



Harbor Developmental Disabilities Foundation

Board of Trustees Meeting

July 21, 2026



JULY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, July 21, 2026 @ 6:00 pm
Torrance Location | 21309 Main Board Room

A G E N D A

- 1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS..... LAVELLE GATES, President**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 3. MINUTES OF THE *May 19, 2026* MEETING.....FU-TIEN CHIOU, Secretary**
- 4. TREASURER'S REPORT.....DR. JAMES FLORES, Treasurer**
- 5. EXECUTIVE REPORT* PATRICK RUPPE, Executive Director**
 - State Budget *update*
 - SB 163 *highlights*
 - Board Approval: *FY 2026-27 Board Committee Roster
 - Insurance *renewal*
 - ARCA Academy *flyer*
 - Community Engagement *highlights*
 - Presentation: Whistleblower & Board Roles | Fiscal Training, by Judy Wada, Chief Financial Officer
- 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
 - a) ARCA.....JOE CZARSKE, REPRESENTATIVE**
 - b) BOARD DEVELOPMENT.....JOE CZARSKE, CHAIRPERSON**
 - c) CLIENT ADVISORY.....PATRICIA JORDAN, CHAIRPERSON**
 - d) CLIENT SERVICES.....DAVID GAUTHIER, CHAIRPERSON**
 - e) SELF DETERMINATION ADVISORYANTOINETTE PEREZ, LIAISON**
 - f) SERVICE PROVIDER ADVISORY...ANGELA RODRIGUEZ, CHAIRPERSON**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT: 8:00 PM**

*indicates action



MINUTES

Fu-Tien Chiou,
Secretary



**MINUTES OF THE MAY 19, 2026 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE HARBOR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES FOUNDATION**

BOARD PRESENT:

Mr. Joe Czarske, *Vice-President*
Dr. James Flores, *Secretary*
Mr. LaVelle Gates, *President*
Mr. David Gauthier, Board Member
Mr. Ramon Gonzalez, Board Member
Ms. Ann Lee, Ph.D, Board Member
Mr. Chris Patay, Board Member
Ms. Angela Rodriguez, Board Member
Ms. Laurie Zaleski, Board Member

BOARD ABSENT:

Mr. Ron Bergmann, Board Member
Mr. Gordon Cardona, Board Member
Mr. Fu-Tien Chiou, *Treasurer*
Mr. Jeffrey Herrera, Board Member
Ms. Patricia Jordan, Board Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Patrick Ruppe, Executive Director
Ms. Judy Wada, Chief Financial Officer
Ms. Elizabeth Garcia-Moya, Director of Community Services
Ms. Antoinette Perez, Director of Children's Services
Ms. Eun Kim, Director of Intake & Clinical Services
Ms. LaWanna Blair, Director of Early Childhood Services
Ms. Judy Samana Taimi, Director of Adult Services
Ms. Thao Mailloux, Director of Strategic Communications & Engagement
Ms. Jennifer Lauro, Executive Assistant
Ms. Catalina Franco, Department Assistant

STAFF ABSENT:

Mary Hernandez, Director of Case Management Support Services
Mr. Jesus Jimenez, Executive Office Department Assistant

INTERPRETER:

Mr. Fernando Nunez, LRA Spanish Interpreter

GUESTS:

Ms. Monserrat Palacios, DDS
Mr. Paul Quiroz, Service Provider
Ms. Stephanie Valencia, HRC Staff
Ms. Cecilia Brizuela, HRC Staff
Mr. Elias Guzman, HRC Staff
Mr. Jonathan Rodriguez, HRC Staff
Ms. Maria Suarez, HRC Staff
Mr. Brian Carrillo, HRC Staff
Mr. Raphael Munoz, HRC Staff
Mr. Jesse Tores, HRC Staff
Ms. Sierra Moreno, HRC Staff
Mr. John King, HRC Staff
Mr. Dennis Cacades, HRC Staff
Ms. Brenda Chavez, HRC Staff
Ms. Ariana Castruita, HRC Staff
Mr. Ernesto Solorio, HRC Staff
Ms. Kinda Um, HRC Staff
Ms. Diana Amador, HRC Staff
Ms. Erika Castillo, HRC Staff
Ms. Stacy Schafer, HRC Staff
Ms. Rosy Flores, HRC Staff
Ms. Josephina Cunningham, HRC Staff

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-President Mr. Czarske conducted the Board meeting in lieu of President Mr. Gates and called the Board to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Czarske welcomed Board members, guests and staff, then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Czarske took roll call of Board members and a quorum was established.

CLOSED SESSION - OPEN 6:02 PM

Mr. Czarske announced that we will have a Closed Session tonight to discuss: 1) Employee Salaries and Benefits. At this time Mr. Czarske made a motion to ask the Board to close the public Board meeting and go into closed session.

Mr. Gauthier moved to close the public Board meeting and go into Closed Session and Ms. Lee seconded the motion. The full Board adjourned to the Executive Dining Room at 6:04 pm.

CLOSED SESSION - ADJOURN 6:10 PM

Mr. Czarske made a motion to ask the Board to conclude the Closed Session on: 1) Employee Salaries and Benefits and return to the public Board meeting.

Dr. Flores moved to close the Closed Session and return to the public Board meeting and Ms. Rodriguez seconded the motion. The full Board adjourned to the main Board room to continue the public Board meeting at 6:10 pm.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT *continued*

REMINDERS:

Mr. Czarske reminded Board members that our next meeting will be a training, closed to the public, on June 16, 2026.

Mr. Czarske informed the Board that our next regular business meeting will be on July 21, 2026.

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT:

Mr. Czarske called upon Board Member Laurie Zaleski to read Harbor's Mission/Vision Statement. Ms. Zaleski read Harbor's Mission/Vision Statement out loud.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Mr. Czarske announced that tonight we have our annual Board meeting at which we elect new Board members and Officers. Tonight members received the ELECTION BALLOT and the SLATE OF OFFICERS BALLOT and voted. Results will be announced during the Board Development Committee reporting of the meeting.
- Mr. Czarske announced the date of Saturday, October 10, 2026 has been selected for our annual Board Retreat and Recognition Dinner. Details to follow.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Czarske advised that public input was next on the agenda. Mr. Czarske stated that he will call upon each person who submitted a Public Comment Request form to address the Board and requested that he or she limit their comments to two minutes in order to accommodate everyone. Mr. Czarske indicated that we had received two (2) Public Comment Request forms.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES:

Dr. Flores presented the draft minutes of the March 17, 2026 meeting of our Board which were included in the Board packet and posted for the general public on the

Harbor website. **The MINUTES OF THE MARCH 17, 2026 BOARD MEETING were received and filed.**

PRESENTATION OF FINANCIALS

In Mr. Chiou's absence, Ms. Wada reviewed the following financial statements, which were received and filed:

- Harbor Regional Center Monthly Financial Report Fiscal Year 2025-26, dated February and March, 2026
- Harbor Regional Center POS Contract Summary, dated February and March, 2026
- Harbor Regional Center Purchase of Service Line Item Report, dated February and March 2026
- Harbor Regional Center Operations Line Item Report, dated February and March 2026
- Harbor Developmental Disabilities Foundation Harbor Help Fund Statement of Activities Fiscal Year 2025-26

BOARD PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT | ADOPTION OF HARBOR'S DRAFT 2026-2027 PERFORMANCE PLAN:

Mr. Czarske called upon Thao Mailloux, Director of Strategic Communications and Engagement who presented Harbor's Draft 2026-2027 Performance Plan for FY 2024-25 Year End Data. Ms. Mailloux documented questions and suggestions from the Board and audience upon concluding her presentation. Ms. Mailloux called upon Chairperson David Gauthier to give the Board Planning Committee Report.

Mr. Gauthier called the Board's attention to the May 13, 2026 Board Planning Committee minutes and requested the Board make a motion to adopt Harbor's Draft 2026-2027 Performance Plan.

Ms. Zaleski moved to adopt Harbor's Draft 2026-2027 Performance Plan and Ms. Rodriguez seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

EXECUTIVE REPORT

1. STATE BUDGET UPDATE:

Mr. Ruppe provided the Board with a detailed update on the budget, specifically on the May Revision that was released on May 15, 2026 that included the following key developmental services: 1) Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Budget; 2) Regional Center System Funding; 3) Federal Reimbursements; and 4) Trailer Bill Language (TBL). Mr. Ruppe informed that significant cuts were anticipated across many state programs, but the Budget largely spared cuts to developmental services.

2. FOR BOARD APPROVAL | BORROWING RESOLUTION | LINE OF CREDIT WITH CITY NATIONAL BANK:

Mr. Ruppe informed that it is necessary for Harbor to have a line of credit in place in the event we have insufficient cash to ensure that our service providers are paid timely and to meet other obligations. Harbor has renewed its line of credit with City National Bank. The original loan agreement was entered on February 9, 2024. The current agreement expires on June 30, 2026 with the revolving credit amount of \$40,000,000. The agreement will be extended through June 30, 2027, with the revolving credit amount increased to \$50,000,000.

BORROWING RESOLUTION: RESOLVED that the agreement will be extended through June 30, 2027, with the revolving credit amount increased to \$50,000,000. Mr. Gates moved to adopt the borrowing resolution as noted above and Mr. Patay seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

3. FOR BOARD APPROVAL | PURCHASE OF SERVICE CONTRACT | CCP/CRDP START-UP FUNDING FOR A LEVEL 7 ADULT RESIDENTIAL FACILITY HRC2526-2:

Mr. Ruppe advised that the Lanterman Act requires any regional center contract which exceeds \$250,000 be approved by the regional center Board. Mr. Ruppe indicated that this contract is for the development of an adult residential facility with a Level 7 service provider (California Enhanced Behavioral Services, LLC) for persons with behavioral support needs for the contract period of June 30, 2026 to March 31, 2027.

Mr. Gauthier moved to approve the Purchase of Service Contract for CCP/CRDP Start-Up Funding for a Level 7 Adult Residential Facility HRC2526-2 and Dr. Flores seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

4. FOR BOARD APPROVAL | PURCHASE OF SERVICE CONTRACT | CCP/CRDP START-UP FUNDING FOR A LEVEL 7 ADULT RESIDENTIAL FACILITY HRC2526-3:

Mr. Ruppe advised that the Lanterman Act requires any regional center contract which exceeds \$250,000 be approved by the regional center Board. Mr. Ruppe indicated that this contract is for the development of an adult residential facility with a Level 7 service provider (Person Centered Options, LLC) for persons with mental health needs for the contract period of June 30, 2026 to March 31, 2027.

Ms. Zaleski moved to approve the Purchase of Service Contract for CCP/CRDP Start-Up Funding for a Level 7 Adult Residential Facility HRC2526-3 and Mr. Gauthier seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

5. FOR BOARD APPROVAL | PURCHASE OF SERVICE CONTRACT | PROFESSIONAL SERVICES | COLUMBUS MEDICAL SERVICES, LLC:

Mr. Ruppe called the Board's attention to the Purchase of Service Contract with Columbus Medical Services, LLC dba The Columbus Organization and informed this is a renewal contract with The Columbus Organization that provides the clinical staff for Harbor, which includes Harbor's nurses, psychologists, bi-lingual psychologist, forensic specialist, pharmacist, board certified behavior analyst and speech and language pathologist. Mr. Ruppe informed that the projected annual amount is not to exceed \$2,507,221.00 for the contract period of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

Dr. Flores moved to approve the Purchase of Service Contract for Professional Services by The Columbus Organization with a projected renewal amount, not to exceed, \$2,507,221.00 for the contract period of

July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027 and Mr. Patay seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

6. FOR BOARD APPROVAL | PURCHASE OF SERVICE | FOUR (4) TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS WITH COMFORT, IDEAL, RELIABLE & ROUND TRIP:

Mr. Ruppe advised that the Lanterman Act requires any regional center contract which exceeds \$250,000 be approved by the regional center Board. Mr. Ruppe provided a description of each transportation service and indicated that the projected annual amount for all four (4) transportation providers contracts with Comfort, Ideal, Reliable and Round Trip will be approximately between \$12,655,300 to \$13,655,300 from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2027; may be extended for two (2) additional one-year terms.

Mr. Gauthier moved to approve the four (4) Purchase of Service Transportation Contracts with Comfort, Ideal, Reliable and Round Trip who will have a projected annual amount of approximately between \$12,655,300 to \$13,655,300 and Mr. Gonzalez seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

7. FOR BOARD APPROVAL | HARBOR TO ADOPT DDS'S SOCIAL RECREATION POLICY:

Mr. Ruppe informed the Board that the Department of Development Services (DDS) drafted a streamlined social recreational policy for all regional centers to adopt to ensure and maintain consistency throughout the State with regards to providing social recreational services. Mr. Ruppe asked the Board whether they wished to keep Harbor's current social recreational policy or adopt DDS's and the Board moved to adopt DDS's policy.

Dr. Flores moved to adopt DDS's Social Recreation Policy and Ms. Lee seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

8. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS:

Mr. Ruppe called on Ms. Mailloux, Director of Strategic Communications and Engagement who shared photos and information of Harbor's Book Buddies, Story & Play Time, Autism Awareness 5K events, Self-Determination Program Resource Fair, Spring Transition Fair, LAUSD Special Education Family Resource Fair and the Catalina Island Resource Fair.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. BOARD DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Czarske reported that the Board Development Committee met on April 15, 2026 where the ELECTION BALLOT and the SLATE OF OFFICERS BALLOT were created. These ballots were handed out tonight to the Board members who voted.

RESULTS OF VOTING:

1. All Board members unanimously voted to ELECT the following SLATE OF OFFICERS for a term of one (1) additional year:

President – LaVelle Gates	Vice President – Joe Czarske
Treasurer – Dr. James Flores	Secretary – Fu-Tien Chiou

2. All Board members unanimously voted to ELECT the following candidate: Alexandra Stewart for a term of two (2) years of services beginning June 1, 2026 to June 30, 2028. Mr. Ruppe informed the Board that Ms. Stewart will be invited to the June 16, 2026 training.

B. CLIENT ADVISORY

In Chair Jordan's absence, Ms. Taimi informed the Board that the Client Advisory Committee met on February 11, 2026 and discussed the Lunar Celebration, Listening Sessions and Peer Hangout. The Committee agreed to have their next meeting on August 12, 2026 in person.

C. CLIENT SERVICES

Ms. Taimi reported in lieu of Chair Gauthier informing the Board that the Client Services Committee met on January 28, 2026 and participated in the training discussing the current Childcare Services and Service Policy. Ms. Taimi informed that the Board also met on March 24, 2026, but will report on that meeting at the July Board meeting.

D. RETIREMENT

In Chair Chiou's absence, Ms. Wada reported on the Retirement Plan Balances as of the quarter ending March 31, 2026.

E. SELF-DETERMINATION ADVISORY

Ms. Perez advised the Board that the Self-Determination Advisory Committee continues to meet monthly and provided an update on the March and April meetings.

F. SERVICE PROVIDER ADVISORY

Ms. Rodriguez, Chair of the Committee, informed that the Committee met on April 7, 2026 and received updates on SIR Reporting, HCBS and requirements for the upcoming annual independent audit, rate reform, standardized vendorization and the quality incentive program (QIP) for fiscal year 2026-27. Ms. Rodriguez advised of the committee's efforts to drum up more service provider participation to the SPAC meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for June 2, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT 7:37 p.m.

Mr. Czarske thanked all those who participated in our Board meeting tonight.

