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CHAIRMAN STEELE: Thank you to everyone who stood up with everyone impacted by the fires and lifting up those that were. We stand with you. We have an echo now. I stand with you all.

I feel like the energy we have created in this space; I saw out in the world. There is roll and responsibility we have to carry forward further.

I had a chance to talk with Member Stevens on the way here. She reminded me that we have resources to think about and obtain. We can take care of more team. We will talk more about that. Can we read through the disclosures?

>> I will read the meeting disclosures. This meeting is recorded for the purpose of the meeting minutes. By remaining, you consent to being recorded. This is subject to the brown act. Since conversations are not visible to people on the phone and who are unable to join, the chat function is limited to tech assistance. There will be no response nor forwarding of public comments.

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Advisory committee members may not have the chance to review the comments prior to acting on an item. Over to you.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Thank you. Let us do roll call.

>> We will now conduct roll call. We ask all committee members to be ready before your name is called to be ready to announce your attendance. If you can't unmute, raise your hand so we can assign cohost privileges. Raise your hand with star nine. We will now begin the roll call by last name. When it is called, say present or present remotely. Member Armstead or alternate.

MEMBER ARMSTEAD: Present.

MEMBER CARBAJAL: Present.

MEMBER CASTILLO: Present.

MEMBER CONTRERAS: Present.

MEMBER CRUNK: Present. Alternate. Sire.

MEMBER EAKINS: Present remotely.

>> Present.

MEMBER GARCIA: Alternate present.

MEMBER HONG: Present.

MEMBER LEWIS: Present.

MEMBER LOBIANCO: Alternate.

MEMBER SCHOONOVER: Alternate present.

MEMBER SCORZA: Alternate.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Present.

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MEMBER STEVENS: Present.

MEMBER J. WILLIAMS: Present.

MEMBER M. WILLIAMS: Present.

MEMBER WONG: Present.

>> Thank you. This meeting has reached quorum. We will now acknowledge those attending remotely.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: We got that. Thank you very much. Let us review the community land acknowledgment. The land between our feet is the land of people who live in Los Angeles for thousands of years. The Gabrieleno Tongva people, the Fernandeno Tatavium Tribe and the Ventureño Chumash people.

These native people understood and respected the land, connected and respected the four-legged creatures who once roamed the earth freely, the winged ones and everything in the ocean.

Their hearts told them never to take more than they could use and always give back to mother earth. These people are still here today living and breathing among us and still giving back to the community. Aheeh. Thank you.

>> That phrase is Navajo phrase. I want to recognize those firefighters. The other native tribes that joined in. Thousands of incarcerated firefighters deny a living wage under prop six but came here and fought to make sure the communities were safe.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Thank you for that. Most modern-day United States institutions have benefitted from stolen labor or this nation and equitable wealth. We acknowledge our debt to the enslaved people whose labor and suffering grew the economy.

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While the 13th amendment technically ended slavery, we know the impact is still felt. [Reading]. We acknowledge the collective debt to the Indigenous people whose labor was exploited to the Chinese immigrants. Japanese Americans whose lily hoods were taken during World War II. [Reading].

We recognize that our economy relies on the exploited labor of people who earn pennies on the hour. There are many other people who are prevented from reaping the true value of their labor. We mourn their loss of life and op time. We acknowledge that the left of labor is the left of generational progress. [Reading]. This hits. Both of these hit so much. It always resonates. It hits so much harder right now with all the things going on. I appreciate the space that we continue to do this monthly to continue to acknowledge. Can we do the community agreements together?

>> Be respectful of diverse voices. Remain open minded.

>> Be mindful of power dynamics. [Reading]. Defer to community throughout the process.

>> Be mindful and speak with clarity.

>> Be collaborative.

>> Assume best intentions.

>> Challenge the idea not the person.

>> Remember why we are here to center the black, brown, and Indigenous communities and others impacted by the carceral system. [Reading].

>> Defer to community.

>> Transparency and follow through.

>> Be intentional about hearing and allowing space for voices to be uplifted.

>> [Reading].

>> Let equity lead the way.

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>> Make space for youth voices.

>> As much as possible, allow community members to finish their sentences and thoughts during public comment.

>> Review community agreements before every meeting and amend them as needed. Begin CFCI meetings with the land acknowledgment statement [Reading].

Thank you, you all. Thank you very much. We will review the minutes from September 19, 2024. And November 21st. Re-examining the September meeting minutes. There was an extension from the minutes prior to. We want to discuss the meetings from November 21st as well. Anyone want to bring forth a motion? Please take the time to review.

MEMBER LEWIS: I move to approve the September 19th minutes. I move to approve the September 19th and November 21st meeting minutes.

>> I will second.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Any changes to the meeting minutes?

>> The locations be added to the minutes. For these, moving forward, the location of the meetings is important.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Can that be updated? Where the meetings took place. Anyone else? Let us move to public comment. Then we will vote.

>> This commences the public comment period. It will be one minute per person. For those online, please use the raise hand feature now. We will call on you in the order raised. When called upon, please state your full name. Your hand can be lowered after. We will say your name or last digits when it is your turn. When accessing Zoom through a computer, scroll to reactions for the raise hand feature. We will now begin public comment for the September 19th, 2024, and November 21, 2024, meeting minutes.

Any public comments in the room? Seeing none, we will go online.

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>> We have 0 public comments online.

>> Seeing no more raised, this concludes this period. If you have a written public, please send an e-mail before 5 o'clock the day before the meeting. Back to you.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Thank you. Let us go to a vote.

>> We will now conduct the vote for the motion to approve the September 19, 2024, and November 21, 2024, meeting minutes. We will use the similar process to the roll call. As we ask that all committee members be ready. When I call your name, please indicate your vote of yes, no, or abstain.

MEMBER CARBAJAL: Aye.

MEMBER CASTILLO: Aye.

>>Aye.

>>Aye.

>>Aye.

MEMBER HONG: Aye.

MEMBER LEWIS: Aye.

