- f. Other if none of the above

* Do you believe that the chosen service is reasonably available through WRC?

- Yes
- No

If no, then why do you believe this

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2026

Question 4

* How can WRC better support those with the goal of living independently?

- a. Increased access to programs and services to assist in finding affordable housing
- b. Increased access to employment services to improve ability to meet costs of living on ones own
- c. Increased access to culturally competent independent & supported living resources
- d. Support in dealing with behavioral challenges
- e. Accessible transportation resources
- f. Other if none of the above

* Do you believe that the chosen service is reasonably available through WRC?

- Yes
- No

If no, then why do you believe this

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2026

Question 5

* How can WRC better support those with the goal of obtaining employment?

- a. Increased access to information on the effect work will have on my benefits (SSI, MediCal, etc)
- b. Increased access to programs that will assist in finding and keeping a job
- c. Increased access to job training and/or internship opportunities to prepare for work
- d. Accessible transportation to allow for a safe work commute
- e. Increased support in learning about employment resources in the community (Dept of Rehabilitation, America's Job Center of Ca, etc)
- f. Other, If none of the above

* Do you believe that the chosen service is reasonably available through WRC?

- Yes
- No

If no, then why do you believe this

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2026

Question 6

* What actions can Westside Regional Center take to support closing the gap in spending for non-English speaking and/or non-white adults and children?

- a. Increased staff training in cultural competency and use of bilingual personnel
- b. Increased emphasis on participant directed services (Funded directly through WRC but you select the staff)
- c. Improved access to the Self Determination Program
- d. Increased opportunity to learn about the services and programs available through WRC
- e. Improved support with access to existing programs and services due to language barriers
- f. Other, If none of the above

* Do you believe that the chosen service is reasonably available through WRC?

- Yes
- No

If no, then why do you believe this

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2026

Question 7

How satisfied are you with the services you are receiving through the support of WRC?

- a. Satisfied
- b. Services could be improved

If b, then why do you believe this:

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2026

Question 8

Do you feel that your Individual program plan includes all needed supports?

- Yes
- No

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Question 9

9)What should WRC do to improve assistance to those we support in having their needs met?

- Improved availability of information on programs and services on our website and via flyers/brochures
- Workshop opportunities to learn about different types of services that are available
- Increased access to Service Coordinators
- Additional support with referral to existing programs and services
- Additional support in the move to SDP
- Other if none of the above

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2026

Question 10

Please share any additional thoughts you may have on WRC’s performance objectives for the coming year

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2026

End of Survey

Thank you for taking the time to support WRC with our effort to continue improvement in service delivery!

[Click here to register for the meeting](#)

From: California Policy Center for I/DD <info@cpcidd.org>

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WORKFORCE SUMMIT 2026

Invisible No More: Advancing California's Direct Support Profession

Navigating the Future of Work
Conversations with Direct Support
Professionals and leaders.

Leadership and Looking Ahead
Presentation from Dr. Amy Hewitt
and DSPs on next steps to further
professionalizing the field.



Wednesday, May 27 - Thursday, May 28



North Natomas Community Center
2631 New Market Drive
Sacramento, CA 95835



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Featured Speaker: Dr. Amy Hewitt

Director, Institute on Community Integration

Director, Research & Training Center on Community Living - Director, MNLEND



For over 30 years, Dr. Hewitt has worked in the field of intellectual and developmental disabilities in various capacities to improve community inclusion and quality of life for children and adults with disabilities and their families.

At the University of Minnesota, she is the Director of the Institute on Community Integration, where she directs state and federal research, evaluation, and demonstration projects in the area of community long-term services and supports for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, including autism. Her current projects focus on community living, autism, outcome measurement, direct support workforce development, person-centered planning/thinking, and positive behavior support.

[Learn more about Dr. Hewitt's work](#)

WORKFORCE SUMMIT

Agenda

Day One: Navigating the Future of Workforce

8:30AM Breakfast and Registration

9:00 AM Welcome

Teresa Anderson, Executive Director, California Policy Center for Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

9:10 AM Introduction of Keynote Speakers,

9:10 AM Introduction to Direct Support Professionals University (DSP U)

Mark Melanson, Executive Director, California Community Living Network

9:30 AM Introduction of world Cafe Model

Tony Anderson, Association of Regional Center Agencies

Introduction of Discussion Topics

10:00AM Discussion Rotations #1

11:00AM Discussion Rotations #2

12:30,PM Lunch and Learn: What Is the Direct Support: Professionals (DSP) Collaborative?