Submitted by: _____

Dr. James Flores, Secretary
Board of Trustees

Harbor Developmental Disabilities Foundation



FINANCIALS

Dr. James Flores,
Treasurer

**HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER
MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2025-26
Apr-26**

	FY 2025-26 B-4	Month Exp	Y-T-D Expenses	Projected Expenses	Proj. Annual Expenses	Proj. Funds Available
Purchase of Service						
Regular	\$ 561,681,362	\$ 48,132,977	\$ 442,056,418	\$ 117,408,661	\$ 559,465,079	\$ 2,216,283
less other revenue	<u>(2,375,794)</u>	<u>(667,492)</u>	<u>(1,979,828)</u>	<u>(395,966)</u>	<u>(2,375,794)</u>	<u>-</u>
Subtotal Regular	559,305,568	47,465,485	440,076,590	117,012,695	557,089,285	2,216,283
CPP/CRDP	110,000	25,000	75,000	960,000	1,035,000	(925,000)
Compliance with HCBS Regulations	<u>675,401</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>675,401</u>	<u>675,401</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Purchase of Service	560,090,969	47,490,485	440,151,590	118,648,096	558,799,686	1,291,283
Operations						
Salaries & Benefits	53,497,301	4,066,467	42,691,451	10,805,850	53,497,301	-
Operating Expenses	11,685,061	836,322	9,522,766	2,162,295	11,685,061	-
less other revenue	<u>(650,577)</u>	<u>(62,499)</u>	<u>(538,442)</u>	<u>(112,135)</u>	<u>(650,577)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Operations	64,531,785	4,840,290	51,675,775	12,856,010	64,531,785	-
TOTAL	\$ 624,622,754	\$ 52,330,775	\$ 491,827,365	\$ 131,504,106	\$ 623,331,471	\$ 1,291,283
% of Budget	100.00%	8.38%	78.74%	21.05%	99.79%	

**HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER
POS CONTRACT SUMMARY
April-26**

Fiscal Year	Contract	Fund	POS Budget	POS Claimed	Current Balance/ (Deficit)	Projected Expenses	Projected Balance/ (Deficit)
2025-26	B-4	Reg POS	\$ 559,305,568	\$ 441,442,204	\$ 117,863,364	\$ 115,647,081	\$ 2,216,283
		CPP/CRDP	110,000	75,000	35,000	960,000	(925,000) *
		HCBS Compliance	675,401	-	675,401	675,401	-
		TOTAL	\$ 560,090,969	\$ 441,517,204	\$ 118,573,765	\$ 117,282,482	\$ 1,291,283
2024-25	A-3	Reg POS	\$ 466,643,236	\$ 455,395,093	\$ 11,248,143	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 1,248,143
		CPP/CRDP	729,100	331,920	397,180	397,180	-
		HCBS Compliance	675,401	233,893	441,508	441,508	-
		TOTAL	\$ 468,047,737	\$ 455,960,906	\$ 12,086,831	\$ 10,838,688	\$ 1,248,143
2023-24	E-4	Reg POS	\$ 376,553,743	\$ 346,887,234	\$ 29,666,509	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 28,666,509
		CPP/CRDP	1,100,000	715,000	385,000	-	385,000 *
		HCBS Compliance	633,401	542,865	90,536	-	90,536 **
		TOTAL	\$ 378,287,144	\$ 348,145,099	\$ 30,142,045	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 29,142,045

* For FY 2025-26 CPP/CRDP funds, Harbor was notified by DDS on September 30, 2025 of our approved CPP/CRDP Start-Up Plan. The funds will be allocated in a future amendment

For FY 2023-24--

** CPP/CRDP funds, Harbor was unable to contract with service providers within the required timeframe for two (2) projects. Funds will be returned to DDS.

*** HCBS Compliance funds, Harbor was unable to spend the full allocation. Funds will be returned to DDS.

**HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER
PURCHASE OF SERVICE
LINE ITEM REPORT
April-26**

	FY 2025-26 B-4	Net Expended Month	Y-T-D	Projected Expenses	Proj. Annual Expenses*	Proj. Funds Available
REGULAR						
Out-Of-Home						
Community Care Facility	\$ 150,753,708	\$ 12,568,325	\$ 124,642,505	\$ 25,516,359	\$ 150,158,864	\$ 594,844
ICF/SNF Facility	<u>520,634</u>	<u>88,612</u>	<u>424,603</u>	<u>93,977</u>	<u>518,580</u>	<u>2,054</u>
	151,274,342	12,656,937	125,067,108	25,610,336	150,677,444	596,898
Day Programs						
Day Care	567,064	34,623	470,916	93,910	564,826	2,238
Day Training	48,425,182	6,643,115	34,260,464	13,973,642	48,234,106	191,076
Supported Employment & WAP	6,741,614	680,282	5,585,885	1,129,128	6,715,013	26,601
Day Programs	<u>46,338,271</u>	<u>323,629</u>	<u>45,427,210</u>	<u>728,219</u>	<u>46,155,430</u>	<u>182,841</u>
	102,072,131	7,681,649	85,744,475	15,924,900	101,669,375	402,756
Transportation						
Transportation	11,527,509	1,082,959	9,208,403	2,273,621	11,482,024	45,485
Transportation Contract	<u>7,977,889</u>	<u>663,575</u>	<u>6,522,130</u>	<u>1,424,280</u>	<u>7,946,410</u>	<u>31,479</u>
	19,505,398	1,746,534	15,730,533	3,697,901	19,428,434	76,964
Respite						
Respite In Home	82,384,380	6,919,475	59,058,523	23,000,785	82,059,308	325,072
Respite Out-of-Home	<u>69,511</u>	<u>1,210</u>	<u>31,249</u>	<u>37,988</u>	<u>69,237</u>	<u>274</u>
	82,453,891	6,920,685	59,089,772	23,038,773	82,128,545	325,346
Other Services						
Non-Medical Services Professor	18,717,839	1,962,683	14,390,996	4,252,986	18,643,982	73,857
Non-Medical Services Program*	37,953,571	4,001,545	25,099,129	12,704,684	37,803,813	149,758
Home Care	1,282,553	120,610	939,221	338,271	1,277,492	5,061
Prevention Services	7,388,639	568,024	5,834,318	1,525,167	7,359,485	29,154
Other Authorized Services	58,278,218	1,530,106	43,927,725	14,120,537	58,048,262	229,956
Personal Assistance	52,667,691	8,458,991	42,362,759	10,097,116	52,459,875	207,816
SLS	19,949,018	1,556,722	16,309,727	3,560,576	19,870,303	78,715
P&I Expense	201,555	18,556	166,067	34,693	200,760	795
Hospital Care	121,705	49,612	49,612	71,613	121,225	480
Medical Equipment	190,933	21,193	144,384	45,796	190,180	753
Medical Care Professional	9,024,471	836,914	6,876,792	2,112,070	8,988,862	35,609
Medical Care Program Services	7,777	915	5,949	1,797	7,746	31
Camps	<u>591,630</u>	<u>1,300</u>	<u>317,851</u>	<u>271,445</u>	<u>589,296</u>	<u>2,334</u>
	206,375,600	19,127,172	156,424,530	49,136,751	205,561,281	814,319
REGULAR POS EXPENDITURES	561,681,362	48,132,977	442,056,418	117,408,661	559,465,079	2,216,283
OTHER REVENUE						
ICF SPA Income	<u>(2,375,794)</u>	<u>(667,492)</u>	<u>(1,979,828)</u>	<u>(395,966)</u>	<u>(2,375,794)</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL REGULAR POS**	559,305,568	47,465,485	440,076,590	117,012,695	557,089,285	2,216,283
Community Placement & Program Development						
Start Up***	-	25,000	75,000	850,000	925,000	(925,000)
Placement/Assessment	<u>110,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>110,000</u>	<u>110,000</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL CPP/CDRP	110,000	25,000	75,000	960,000	1,035,000	(925,000)
HCBS Waiver Compliance	675,401	-	-	675,401	675,401	-
TOTAL PURCHASE OF SERVICE	\$ 560,090,969	\$ 47,490,485	\$ 440,151,590	\$ 118,648,096	\$ 558,799,686	\$ 1,291,283
% of Budget	100.00%	8.48%	78.59%	21.18%	99.77%	0.23%

Month End Caseload**20,979**

* Generally the first Purchase of Service Expenditure Projection (PEP) report is due to DDS on December 10th and is based on October actuals. Last fiscal year the PEP was delayed due to Rate Reform implementation. DDS did not request the PEP for the current fiscal year.

The Projected Annual Expenses for Regular POS was prepared using the PEP methodology. The estimate is based on expenditures through April 2026 and estimated costs of new programs and growth. POS includes an offset for other income for ICF SPA expenditures. ICF SPA expenditures are not funded through the contract with DDS but billed separately. The projected expenses remained steady compared to the prior month projection. There is approximately \$2.2 million remaining.

**HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER
OPERATIONS
LINE ITEM REPORT
April-26**

	FY 2025-26 B-4	Net Expended Month	Y-T-D	Projected Expenses	Proj. Annual Expenses	Proj. Funds Available
Salaries & Benefits						
Salaries and Wages	\$ 41,445,266	\$ 3,163,539	\$ 33,085,542	\$ 8,359,724	\$ 41,445,266	\$ -
Benefits	12,052,035	902,928	9,605,909	2,446,126	12,052,035	-
Subtotal Salaries & Benefits	53,497,301	4,066,467	42,691,451	10,805,850	53,497,301	-
Operating Expenses						
Equipment Maint	532,736	23,264	357,318	175,418	532,736	-
Facility Rental	6,307,449	538,468	5,921,768	385,681	6,307,449	-
Facility Maint	316,995	45,080	308,164	8,831	316,995	-
Communication	1,082,129	69,435	671,645	410,484	1,082,129	-
General Office Exp	193,238	32,725	164,765	28,473	193,238	-
Printing	49,278	35	38,191	11,087	49,278	-
Insurance	413,694	-	411,980	1,714	413,694	-
Utilities	53,871	3,057	41,199	12,672	53,871	-
Data Processing Maint	161,388	6,105	144,906	16,482	161,388	-
Interest/Bank Expense	17,884	952	13,785	4,099	17,884	-
Legal Fees	133,504	4,882	90,687	42,817	133,504	-
Board of Trustees Exp	17,691	1,476	14,786	2,905	17,691	-
Accounting Fees	67,500	-	61,500	6,000	67,500	-
Equipment Purchases	445,919	56,968	366,839	79,080	445,919	-
Contr/Consult Services	140,324	8,785	87,472	52,852	140,324	-
Clinical Services	158,592	15,439	141,402	17,190	158,592	-
Employee Conference	26,793	4,943	19,415	7,378	26,793	-
Travel	47,427	1,964	26,073	21,354	47,427	-
Staff Mileage	66,800	8,925	53,750	13,050	66,800	-
ARCA Dues	152,422	-	131,598	20,824	152,422	-
General Expenses	1,299,427	13,820	455,524	843,903	1,299,427	-
Subtotal Operating Expenses	11,685,061	836,322	9,522,766	2,162,295	11,685,061	-
Other Revenue						
Interest Income	(559,457)	(53,785)	(460,760)	(98,697)	(559,457)	-
Other Income	(944)	(15)	(558)	(386)	(944)	-
Other Income-Subleases	(62,416)	(4,897)	(52,695)	(9,721)	(62,416)	-
ICF SPA Admin Fee	(27,760)	(3,802)	(24,429)	(3,331)	(27,760)	-
Subtotal Other Revenue	(650,577)	(62,499)	(538,442)	(112,135)	(650,577)	-
TOTAL OPERATIONS	\$ 64,531,785	\$ 4,840,290	\$ 51,675,775	\$ 12,856,010	\$ 64,531,785	\$ -
% of Budget	100.00%	7.50%	80.08%	19.92%	100.00%	0.00%

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**HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER
MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2025-26
May-26**

	FY 2025-26 B-5	*	Month Exp	Y-T-D Expenses	Projected Expenses	Proj. Annual Expenses	Proj. Funds Available
Purchase of Service							
Regular	\$ 561,681,362		\$ 52,093,325	\$ 494,149,743	\$ 65,315,336	\$ 559,465,079	\$ 2,216,283
less other revenue	<u>(2,375,794)</u>		<u>(169,828)</u>	<u>(2,149,656)</u>	<u>(226,138)</u>	<u>(2,375,794)</u>	<u>-</u>
Subtotal Regular	559,305,568		51,923,497	492,000,087	65,089,198	557,089,285	2,216,283
CPP/CRDP	1,035,000		-	75,000	960,000	1,035,000	-
Compliance with HCBS Regulations	<u>675,401</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>675,401</u>	<u>675,401</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Purchase of Service	561,015,969		51,923,497	492,075,087	66,724,599	558,799,686	2,216,283
Operations							
Salaries & Benefits	53,497,301		3,755,207	46,446,658	7,050,643	53,497,301	-
Operating Expenses	11,681,901		1,100,022	10,622,788	1,059,113	11,681,901	-
less other revenue	<u>(650,540)</u>		<u>(40,149)</u>	<u>(578,591)</u>	<u>(71,949)</u>	<u>(650,540)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Operations	64,528,662		4,815,079	56,490,854	8,037,808	64,528,662	-
TOTAL	\$ 625,544,631		\$ 56,738,576	\$ 548,565,941	\$ 74,762,407	\$ 623,328,348	\$ 2,216,283
% of Budget	100.00%		9.07%	87.69%	11.95%	99.65%	

* On June 16, 2026, the B-5 Allocation was received from DDS. The B-5 added added \$925,000 in POS CPP/CRDP Start-up funds. There was a reduction Operations funding for Self Determination Program Participant Supports of \$3,123 due to a shift of funds between regional centers.

**HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER
POS CONTRACT SUMMARY
May-26**

Fiscal Year	Contract	Fund	POS Budget	POS Claimed	Current Balance/ (Deficit)	Projected Expenses	Projected Balance/ (Deficit)
2025-26	B-5	Reg POS	\$ 559,305,568	\$ 493,365,701	\$ 65,939,867	\$ 63,723,584	\$ 2,216,283
		CPP/CRDP	1,035,000	75,000	960,000	960,000	-
		HCBS Compliance	675,401	-	675,401	675,401	-
		TOTAL	<u><u>\$ 561,015,969</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 493,440,701</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 67,575,268</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 65,358,985</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,216,283</u></u>
2024-25	A-3	Reg POS	\$ 472,530,316	\$ 455,752,302	\$ 16,778,014	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 6,778,014
		CPP/CRDP	729,100	380,669	348,431	348,431	-
		HCBS Compliance	675,401	233,893	441,508	441,508	-
		TOTAL	<u><u>\$ 473,934,817</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 456,366,864</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 17,567,953</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 10,789,939</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 6,778,014</u></u>
2023-24	E-4	Reg POS	\$ 376,553,743	\$ 346,893,766	\$ 29,659,977	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 28,659,977
		CPP/CRDP	1,100,000	715,000	385,000	-	385,000 *
		HCBS Compliance	633,401	542,865	90,536	-	90,536 **
		TOTAL	<u><u>\$ 378,287,144</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 348,151,632</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 30,135,512</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,000,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 29,135,512</u></u>

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* CPP/CRDP funds, Harbor was unable to contract with service providers within the required timeframe for two (2) projects. Funds will be returned to DDS.

** HCBS Compliance funds, Harbor was unable to spend the full allocation. Funds will be returned to DDS.

**HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER
PURCHASE OF SERVICE
LINE ITEM REPORT
May-26**

	FY 2025-26 B-5	Net Expended Month	Y-T-D	Projected Expenses	Proj. Annual Expenses*	Proj. Funds Available
REGULAR						
Out-Of-Home						
Community Care Facility	\$ 150,753,708	\$ 13,042,884	\$ 137,685,389	\$ 12,473,475	\$ 150,158,864	\$ 594,844
ICF/SNF Facility	<u>520,634</u>	<u>45,056</u>	<u>469,659</u>	<u>48,921</u>	<u>518,580</u>	<u>2,054</u>
	151,274,342	13,087,940	138,155,048	12,522,396	150,677,444	596,898
Day Programs						
Day Care	567,064	13,901	484,817	80,009	564,826	2,238
Day Training	48,425,182	6,662,225	40,922,689	7,311,417	48,234,106	191,076
Supported Employment & WAP	6,741,614	743,782	6,329,667	385,346	6,715,013	26,601
Day Programs	<u>46,338,271</u>	<u>279,855</u>	<u>45,707,065</u>	<u>448,365</u>	<u>46,155,430</u>	<u>182,841</u>
	102,072,131	7,699,763	93,444,238	8,225,137	101,669,375	402,756
Transportation						
Transportation	11,527,509	1,342,147	10,550,550	931,474	11,482,024	45,485
Transportation Contract	<u>7,977,889</u>	<u>600,038</u>	<u>7,122,168</u>	<u>824,242</u>	<u>7,946,410</u>	<u>31,479</u>
	19,505,398	1,942,185	17,672,717	1,755,717	19,428,434	76,964
Respite						
Respite In Home	82,384,380	8,271,965	67,330,488	14,728,820	82,059,308	325,072
Respite Out-of-Home	<u>69,511</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,249</u>	<u>37,988</u>	<u>69,237</u>	<u>274</u>
	82,453,891	8,271,965	67,361,737	14,766,808	82,128,545	325,346
Other Services						
Non-Medical Services Professor	18,717,839	1,746,188	16,137,184	2,506,798	18,643,982	73,857
Non-Medical Services Program*	37,953,571	4,165,525	29,264,655	8,539,159	37,803,813	149,758
Home Care	1,282,553	123,461	1,062,682	214,810	1,277,492	5,061
Prevention Services	7,388,639	624,591	6,458,909	900,576	7,359,485	29,154
Other Authorized Services	58,278,218	10,579,889	54,507,614	3,540,648	58,048,262	229,956
Personal Assistance	52,667,691	1,172,446	43,535,205	8,924,670	52,459,875	207,816
SLS	19,949,018	1,986,170	18,295,897	1,574,406	19,870,303	78,715
P&I Expense	201,555	17,435	183,502	17,258	200,760	795
Hospital Care	121,705	37,306	86,918	34,307	121,225	480
Medical Equipment	190,933	34,569	178,953	11,227	190,180	753
Medical Care Professional	9,024,471	603,280	7,480,072	1,508,790	8,988,862	35,609
Medical Care Program Services	7,777	610	6,559	1,187	7,746	31
Camps	<u>591,630</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>317,851</u>	<u>271,445</u>	<u>589,296</u>	<u>2,334</u>
	206,375,600	21,091,473	177,516,003	28,045,279	205,561,281	814,319
REGULAR POS EXPENDITURES	561,681,362	52,093,325	494,149,743	65,315,336	559,465,079	2,216,283
OTHER REVENUE						
ICF SPA Income	<u>(2,375,794)</u>	<u>(169,828)</u>	<u>(2,149,656)</u>	<u>(226,138)</u>	<u>(2,375,794)</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL REGULAR POS**	559,305,568	51,923,497	492,000,087	65,089,198	557,089,285	2,216,283
Community Placement & Program Development						
Start Up***	925,000	-	75,000	850,000	925,000	-
Placement/Assessment	<u>110,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>110,000</u>	<u>110,000</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL CPP/CDRP	1,035,000	-	75,000	960,000	1,035,000	-
HCBS Waiver Compliance	675,401	-	-	675,401	675,401	-
TOTAL PURCHASE OF SERVICE	\$ 561,015,969	\$ 51,923,497	\$ 492,075,087	\$ 66,724,599	\$ 558,799,686	\$ 2,216,283
% of Budget	100.00%	9.26%	87.71%	11.89%	99.60%	0.40%

Month End Caseload**21,118**

* Generally the first Purchase of Service Expenditure Projection (PEP) report is due to DDS on December 10th and is based on October actuals. Last fiscal year the PEP was delayed due to Rate Reform implementation. DDS did not request the PEP for the current fiscal year.