>> Aye.

>> Aye.

>> Abstain.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Aye.

MEMBER STEVENS: Aye.

MEMBER J. WILLIAMS: Abstain.

MEMBER M. WILLIAMS: Aye.

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MEMBER WONG: Aye.

>> Motion passes.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Thank you very much. Thanks for helping to move through that quickly. As you see, there is some procedural conversations we have to have. We also in the presentation of county program criteria, we have something to show and share with you all. The idea is as we continue to have the different county department and presentations, we want a criteria of things to be responsive to.

In times prior, things we want to see are not there. We want to have a criteria set up for them so they can be responsive and additional questions. Who talks through the dates for this year? Thanks for being open to moving this meeting. The February meeting will be in the regular cadence that we had prior to.

We want to make sure the rest of the meeting days are outlined for you in the agenda for today. Any questions about anything?

>> These dates, are they all reflecting the third Thursday of the month?

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Yes. A conversation about the June meeting. It lands on Juneteenth. From my understanding, reflective of third Thursday. Let us move to the conversation about the tele conference meeting under AB2249. We have a member from JCOD to discuss it with us.

>> I will do it.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Adam's got it.

>> Everyone's favorite topic. Before I do that, this is administrative. We have new team members. Did we introduce you. This is Cassie's first meeting. The other announcement we need to make and some know this is Steven has left us for the jail closure implementation team. Some of us saw him earlier. He is here with the county. We are working on a replacement. Very capable team we are building. We are super excited.

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I want to thank him for his stewardship for the time that he did do it. I think he did a good job to bring us together. We are grateful for the hard work to get us where we are now. Let us talk about attendance. We get a lot of questions about this.

Something that has come up in these meetings since I have been coming. We want to run through how you should be notifying us. I think many of you do already. If you will be absent, let us know. Inform us at least a business day in advance.

>> There is a lot of rotating turn over. Who is us? I won't e-mail my chair.

>> It is not on there. Do you want them to hit the JCOD e-mail?

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Still inclusive of the chairs and vice chairs. Good question. I think we will get into it. Sometimes there is an emergency. We can communicate how to market. If you have time, if you have a business day, if you know you will be traveling and not in town, you will be absent or attending remotely, let us know.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: I just want to know. You all follow this. We hear from people through text or e-mail to let us know. I don't hear that from the county staff. I am sure you are engaging with the JCOD team as well. I assume that is taking place. I don't know if I get the e-mails from the county staff.

>> We get those most of the time. We will go through this. Continue to ask questions accordingly. There is state law AB2449 that governs the remote attendance policies. According to state law, members may attend no more than, we can't miss more than two meetings a year.

That is what we want to adhere to. We will get into definitions. We want to make sure people are in person. Go ahead.

>> Are you equating missing with participating remotely under 2249?

CHAIRMAN STEELE: No. Attending remotely.



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>> Okay.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Absences are different. Remote attendance.

>> We can keep moving. These are illnesses, childcare, disability, travel. As soon as you know they will not be able to make it, give us a heads up. No vote is required in these circumstances under these just causes. We can go next slide.

Emergency circumstances. These are physical family medical emergencies. As long as you notify us at the earliest and provide a general description, I will just say in the spirit of this discussion, we don't want to know specific things. If you let us know you have an emergency, that is totally fine.

I won't speak for the cochairs. If you have an emergency and let us know.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: I need to know the details. Just joking.

>> I have been deported.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: That is not funny. That is not okay. It could. We have to manage a different situation. Setting everything up to take care of people. You don't need to tell us the details. My e-mail address is [dsteele@sjli.org](mailto:dsteele@sjli.org).

Vice cochair Member Fuentes-Miranda. [Miranda@ace4change.org](mailto:Miranda@ace4change.org). For vice cochair Member Castillo, her e-mail is [megan@ladefensx.org](mailto:megan@ladefensx.org). We are all in communication.

>> I didn't say this under the just cause. There is not a vote required to approve remote attendance. According to statute there is a vote for approve remote attendance under emergency circumstances.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Got it.

MEMBER LEWIS: We need you to expand. Was that September? There were 3 or 4 people online. We voted to allow them. Sigh more about that. What triggers. Who defines? We have people. We need more information. The

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clock restarted. You need more information. Not today. You should tease out the process.

>> That is true. I honestly can't say much more than that. We would work with the chair to establish a process. We don't know. We would work with the chair to figure it out.

MEMBER LEWIS: Is county council here? My request is for you to tease it out a little more so we don't have to. We spent 15 minutes trying to figure it out. That is not a good use of time. I am asking for next steps.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: We will have guidance sent out. At the next meeting, we can talk about it if need be.

>> For sure. We can keep it moving. Additional requirements for remote attendance. If you have a member over 18 in the room with you, who they are like a family member, state law requires audio and camera on during the meeting. One of the most important points here is if you are on your way, please don't say you are present.

We can count you when you get there. We don't want it to count as a knock that you said here but were remote. Same thing if running late. Wait until you are physically present. Same thing on a remote call. You want credit. That is what we have there. A promise to flesh this out more.

In terms of the attendance and number of absences, I think that comes to this body to decide how we will treat those things. I imagine it would be case by case. There would be conversation about replacing that member. We will need to talk about tackling county people.

MEMBER LEWIS: We have bylaws. We should look at them.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: They don't dictate that part. My energy on this was different out of last year. We talk about the world is watching. How we approach it because of the nature of community and government coming together. With that being said and what is happening with the federal

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government, it is dotting Is. No question. Be find full about operating with each other. A lot of what we have done with practice and experience and creating aberrations necessary.

Coming back around the bend to lean into what it means to be community-centered and focused. Making sure the dollars is that much more apparent. I come in as my role as chair. I think more firm in those ideals that in the first place. That helped with you to get to this point I am excited about what the year will bring. If there are questions, reach out and talk to me.

I want to move onto the presentation.