Carly Moorman, Client Employment Specialist, Alta California Regional Center
Tony Anderson, Associate Executive Director, Association of Regional Center Agencies

1:30 PM Discussion Rotations #3

2:45 PM Discussion Rotations #4

4:00 PM Closing; Recap and Sharing Session

Barry Jardini, Executive Director, California Disabilities Services Association

4:30 PM Reception

Day Two: Exploring Critical Industry Challenges

- 9:00 AM** **Welcome and Day One Overview**
Mark Melanson, Executive Director, California Community Living Network
- 9:15 AM** **Introduction of Keynote Speaker**
Tony Anderson, Associate Executive Director, Association of Regional Center Agencies
- 9:15 AM** **Keynote Speaker: Dr. Amy Hewitt, PhD, FAAIDD (she/her)**
Director, Institute on Community Integration | Director, Research & Training Center on Community Living | Director, MNLEND
- “Pathways: Creating Opportunities for Longevity and Retention of DSPs in the Community-Based Services Delivery System”**
- 10:15 AM** **Break**
- 10:25 AM** **Introduction of Department of Developmental Services**
Teresa Anderson, CPCIDD
- 10:30 AM** **Trending Topics and Issues in California’s Developmental Services Workforce**
- Department of Developmental Services**
Jennifer Parsons, Deputy Director, Service Innovation and Oversight Division
- Department of Developmental Services**
Krystall Rollins, Branch Chief, Service and Workforce Development Branch
- Department of Developmental Services**
- 11:00 AM** **Kaina Periera, Executive Director, California Workforce Development Board**
- 11:45 AM** **Lunch**
- 12:30 PM** **Day One in Review**
- 2:00 PM** **Real Stories from Real Life Featuring a Panel of Direct Support Professionals**
- 3:00 PM** **Break**
- 3:15 PM** **Takeaways, Next Steps and Looking Ahead to the Future**
- 4:00 PM** **Adjourn**



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TRANSITION TO ADULT SERVICES SERIES

Preparing students for the transition to adulthood requires thoughtful planning and support. The Westside Family Resource and Empowerment Center, in collaboration with the Westside Regional Center and our community partners, invites you to our annual **Transition to Adult Services** series. This series is designed to provide valuable information and connect you with trusted resources to help support a successful transition into adulthood.



MARCH 21

INTRODUCTION /WELCOME
10:00AM-10:15AM

TRANSITION CARE RESOURCES
11:00AM-11:20AM

PERSON CENTERED THINKING
ONE PAGE DESCRIPTION
10:15AM-11:00AM

INTRODUCTION TO
FAMILY RESOURCE AND EMPOWERMENT CENTER
11:20AM-12:00PM

MARCH 28

ALTERNATIVES TO CONSERVATORSHIP
10:00AM-11:30AM

CONSERVATORSHIP RESOURCES
11:30AM -12:00PM

APRIL 4

SSI/SSA BENEFITS AND EMPLOYMENT
10:00AM-11:00AM

SPECIAL NEEDS TRUST
11:00AM -12:00PM

APRIL 11

REGIONAL CENTER SERVICES
10:00AM- 10:45AM

EMPLOYMENT
10:45AM-11:45AM

LIVING OPTIONS
11:45AM- 12:00PM

APRIL 18

REGIONAL CENTER SERVICES -CONTINUED

COORDINATED FAMILY SUPPORT
10:00AM - 11:00AM

SELF-DETERMINATION
11:00AM -12:00PM

APRIL 25

SPECIAL EDUCATION
IEP /ITP
10:00AM-10:50AM

ALTERNATE PATHWAY TO A
HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA
10:50AM-11:20AM

DEPARTMENT OF REHAB
11:20AM-12:00PM

MAY 02

TRANSITION/POST SECONDARY PROGRAMS PANEL
10:00AM -12:00PM

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SERIES DE TRANSICIÓN A SERVICIOS PARA ADULTOS

Preparar a los estudiantes que están en transición a la edad adulta requiere mucha preparación. Westside Family Resource and Empowerment Center, en colaboración con Westside Regional Center y nuestros socios comunitarios, lo invitan a nuestra serie anual de *Transición a Servicios para Adultos*, que está diseñada para brindarle información importante y recursos confiables.