The Projected Annual Expenses for Regular POS was prepared using the PEP methodology. The estimate is based on expenditures through April 2026 and estimated costs of new programs and growth. POS includes an offset for other income for ICF SPA expenditures. ICF SPA expenditures are not funded through the contract with DDS but billed separately. The projected expenses remained steady compared to the prior month projection. There is approximately \$2.2 million remaining.

**HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER
OPERATIONS
LINE ITEM REPORT
May-26**

	FY 2025-26 B-5	Net Expended Month	Y-T-D	Projected Expenses	Proj. Annual Expenses	Proj. Funds Available
Salaries & Benefits						
Salaries and Wages	\$ 41,445,266	\$ 2,863,064	\$ 35,948,606	\$ 5,496,660	\$ 41,445,266	\$ -
Benefits	12,052,035	892,142	10,498,051	1,553,984	12,052,035	-
Subtotal Salaries & Benefits	53,497,301	3,755,207	46,446,658	7,050,643	53,497,301	-
Operating Expenses						
Equipment Maint	532,710	22,797	380,115	152,595	532,710	-
Facility Rental	6,482,449	540,827	6,462,595	19,854	6,482,449	-
Facility Maint	331,990	17,044	325,208	6,782	331,990	-
Communication	1,082,075	48,178	719,823	362,252	1,082,075	-
General Office Exp	193,230	14,253	179,019	14,211	193,230	-
Printing	49,275	-	38,191	11,084	49,275	-
Insurance	438,694	24,886	436,867	1,827	438,694	-
Utilities	53,871	3,159	44,359	9,512	53,871	-
Data Processing Maint	161,380	6,105	151,011	10,369	161,380	-
Interest/Bank Expense	17,884	(800)	12,985	4,899	17,884	-
Legal Fees	133,498	36,515	127,202	6,296	133,498	-
Board of Trustees Exp	17,691	1,243	16,028	1,663	17,691	-
Accounting Fees	67,500	-	61,500	6,000	67,500	-
Equipment Purchases	445,899	26,998	393,836	52,063	445,899	-
Contr/Consult Services	190,317	98,509	185,980	4,337	190,317	-
Clinical Services	178,583	28,294	169,695	8,888	178,583	-
Employee Conference	26,792	-	19,415	7,377	26,792	-
Travel	47,425	8,989	35,062	12,363	47,425	-
Staff Mileage	66,797	-	53,750	13,047	66,797	-
ARCA Dues	152,415	-	131,598	20,817	152,415	-
General Expenses	1,011,426	223,025	678,550	332,877	1,011,426	-
Subtotal Operating Expenses	11,681,901	1,100,022	10,622,788	1,059,113	11,681,901	-
Other Revenue						
Interest Income	(559,420)	(34,743)	(495,502)	(63,918)	(559,420)	-
Other Income	(944)	(200)	(758)	(186)	(944)	-
Other Income-Subleases	(62,416)	(4,907)	(57,603)	(4,813)	(62,416)	-
ICF SPA Admin Fee	(27,760)	(299)	(24,728)	(3,032)	(27,760)	-
Subtotal Other Revenue	(650,540)	(40,149)	(578,591)	(71,949)	(650,540)	-
TOTAL OPERATIONS	\$ 64,528,662	\$ 4,815,079	\$ 56,490,854	\$ 8,037,808	\$ 64,528,662	\$ -
% of Budget	100.00%	7.46%	87.54%	12.46%	100.00%	0.00%

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Harbor Developmental Disabilities Foundation
Harbor Help Fund

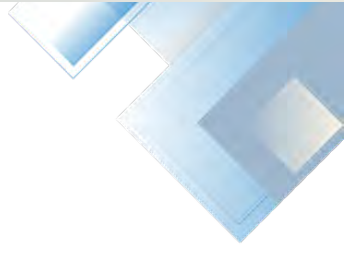
Statement of Activities
Fiscal Year 2025-26

	FY 2025-26		
	4th Qtr		
	FY 2024-25	Ending June	FY 2025-26
	TOTAL	30, 2026	YTD TOTAL
<u>Income</u>			
Donations			
Employee Donations	12,365	3,139	11,452
General Donations	25,365	269	4,423
Holiday Donations - Other	9,910		27,750
HRC Employee Raffle	-		1,298
HRC 50th Anniversary Campaign	105,294		-
Total Donations	152,933	3,407	44,923
Interest & Other Income	2,744	2,006	2,170
Total Income	155,677	5,413	47,092
<u>Expenses</u>			
Holiday Giving - Gift Cards	26,500		35,000
Holiday Giving - Other	8,002		9,200
\$50 for 50th Anniversary	3,636	1,202	7,582
Grants to Clients	3,150	68	5,215
Bank Service Charges	638		774
Total Expenses	41,926	1,270	57,772
Net Increase/(Decrease)	113,752	4,144	(10,679)
Beginning Balance	163,657	262,586	
Income	155,677	5,413	
Expenses	41,926	1,270	
Ending Balance	277,408	266,729	
Ending Balance Detail			
Cash	123,146	170,154	
50th Anniversary Fund	101,658	94,076	
CD	50,105	-	
Loans Receivables	2,500	2,500	
Total Balance	277,408	266,729	



EXECUTIVE REPORT

Patrick Ruppe,
Executive Director



State Budget *update*

- ***(TBL) SB 163***

July 14, 2026

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TO: REGIONAL CENTER EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS
REGIONAL CENTER BOARD PRESIDENTS

SUBJECT: 2026 BUDGET TRAILER BILL FOR DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

This directive provides a summary of SB 163, the 2026 Developmental Services Budget Trailer Bill. The Governor signed the bill yesterday, but its “chaptering number” with the Secretary of State has not yet been assigned. [SB 163](#) contains numerous changes that influence California’s developmental disabilities services system. The changes made by this bill became effective in law when the bill is “chaptered” by the California Secretary of State, unless otherwise specified by the law. While this letter provides a high-level summary, the language of the bill itself is the law.

Requirements and due dates for regional centers are included in this directive, to avoid the need for directives on some of the topics. Below is a list of topics affected by SB 163, with links to the sections in this directive where relevant statutory changes can be found:

- [Early Intervention Programs Oversight](#)
- [Regional Center Oversight](#)
- [State-Operated Facilities – Direct Care Purchase Exemption](#)
- [Life Outcomes Improvement System \(LOIS\)](#)
- [Federal Access Rule](#)
- [Rate Reform / Quality Incentive Program Contract Exemption](#)
- [Quality Inceptive Program](#)
- [Remote Services](#)
- [Self-Determination Program Administrative Costs Funding](#)
- [Rate Model Updates: Tailored Day Services](#)
- [Rate Model Updates: Family Teaching Model](#)
- [Regional Center Supported Living Services 40-Hour Work Week](#)
- [Employment Access Alignment](#)
- [Sunsetting Outdated Legislative Reporting Language](#)

Early Intervention Programs Oversight

SB 163 Sections 3-7: (Government Code Sections 95007, 95008, 95012, and 95024 were amended, and Chapter 3.1 was added) An interagency agreement has been discontinued between the Department of Developmental Services (Department) and the California Department of Education (CDE) for overseeing local educational agencies

(LEAs) operating early intervention programs. SB 163's changes give the Department for three years the authority to issue directives to LEAs and regional centers operating early intervention programs to support a smooth transition of oversight for LEAs that receive federal early intervention grants. Since early intervention delivery varies significantly between regional centers and LEAs, this change creates an opportunity to align and strengthen consistent practices statewide.

The changes in the law also consolidate provisions related to a toddler's transition from regional center early intervention programs at age three. They formalize the regional center's responsibility to provide information about available community and preschool programs, including the [California State Preschool Program](#) (CSPP), for toddlers transitioning out of Early Start.

Implementation: The Department will issue directives to local educational agencies and regional centers operating early intervention programs. The Department also will post the complete list of CSPP locations on its website once the list is published by the CDE, and will notify regional centers of its availability.

Regional Center Oversight

SB 163 Section 8 and 28: (Public Contract Code Section 10295 and Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4621.6 were amended) These changes allow the Department to issue fiscal allocation letters to regional centers based upon the annual state budget. This change streamlines the process by removing redundant reviews and eliminating the need for formal contract amendments for each funding adjustment. This exemption does not apply to contracts for non-information technology goods or information technology goods and services, consistent with [the May 2025 directive](#).

Implementation: The Department will allocate and adjust regional center funding through this fiscal allocation letter process, beginning with the C-2 Allocation.

SB 163 Section 12: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4435.1 was amended) This change requires the Department to end the practice of "courtesy vendorization" by March 1, 2028, removing unnecessary barriers for service providers seeking to expand the areas in which they offer services. Service providers should give preference to supporting individuals associated with the regional center they originally were vendored with.

Implementation: The Department will issue guidance to regional centers before March 1, 2028, following engagement with regional centers and service providers about administrative simplicity, quality assurance, the application of rate models, and other pertinent topics.

SB 163 Section 27 and Section 33: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4629 was amended) These changes support the consolidation of the base regional center contract with the regional center performance contract and the regional center

performance measures. These changes rename “performance objectives/standards” as “performance measures” and to align those measures with indicators and benchmarks developed under Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4620.5. The Department-approved performance measures must be incorporated into regional center contracts to standardize outcome tracking and support high-quality regional center operations.

Regional center contracts now must include compliance with written Department directives and incorporate updated performance measures. These measures focus on individual outcomes, timely and culturally responsive access to services, facilitating access to generic services, equity, including outcomes for individuals receiving regional center services consistent with equity measures published by the Department, employment supports, and tracking of incentive programs. In developing or revising these measures, the Department must consider the availability of regional center funding.

Implementation: The Department will work with regional centers to consolidate and standardize performance measures, prior to issuing a directive and executing new contract amendments. Regional centers are encouraged to read the language of the new law to prepare for these changes.

SB 163 Section 29: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4622 was amended) Amendments made to this section strengthen professional support for regional center governing boards. Effective January 1, 2028, regional center boards must meet the following requirements:

- Boards must have no more than 17 members and include individuals with expertise in California law, management, board governance, fiscal or financial matters, and the administration of developmental disability programs. The new statute also includes a one-year temporary exception to the maximum number of board members, if certain conditions are met.
- Boards must conduct an annual review of the executive director’s leadership, including compliance with Department contracts, addressing audit results, and efforts to improve on regional center performance measures.
- Boards must annually review how well the regional center provides linguistically and culturally appropriate services, including responsiveness to diverse community needs and concerns.
- Board membership must reflect the geographic, disability, and ethnic characteristics of the regional center’s catchment area.
- Board membership is expanded from parents, to include other family members of individuals who receive regional center services.
- Boards must appoint an advisory group consisting of people with lived experience with intellectual and developmental disabilities who represent the range of disabilities supported by the regional center.
- Boards must adopt an anti-retaliation policy to protect board members and regional center employees. The Department will investigate reported allegations and will issue a model policy separately.
- Boards must provide board materials in plain language whenever possible.

- Regional centers must provide individualized supports and reasonable accommodations to all board members so each person can participate fully in discussions and decisions.
- All members of the governing board, prior to assuming or continuing their role and annually thereafter, shall complete training regarding specified topics that is provided by or approved by the Department.

Implementation: The Department will issue a directive to regional centers regarding board training requirements and the approved training curricula, no later than February 1, 2027, followed by additional guidance on related topics. Regional centers must update policies, procedures, publications, and other materials as needed to reflect these changes, only after receiving the Department's directive and guidance.

SB 163 Section 30: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4625.5 was amended) This section continues requiring regional center governing boards to adopt and maintain a written policy for reviewing and approving certain contracts. The approval threshold is increasing from valued at \$250,000 to \$350,000. Contracts at or above this amount are not valid without board approval. On The amendment to this section increases, Until July 1, 2030, this approval threshold is increased to \$350,000, and thereafter it further is increased to \$450,000. Then, every five years starting July 1, 2035, it is increased by another \$50,000. These contract approval limits do not apply to vendor approval letters issued under Title 17 or purchase-of-service authorizations.

Implementation: Effective July 14, 2026, regional center boards must continue to review and approved specified contracts valued at \$350,000 or more before the regional center can enter into the agreement. The Department will issue guidance establishing a statewide contract review policy for regional centers. Regional centers will be able to modify that policy to align with their operations following Department approval. Regional centers should update their policies, procedures, publications, and related materials only after receiving guidance from the Department.

SB 163 Section 31 and 32: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4625.6 was repealed and added) This section now requires that by July 1, 2027, every regional center governing board must employ or retain an independent attorney with at least five years of experience representing nonprofit or public entities. This attorney may not be a regional center employee and must attend all board and executive committee meetings where final decisions are made. The attorney will provide legal advice on governance, meeting conduct, open and closed session requirements, executive director contracts, conflict of interest, and other board-related matters. If the attorney position becomes vacant, then for no more than six months, the board and executive committee may continue taking final actions, if public meeting notices clearly state that decisions may be made without legal counsel present.

Implementation: No later than July 1, 2027, regional center boards must employ or retain an attorney to advise on specified topics and be present at all board and executive committee meetings in which final decisions are made.

SB 163 Section 34: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4636 was amended) This section now temporarily authorizes the Department to operate, or contract for the operations of, a regional center when there is a failure to perform. The Department also may provide additional assistance at the request of the incoming governing board until it fully assumes responsibility for the operations. During this transition period, the Department must provide updates to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee every six months until the transition to a new governing board is complete.

Implementation: There is no immediate impact on regional centers.

State-Operated Facilities – Direct Care Purchase Exemption

SB 163 Section 9: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4418.05 was added) This section authorizes the Department to purchase essential goods and services for individuals residing at state-operated facilities, through an exemption from specified procurement requirements. This change supports the timely acquisition of items necessary for the operation of state-operated facilities and the delivery of person-centered services.

Implementation: There is no impact on regional centers.

Life Outcomes Improvement System (LOIS)

SB 163 Section 19: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4519.1 was added) This section puts the LOIS system into law. It requires regional centers to transition from their current information technology systems to the LOIS once it is implemented, establishing a single statewide case management and fiscal system for regional centers. This section also prohibits regional centers from planning or transitioning to any other case management system, effective immediately, without prior approval from the Department. Regional centers should prioritize data clean-up and other transition activities in preparation for the implementation and transition of LOIS. The Department will provide quarterly updates to the Legislature and Legislative Analyst's Office on the progress of LOIS and later submit a post-implementation evaluation.