>> I raised my hand. I want to jump in. I don't have anyone in the room. If I left my sound on, it would make feedback. Unless I am instructed to leave it on, I will take it off. Can we clarify the role of alternates and the implications? What the role is.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: That part is clear. If you are not able to make it, the expectation is for the alternate to come. If neither are able to make it, that counts as an absence. The idea is to make sure the representation of you and the body you represent, whether that be a county department or district is to make sure the presentation is there. I don't know if that answers the question in that regard.

>> It does. I wanted to know if terms of what it counted toward. That is helpful. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN STEELE: Absolutely. Let us move onto the presentation. Item 9. The thinking was to give you all something to respond to. This is not a final list. Instead of spending a whole rest of the time today trying to come up with question, we thought through some that regularly come up as is. Seeing if there is anything to add or subtract.

>> Thank you for doing this.

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CHAIRMAN STEELE: I can read them out. For the public, the questions that we want to give an overview of the program. What is your program's funding amount? The program's current spend down? What does the funding support do? What has it allowed you to do? Share the outcomes. Share program goals. Share key strategies. List upcoming opportunities for collaboration. Member Lewis, your notes.

MEMBER LEWIS: It is good to be in a space with you. I haven't been in this room in a long time. 2025 has been a rough start. I am glad we are doing this work regardless of the platform nationally. I am glad to be a part of this. To acknowledge the disparities and people marginalized. Continue to find ways to address these. It means more now than ever before. A reckoning. Glad to be in a space with you. Be bold to talk about these things.

I don't know why this would be only for county departments. Because we hear from other agencies funded through third party, there should be a standard period. That is my one comment. I have a few things to add. What category the program falls under. That is not clear here. Using the nine. Which intervention the program is a part of.

When did the program start? The start date and the projected end date. That may vary with roll out. What was the official start date would be helpful to share. We know people have gotten a cost extension. I think it should be a standard data point. A subsection of 2 and 3. If applicable, what are the plans for the under spin. The case for a lot of these programs. It applies to both county and noncounty departments. More so meaningful to hear what they are planning to do.

For number five, the CBOs that are subcontractors should share that information. The list so we can see the geographic breakout of how the funds were distributed. Also, the dollar amounts for the district as well.

[CAPTIONER CHANGE 5:00 PM]

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>> VERONICA LEWIS: ... and then as it relates to kind of building out a little bit more for numbers six and seven. I think that we need to make sure the presentations include what were the proposed outcomes, quantitative and qualitative, and obviously a comparison. Because one of the things I have noticed is that we get all the good stuff and the good numbers, but if you don't have anything to compare it to and understand what the actual out--, projected outcome was that they were supposed to be working toward, then it means nothing.

So what did you say you were going to do? Numerically impact lives, quantitatively, and how did you measure against that to where you are?

And obviously, it's depending on where you are within the project. If you're halfway through, then you're half way through. But I think just coming up with numbers -- I get it. I've done presentations. And we're going to have to put the best foot forward. But what did you say you were going to do? And then tell us how you did in comparison to that as opposed to just telling us how you did and all the good things. That gives us a full picture.

This is a little bit different for number eight. But I think because there's just been so many changing dynamics in our environments, et cetera, some external things that even though, that shifted some things beyond the county departments and the other folks who are administering these accounts and are delivering these services, beyond their control, I think it should be standardized for any shifts from the original program design and service interventions and the reasons for that. And that's it for now.

>> CHAIR STEELE: That's fantastic. Question to your notes which, these are phenomenal, the ones where you tagged up. Like the one for two and three which was the plan for "what are you doing for underspending?"

And also I think you said this was an extension of five was breaking it down by supervisorial district and SPA but particularly the two and three

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combo and also the six and seven combo. Do you think we should replace those or these are questions in addition to these areas?

>> VERONICA LEWIS: I think it's in addition to. And I think number seven is pretty generic. So I was asking us to –

>> CHIAR STEELE: Got it.

>> VERONICA LEWIS: Well, number six and seven, again, it is just so open-ended. So as we've seen, people are just going to show us the good numbers. But I'm saying specify that we want to see what you proposed to do and we're trying to accomplish against what you have accomplished because that gives us more insight as to what's actually happening.

>> JOE WILLIAMS: I agree with everything Member Lewis said. I also want to stress on number eight, that along with putting the best foot forward, as we all like to do – when we're talking about challenges, it not be something like, oh, we didn't have enough money. But real challenges and growing edges of your program.

And then I always think it's helpful. I saw community CBO doing it in presentations that we have heard.

Is not necessarily sharing names of folks, but stories of people that have been impacted through their program.

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Like a testimonial because I think that's really what it's about. It's about the lives that have been impacted by the program and not necessarily the numbers. The data is cool and data tells a story, but behind every data point is a person in a family impacted by the work.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Got it. But I would ask -- Not a full presentation full of just testimonies. You know what I'm saying? Like mix it in. I feel you on

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that. Because it goes a long way to really hear the direct impact of those things and not just on the good things, but also on the challenges. Like speak to how you learned about the challenge and how and, like, what the response was when you learned that thing. I definitely feel you on that number. Anyone else? These are really good notes. Yes, please.

>> REBA STEVENS: Do we want to give a time limit on the presentations so people come prepared with, you know, 20, 15, 30, or 15 presentations? 15 Q&A --

>> CHAIR STEELE: Say how you feel. Say it with your chest --

>> REBA STEVENS: I'm sorry, I said it.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Pick it back up. There you go.

>> REBA STEVENS: I was just thinking of, you know, like... I think it was mentioned as if the county departments have already presented -- and I don't recall that happening as of yet. So I want to make sure that -- except for Jason. Well, okay. All right.

But I was thinking of, you know, like frequently asked questions. We've asked a lot of questions already to a lot of presenters. But I'd also be curious to know If the county department would also uplift the gaps or areas where they could have

Maybe partnered or collaborated with another county department that could have you know, you know really allow that project to flourish or that you actually did and this is the results of it.