21 DE MARZO

INTRODUCCION A LA CONFERENCIA
10:00AM-10:15AM

RECURSOS PARA LA TRANSICIÓN
DE ATENCIÓN MÉDICA
11:00AM-11:20PM

PENSAMIENTO CENTRADO EN LA PERSONA
DESCRIPCION DE UNA PAGINA
10:15AM-11:00AM

INTRODUCCIÓN AL CENTRO DE RECURSOS Y
FORTALEZA PARA LAS FAMILIAS DEL OESTE
11:20AM-12:00PM

28 DE MARZO

ALTERNATIVAS A LA TUTELA
10:00AM-11:30AM

RECURSOS DE CONSERVATORIA
11:30AM-12:00PM

4 DE ABRIL

BENEFICIOS DE SSI/SSA Y EMPLEO
10:00AM-11:30AM

FIDEICOMISOS PARA NECESIDADES
ESPECIALES
11:00AM-12:00PM

11 DE ABRIL

SERVICIOS DEL CENTRO REGIONAL
10:00AM-11:00AM

ESPECIALISTA EN GARANTÍA DE CALIDAD/EMPLEO
11:00AM-11:45AM

ESPECIALISTA DE FHA/FTH
11:45AM-12:00PM

18 DE ABRIL

SERVICIOS DEL CENTRO REGIONAL

APOYO COORDINADO FAMILIAR
10:00AM-11:00AM

PROGRAMA DE AUTODETERMINACIÓN
11:00AM-12:00PM

25 DE ABRIL

EDUCACION-IEP/ITP
GERENTE DEL FEC
10:00AM-10:50AM

CAMINO ALTERNATIVO AL
DIPLOMA DE ESCUELA SECUNDARIA
10:50AM-11:20AM

DEPARTAMENTO DE REHABILITACIÓN
CONSEJERA DE SERVICIOS ESTUDIANTILES
11:20AM-12:00PM

2 DE MAYO

PANEL DE PROGRAMAS DE TRANSICIÓN/POSTSECUNDARIA
10:00AM-12:00PM

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Regístrate Ahora

TRANSITION FAIR

**Saturday, May 16, 2026
9:00AM-1:00PM**



Westside Family Resource and Empowerment Center and Westside Regional Center, in collaboration with our community partners, will be hosting our annual Transition Fair.

-  Health
-  Regional Center
-  Employment
-  Living Options
-  Education
-  Self Determination
-  Generic Resources
-  And More

In-Person

**The Proud Bird
11022 Aviation Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90045**



Westside Family Resource
and Empowerment Center
LA County Inclusion Partnership

DDS

Department of
Developmental
Services



FERIA DE TRANSICIÓN

sábado, 16 de mayo de 2026
9:00AM-1:00PM



Centro De Recursos y Fortaleza para las Familias del Oeste y el Centro Regional de Westside, en colaboración con nuestros socios comunitarios, organizarán nuestra Feria de Transición anual.

- ✓ Salud
- ✓ Centro Regional
- ✓ Empleo
- ✓ Opciones de Vida
- ✓ Educación
- ✓ Autodeterminación
- ✓ Recursos Genéricos
- ✓ Y más

En Persona

The Proud Bird
11022 Aviation Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90045

Este evento se paga en parte con fondos para el acceso lingüístico y competencia cultural

EXECUTIVE FUNCTION TOOLS AND SUPPORTS

Wednesday, May 13th

at 10:00 am

Executive functions are the self-regulating skills that we all use to accomplish tasks, from getting dressed to doing homework.

They include: paying attention, organizing, planning, and prioritizing as well as regulating emotions and many others. Come discover tools and strategies that may assist individuals with time and project management, organization, attention, focus, working memory, and self-regulation.



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HERRAMIENTAS Y APOYOS PARA LA FUNCIÓN EJECUTIVA

Miércoles 13 de mayo a

las 10:00 a.m.

Las funciones ejecutivas son las habilidades de autorregulación que todos usamos para realizar labores, desde vestirnos hasta hacer la tarea. Incluyen: prestar atención, organizar, saber planear y priorizar, así como regular las emociones, entre muchas otras. Ven a descubrir herramientas y estrategias que pueden ayudar a las personas con la gestión del tiempo y los proyectos, la organización, la atención, la concentración, la memoria de trabajo y la autorregulación.



Regístrate Aquí

Spreading Awareness of CalABLE

April is ABLE to Save Month, a time to recognize the power of financial independence for Californians with disabilities. The [CalABLE](#) program helps individuals save for the future without jeopardizing eligibility for public benefits, providing a path to greater security, opportunity, and independence.

This month, we are excited to introduce the newest cohort of CalABLE Ambassadors. These inspiring individuals are champions for financial empowerment, sharing their experiences and helping others understand how CalABLE accounts can support long-term savings and financial planning.

Through their advocacy, outreach, and personal stories, our ambassadors help spread awareness of the tools and resources available through CalABLE to help other individuals with disabilities plan and save for the future.

Meet the 2026 CalABLE Ambassadors:





State Treasurer Ma at the Los Angeles Abilities Expo

State Treasurer Ma opened the 2026 [Abilities Expo](#), addressing Californians with disabilities, families, advocates, and service providers while highlighting expanded financial opportunities through the state’s CalABLE program.

“Accessibility and financial opportunity should be part of every Californian’s future.”
 -State Treasurer Fiona Ma, CPA



(Photo credit: State Treasurer’s Office)



Expanding Access to Financial Independence

An op-ed by CalABLE Executive Director and Ambassador Julienn Dallara

Recent expansions to CalABLE are removing barriers to saving, increasing flexibility, and helping more Californians with disabilities build financial security for the future.

“Financial inclusion isn’t just a policy goal—it’s what makes California’s economy stronger.”
 — Thomas Martin & Julienne Dallara

[Read in the full article.](#)