Beginning July 14, 2026, regional centers must notify the Department of any plans or actions that allow third-party systems to access individual, provider, financial, or operational data, as well as any plans to adopt new information technology systems that handle data or duplicate current system functions. They must not transition any existing case management system to anything other than LOIS without written departmental approval and must prioritize data cleanup and other transition activities as directed. Once LOIS is implemented, regional centers are required to discontinue all other case management and financial systems according to department instructions, so that the transition occurs with minimal disruption to individuals, families, and their operations.

Implementation: Regional center contracts will be amended to include these requirements. Regional centers must review the statute and prepare for LOIS by complying with these requirements.

Federal Access Rule

SB 163 Sections 20, 24, 42 and 48: (Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 4519.2 and 4572 were amended, Section 4731 was amended and repealed, and Chapter 16 (commencing with Section 4890) was added) These changes establish a new grievance process that aligns with the federal Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Access Rule. Effective February 1, 2027, this new process will consolidate the existing Individual Rights and Citizen Complaints into a single, streamlined grievance process. Grievances must be accepted regarding individual program plans not being developed in a person-centered way; services in those plans not being delivered in a person-centered way; or a belief that an individual's residential setting is not compliant with Home- and Community-Based Services rules. Regional centers must investigate each grievance and submit a proposed resolution to the grievant. An unsatisfied grievant can request review of the resolution by the Department.

Implementation: The Department will issue guidance and training to regional centers and the community in advance of the February 1, 2027, implementation date. Training will be both in person and online for regional centers and community groups. To support implementation, the Department will offer office hours for regional centers from December 2026 through March 2027. The Department also regularly will review grievance process data as part of its ongoing oversight responsibilities and for continuous process improvement purposes.

Rate Reform / Quality Incentive Program Contract Exemption

SB 163 Section 21 and 22: (Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 4519.10 and 4519.11 were amended) These sections were amended to extend the contract exemption authorized in the annual Budget Act for rate reform and the Quality Incentive Program to December 31, 2030. These changes also extend the timeline for the Department to finalize rate reform regulations from June 30, 2028, to December 31, 2030. Rate reform has been supported by the expertise and technical capacity of a contractor, whose specialized expertise and history with the rate models will be maintained, while facilitating rate model knowledge transfer to the Department.

Implementation: There is no immediate impact on regional centers.

Quality Incentive Program

SB 163 Section 23: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4519.12 was added) This new section directs the Department and regional centers to actively support service providers in meeting quality incentive program benchmarks. It requires ongoing training and technical assistance, emphasizes data-driven planning to strengthen provider capacity, mandates clear and manageable data-reporting requirements, and requires an evaluation of barriers that prevented providers from accessing the 2026–27 quality

incentive rate. It also requires the Department and regional centers to support providers in qualifying for the rate increment in 2027–28 and future years.

***Implementation:** The Department will issue directives to regional centers outlining the reporting measures for service providers that will impact their rates for FY 2027–28. Data collection for these measures will begin in Fall 2026. In addition, the Department will distribute communications to service providers and regional centers detailing available resources, training opportunities, implementation timelines, and other essential information. Regional centers will engage in outreach efforts to support providers to educate them on the requirements of the program, including the eligibility requirements.*

Remote Services

SB 163 Section 35: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4648 was amended) Changes to this section clarify that, through December 31, 2028, individuals may continue choosing to receive certain services remotely, such as day programs, independent living services, and some behavioral therapies, any of which must be documented in their individual program plan (IPP). These remote options may not replace or reduce access to in-person services.

Beginning in March 2027, the Department must provide quarterly updates to the Legislature, by regional center, on how remote services are being used, including the number and ages of individuals receiving them and any differences between rural and urban areas. By February 1, 2028, the Department must submit a report summarizing why remote services were authorized, satisfaction levels, data from providers and regional centers, impacts on social connection and community integration, and whether remote services are achieving intended outcomes. Providers must document each individual's remote services on a monthly basis as directed by the Department.

***Implementation:** The Department will issue revised guidance and a revised technical bulletin to regional centers on these topics. Regional centers should only update policies, procedures, publications, and other materials as needed to reflect these changes after receiving the Department's guidance. The following notices already have been issued by the Department and should continue to be followed until revised guidance supersedes them:*

D-2025-Community Services Division-003 Remote Services - Day Programs and Independent Living Services

- *This directive continues to allow individuals to voluntarily continue receiving certain services remotely through December 31, 2026.*

G-2026-Regional Center Operations-001 Tracking the Provision of Remote Services

- *The Department announced an enhancement to the eBilling application to track the delivery of remote services.*

Technical Bulletin TB-579, Remote Services Tracking

- *Provides instructions for tracking remote services in eBilling.*

Effective January 1, 2027, the Department will begin collecting from regional centers and service providers information on:

- o Reasons remote services were authorized, including needs, preferences, or circumstances that led to their use*
- o Satisfaction of individuals receiving remote services*
- o Duration of use of remote services and supports*
- o Whether participation in remote services contributes to social isolation, diminishes opportunities for community integration, or reduces access to meaningful social relationships and activities*
- o Outcomes for individuals using remote services, including whether services and supports are working as intended, and whether remote delivery affects the fidelity or quality of the services*
- o Service providers must document each individual's remote services on a monthly basis, following with written instructions issued by the Department.*
- o Regional centers must document an individual's choice to receive remote services within the IPP.*

Self-Determination Program Administrative Cost Funding

SB 163 Section 36: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4685.8 was amended) This section maintains the existing requirement that the federal financial participation funds generated by former participants of the self-determination pilot project must be used to support the costs of criminal background checks, administrative activities necessary to operate the program, and related program support, including support for the Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SSDAC). Amendments to this section now authorize up to one million dollars per year, from July 14, 2026 through June 30, 2030, for allocation to Local Volunteer Advisory Committees (LVACs). These funds may be used only for statewide standardized training and local community resource fairs. Starting July 1, 2030, continued funding for these activities will depend on a new appropriation by the Legislature. Allocations to LVACs of existing funding from prior fiscal years, including the 2025-26 fiscal year that just ended, are not impacted by these changes.

***Implementation:** LVACs will continue advising regional centers. The Department will issue guidance to regional centers and LVACs regarding these changes. Prior to finalizing and issuing guidance, the Department will consult with community partners, including the SSDAC.*

Rate Model Updates: Tailored Day Services

SB 163 Section 37: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4688.21 was amended) This section was amended to authorize Tailored Day Services to be provided on the same day as supported employment individual placement services.

***Implementation:** Tailored Day Services now may be provided on the same day as employment services individual placement, as long as regional centers verify that the two services do not overlap in time. Regional centers must review these changes to*

comply, and must update policies, procedures, publications, and other materials as needed to reflect this change and to work with service providers on an ongoing basis.

Rate Model Updates: Family Teaching Model

SB 163 Section 38: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4689.1 was amended) The amendments to this section authorize a distinct service code and rate model for the Family Teaching Model, to be separate from the Family Home Agency rate model.

***Implementation:** The Department will issue a directive regarding the use of a new service code and rate model for the Family Teaching Model. Following that directive, regional centers must update policies, procedures, publications, and other materials as needed to reflect this change.*

Regional Center Supported Living Services 40-Hour Work Week

SB 163 Section 39: (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4689.9 was amended) amendments to this section clarify that hourly employees of regional center service providers who provide supported living services are subject to overtime compensation at one-and-a-half times their regular pay rate for any hours worked over 40 in a week, regardless of other state or federal overtime rules. Unless a service provider sets a different schedule, the workweek runs from Sunday at midnight through Saturday at 11:59 p.m.

***Implementation:** There is no impact on regional centers. Service providers already are subject to this requirement, which has been put into California law to avoid confusion with potentially conflicting federal wage and hour requirements.*

Employment Access Alignment

SB 163 Sections 2, 43-47: (Government Code Section 15432 and Welfare and Institutions Code sections 4851, 4856, 4861, and 4865 were amended, and Section 4868.6 was added) These changes provide the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) and the Department with authority to establish a dual provider system for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities seeking competitive integrated employment. The changes also require the departments to align vendorization requirements between the two departments and remove barriers that prevent individuals from accessing employment. Additionally, these changes eliminate, as of July 14, 2026, the requirement that employment service providers be accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF).

***Implementation:** The Department will issue a directive to regional centers. The two departments will work with the community to inform new service standards and support the development of an integrated employment services system. The Department will provide semi-annual updates on its progress through its website. Regional centers must review the language changes to comply and update policies, procedures, publications, and other materials as needed to reflect these changes.*

Sunsetting Outdated Legislative Reporting Language

SB 163 Sections 1, 10, 11, 14-17, 25, 26, 40, 49-51: Amendments in these sections eliminate the outdated legislative reporting requirements identified below. These changes remove obsolete reporting provisions related to developmental center operations and closures, completed studies and initiatives, and other outdated reporting requirements.

Government Code Section 14672.9

This reporting requirement regarding developmental center budgets was deleted because this same information is included in the department's annual budget display.

Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4429

The term "state hospitals for the developmentally disabled" refers to the former legal name for California's developmental centers which have since closed. This provision does not pertain to the Department of State Hospitals. Accordingly, the requirement no longer is applicable, does not require any coordination or action, and therefore was deleted.

Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4430

This requirement to report to the Legislature any plans for additional developmental centers was deleted because they have been closed.

Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4474.1

This reporting requirement applies only when the Department proposes closing a state developmental center, requiring submission of a detailed closure plan to the Legislature by April 1 prior to the fiscal year. With only the secure treatment program at Porterville Developmental Center remaining, any future closure would require additional statutory changes, so this reporting requirement was deleted.

Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4474.12

This requirement to study the impacts on and outcomes for individuals transitioning from developmental centers into the community was deleted because the developmental centers have closed, and the final longitudinal study tied to their closure was completed in 2023.

Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4474.15

This statute was deleted because all required updates and reporting tied to developmental center closures have been completed, and the reporting provisions became inoperative under existing law.

Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4474.2

This reporting requirement was deleted because it pertains to activities associated with the transition and closure of the developmental centers, and the related reporting obligations have been completed.

Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4620.3

Amendments to this section delete a one-time report from many years ago that directed the Department to submit proposed best practices, including how stakeholders were engaged, the expected impacts on individuals, families, and providers, estimated cost savings, and any draft statutory language needed to implement those best practices.

Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4691

This reporting requirement was deleted because it was outdated. It directed the Department to submit biennial reports to the Legislature every odd-numbered year, on differences between permanent and cost-based rates for day programs, and every even-numbered year on any funding not appropriated to fully reimburse proposed rates. AB 2423 from 2024 now requires reporting on updated rate models for all services within rate reform every two years.

Section 53 of Chapter 171 of the Statutes of 2001

This reporting requirement was deleted because it applied only to the finalized data analyses from the second phase of the Purchase of Services study completed in 2002.

Section 70 of Chapter 758 of the Statutes of 2008

This reporting requirement was deleted because the cost-containment measures it monitored were implemented and evaluated previously.

Section 19 of Chapter 26 of the Statutes of 2016

This reporting requirement was deleted because the developmental center units it monitored are closed.

Implementation: *There is no impact on regional centers.*

***BOARD APPROVAL:**

*Fiscal Year 2026-27 HDDF
Board Committee Roster*





HDDF BOARD COMMITTEE ROSTER FY 2026-27

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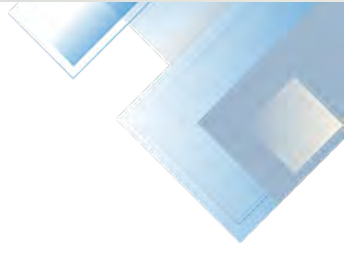
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Insurance Renewal

HARBOR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES FOUNDATION DBA: HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER

INSURANCE SCHEDULE

As of 7/1/2026

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HARBOR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES FOUNDATION DBA: HARBOR REGIONAL CENTER (See Named Insured Schedule)
INSURANCE SCHEDULE
JULY 10, 2026

COMPANY & POLICY NUMBER	POLICY PERIOD	COVERAGE LIMITS	TYPE OF COVERAGE	ANNUAL PREMIUM
Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Co. # PHPK2575347011 (Best's Key Rating 2026: A++; XV) Admitted	7/1/2026 to 7/1/2027	\$3,000,000 \$3,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$20,000 \$1,000,000 \$3,000,000 \$25,000	<u>Healthcare General / Professional Liability</u> General Liability: (Claims-Made) General Aggregate Products/Completed Operations Personal & Advertising Injury Each Occurrence Rented to you Limit (any one fire) Medical Expense (any one person) Employee Benefits Liability Employee Benefits Aggregate Cyber Security Liability Deductible Per Occurrence: None Retro Date: 9/30/02 \$3,000,000 \$1,000,000 Professional Liability: (Claims-Made) Aggregate Each Occurrence Deductible Per Occurrence: None Retro Date: 9/30/02 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 Sexual or Physical Abuse or Molestation Aggregate Each Abusive Conduct Limit Deductible Per Occurrence: None Retro Date: 9/30/02	\$166,824.00

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			<u>Major Exclusions:</u> ▪ Pollution ▪ Asbestos ▪ Dishonest Acts ▪ Property in Care, Custody and Control ▪ Prior Knowledge of Prior Acts Reasonably Foreseen to Result in a Claim ▪ Professional Services, as respects to General Liability ▪ Medical Payments to Patients ▪ Nuclear ▪ Employment Related Practices ▪ Fungus & Bacteria Exclusion ▪ Liquor Liability	
Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Co. # PHPK2575347011 (Best's Key Rating 2026: A++; XV) Admitted	7/1/2026 to 7/1/2027	\$1,000,000	<u>Automobile Liability</u> Combined Single Limit Non-Owned and Hired Auto Liability (Only) Includes Hired Physical Damage	\$6,153.00

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Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Co. #PHUB872216016 (Best's Key Rating 2026: A++; XV) Admitted	07/1/2026 to 7/1/2027	\$4,000,000 \$4,000,000 \$4,000,000 \$2,000,000 \$2,000,000 \$10,000	<u>Umbrella (Occurrence/Claims-Made)</u> General Aggregate Limit Each Occurrence Products / Completed Operations to Aggregate <i>Sublimit for Professional Liability - Each Professional Incident / Aggregate</i> <i>Sublimit for Abuse or Molestation - Each Abusive Conduct / Aggregate</i> Retention Retro Date: 9/30/02 Coverage excess over: General Liability \$1,000,000/\$3,000,000; Professional Liability \$1,000,000/\$3,000,000; Employee Benefits Liability \$1,000,000/\$3,000,000; Automobile Liability \$1,000,000 CSL; Employer's Liability \$1,000,000; Sexual or Physical Abuse or Molestation \$1,000,000/\$1,000,000 <u>Exclusions:</u> ▪ Property in Care, Custody & Control ▪ Pollution ▪ Asbestos ▪ Employment Related Practices ▪ Prior Knowledge of Prior Acts Reasonably Foreseen to Result in a Claim ▪ Fungus & Bacteria ▪ Directors & Officers ▪ Liquor Liability (except Host)	\$51,297.00

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COMPANY & POLICY NUMBER	POLICY PERIOD	COVERAGE LIMITS	TYPE OF COVERAGE	ANNUAL PREMIUM
Hartford Fire Insurance Company #72BDDGN7932 (Best's Key Rating 2025: A+; XV) Admitted	7/1/2025 to 7/1/2028	\$750,000 \$0	<u>Commercial Crime (ERISA Coverage)</u> Employee Theft Coverage (Per Occurrence) Deductible	\$516.00
RSUI Indemnity Company #NPP719851 (Best's Key Rating 2026: A++; XIV) Admitted	7/1/2026 to 7/1/2027	\$2,000,000 \$2,000,000 \$2,000,000 \$2,000,000 \$0 \$50,000 \$250,000 \$250,000	<u>Directors & Officers Liability (Primary)</u> Claims-Made Aggregate for all claims Directors & Officers Liability & Company Reimbursement Covg. Part Employment Practices Liability (Combined limit) Employment Practices Liability – Third Party Coverage (Sublimit) Retention: Each Insured Person Each claim for Directors & Officers Liability with Company Reim. Employment Practices Liability Employment Practices Liability – Third Party	\$105,610.00
<u>Major Endorsements/Exclusions:</u>				
▪ Amended Definition of Loss –Defense Claims for ADA ▪ Amended Settlement Clause 70-30 ▪ California Changes – Cancellation and NonRenewal ▪ Cap On Losses from Certified Acts of Terrorism ▪ Coverage Extension – Healthcare Organization ▪ Coverage Extension – HIPAA - \$25,000 sublimit with \$25,000 retention ▪ Disclosure Pursuant to Terrorism Risk Insurance Act ▪ Exclusion – Amended Bodily Injury and Property Damage				