>> CHAIR STEELE: I'm going to add that as an addendum to nine in this upcoming opportunities for collaboration and support. But changing it a bit to say, what are the opportunities to actually collaborate with other departments as well as -- not just sub-contractors, but how the gaps can be filled. Is that what you mean?

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>> REBA STEVENS: Yeah, and I think too that, you know, it's important to already note how important it is to do so. And too oftentimes those you are serving are entering other agencies anyway. I just want it use an example. I can't help myself.

>> CHAIR STEELE: This one's great. Member Stevens got the mic.

>> REBA STEVENS: So I'll hold hands with several people who are mainly are experiencing being unhoused and they are able to tap into a source of service. Perhaps they are not funded from this particular program, CFCI, the agency. And I'm speaking of the Department of Public Social Services where individuals receive a voucher for a stay of like 16 days.

But during that 16-day period they cannot tap another service. In other words, if I am at --I've been a mother who has been unhoused. If I needed knowing that day 16 is coming, then I'm going to be knocking on the door at least by day 13 of the 16 days seeking additional services so that I don't have to fall. What I'm finding that's happening is that individuals have to fall again, you know, before you can actually receive services.

So I'm using that true statement here, experiences. In order to hope for the county departments to truly understand why it is important. That we are working together and that we're recognizing that there are holes and gaps in so many different places and that often times the barriers that actually position people to be uncomfortable again and begin to feel hopeless. Does that resonate with folks? So I hope that --

>> CHAIR STEELE: I hear that. Did that resonate with folks? I feel like, especially with the CFCI funded parts of the work, like using your example specifically, like the short-term housing and the long-term housing funds that we have tapped into, creating a way for those entities to speak to each other to create a continuum for the people we are serving. You know what I'm saying?



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I think we now, with the information we have, can start to connect those dots not only just with the presentations we give, but also with the evaluation that we'll do with the programs. And like start to say, hey, I don't know if you're talking to each other but based on this note this dot and this dot, we should probably connect these.

>> REBA STEVENS: And I would say, I know that there are beds -- and I know that the systems are just really ridiculous, how you can only use a bed for that certain individual. And where is that true collaboration and where's the care? Where's the heart for the individuals that are suffering? When there are beds that are available, there should be no beds available, you know. And what that looks like so you can make adjustments there, I don't know, but it's so unfair for people to be outside and they got empty beds because it needs to be paid for.

>> CHAIR STEELE: That's received. You know?

>> CFCI: Member Contreras had her hand raised. Would you still like to speak?

>> JACKIE CONTRERAS: Yes, thank you. You're kind of reading my mind. DPSS doesn't receive any funding. So it always feels a little bit awkward because we're talking about the programs, whether they are county or community that are funded. But I agree wholeheartedly. There are so many issues, including when we're paying for specific beds. But these are our customers no matter what, whether it's coming through this funding stream or not.

It's always a little awkward for me because I want it respect the boundaries.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Right.

>> JACKIE CONTRERAS: And the collaboration is absolutely necessary. We provide, we sign people up for Medi-Cal and we have been trying to figure out the best process when somebody is coming out of incarceration. Like

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what is the best process to get them signed up when they are in, when they come out? Like all of that. It involved so many people to coordinate that effectively.

Of course, that's not a funding issue so it is on the periphery and I just want to name the challenge that I experience in some of these conversations.

>> CHAIR STEELE: There's a part of me that wants to go deeper but I also want to respect the agenda. Please.

>> JACKIE CONTRERAS: I just wanted to – I mean I think one of the issues we face is siloing and how funding is allocated often silos the way programs are developed. It is a barrier to continuum and continuum of care, as you sort of stated, or integration of care or really thinking about things rationally and there's a lot of inefficiencies that are introduced by that. On the health side, housing side, and all of these things and you can reach the integration by aligning the funding, braiding the funding. And we do a lot of that until the county and funding more wraparound in one site, right? Like one stop or focused on a population so you can be really tailored in the way you deliver care on and on, right? Or you can fund coordination between these bodies, right? But too often we have neither, right? And so you end up with like siloing in these pieces and so I think maybe one thing you could add, you know. Both from the purposes of sort of having the county think about this is when we present our programs and what we did, we could talk about the ways in which we're coordinating or integrating or the gaps when we can't do that. And what the opportunities are.

So that might be like a suggestion that we could add, you know, around strategies and challenges and how we've sort of addressed it. Think we all do it and it's not hard for us to think about it, and that knowledge might help us think together what some of the solutions might be going forward.

And second, I think you know – a lot of the -- I wonder, and this is true - - so this is true across programs. Like, there's, the dynamic nature of the

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worlds in which we all work changes. The need for the programs or the threats to the programs, or there's opportunities for sustainability that come and that's directly applicable to this group because if there's funding available somewhere else, we want the programs, anyone to take advantage of that and return some of the funds so they can be reallocated to other things. So I think I would suggest for number nine is we think about that. What are the threats to the programs and what are the opportunities for sustainability? Thinking in a live way and in a future oriented way, what's on the horizon, right? What are the changes we are making and how are we sort of adapting it to changing environments and what's the focus in the coming years? You know some of the programs will – may be coming at the end of the three years and others are, but we want to evaluate that. Just a couple of thoughts.

>> CHAIR STEELE: One more comment.

>> CFCI: Member Eakins has her hand raised.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Member Castillo. Member of Castillo. Can I go to Member Eakins when I come to you, Member Williams? I got you. That's cool. I'm going to come around. Can I give you after... Okay, cool.

>> MEGAN CASTILLO: I was just going to say, yeah, I think we mentioned this in our very last conversation before the end of the year, just the need for more collaboration and thinking about how can leverage we space. I really appreciate that offering of explicitly naming needs for coordination and opportunities for coordination and that being explicit in whatever the presentation is. The other thing that I was going to add, and this is building off of what member Williams was saying, was the need for this disaggregated data of the kinds of people that are served.

I don't know how far into the weeds the county is in terms of their projects, but I know we have made the request for CBOs or TPA-funded programs and so I think likewise, we should ask for disaggregated data of the kinds of people that are served.

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>> CHAIR STEELE: Is that toward number and outcomes or goals specifically?

>> MEGAN CASTILLO: I don't know. Another number, like Number 10.

>> CHAIR STEELE: I'm asking for the question, are you specifying that toward the data questions that we have in there, or you're saying just in general everything you do as a macro picture?

>> MEGAN CASTILLO: No. In terms of programs, right, what kinds of people are being served in these programs.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Okay. Cool. Member Eakins then Member Williams and then Member Lewis.

>> AULERIA EAKINS: I'm not sure if this would fall under number eight or not, but as I listen to the conversation around empty beds and needs, I work boots-on-the-ground with vulnerable populations. And I'm hearing a lot of the same, in the sense that there some knowns and unknowns and I'm not sure of the compliance issues and folks going in and trying to get these beds and their EBT cards being taken away from them in order to be eligible. So I don't – really, they are being charge. I heard yesterday that someone was charged a fee to get one of the beds and they are already at their lowest point and I'm not sure what the compliance is around this and if there's anyone checking the compliance of these organizations that's getting the money.

But in some sense of the matter, if what I'm hearing is accurate and true, folks are getting a bad hand. They are already at their lowest point and being taken advantage of, if you will. I think it's important that there's some sort of compliance report or something that shows that the organizations are doing what they are supposed to do and not taking advantage of people at a time when they need help the most.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Hmm. Thank you for that, Member Eakins.

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>> AULERIA EAKINS: Not sure if that falls under eight; I was just piggybacking off of that earlier conversations because, you know, I kind of am hearing some of the same sentiments talking to community members.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Even not trying to tie it to one of the questions. If I hear you correctly. The question is centered around sharing what the compliance regulations are on this? On like, I'm -- I just want it make sure I understand it correctly. Can you --

>> AULERIA EAKINS: Compliance that either impacts how they do business or limitations to how they can do business and if there are any gaps that are not, you know, being addressed that negatively impact those trying to utilize the services. Sometimes we come up with these rules of how things should be administered and how they should go but that doesn't mean they actually play out well for the end user. If there are some unknowns that we need to know about so this we can advocate in a different way that the programs actually work versus, you know, in practice, not just in theory, I think we should be able, you know, it would be good to know those things so that we're working from a sense of transparency and understanding of how these programs are implemented and some of the -- like I said, some of the gaps or flaws in how they are implemented. Just a thought.

>> CHAIR STEELE: No. I'm following with you and the idea of submitting this to the departments and, you know, get the idea of even the organizations that come to present to us ahead of time for them to prepare for it. I'm asking the questions to myself of what I know, what I wrote down from what you said and let me know if this connects to what you're saying. What are the regulatory issues that create gaps -- is that what you're saying as well?

>> AULERIA EAKINS: That's pretty much it.

>> CHAIR STEELE: I think in asking that question, that is something that you would know coming in that could prepare you for the space.

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>> AULERIA EAKINS: And then also, like, because I know there are going to be questions that we are still going to ask regardless of the preparations of the presentations based on what relearned and heard too.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Sure. And so I think if we frame it that way we can go further based on the answer to that question. I really appreciate you bringing that up.

Outside of the real challenges and also the question around proposed outcomes versus actual outcomes, you know. Then there's also like we know there are gaps, outside of funding. That will probably be the first thing everybody will say. We didn't have enough money. Yeah, I get that. But outside of that, the regulatory issues that might create gaps. Like, what is the nature of those gaps and what do they stem from? I feel you on that. Thank you for that. Member Williams?

>> JOE WILLIAMS: Thank you all and I want to thank Member Lewis for just a reminder about being able to do this work. And the moment we're in and the backpedaling I saw in places of philanthropy on this type of work, it's refreshing to be able to do this work. And just reminding us about our number seven, in the community agreement. It's not that we've broken it today.

Just that we're talking about particularly the presentations, the centering of Black, Brown, and Indigenous communities and other communities impacted by the carceral system, low-income community, specifically transgender and non-gender non-conforming. I think when, Megan, we're talking about disaggregation, it probably should be a standalone item and including all the folks specifying in the TGI community.

I don't know if you recall, we had a presentation. It might have been by Jason. Last year when we talked about beds that were available and we're all astonished by how many beds were available. Then we asked about the data.

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And that we know that Native and Black folks are the highest incarceration rates and they are not the ones being served by these beds. So we knew there was a gap. With our TGI, transgender and gender non-conforming, that they are included in the data as well because I think it's really important. Like I said before, it tells a story.

>> CHAIR STEELE: No, thank you. Member Lewis.

>> VERONICA LEWIS: Yeah, so before I get to the points I was going to make, I want to be clear. We're actually considering, to the extent possible, demographic information being presented, right? You got that? Okay. So my comments are different than the regulatory piece but it's related. Because what I was thinking is that, and this could be its own question or its own prompt or related to number eight. Again, I'm thinking from the lens of both county departments and nonprofits presenting information.

For me it's a little different from regulatory which is probably the lens that we're going to get in from our county. They were going to be very diplomatic in terms of saying the restraints that they have on some of this stuff. I want to say ask about the program and policy design.

Challenge the policies and program design decisions that make it difficult or that create barriers to fully serve the folks that they are serving. This is related to regulatory. It may be the same thing and overlap in some cases, but policies and program designs and the program design piece is going to come from the grant administrator, whether it's the county or even a third-party administrator, which is the county, of course, in all in those agreements.

I think policy and program designs that make it difficult and create barriers, unnecessary barriers for services I think is a question we should ask people to share. It's related to regulatory and so maybe it can be put in one prompt.

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The other thing, just, I really appreciate how the conversation about recognition that there's fragmentation. There's not alignment in the way that it should be. And I think that either adding to or creating a different question. I think Dr. Hong said, specifically asked for people to share the different types much integration, right? The leveraged resources, they are being brought to bear and the coordination to support whatever their primary interventions are for the programs being presented is important.