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<u>Major Endorsements/Exclusions (continued)</u>				
▪ Exclusion – Malpractice ▪ Exclusion – Prior and/or Pending Litigation Backdated – 12/1/1993 ▪ Exclusion – Sexual Abuse and Sexual Misconduct ▪ HR Loss Prevention Services Notice ▪ Insuring Agreement A – Separate Limit - \$500,000 ▪ Side A Non-Rescindable Coverage ▪ Third Party Liability Coverage - \$250,000 retention ▪ Regulatory Coverage-\$250,000 sublimit with a \$250,000 Self Insured Retention				
<u>Workers' Compensation</u>				
State Compensation Insurance Fund of CA	7/1/2026 to	\$1,000,000	Bodily Injury by Accident – Each Accident	\$133,575.88
#94047622026	7/1/2027	\$1,000,000	Bodily Injury by Disease – Policy Limit	(\$126,984.00+
(Best's Key Rating 2026: Not Rated)		\$1,000,000	Bodily Injury by Disease – Each Employee	\$6,591.88
Admitted				California Surcharges & Assessments)

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Houston Casualty Insurance Co. #TBA (Best's Key Rating 2026: A++; XV) Non-Admitted	7/01/2026 to 7/01/2027	\$5,000,000 \$5,000,000 \$5,000,000 \$5,000,000 \$250,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$5,000,000 \$250,000 \$5,000,000 \$2,000,000 \$25,000 \$5,000,000 \$5,000,000 \$100,000	<u>Security & Privacy Liability</u> Multimedia Liability Security & Privacy Liability Privacy Regulatory Defense & Penalties PCI DSS Liability Bodily Injury Liability Coverage Property Damage Liability Coverage TCPA Defense Cyber Extortion Cyber Crime Breach Response Costs Notification Expenses and Breach Support and Credit Monitoring Expenses Post Breach Remediation Costs Brand Guard Maximum Policy Aggregate Limit of Liability Retention – Each Claim	\$68,728.65 (\$66,052 + \$195 Policy Fee + \$375 Broker Fee + \$2,106.65 Surplus Lines Tax and Fees)
Ategrity Specialty Insurance Company #TBA (Best's Key Rating 2026: A- IX) Non-Admitted	7/01/2026 to 7/01/2027	\$750,000 \$750,000 \$750,000 \$750,000	<u>Excess Cyber Crime</u> Financial Fraud Sublimit Telecommunications & Utilities Fraud Sublimit Your Phishing Fraud Loss Sublimit Client Phishing Fraud Loss Sublimit <i>Excess of \$250,000 Underlying limits</i>	\$14,703.15 (\$14,000 + \$250 Policy Fee + \$453.15 Surplus Lines Tax and Fees)

NAMED INSURED SCHEDULE

Harbor Developmental Disabilities Foundation
dba: Harbor Regional Center

ADDITIONAL INSURED SCHEDULE

- 1) State of California, its Officers, Employees, & Agents, Department of Developmental Services
- 2) National Financial Realty LLC – Lessor of:
 - 21311 Hawthorne Blvd. - Torrance, CA 90503
- 3) Del Harbor Foundation - Lessor of:
 - 21231 & 21307 Hawthorne Blvd. – Torrance, CA 90503
 - 1155 E. San Antonio Drive – Long Beach, CA 90807
- 4) SSV Properties – Lessor of:
 - 21235 Hawthorne Blvd. Suite 206 & 208 – Torrance, CA 90503
 - 21309 Hawthorne Blvd. – Torrance, CA 90503

Harbor Regional Center 2026-2027 Statement of Values													
Loc.	Street Address	City	St	Zip Code	Square Footage	Business Personal Property & TIB (includes supplies)	Leased Equipment	Extra Expense	Valuable Papers	EDP Hardware	EDP Software	EDP Extra Expense	EDP ¹ Transit & Add'l Covgs.
1	21231 Hawthorne Blvd.	Torrance	CA	90503	52,151	\$6,621,413	\$148,425	\$420,000	\$150,000	\$5,016,917	\$800,000	\$200,000	\$200,000 total all coverages ³
2	21307 Hawthorne Blvd. ²	Torrance	CA	90503	32,646	\$4,832,764	\$118,740	\$200,000	Included in Loc #1	\$1,232,734	\$125,000	\$100,000	
3	1155 E. San Antonio Dr.	Long Beach	CA	90807	8,558	\$2,073,517	\$29,685	\$50,000	Included in Loc. #1	\$190,785	---	\$50,000	
4	21311 Hawthorne Blvd.	Torrance	CA	90503	32,951 (31,485 (occupied) 1,466 ⁴ (sublsd);	\$4,716,361	\$118,740	\$130,000	Included in Loc #1	\$960,869	---	\$100,000	
5	15415 W. Pioneer Blvd.	Norwalk	CA	90650	234	\$2,500		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
6	12222 Cuesta Dr.	Cerritos	CA	90703	200	\$2,500		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
7	21235 Hawthorne Blvd. Units 206 & 208	Torrance	CA	90503	5,632	442,832	29,685	50,000	N/A	142,020	N/A	50,000	
8	21309 Hawthorne Blvd.	Torrance	CA	90503	7,833	1,555,000	30,000	125,000	Included in Loc #1	230,000	TBD	50,000	
Total					140,205	\$20,246,887	\$475,275	\$975,000	\$150,000	\$7,773,325	\$925,000	\$550,000	\$200,000

¹ EDP in Transit and at Unnamed Location(s)

² Includes Earthquake Sprinkler Leakage @ \$1,000,000 Limit (Loc 2 and 8)

³ Additional EDP Coverages:

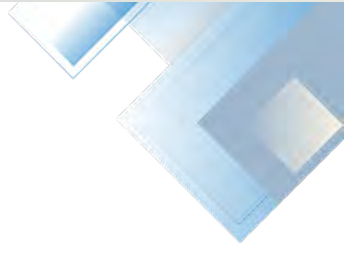
- \$50,000 – While in Transit

- \$50,000 – Transfer between premises

- \$50,000 – Temporarily within other premises

- \$50,000 - Permanently located at an employee’s residence

⁴ Subleased – Suite #: 100 –Total square footage: 1,466;



ARCA Academy



Save the Date: September 25-26, 2026

ARCA Academy

You're invited to *The 2026 ARCA Academy*, hosted by the Association of Regional Center Agencies and the California Community Collaborative for Developmental Services.

The ARCA Academy is a professional development project for the board directors from California's 21 regional center boards. **Register [here](#) to secure your spot.**

SESSIONS AND LOCATIONS



DAY 1:

Friday, September 25, 2026 2 - 7PM

DAY 2:

Saturday, September 26, 2026
8:30 am to 11:30



DoubleTree by Hilton Torrance – South Bay

21333 Hawthorne Boulevard,
Torrance, CA 90503



DAY 2: BREAKOUT SESSION

Saturday, September 26, 2026
12 PM TO 4 PM



Harbor Regional Center (*across from the DoubleTree*)

21309 Hawthorne Blvd, Torrance,
CA 90503

BOOK YOUR HOTEL RESERVATION

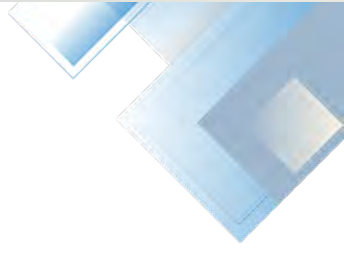
The DoubleTree by Hilton Torrance – South Bay located at 21333 Hawthorne Boulevard, Torrance, has reserved a block of rooms at the rate of \$219+ for Friday, September 25, 2026. The last day to book is September 3, 2026.

Please make your reservations using this [link](#).

*Register
Now*



For questions, please contact Tony Anderson at tanderson@arcanet.org.



Community Engagement



HARBOR
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Community Engagement



El Camino College Parent & Community Resource Fair



Tichenor's Annual Superheroes Carnival & Resource Fair



San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center LACC Forum



Monthly "Lunch and Learn" Webinar Series

ACEs-LA's Trauma-Informed and Wellness Webinars are designed for LA County DHS staff currently screening for ACEs in their clinics. Clinics interested in ACEs screening are welcome.

"Connecting to Care: Regional Center Resources for LA County Families"

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Noon – 1 pm

PANELIST



SYUZANNA MEJLUMYAN
MANAGER OF KOCH YOUNG
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ACEs LA Webinar Series

New Resource!



Training and Events July - Dec 2026

Community Training: Respite and Personal Assistance
Spanish: Wednesday, September 16, 2026, 6 PM - 7:30 PM / 21231 Hawthorne Blvd. Torrance, CA 90503
English: Saturday, September 19, 2026, 10 AM - 11:30 AM / Zoom
This training will cover what respite services and personal assistance are, how caregivers can access these services for the individual they are caring for, and who they can contact when they have additional questions.
To register and request interpretation: communitytraining@harborrc.org / (310) 543-0159

Saving Money Without Losing Benefits: The ABLE Act and CalABLE
Thursday, November 12, 2026 2 PM - 4 PM / Zoom
This workshop will include an overview of The Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act, a review of the CalABLE program, including how accounts work and the eligibility requirements, investment options and fees for CalABLE accounts, how CalABLE accounts work with a Special Needs Trust, and much more!
To register and request interpretation: benefits@harborrc.org

Community Training: Transportation and Employment
Spanish: Thursday, August 20, 2026, 6 PM - 7 PM / 21231 Hawthorne Blvd. Torrance, CA 90503
English: Saturday, August 22, 2026, 10 AM - 11:30 AM / Zoom
Come learn about supported employment services, different types of employment supports, and transportation services for adults.
To register and request interpretation: communitytraining@harborrc.org / (310) 543-0159

Learning About Benefits: In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Overview
Wednesday, September 16, 2026 2 PM - 4 PM / Zoom
Presented by Harbor's Benefits Specialist, this workshop will focus on an important support for individuals and families available through the county IHSS program. Learn about IHSS eligibility, how to apply, how support hours are determined, how to prepare for a home visit assessment with an intake social worker, who can become a certified IHSS provider, and what to do if you disagree with an IHSS decision.
To register and request interpretation: benefits@harborrc.org

Learning About Benefits: Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for Children & Adults with Developmental Disabilities

Wednesday, August 19, 2026 2 PM - 4 PM / Zoom
Presented by Harbor's Benefits Specialist, this workshop will focus on an important financial support for individuals and families, Supplemental Security Income (SSI). The presentation will include information about the SSI program, eligibility criteria, and benefits overview. Disability and survivors' benefits will also be discussed, as well as the SSA/SSI appeals process.
To register and request interpretation: benefits@harborrc.org

Community of Practice: Coaching Circles
Thursday, August 06, 2026 10 AM - 11:30 AM & 2 PM - 3:30 PM / Zoom
Coaching Circles are an opportunity to participate in small group conversations on topics identified by members of our Community of Practice (CoP). Together, we will learn from one another, share what is working and not working, and come up with new things to try in our day to day.
To register, contact Rosa Olea at pct@harborrc.org / (310) 543-0120

Community of Practice: Developing One Page Description Workshop
Spanish: Thursday, September 24, 2026 1 PM - 4 PM
English: Thursday, August 13, 2026 1 PM - 4 PM at Harbor Regional Center Long Beach, 1155 E San Antonio Dr, Long Beach, CA 90807
Do you want to learn to introduce your family member in a quick and person-centered way? Come to our Developing One Page Description (OPD) workshop! During this workshop we will cover what an OPD is, different ways to use it, and develop one for your family member.
To register, contact Rosa Olea at pct@harborrc.org / (310) 543-0120

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Text "EXPLORE" to 50809 to sign up for text messages about upcoming Harbor Regional Center trainings and events.
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Follow us to keep up with the latest events!

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TRAINING & EVENTS
JUNE - DEC 2026

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You're Invited!



Deaf Plus Awareness Resource Fair

➤ A Day of Celebration, Connection & Empowerment! ➤



August 29, 2026

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM



**Harbor Regional Center
21231 Hawthorne Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90503**

Everyone is Welcome !!

Register :

<https://bit.ly/44TSu0o>



This event is sponsored By Language Access and Cultural Competency Funds.

DDS Department of
Developmental
Services

Presentation:
Whistleblower & Board
Roles | Fiscal Training
by
Judy Wada, Chief
Operating Officer



Whistleblower Policy & Fiscal Training

Presented by Judy Wada, Chief Financial Officer

Whistleblower Policy

Harbor's Board members, officers, employees, contractors, service providers, individuals served, families, and other key individuals can report concerns or evidence of illegal, unethical, improper, or other inappropriate activities without fear of retaliation.

Whistleblowers may report to:

- Directors, supervisors, and managers,
- Whistleblower Compliance Officer, Executive Director, Board President, or
- Department of Developmental Services (DDS)

Confidentiality of whistleblower

Anonymous reports

Whistleblower Policy

The Compliance Officer is responsible for investigating and resolving reported complaints. Annually reports compliance activity to Harbor's Board Executive/Finance Committee.

Board Executive/Finance Committee handles concerns regarding accounting practices, internal controls, or auditing.

Annual Notification

Board Members, employees, contractors, service providers, individuals and families served

Whistleblower Policy

Harbor

Executive Director:	patrick.ruppe@harborrc.org
Compliance Officer:	judy.wada@harborrc.org
Director of Human Resources:	tammy.carter@harborrc.org
Board President:	boardpresident@harborrc.org

DDS

Office of Community Appeals and Resolutions: appeals@dds.ca.gov

DDS definition—Reporting of an “improper regional center or vendor/contractor activity.”



State Budget, Regional Center Contract, and Cash Flow



California State Budget Timetable

July 1st Fiscal Year begins

January 10th “Governor’s Budget” submitted

May 14th Governor’s “May Revision”

June 15th Deadline for Legislature to pass Budget Bill

Late June Governor signs, Budget Bill becomes law

June 30th Fiscal Year ends



All Regional Centers (in \$1,000s)

	May Revision	Enacted		
	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Difference	Δ%
Operations	\$1,672,104	\$1,822,140	\$150,036	8%
Purchase of Service	\$16,523,975	\$19,263,657	\$2,739,682	14%
Total	\$18,196,079	\$21,085,797	\$2,889,718	14%
Regional Centers Caseload	487,114	526,848	39,734	8%



Regional Center Contract

Current Contract

- 5 Fiscal Years (A-E)
- Current contract July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2031
(thru FY 2028-2029, plus 2 open years)

Allocations

- Initial Contract
- Amendments

Open Years

- A-3 FY 2024-25 2PY (2nd Prior Year)
- B-5 FY 2025-26 PY (Prior Year)
- C-1 FY 2026-27 CY (Current Year)

Harbor Regional Center FY 2025-26

(in \$1,000s)

	B-5	C-1		
	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Difference	Δ%
Operations	\$64,529	\$59,181	(\$5,348)	-9%
Purchase of Service	\$561,016	\$500,637	(\$60,379)	-12%
Total	\$625,545	\$559,818	(\$65,727)	-12%
Projected June 30th	21,310	22,632	1,322	6%



Cash Flow

DDS Receipts

Advances

- 25% of Initial Allocation
- 25% of 2nd Contract Amendment

Monthly Claim after 1st Check Run

Advance Offsets



Cash Flow

Harbor Payments

Operations

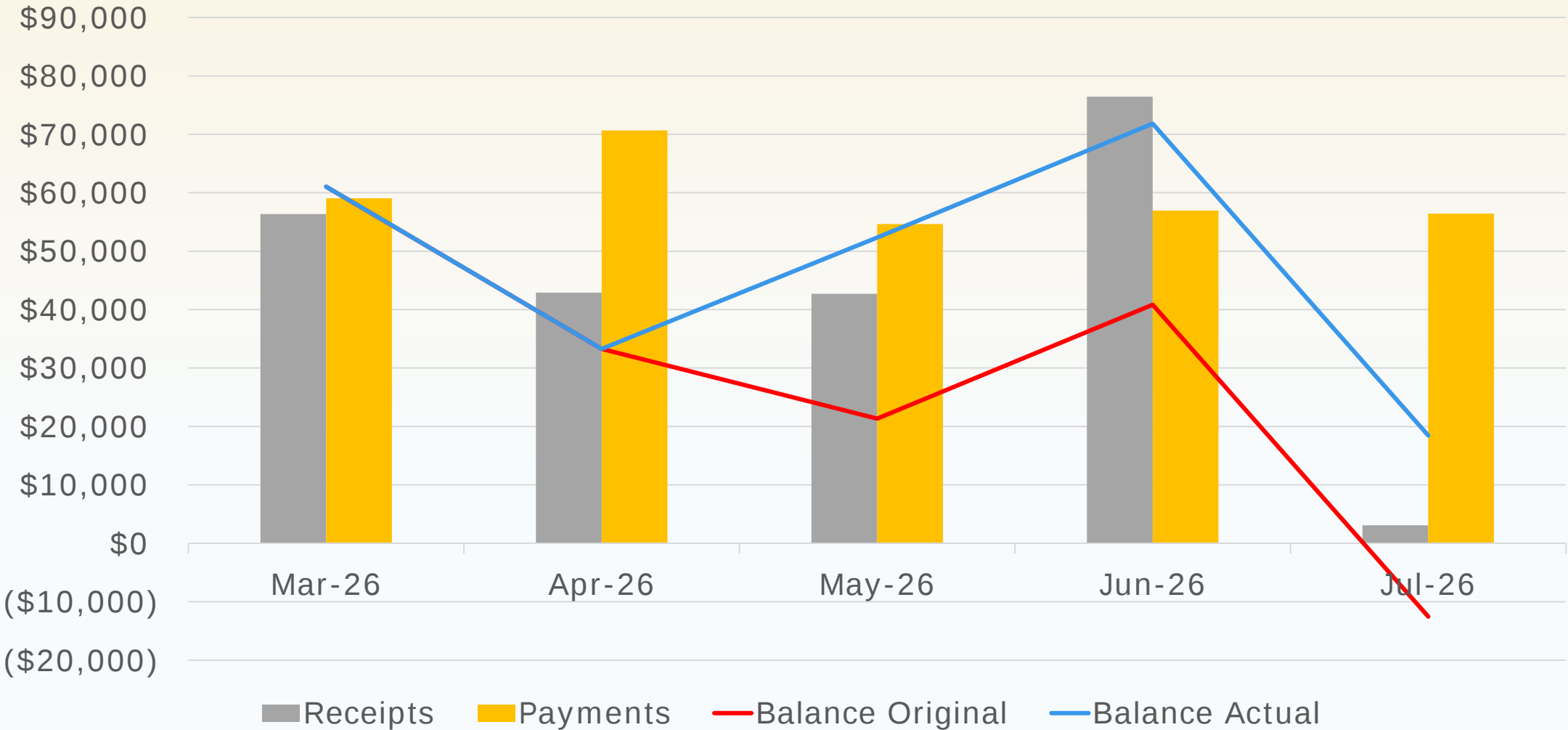
- Payroll Bi-weekly
- Rent, communications, insurance, etc.