The other thing I want to flag related to this conversation in terms of collaboration. Some of you know I sit on the California interagency council for homelessness. There's 19 state department heads, three secretaries sitting there and one of the primary and there's only two nonstate heads. I'm one of them. Dr. Margot who many of you know is the other.

And so part of the effort there is to figure out how to align and better coordinate and look at all the resources and maximize the resources in a thoughtful way with consideration of all the federal and state regulations that govern how they do the work.

I feel like part of what can come out of this body, not only from the presentations that come that we hear about in the policy challenges, but also as we continue to talk and begin to look at what we're doing. The impact of our work, is to figure out at least for the departments that sit here -- and I know you guys are doing it a lot of it already -- but I think that there's a framework that's been created at the state level that we could possibly look at. And maybe this comes under the CEO work. I forget the name of the department that's charged with this under the CEO's office. Not HI. The one that looks at the integration. It comes under - Is it Carrie Miller?

>> Service integration.

>> VERONICA LEWIS: Service integration group. Maybe they're part of this, but I feel like given the fact that the folks that we're talking about touch multiple systems. And it's unfortunately sometimes are not well



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served by multiple systems and have to jump through hoops to be served, at minimum, by multiple systems. I think that it's a missed opportunity. And especially since our focus is on a few different subpopulations.

For us to not start to think about that, now that we are hopefully getting to the point in the next year where we'll have data. We'll have information and we'll be able to have conversations.

There's a framework is the point of me raising this that has been developed at the state level. And obviously the state is much larger. Their scope is much larger and the County of L.A. is obviously the largest County. It's much larger than just L.A. It's not perfect but the frameworks are to figure out how to begin to really meaningfully shift some things and create or enhance or strengthen existing collaboration and coordination between departments is I think something we should think about at a later date, how to be a part of as the CFCI Advisory Committee.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Yeh, man. I feel like that can definitely be an outcome. The use of the frameworks is already existing is one part. Also what are the gaps and dots we can connect for that integration on a county level and maybe the evaluation can help us identify those dots so we can begin and start putting them together and using the framework as a basis on how to approach it. I definitely feel that. You got it.

>> MEGAN CASTILLO: Yeah, thanks. I agree with a lot of what's been said. And this is more of a practical comment that somewhat relates to what Raphael was saying.

I think when we have discussions like this I think a lot of good ideas get raised. I just want to make sure, because I do think it impacts the effectiveness of this body, that we be mindful of how much time we have and how many presentations we're wanting to hear. Because I think we have added a number of items -- again, I agree with all of the items added, but I want to be practical in terms of how much time this group has to meaningfully absorb and listen to that. I don't know if there's some kind of

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approach where some of this gets submitted in writing or some other way. Obviously, there's a lot of other programs. I don't know if the intention was for us to be presenting on all of the programs over some time period. I don't know that we're going to be able to fit all of that into this meeting.

Just thinking about that so that we can actually hit on all the information that we have identified.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Gotcha. I think part of -- I'm sorry? For this because we have the one meeting. I got you. I follow. I follow.

To that end -- I lost my thought. Member Castillo just said something very poignant that we have the one meetings that are already on the calendar and some of these, particularly the larger departments with more resources and more programs. I need to call special meetings, specifically for the presentation of those things.

My thought came back. The other part of having these questions ahead of time gives us a chance to see these presentations ahead of time and digest them and come into the meetings with the questions we have about what we've already read and also what we have absorbed from getting the chance to be ready.

That's the thing. Having the dates done today also gives the chance to coordinate the programming of the presentations so that one, the departments and also the organizations have time to prepare. But we also know which ones are more pertinent to our own bodies of work that we can lean into and show up for on the particular days that they are coming up.

When you asked the question -- I don't know if it was Member Castillo that said maybe we need to dedicate the whole meeting to the presentation. It ends up happening that anyway. We have the presentations. A few of them ended up being the majority of the meeting and there was like a small thing we were trying to do on the back end.

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Taking this back. And I'm going to take maybe two more questions and then we're going on move onto the next part of the agenda. To reframe this and send it back to y'all for a final version of it and taking that and starting to will in the calendar for the presentations as well.

The question on the table is how do you all want the meetings to go for these presentations? Are we giving them half the meeting? The whole meeting? Go for it.

>> Well just really quick. Some of us, I know my presentation wouldn't take the whole meeting and there is discussion that can come of it because it's about home ownership. So that could take us a million different ways.

So demand or ask us to provide reports and presentations in advance so people have time to prepare the questions that they are going to have and also request of JCOD is potentially if we could designate a policy analyst to capture the discussion and potential connections between programming so it doesn't let lost because sometimes we're trying to track it. But if we could just kind of collect it.

And then there's also some internal county knowledge that allows us to go back and look at that and then say, okay. There's connections here and there. Like there's a – what is it? Jackie, I know you're on the line. The team you're leading the PP CIT, that overlaps with a lot of this.

From my end, I can commit support from my policy team to work with the JCOD team and try to analyze some of that too.

>> CFCI: Member Contreras, is your hand raised?

>> JACKIE CONTRERAS: Yeah, I think, sorry. Well, I'll go.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Yes, I got you Member Contreras. You want to ask real quick?

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>> CONTRERAS: Yeah, no. I could not agree with that more and remember, we're talking 67 programs across 11 county departments, right? So it's been said, I think logistically.

We're getting ourselves into a huge commitment and it will take up the rest of the meetings for the rest of the year and it'll be hard to fit other business in depending on what cadence.

>> I really like that suggestion quite a bit from Member Carbajal and let's keep talking about it. I don't want to commit my team to anything without having the conversation. I do think that connecting the dots is essential. I'll share this quickly. We had a meeting with arts and culture about something unrelated but it was CFCI related. I couldn't believe in the 45-minute conversation how many connections we were starting to make about, wow. There is siloing right there that we need to break through and it will make all of this run a little bit more smoothly. So those, I think and those types of connections are salient to bring and we can have those maybe larger discussions. We can tether some things together. Maybe we can be really creative in how we bring the programs in front. If we go boom, boom, boom, boom, boom, you're going to forget what DPH shared in February because we're going to be doing it in the following March. I don't want to get us into that thing where it's a long drawn-out process. I think we can be more targeted and specific.

>> CHAIR STEELE: You got it. I appreciate that. That's what this space is for and I feel like where we head with this is what can be the model of what can be utilized for integration for other counties and cities and the work they are doing from a care-first perspective. Let me go to Member Contreras on the phone. I mean on Zoom.

And I'll come back to you and receive this.

>> JACKIE CONTRERAS: Yeah, just really quickly. I think the feedback is excellent and I think it will make it robust for the presentations. I think we should find that balance between the amount of time that we give and

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especially for discussion and being able to move through them as people have highlighted. I do want to ask Member Eakins to please reach out to me directly. No one should be taking anyone's EBT card. I can't stress that enough. No one should go charging for our benefits and services. I'm on the outside circle because the funding is not there, but I think we need to grapple with how do we have these bigger conversations that people are highlighting.

>> AURELIA EAKINS: Will do.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Yes. That's where we can bring the information together. Thank you very much, Member Contreras. Member Eakins said, will do. I'm going to go Member Stevens and Member Lewis and Member Castillo.

>> REBA STEVENS: I always like to address my uneasiness and I want to acknowledge Member Contreras. And I also want to remind us that I'm a person with lived experience and I touch lives. I do not work for any of the county departments. And so it's always important to truly understand where my experience is coming from. It's coming from on the ground and I want to make sure I make note of that.

The other is I'm really excited about the conversation we're having around the service coordinating and integration which is critically important.

I also want to touch on something else said, and I think it's really important to understand from the ground level the individual who is utilizing your services that when they are looking at you and they don't understand because it's so complex that you don't have anything to do with whatever this other issue is because you're serving people who are touching so many different entities. And when that happens it puts a bad name on the agency. I see it all the time when it's not that agency's responsibility. But the agency itself can't say or defend themselves and stand up and say it. You just have to take it.

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This is why the integration and coordination is so critically important so that we can begin to help people understand that this is about real care and services that are being delivered and eliminate that. It's your -- I'm going to point the finger now. So get ready. It's your responsibility to recognize those gaps where it's uneasy and uncomfortable for the individual who is utilizing your services, as well as the mark that's being placed up on you as an entity as a result of not saying anything or not coordinating. And integrating and all of that good stuff.

And then I want to ask in the near future that we have hear from Dr. Hong more around, more around integration and coordination. I don't know how you will fit that in.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Hmm. I'm going to Member Lewis and then Member Castillo.

>> VERONICA LEWIS: One thing. I wonder if the service integration team who, when I asked, how they get involved in trying to help figure out gaps said that they are usually prompted by departments can come and, or maybe you all can engage with them to see if they can support this effort. So I'm talking about Carrie Miller's shop. I'm sorry I don't know the exact name of it. You know what time talking about. Right? Yeah? Okay.

Well, if not, so be it. So from the presentations I saw in the last six months, I'm just asking. And then going backwards a little bit about ten minutes when you asking about the length of time.

I feel like I hope this will be a guidance or tips for presentations or guidelines for presentations. I think it depends.

You have some of the departments that have huge amounts. DHL has lot of programs. Some have a few, some may have one. And so I think in terms of the length of time, whether it's the full meeting or not, I think that just some consideration -- and maybe JCOD could do this, right? We know some have huge scale, huge number of projects and maybe they get the

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full-time. If it's somebody who has one, maybe they get half of the time. It just can't be a one size fits all, especially for the departments because there's some variation in terms of size and scope and scale of the work they are doing depending on the funding they are receiving from CFCI. If we're going to create guidelines, that may need to be built in. Or the timeframe, JCOD can help figure out what that looks like.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Member Contreras said the policy implementation and the alignment branch. Is that what you're talking about?

>> VERONICA LEWIS: Thank you. Yeah. Yes.

>> CHAIR STEELE: No, I received that. And I'm thinking the same thing. I am also thinking about the cadence of the work that we have in front of us and working with the evaluation team. There's a lot of stuff that's going to be happening on the outside of these meetings, so we do have time right now to be able to engage with the presentations and the learning aspect while we're doing the work evaluation as well. So I can see how this -- so I'm excited to work with JCOD and the leadership team to establish a solid cadence around this.

Member Castillo? Bring us home.

>> MEGAN CASTILLO: I was just going to also offer partnership with some kind of working together with the Joe Closure implementation team again, this funding stream is directly related to the work that they are doing.

It should be doing. And so again, just helping to kind of close the gap and increase collaboration around that will be instrumental as well.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Gotcha. I follow. All right. Thank you very much, everybody, for that. That was enriching.

For sure. And so we'll take the notes. I got notes. I got the notes of the notes to take back to JCOD and we'll come back.

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I want to go to the Evaluation Update as well. Adam, you got that?  
Okay cool thanks.

>> The update is essentially that we have engaged with an independent evaluator. We are in the process of negotiations. We do not have a contract signed; therefore, can't share names or any of that, but we're in the process of going back and forth on scope of work at this time. Something landed on our desks yesterday. Julie? I think, yeah, we got it yesterday. So our team is in the process of reviewing all of that and making sure that it meets the criteria we set forth, and there will be a little bit of back and forth but we are hoping we can get that done through the middle of February. We're going to have our internal research and development team take a look at it as well and kick it back and hope it's sufficient to get it moving.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Okay. Any questions on that.

>> VERONICA LEWIS: I'm not clear, what the expected time frame for it to get started?

>> Once we have an agreement, we should be able to move through fairly quickly.

>> CHAIR STEELE: When you were talking to me, we talked about March. I was like Yeah. Yeah. So the completion of the contracting period and everything should happen during next month, so early March, at least about the march meeting we should be able to be introducing and talking to the environment.