Purchase of Service

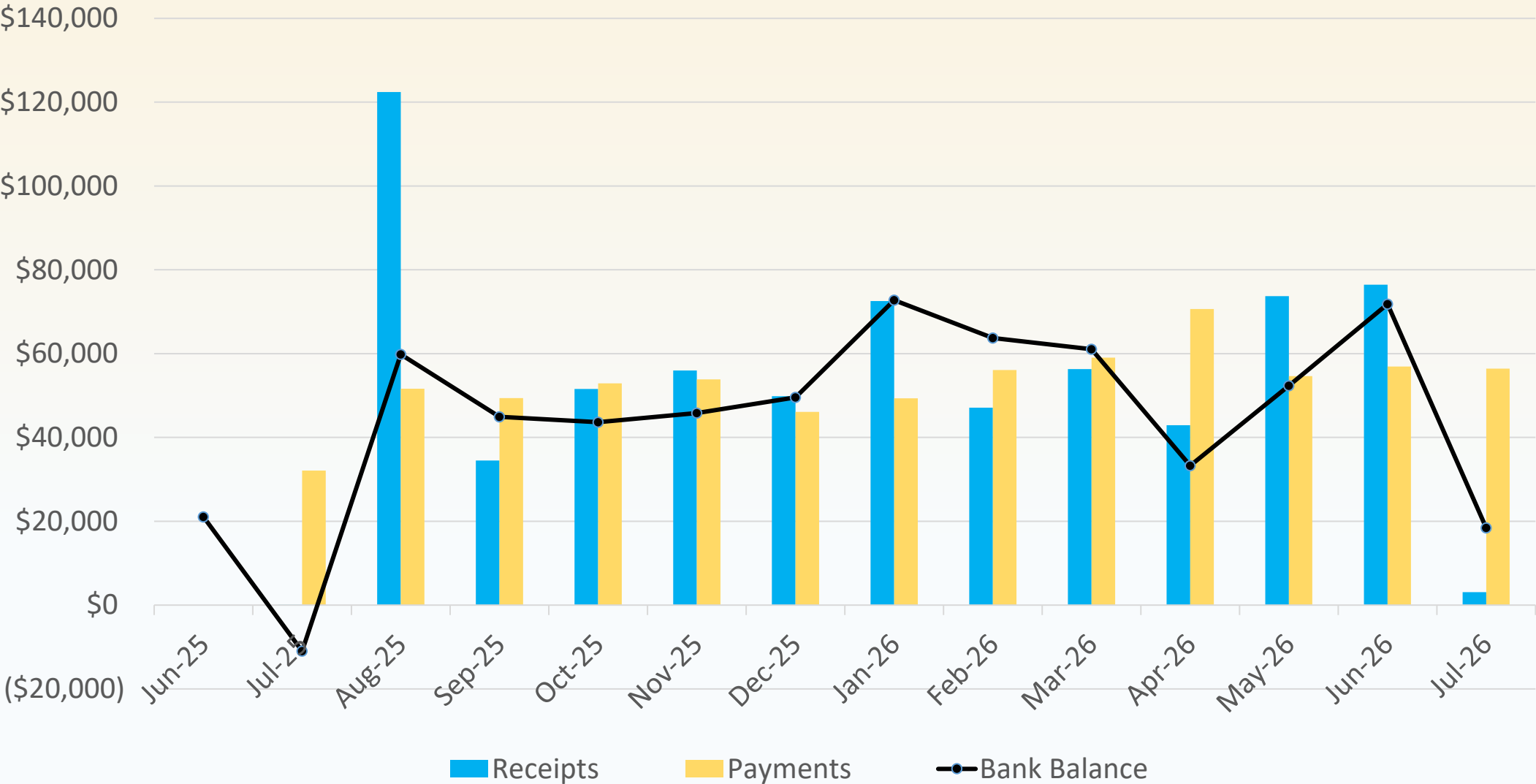
- Providers enter invoices for prior month services into eBilling
- Check runs by 15th and end of the month
- SDP weekly

We pay in arrears, then DDS reimburses us

Harbor's Cash Flow (in \$1000s)



Cash Flow FY 2025-26 (in \$1000s)



Line of Credit

City National Bank

Revolving Note Renewal

- Original Line of Credit February 9, 2024
- Currently \$50 million, expiring June 30, 2027
- Interest is greater of the Floor and Prime Rate minus 1%
- Fees: \$5,000

Borrowing Resolution

- Approved by Harbor Board May 19, 2026

Thank you!



BOARD COMMITTEE MINUTES



**Harbor Regional Center
BOARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
May 13, 2026**

Meeting Minutes:

The Board Development Committee met on May 13, 2026 via zoom and reviewed the following:

- By-Laws (updated)
- Board Committee Appointments for FY 2026-27
- Board Composition

Next Meeting:

- The next meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2026 (with newly elected officers).

****NOTES:***

- *The Board Development Committee does not meet in June, July or August.*
- *The May 13th minutes will be reported on at the July Board meeting.*
- *FY 2026-27 Board Development Meeting Schedule to be sent out after the July 21st Board meeting.*



CLIENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Date: May 13, 2026 | **Time:** 5 PM | **Meeting location:** Zoom

ATTENDEES:

Patricia Jordan (Member/Chair)
Deborah Howard (Member)
Mead Duley (Member)
Tim'an Ford (Member/Harbor Staff)
Judy Taimi (Harbor Staff)

Time allotted 5:00 – 6:00 PM

Quorum: Met

Agenda Topic: Open Discussion

The committee discussed:

Agenda Topic 1 | Website Survey:

- Tim'An provided information regarding Harbor soliciting feedback from the community, especially from individuals served by Harbor regarding accessibility and user friendly of Harbor's website. Tim'An provided the committee with the link to access the survey once they have browsed through Harbor's website to provide their direct feedback. We were able to do a live demonstration of accessing Harbor's website.

Agenda Topic 2 | Needs Assessment:

- The committee discussed services and areas where they can provide direct feedback on Harbor's needs assessment of services offered. The committee requested more services and/or resources on the following services:
 - Housing Services
 - Accessibility of housing
 - Resources to housing accessibility
 - Independent Living Services: Direct Training in learning and increasing skills to transition from living with family to living independently
 - Rental Assistance

Next Meeting: August 12, 2026 at 5 PM via zoom



CLIENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Date: March 24, 2026 | **Time:** 6 PM | **Meeting location:** Zoom

ATTENDEES:

Fu-Tien Chiou (Member)
Deaka McClain (Member)
Gordon Cardona (Member)
Kim Vuong (Member)
Guadalupe Nolasco (Member)
Shirlys Gruber (Parent)
Teresa Hernandez (Parent)
Maria (Parent)

Jessica Sanchez (Harbor Staff)
Lucy Paz (Interpreter)
Judy Taimi (Harbor Staff)

AGENDA TOPICS:

Time allotted 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Quorum: Met

Minutes:

The committee reviewed and approved the minutes from the January 27th meeting.

Agenda Topic: The committee participated in the training discussing the current Personal Assistance and Respite Service policies. The committee reviewed the following information:

Agenda Topic 1 | Who can access Respite Services:

- This service is available for anyone residing in the family home who's caregivers qualify for a short break from the ongoing care and supervision of an individual served by Harbor
- Types of Respite Services offered through Harbor:
 - Agency
 - Employer of Record (EOR) previously known as self-directed respite
 - Out of Home Respite
- Service Coordinator will:
 - Assess the need for respite services through the planning process
- Natural Supports
 - Family Members and Friends

Agenda Topic 2 | Who can access Personal Assistance Services:

- Direct care and supervision in home and community settings:
 - 1:1 supervision
 - Support with daily living activities
 - Community integration for adolescent and young adults
- Service Coordinator will:



- Assess the need for personal assistance services through the planning process
- Use the daily schedule to determine the level of service need
- Natural Supports
 - Family members and Friends
- Generic Supports
 - In Home Supportive Services (IHSS)

Next Meeting: May 26, 2026 at 6 PM via zoom



CLIENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Date: May 26, 2026 | **Time:** 6 PM | **Meeting location:** Zoom

ATTENDEES:

Fu-Tien Chiou (Member)
Deaka McClain (Member)
Gordon Cardona (Member)
Kim Vuong (Member)
David Gauthier (Member/Chair)

Lucy Paz (Interpreter)
Judy Taimi (Harbor Staff)

Time allotted 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Quorum: Met

Minutes:

The committee reviewed and approved the minutes from the March 24th meeting.

Agenda Topic: The committee discussed the order in which purchase of service policies will be reviewed by the committee. The first 2 policies to be reviewed are as follows:

Agenda Topic 1 | Employment First Services:

- The policy needs to be re-written as it is reflective of the employment first initiative.
- Provide more guidance on the overview and philosophy of why this service is provided to the individuals served by the regional center.
- Review feedback from the service review that was conducted years ago to add substance for the employment policy.
- Reference initiatives available to the regional center from directives provided by the Department of Developmental Services.

Agenda Topic 2 | Supported Adult Day Activity Services:

- The policy needs to be updated to reflect person-centered language and using simple terms.
- Review and incorporate feedback provided through the service reviews that was conducted at the regional center.
- Review by the committee to ensure information regarding accessing this service is appropriately documented in the policy.

Presentations: The committee reviewed topics of interest to be reviewed during committee meetings as follows:

- Supported employment services including job development, job coaching, paid internship program, volunteer opportunities, etc.

Next Meeting: July 28, 2026 at 6 PM via zoom

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Opening:

Harbor Self Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) was called to order at 6:06 PM on Wednesday, May 6, 2026, via Zoom.

Quorum was established.

Committee Members Present:

Deaka McClain – Individual Served, Committee Chair

Kathy Maye – Parent

Maria Elena Walsh – Harbor Regional Center Resource Center Manager

Shirlys Gruber – Parent

Mayra Garcia – Parent

Kyungshil Choi – Parent

Tim'an Ford – Peer Advocate

Marelini Pineda – Parent

David Gauthier – Committee Member

Jamie Zollener – Committee Member

Harbor Staff Present:

Antoinette Perez – Director

LaWanna Blair – Director

Ricardo Orozco – PCS

Wendy Velazquez – PCS

Bryan Sanchez – CSM

Kelsey Machado – CSM

Jimmy Silvestre – CSM

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Erika Castillo – CSM

Becky Garduno – CSM

Osvaldo Sanchez – CSM

Savannah Pio – CSM

Visitors:

Lucy Paz – Interpreter

Albert Feliciano – SCDD Advocate

Naomi Hagel – Phoenix Facilitation

Kim Sinclair – ASLA

Preselah Seymore – GT Independence (FMS)

Tina Ewing-Wilson – Disability Voices United

Roslyn Gray – The Garden

Gina Woodruff – AIM Living Services

Jake Woodruff – AIM Living Services

Aastyn Strandberg – IF

Tina Ewing-Wilson – DVU

Raina Killingsworth – IF

Evelyn Rodriguez – IF with Latino Parents mentor LLC

Austyn Perez – PPL FMS

Usuario de Zoom

Taylor Roppa – Davids' Place Long Beach

Maria G Santos

Livier Perez

Lourdes Gomez

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Aastyn Strandberg

Agnes Pitlik

Ara Lopez

Camen Silva

Carmyn Wyrick

Carmen Vasquez

Cesilia Ortiz

Flerida Meza

Heeli Kim-Jeng

Irma P

Delia Fernandez

Junko Kubo

Tina Ewing-Wilson

Teresa Hernandez

Letecia Espinoza

Flerida Meza

Adelayda Sanchez

Lisa Sorenson

Marina Roman

Jeanise

John Bravo

JaNae Waterfield

Abbreviations:

Harbor: Harbor Regional Center

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IF: Independent Facilitator

PCP: Person-Centered Plan

SCDD: State Council on Developmental Disabilities

SDP: Self-Determination Program

DVU: Disability Voices United

FMS: Financial Management Service

DDS: Department of Developmental Services

RFP: Request for Proposal

SDAC: Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee

OCRA: Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy

ASLA: Autism Society of Los Angeles

CSM: Client Services Manager

Welcome:

Introductions of committee members and guests via the chat. Present committee members have camera on and introduce themselves verbally.

Committee Members Responsibilities and Agreements:

Mission Statement (read aloud by Kathy Maye and Maria Elena Walsh)

Committee Responsibilities (read aloud by Shirlys Gruber):

- attend meetings regularly and commit to being on time
- be mindful of participants' time by helping keep meetings on track
- listen attentively
- maintain an open mind towards others
- support the actions and efforts of the committee

Committee Agreements (read aloud by Deaka McClain):

- We agree to be respectful of each other

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- We agree to respect privacy by not sharing any personal information
- We agree to only ask questions and share comments related to the SDP
- During public comments, raise your hand and wait to speak until called
- One comment per person, unless there is time for additional questions or comments
- If your questions were not answered during the meeting, email your Harbor service coordinator or Harbor PCS team

Open Forum:

- Cesilia Ortiz (Padres for Ninos) – Offering SDP information for free to the community at Tichenor every third Saturday of the month.
- Preselah Seymore (GT Independence) –FMS that is interested in educating the community with SDP, no budge cap, no waitlist.
- Ana Davaa – can help with translation and interpretation shared her contact information. They can support families who speak Russian, Korean and Mongolian.
- Austyn Perez (PPL) – community liaison
- Tina Ewing-Wilson Outreach Specialist (Disability Voices United) – community liaison

Public Comments:

- Mayra – wants more details of how many IF from Guidelight Group, ASLA, and State council. Also clarified she wanted all the IF who have graduated in the state of California. She also stated she believes she has been asking for 6 months.
 - Harbor clarified that they could work with the recipients of Implementation Funds (Guidelight and ASLA/Pheonix) to gather IF's trained under the funds however, data on all IF trained statewide would be a bigger ask and State Council will have to be added to the conversation.
 - A total of 117 IF's have graduated with SDP Implementation Funds.
 - Trainings were provided in English, Spanish and ASL.
- Guidelight Group – requested ASL interpretation at all SDAC meetings moving forward since some of her IF need it to attend.

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- Translation needs to be requested within 5 days of the meeting. Will be added to the flyer moving forward.
- Deaka – clarified Harbor is no longer hosting orientations. State council is now hosting.
- Marleni – wanted to clarify informed decision making. Starting SDP has allowed them to make informed decisions. The IF can also share a small presentation of what to expect before starting the process.
- Shirlys – commented on the IF and knowing they can fire them if they are not a fit. They requested the presentation to educate families to know what the limits and the rights are. Would like to add to bad practices with sharing of personal information.
 - Harbor shared that this is something that can be added to the presentation and the IF should be sharing and including family throughout the entire process.
- Debra – continues to educate what the individuals needs are and the wide range of support the IF can provide.
- Mayra – Some IFs are not pushing back when services are being removed from the budget. How can we stop that.
 - Harbor clarified by interviewing the IF before hiring them.

Committee Chair Statewide Updates:

Deaka McClain reported on the SSDAC meeting where all regional center chairs attend at the state level for a statewide gathering. Deaka attended the meeting on May 5, 2026, she is pending her notes and will share them with committee members by next SDAC meeting.

- Deaka received a response from the letter that the committee agreed to send to SSDAC. It was positive and they liked the detailed information that was provided.

Approval of Minutes:

April 1, 2026, minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes made by Tim'an Ford seconded by Kyungshil Choi.

- Mayra Garcia – asked questions about how many IF's graduated from each program and what language they speak.

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- Shirlys Gruber – also would like the information shared about the IF's and the graduation rate not just from ASLA and Guidelight
 - Harbor shared that they were unable to go over last SDAC because they ran out of time, but it will be shared today during the implementation funds portion of the agenda.

Minutes were approved by all committee members in attendance: Deaka McClain, Kathy Maye, Maria Elena Walsh, Shirlys Gruber, Mayra García, Kyungshil Choi, and Tim'an Ford.

Harbor Regional Center Monthly Updates:

- SDP Resource Fair
 - 178 in attendance
 - Had providers such as IF, FMS, and Community Providers
 - Total providers invited 25, 22 attended
 - Improvements
 - IF Presentation
 - FMS Presentation
 - More diversity with providers
 - Bigger space to allow more to attend
 - Photos of the event were shared
 - Deaka – shared she attended the resource fair and was very happy with the turn out and quick thinking with the weather.
 - Shirlys – would have liked more providers and asked if they can have a copy of the list of providers who attended.
 - Marleni – enjoyed the event and thinks it should be held more often because it was such a success.
 - Mayra - requested ASL interpretation and stated it should be at all the events. Harbor clarified that if interpretation is requested Harbor will provide it. Harbor also had an ASL service coordinator to translate, if needed.
- *Best Practices for an Independent Facilitator*
 - *Support Person-Centered Planning*
 - *Educate and Empower Participants*
 - *Assist with budget and Spending Plan Development*

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- *Improper Practices for an Independent Facilitator*
 - *Making Decision for the Participant*
 - *Controlling the budget*
 - *Provide Direct Services*
 - *Misinterpret SDP Directives and Guidelines*
 - *Duplicate Regional Center Responsibilities*
 - *Provides Low Quality Documentation*
- List of Independent Facilitators and SDP Ombudsperson
 - <https://www.thecasdpnetwork.org/independent-facilitators>
 - <https://www.dds.ca.gov/initiatives/office-of-the-ombudsperson>
- Questions
 - Shirlys – asked why the IF cannot be listed as anything other in the spending plan.
 - Harbor clarified that they can only be an IF or somewhere else in the spending plan, not both.
 - Deaka – why would the IF not share information with the family
 - The IF should want to empower the individual, but some want to make the individual reliant on them to collect funding.
 - Shirlys – asked for clarification on improper practices and asked for clarification on pre-transition services and the IFs.
 - Harbor clarified what pre-transition services are and encouraged families to interview the IF to ensure they can support the individual in the way that meets their needs.
- Pre-transition Supports (099)
 - Single invoice reflecting 099 services
 - Single invoice reflecting 099 services
 - What should be included:
 - Service code
 - Date a service was rendered
 - Specific task worked on
 - Time spent
 - Rate (\$50.48 per hour – DDS rate)
 - Total cost for the task

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- Family will need to verify that they have reviewed and agree with the invoice.
- SDP Implementation Funds
 - FY 2022 – 2023
 - Guidelight Group had 19 received certificates
 - ASLA 28 received certificates
 - Deaka – asking if they are all serving Harbor RC families. Asking for a survey to see how many IF serve Harbor RC individuals specifically.
 - Guidelight Group – clarified each IF they are training will work with two Harbor RC individuals within a year. Some have already set up a business and have been working with more than two individuals.
 - Shirlys – asking Guidelight Group how many language they have serving other languages.
 - Guidelight Group responded they have shared in the past and will share the slides again for language.
 - ASLA – Will add it to the program and gather data to see how many IF serve Harbor RC specifically
 - Kathy – shared she was not suited to be an IF after she completed the course but now feels confident to manage her sons SDP budget effectively.
 - Marleni – shared she took the IF course to help her children but now has started a small business to help others. She does see we are lacking coaching after they have graduated from the program.
 - Guidelight Group – shared they are taking the 19 that received that certificate would receive in depth mentoring and shadowing IF who have been doing the work for many years.
 - ASLA – also provides training with advanced topics and coaching before they go out on their own
 - Mayra – stated she has been asking for this information for months about IF and the graduation

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rate not just from ASLA and Guidelight Group but everyone. Statewide was mentioned.

- Antoinette – clarified that ASLA and Guidelight Group do submit reports quarterly. In the upcoming awarded funds, both programs will include an IF mentoring/coaching component.
 - Shirlys – also took the IF training and does want the IF coaching and training
- FY 2023 – 2024
- Guidelight Group currently training 12
 - ASLA currently training 14

Partner Updates:

- OCRA
 - Jamie Zoellner shared a link to upcoming trainings on the fair hearing process and IHSS. They are also able to support with IEP, IPP, and any issues with Regional Centers.
 - <https://www.disabilityrightsca.org/events>
- State Council (SCDD)
 - Albert Feliciano could not attend.
 - <https://scdd.ca.gov/sdp-orientation/>
 - SDP Orientation is held through State Council and broken up into two parts (Part A and Part B) based on feedback from the community. Each part is two hours long. Will receive a certificate after each part is complete.
- ASLA
 - If training has been completed, total of 8 modules and 48 hours of training. Additional training occurred as natural opportunities arose.
 - Accepted 25 Harbor individuals and 43 non-Harbor.
 - 9 Harbor completed the training, and 16 non-Harbor completed the training
 - 1 Harbor individual and 9 non-Harbor individuals missed a session in this cycle and will not receive a certificate, if the opportunity is available, will allow them to make up sessions

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- Additional 5 graduates from previous training (4 English, 1 bilingual) who made up sessions
- IF's shared via survey:
 - PCP module was the most important
 - Lectures in preferred language was important to Harbor population
 - IF as a business and employment was the most valuable
 - IF's had to complete a PCP as homework, trainees had positive feedback regarding this assignment.
 - Trainees shared that peer interaction will help them become better IF's
- Shirlys – requested clarification on the funds that were approved and adding coaching or advanced training.
- ALSA confirmed they offer coaching and advanced training on multiple topics.

SDP Success Story:

- Harbor shared a participant success story highlighting the positive impact of the Self-Determination Program for a pair of siblings with different needs.

SDP Orientation:

- Calendar and QR code was shared in the chat
 - <https://scdd.ca.gov/sdp-orientation>

Closing:

- Next SDAC Meeting
 - June 3, 2026, from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM via Zoom.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Kelsey Machado (CSM) and translated by Wendy Velazquez (PCS).



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Call To Order:

- Harbor Self Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) was called to order at 6:08 PM on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, via Zoom.
- Quorum was established at 6:11 PM.

Committee Members Present:

Deaka McClain-Individual Served, Committee Chair
Kathy Maye – Parent
Shirlys Gruber – Parent
Kyungshil Choi – Parent
Marleni Pineda – Parent
Tim'an Ford – Peer Advocate
David Gauthier – Committee Member

Harbor Staff Present:

Patrick Ruppe – Executive Director
Antoinette Perez – Director
Ricardo Orozco – PCS
Bryan Sanchez – CSM
Jimmy Silvestre – CSM
Erika Castillo – CSM
David Hernandez – CSM
Maria Rivas - CSM
Jessica Sanchez – CSM
Johnny Granados - CSM

Visitors:

Lucy Paz – Interpreter
Jan – ASL Interpreter
Aastyn Strandberg – IF
Aaron Mosley
Adaptive SDP
Adelayda Sanchez
Adriana Garcia
Albert Feliciano – SCDD Advocate
Amelia Castellanos
Austyn Perez – PPL FMS
Beth Martinko
Carolina Beltran
Cecilia Ramos
Celeste Hernandez
Cendy Topete ICC
Cesilia Ortiz Barajas
Claire Seo

Visitors Continued:

Debra Jorgensen
Don D
Elvia Martinez
Gilberta Castellanos
Ivon Muniz Diaz
Jaqueline Casas
JeNae Waterfield
Johnanthony Alaimo
Jose Luis Avalos
Kenghuy Ung
Kim Lewis
Kim Sinclair – ASLA
Laura
Lisa Sorensen
Lisa Walker
Lulu Aguilar
Marizela Arroyo
Michael Velasco
Naomi Hagel – Phoenix Facilitation
Nisha J
Peng Luo
Preselah Seymore – GT Independence (FMS)
Reiko Umeda
Shelia Jones
Sydnee C
Teresa Hernandez
Tina Ewing-Wilson – Disability Voices United
Tyrone Johnson



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<u>Abbreviations:</u>	
Harbor: Harbor Regional Center IF: Independent Facilitator PCP: Person-Centered Plan SCDD: State Council on Developmental Disabilities SDP: Self-Determination Program DVU: Disability Voices United FMS: Financial Management Service	DDS: Department of Developmental Services RFP: Request for Proposal SDAC: Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee OCRA: Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy ASLA: Autism Society of Los Angeles CSM: Client Services Manager

Welcome: Introductions of committee members and guests via the chat.

Mission Statement: Read aloud by Kathy Maye and Marleni Pineda

<u>Committee Responsibilities (read aloud by Miriam Kang):</u>	<u>Committee Agreements (read aloud by Deaka McClain):</u>
- attend meetings regularly and commit to being on time - be mindful of participants' time by helping keep meetings on track - listen attentively - maintain an open mind towards others - support the actions and efforts of the committee	- We agree to be respectful of each other - We agree to respect privacy by not sharing any personal information - During public comments, raise your hand and wait to speak until called - One comment per person, unless there is time for additional questions or comments - If your questions were not answered during the meeting, email your Harbor service coordinator or Harbor PCS team

Open Forum:

- Preselah Seymore (GT Independence) –FMS that is interested in educating the community with SDP, no budget cap, no waitlist. Contact information was added in the chat, 626.718.6733 or pseymore@gttsd.org
- Beth Martinko: Free 24/7 online navigation program for self-advocates and families to learn how to navigate the regional center system.

Public Comments:

- Elvia Martinez – New IF, received certification in March 2026 through ASLA and would like to learn more and advance her career.

Committee Chair Statewide Updates:

- Deaka attended the statewide LVAC meeting on May 5, 2026, for updates on SDP implementation funding and statewide program issues, including changes to orientations, implementation efforts, and oversight measures.
- The meeting also covered the Governor's proposal to eliminate implementation funds, with concerns about reduced outreach, education, and access to SDP, especially for underserved communities. Members also discussed potential Medicaid changes, barriers to choice and flexibility, and delays in assessments for SDP services and supports.
- Public comments focused on concerns about the budget and statewide access to SDP.



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- On May 28, the Senate Budget Subcommittee on Human Services recommended \$1 million in annual LVAC funding in response to community advocacy. The Assembly Budget Committee on Human Services still needs to review the budget.
- Advocacy efforts should continue with Senate and Assembly committees.
- Full meeting minutes are available on the website.

Approval of Minutes:

- May 6, 2026, minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes made by Tim'an Ford seconded by Marleni Pineda.
- Minutes were approved by all committee members in attendance: Deaka McClain, Kathy Maye, Shirlys Gruber, Kyungshil Choi, Marleni Pineda, David Gauthier and Tim'an Ford.

Harbor Regional Center Monthly Updates:

- Harbor has been actively working on updating the Harbor Spending plan template and will be shared in the August SDAC.
- Current SDP enrollment: total of 619 SDP, there has been an increase in SDP enrollment roughly about 200 participants
- EC - 25
 - Children and Adolescent - 352
 - Adults - 242
- Current FMS – 19 in total; one new added (Balanced FMS)
 - Bill Payer (315) - 19
 - Co-Employer (316) - 15
 - Sole Employer (317) - 16

Harbor's Presentation

- Role of the participant
 - Learning and making informed decisions
 - Collaborating with SDP team
 - Creating the Spending plan
 - Manage and monitor funds
 - Coordinate services
 - participate in IPP meetings
- Role of the Service Coordinator
 - Provide information and Guidance
 - Facilitate Person-Centered Planning
 - Review Spending Plans
 - Collaborate with IPP team and Harbor staff
 - Complete documentation
 - Support Problem Resolution
- DDS Website and SDP Page
 - <https://www.dds.ca.gov/initiatives/sdp/>
 - DDS website overview on how to navigate SDP page to access SDP related resources, including orientations, FMS information, the Ombudsperson, the independent facilitator list, FMS rates with employer burden, DDS FAQs, and DDS directives.



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- Information was shared on how to access SDP service codes, what services may be authorized through those codes, how to use each tab on the site, and how to change the webpage language.

Questions:

- Q1. Shirlys asked if the current SC will be the same SC once they go live or what is the criteria in choosing the SC for SDP.
- R1. Harbor clarified the goal is to keep the same SC but at times if an SC has reached their cap in SDP cases a switch may happen.
- Q2. Shirly's asked how we are sure that the SC is equipped with current information in regard to SDP and they are knowledgeable with SDP.
- R2. Harbor clarified that all SCs receive SDP training when they are hired, along with ongoing training throughout the year. SCs should discuss SDP as an option with families during the IPP process. In addition, PCS team members and their CSMs are available to support SCs and help answer questions related to SDP.

Partner Updates:

1. OCRA | Johnanthony Alaimo | <https://www.disabilityrightsca.org/events>
 - Attended on behalf of Jamie Zoellner. He shared to reach out if there are any questions or concerns regarding IHSS, School, Medi-Cal, SSI and regional center. He shared a link to ORCRA's website. They are also able to support with IEP, IPP, and any issues with Regional Centers.
2. State Council (SCDD) | Albert Feliciano | <https://scdd.ca.gov/sdp-orientation/>
 - SDP Orientation is held through State Council and broken up into two parts (Part A and Part B) based on feedback from the community. Each part is two hours long. Will receive a certificate after each part is complete.
 - Marleni shared that there are families who were not able to complete the survey after the orientation but would like to see if they can complete the survey after the training.
 - Albert shared that after completing the orientation each family will receive approximately four reminder emails at their registered email address. These emails will include a link to complete the survey. If families are having difficulty with the survey they can reach out to Albert.
 - Deaka asked for clarification why did state council take over the orientations instead of regional centers.
 - Albert shared that based on feedback from the public that DDS made the decision to only have the orientations completed by SCDD.

SDP Success Story:

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Additional Questions / Comments

1. Miriam requested that an item be added to the next SDAC agenda seeking clarification on funding for out-of-state camps held in California. She asked why families are being denied access when the camp's business license is based outside of California, even though services are provided and funds are spent within the state.
 - a. Harbor clarified that, per DDS guidance, if a business holds an out-of-state license, the funding is considered to be going out of state. While services may be provided outside of California, the business itself must be based in California. DDS has issued guidance on out-of-state services, though exceptions may be considered. Harbor noted that this topic can be discussed further at a future SDAC meeting.
2. Deaka suggested that at the end of each meeting, following the success stories, participants should be asked to propose topics for the next SDAC meeting agenda.
 - a. Shirley's responded that this has already been addressed at previous meetings and was agreed that it would be included moving forward.
 - b. Committee agrees this will be a standing item.
3. Lulu Aguilar inquired about how to support families who do not have an IF in completing spending plan modifications, particularly those who struggle with the process. She noted that some IPP teams have informed families they cannot assist, creating barriers to accessing services through the SDP.
 - a. Harbor shared that FMS providers are available to support families in creating or modifying spending plans. Additionally, Harbor noted that DDS has incorporated support within SDP through the option of an Independent Facilitator (IF), who can provide added assistance. While the IF role is optional, it is available to families who need extra support.
4. Ana Davaa an IF and parent of an individual served, shared that she feels Harbor is doing a good job and expressed satisfaction with the supports provided. She also noted that she is available to assist families in her role as an IF.
5. Marleni Pineda asked Alberto about the orientations she attended through SCDD, stating that the option of having an Independent Facilitator (IF) in the SDP was not discussed. She expressed that including this information would be beneficial for families.
6. Cesilia Ortiz noted that funding for an IF is not included in the budget, and at times the allocated budget is not enough to cover IF services. She added that for minor changes, other regional centers are able to provide support, and expressed a desire for Harbor to offer similar assistance with making spending plan modifications.
7. Shirlys Gruber requested that Harbor host a roundtable or town hall meeting for IFs to provide a space for discussion and to address concerns and barriers in supporting families. She also asked that this item be included on the agenda for the next meeting.
8. Miriam shared that there are many Independent Facilitators (IFs) available, including Spanish-speaking providers. She emphasized that families should feel comfortable with their chosen IF and have the ability to select someone who best meets their needs. She



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also noted that families are expected to find an IF to help them navigate the SDP, as much of the responsibility falls on them.

9. Ana shared that she agrees with Miriam's comments, she supports the idea of hosting roundtable meetings for Independent Facilitators, as these could provide valuable additional support. She emphasized that there are many IFs available and that families are responsible for selecting one that best meets their needs.
 - a. Shirley's responded to Ana and Miriam's comments, stating that while she has seen improvement from Harbor, there is still room for growth. She added that this is an opportunity for everyone to share their concerns about Independent Facilitators and discuss the barriers to accessing services.

Next SDAC Meeting:

- SDAC does not meet in July
- August 5, 2026, from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM via Zoom.

Adjournment:

- Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Minutes submitted by Erika Castillo and translated by Wendy Velazquez.



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<u>Committee Participants Present:</u>	
Angie Rodriguez SVS	Tiki Thompson Person Centered Options
Paul Quiroz Cambrian Homecare	Monique Weatherspoon Person Centered Options
Lindsey Stone ICAN Ca.	Jay Smith Santos Homes
Sharon Oh Share Speech & Language	Vanessa Daniels Casa Mariposa
Diane Sanka Easter Seals	Maria Gonzalez ABA LA
Rafael Carbajal Remarkable Centered Services	Tom Roderick Heartwell Homecare
Bertha Martin Mountain Top	Anasa Cooper Heartwell Homecare
Lesly Roveló SVS	Gina Woodruff AIM Living Services
Serafin Avila SVS	Veronica Gomez AIM Living Services
Leo Vasquez SVS	Ryan Sakaguchi Momentum Pediatric Therapy
Angie Gallon SVS	Judy Linares Momentum Pediatric Therapy
Christine Estrada SVS	Nicole Bollinger Envision Home Health
Adelyn Hernandez Able Arts Work	Claire S G&C Consulting Management
Verretta Boatner CA Mentor	Taryn Eaton Self Determined Futures
Carla Lane CA Mento	Dalia Villa Self Determined Futures
Ife James CA Mentor	Sydnee Campbell Angel Sense
Latasha Bellard Easter Seals	Ihab Shahani IABA
Angelica Real Easter Seals	Carmyn Wyrick Cornerstone of Community
Lourdes Carranza Easter Seals	Michelle Nguyen Harbor Start
Arely Rodriguez Easter Seals	Delawrence Grant UNI
Hector Carrasco 24Hr Homecare	Latashian Hammond Agape Christian Homes
April Stover Ability First	Shirlys Gruber HRC Parent
Johanna Torres David's Place	Harold Cole Genesis Recuperative Care
Erin Hall David's Place	Edith Parreno Cerritos Homecare
Luis Astorga David's Place	Ellie Weber SLEA Therapies
Alex Saldana Oxford Health	Nathan Mohasur Liberty Behavioral
Sylvia Owens Brainstorm Productions	Raquel Alzammar ABA Enhancement
Jesse Hansen Dungarvin	Deborah Metz Sharah Bryan Therapy
Angela Coleman Mountain Top	Gerardo Bustamante Jay Nolan Comm Srvs

<u>Harbor Staff Present:</u>
Patrick Ruppe, Executive Director
Elizabeth Garcia Moya, Community Services Director
Leticia Mendoza, Community Services Department Assistant
Aimee Fabila, HCBS Specialist Provider Relations
Patricia Piceno, Community Services Manager
Satoko Eskenazi, HCBS Specialist Provider Relations
Darby De Leon, HCBS Specialist Provider Relations
Bing Tayag, Controller
Tes Castillo, Assistant Controller
Total participants: 68



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Call to Order:

Angie called meeting at 10:00 a.m. Meeting began by introductions of SPAC committee. Encouraged attendees to participate in the Subcommittee meetings to share discussion topics for upcoming SPAC meetings.

Sub-Committee Updates:

Sharon Oh and SPAC Chair Members. The subgroups continue to host individual sub-committee meetings to discuss current issues and concerns.

- Last meeting in November
- Next early start meeting providers on 02/05/26

Paul Quiroz- Support Services Chair provided an update on the following topics from their last meeting:

- DSP Collaborative program
- Challenges in hiring staff
- Increase in current gas prices

Rafael Carbajal of Supported Living Services Chair provided an update on the following topics from their last meeting:

- Rate Reform
- New regional center portal and vendorization process
- AIM Living Services agency introduction
- Next meeting 06/11/26

Diane Sanka of Day Program Chair informed that she had no updates and the next meeting will be on June 16, 2026, where she encouraged new programs to participate.

Lindsey Stone of Supported Employment Services Chair provided an update on the following topics:

- Discussion on pending state employment and CARF updates
- Next employment meeting 06/04/26

Sharon Oh of Early Start Services Chair provided an update on the following topics:

- New referral process
- Report timelines to early start teams
- Next meeting 08/06/26

Bertha Martin of Residential Services Chair provided an update on the following topics:

- SIR reporting changes as of 05/01/26
- QIP provider surveys and encouraged to contact DDS for questions
- 30 day written notice to regional centers for any changes to their programs
- Summer preparedness for maintain individuals cool & safe



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Special Incident Reporting and Introduction:

Mary Hernandez, Director of Case Management introduced new staff manager Julio Garcia, manager of Rights and Quality Assurance who will monitoring all SIR reporting.

HCBS Update:

Aimee Fabila, Provider Relations Specialist shared a presentation on HCBS updates and **upcoming trainings:**

- Person Centered Thinking Training a two-day course held at Harbor Torrance office from 9:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.
- Dates 07/21/26 & 07/22/26 and 10/07/26 & 10/08/26
- Participants must attend the two-day course to receive certificate of completion
- To register email: Training.Reservations@harborrc.org

1:1 Alo Consultations

- FREE 2-hour in-home consultation to support service providers ongoing efforts towards HCBS compliance
- Dates 08/19/26 & 08/20/26 and 09/23 & 09/24
- To register email: kaitlin@aloconsultation.com

FY 26/27 Funding to Support HCBS Compliance

- Harbor submitted plan to DDS, the plan focuses on supporting the following:
 - Ongoing HCBS Final Rule compliance efforts
 - Person-centered Practices
 - Community Inclusion Efforts
- Guidance released by the California Department of Developmental Services (DDS) on March 19, 2026. Feedback from community partners, providers, individuals served, families, and stakeholders.

Budget Update:

Patrick Ruppe shared a presentation on the latest California Budget Cycle:

- Fiscal Year July 1st to June 30th
- Governor's Proposed Budget –January 10th
- Governor's May Revision –May 14th
- Enacted Budget –by June 30th
 - Current Fiscal Year 2025-2026
 - Budget Fiscal Year 2026-2027
- May Revision
 - Stay in place budget
 - Caseload Growth & Utilization
 - Rate Model adjustments for center-based Early Intervention Programs
 - New Grievance process
 - Standardized intake process and a clinical needs assessment tool



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- All Regional Centers (in \$1,000s)

	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Difference	Increase	Percentage
Operations		\$1,650,677	\$1,806,408	\$155,731	9%
Purchase of Service		\$16,523,975	\$19,263,657	\$2,739,682	17%
Total		\$18,196,079	\$21,092,492	\$2,895,413	16%
- Regional Center Caseload

	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Difference	Increase	Percentage
Operations		\$487,114	\$526,848	\$39,734	8%
- Harbor Regional Center FY 2025-26 (in \$1,000s)

	Budget (B-4 Amendment)	Projection (Jan Actuals)	Variance
Operations	\$64,531	\$64,531	
Purchase of Service	\$560,090	\$558,757	\$13,329
Total	\$624,622	\$623,289	\$13,329

Regional Center Caseload: 21,305
- As of now regional centers appear to be okay with no budget cuts. More information to come when the budget is signed
- Patrick and Angie encouraged service providers to contact and advocate to their local legislators about the services they provide. A parent participating in the meeting also encouraged everyone to keep advocating for families being served.

Harbor Community Services Staff Introductions:

- Darby De Leon and Satoko Eskenazi Provider Relations Specialists

Rate Reform: Elizabeth Garcia-Moya shared a presentation on Rate Reform status:

- Remaining service codes to complete - Early Start Services (805), Behavioral Services, Supported Employment, Level 7 residential services and Out-of-area service providers
- Retro payments will be processed as rate reform changes are implemented

Quality Incentive Program (QIP) FY 26/27: Elizabeth Garcia Moya shared presentation on the QIP program:

- Next Provider QIP effective 07/01/2026
 - To qualify for the QIP in Fiscal Year 2026–2027, by **02/26/2026** providers must be in compliance with three key requirements, California Welfare and Institutions Code §4519.10;
 - Electronic Visit Verification (EVV), if applicable;
 - Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Rules, if applicable;
 - **Annual independent fiscal audit requirements**, if applicable;
 - DDS Directive- Provider Capacity Measure FY 26/27 due date extended from 01/31/26-02/27/26;
 - DDS sent QIP eligibility list for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027 to regional centers;
 - Service providers that **did not** meet the applicable QIP requirements will be notified of the rate reduction that will take effect **July 1st, 2026**; and



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- Providers that were notified that did not meet the applicable QIP requirements and believe it's an error, can submit documents verifying that you met the requirements to Harbor at ratesquestions@harborrc.org by **Friday, June 12, 2026**.

QIP Surveys:

- If the applicable **QIP survey/s** were completed by the deadline, **02/27/26**, but the service provider did not meet the additional applicable requirements, **HCBS, EVV, and/or Independent Audits or Reviews**, they can earn the QIP portion of the rate after they achieve the eligibility requirement.
- Regional centers will apply the QIP rate component on the first of the month that begins not sooner than 60 days after eligibility is verified **AND** no earlier than **09/01/2026**.
- Those that did not complete the applicable survey/s **will not** be eligible to earn the full rate for FY 26/27 (July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027).

QIP Compliance & Rates Effective 07/01/2026:

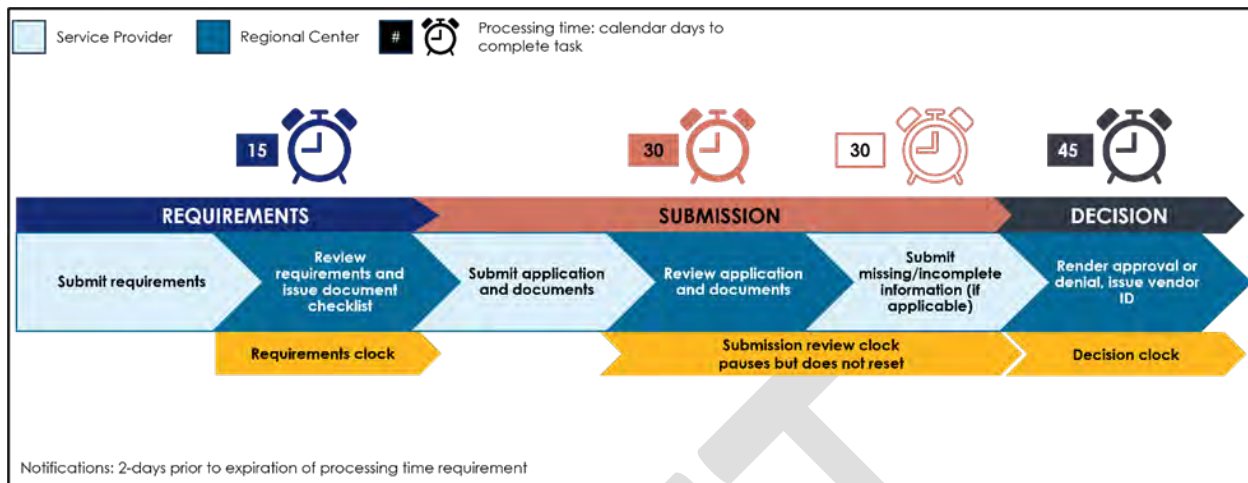
- **Full Rate:** Service provider met all applicable QIP requirements
 - EX: Must of met EVV compliance & complete the Provider Capacity survey by 02/27/26 and completed both requirements by the deadline.
- **95 % of the full rate:** Partially met applicable QIP requirements
 - EX: Service provider had to meet Audit compliance & complete the Provider Capacity & Wellness surveys by 02/27/26 but only completed the Wellness survey & Audit by the deadline
- **90 % of the Full rate:** Did not meet any of the applicable QIP requirements.
 - EX: Must of met compliance EVV & complete the Provider Capacity survey by 02/27/26 but did not meet either requirement by the deadline.
- **New Vendorizations -QIP Rate Component for FY 2026-27**
 - If applicable, comply with the following:
 - Electronic Visit Verification (EVV)
 - HCBS and Independent Audit or Review; AND
 - Register and validate information in the Provider Directory
 - Complete and submit the Initial QIP Provider Survey within 60 days of receipt
 - DDS started sending out the Initial QIP Survey link to eligible service providers in February from dds-oqa@qualtrics-survey.com
 - Service providers have 60 days after receiving to complete the survey.

Standardized Vendorization:

- Effective 03/01/26- All new vendorizations must be completed via the Provider Directory
- Potential new service providers must first register in the Provider Director
- <https://caddspod.servicenowservices.com/spd>
- Existing service providers can apply for a new service via the portal
- Excluded from the directory: Self-Determination Program (SDP), Emergency vendorization, Request for Proposals (RFP), Purchase Reimbursement (service code 024), SSP Restoration (service code 065) and Non-reimbursed Personal & Incidental (P&I) (service code 400)
- Vendorization Timeline:



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- Helpful Vendorization Application Tips
- Visit regional centers websites for current service needs
- One service type per application submission
- Submission of required documents per application
- Service providers were reminded of proper written notifications to regional centers per Title 17 regulations when there is a change in their organization, ownership, location or program design.. Notices should be submitted at least 30-60 days in advance.
- **For more information:** [Standardization and Modernization : CA Department of Developmental Services](#)

DDS Provider Directory: Elizabeth Garcia-Moya shared presentation on the various changes whether minor or major in the Provider Directory:

- **Minor change:** Phone number, contact person, email address, NPI, DOB, Consultants & community resource types used by the vendor, website address, Languages served.
- **Major change:** Vendor name, applicant, name of governing body, registered name with the Secretary of State, Organization type (Inc, LLC) etc., tax id number, service address location, license certification and facility capacity.
- **Reporting changes to Harbor:** All changes must be submitted to the provider directory portal. In addition submit a formal business letter with the detail changes to the email vendorrequests@harborrc.org

Remote Services: Elizabeth Garcia-Moya shared presentation Service provider remote services:

- DDS guidance released on 05/01/26 the tracking of provision of remote services effective 06/01/26 via the eBilling portal. Refer to <https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/G-2026-RegionalCenterOperations-001.pdf>
- Allowed services should be the individual's and/or family's choice and should be documented in the IFSP or IPP.
- Service codes allowable: Early Start -Government Code Section 95020(d)(5)(A)
- Tailored Day Services - WIC Section 4688.21(b)(1)(B)
- D-2025-Community Services Division-003 allows remote services until **December 31, 2026:**
- Day Programs, look-a-like day program
- Independent Living
- Behavioral Therapy Services



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- Activities for Lanterman Eligibility
- Remote services allowed until 12/31/2026

DSP Collaborative & DSP University: Elizabeth Garcia-Moya provided an update on the DSP Collaborative amongst local L.A. regional centers to promote employment:

- Free provider job posting
- Tentative launch late summer 2026
- Job fair Fall 2026
- Direct Support Professionals University (DSPU)
 - Free Competency training and certification program
 - 48 hours required course to participate
 - DDS sponsored training, ultimate goal is to recruit, train and retain qualified DSP staff
- Copies of DSPU flyers distributed

Invisible No More: Advancing California's Direct Support Profession Submit: Diane Sanka, Day program chair shared information on the recent 2-day DSP workforce submit in-person in Sacramento:

- Conference sponsored by ARCA, DDS, CDSA.
- Topics staff wages, management, problem solving ideas, challenges and solutions
- Next submit will be in 2027. Information to follow as it becomes available

Service Provider Announcements:

- ICAN CA will host a Social Recreation Resource Fair on 09/19/26 at ARC Long Beach program site. Additional information on ICAN website for providers if interested in participating.

Next Meeting:

- The next meeting is scheduled for August 4, 2026.

Adjournment:

- The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.