>> Yeah.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Cool? Anybody else? I'm sorry; you said something?

>> REBA STEVENS: No. I just want to know if anyone started spending that money. I'm curious, but no one has to respond.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Which one?



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>> REBA STEVENS: CFCI the grants.

>> CHAIR STEELE: There's money definitely out the door for sure.

>> REBA STEVENS: We know the agencies or the departments have the money, but I'm not clear the money is being utilized.

>> CHAIR STEELE: I got you.

>> REBA STEVENS: But I'm waiting for a presentation.

>> CHAIR STEELE: For sure. Understood. I want to move onto action item 11, the Committee meeting dates.

The dates are here in front of us. One of the things that I want to ask because the cadence is third Thursday to keep it once a month. Of course, there will probably be special sessions that will come up based on the types of things that we might be working on, just so that you all have it in your minds. There's going to be a push for additional funding allocations and engagement with the board, the Board of Supervisors around that.

As we learn more through the evaluation process, being able to present that will give us the case to make sure we can continue to do our work. I think the coordination and integration work we just talked about now and actually coming through on that and being able to go before the board and partnership with the board departments as well as the different organizations and seeing how we're creating integration and mapping. Mapping helps to make that case even stronger as well.

As an alternative to what is happening in other parts of the country, L.A. being a bright spot in how we take care of people and doing it in a coordinated way is thoughtful. More things to coordinate with each other may come in special sessions; but outside of that, these are the dates that we are considering. The only move out of that third Thursday cadence is the 19th of June. Want it move that to the 26th only because that date falls on

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Juneteenth. As a volunteered nature, in a coordinated effort, any thoughts on this?

>> JOE WILLIAMS: I have really big concerns about October 16th considering all the major acquisitions we got on the Dodger side with Suezaki that we may be in the midst of the NLDS, NLCS World Series, stomping the league during that time, so you may not see me October 16th.

>> CHAIR STEELE: No problem. I'm thinking the September meeting.

>> JOE WILLIAMS: Baseball gods may have other plans.

>> VERONICA LEWIS: I'll just say this may not mean anything to anybody else. The last night of the homeless count since it was moved due to the disaster is February 20th. I think SPA 42. It may not mean anything to anybody else. I'm just lifting it up. The last night of the homeless count.

>> REBA STEVENS: They count. We count. Do you? It should mean something to everyone, Veronica Lewis.

>> CHAIR STEELE: It means something to everyone. Folks are, working, do we need to adjust that date?

>> VERONICA LEWIS: Based on the homeless count? I'm planning on being here because my team is doing the coordination and I going to be here and I just got to show up. But that might not be the case for everybody else. I just want to flag it because it's the last night.

>> CHAIR STEELE: It might not be an issue. We're so open for discussion here. So if folks feel like we need to move the date, that can be open for discussion now. If you feel like it's the case. If not, that's find. We'll just leave it the way it is and leave space for the people that might not be here will not be here. All right. We'll leave it. Any motions on this item? This is an action item. We have to vote on the dates. I support you.

>> VERONICA LEWIS: I move to adopt the 2025 meeting date schedule.

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>> AULERIA EAKINS: I second.

>> REBA STEVENS: Is she adopting it with the suggestions?

>> CHAIR STEELE: Oh yeah. Are you adopting it with the change?  
Member Lewis?

>> VERONICA LEWIS: Yes, the meeting schedule as presented.

>> CHAIR STEELE: As presented. Got it. So it's been made and seconded.  
Any unreadiness or any additions? Any changes? Member Eakins? That  
was you Member Eakins, right?

>> AULERIA EAKINS: That was me, the second.

>> VERONICA LEWIS: I'm sorry. I don't know if you need to take Public  
Comment because it's an actionable item.

>> CHAIR STEELE: I'm about it. I'm just checking to see if anybody wants  
to make changes. Or any friendly amendments or anything like that? No?  
Okay. Great.

Let's go to general public and take general Public Comment as well. In  
this moment, please.

>> CFCI: As a reminder, the Public Comment period is one minute per  
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tab to find raise hand feature. Smartphone users scroll to more on the  
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will call you on in the order your hand was raised. Please remember to state  
your full name. We will now begin Public Comment for the item as well as  
general comment. Do we have any Public Comments in the room? Please  
come up and state your full name for the record.

>> CHRISTIAN GREEN: Greetings, everyone. It starts when I'm ready?  
Okay.

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>> CFCI: Go ahead.

>> CHRISTIAN GREEN: Greetings everyone. My name is Christian Green. I am with Sanctuary Post Policy Advocacy Group. I am the director as well as I reside in Antelope Valley, Lancaster, way out there. I heard the word on the curb there might not be no money coming down in the pipeline after year three and a lot of folks in Antelope Valley is a little concerned about that. What I'm here to do is say first and foremost. Thank you for being here and for the work you're doing. Shamika Beaugard, Youth with a Purpose, led to get the word out there in the Antelope Valley. And so many organizations, smaller and larger organizations have been given the opportunity to impact lives in so many folks. Everyone here has a cousin, brother, or friend that is out there in the Antelope Valley.

We also know that it is over policed. The political system sucks. Voter suppression is real. Economic instability is real and having no youth programs is real and with CFCI you have given us the opportunity to do great things and say I want to first say thank you for that and really push an impress on your hearts to continue to do your advocacy and really try to bring out those funds out there to Antelope Valley. Thank you for your time.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Indeed. Thank you very much.

>> CFCI: Are there any other Public Comments in the room? Seeing no hands in the room, we would like to go online.

>> CFCI ONLINE: There are no Public Comments online. Excuse me. Sorry. We do have one Public Comment. Byron, you can go ahead and speak. You're unmuted.

>> BYRON: Good afternoon, advisory body. Thank you for your work and thank you for this emergency meeting and for everyone uplifting the various community needs that have been mentioned and various communities that continue to be impacted. We so really appreciate your time. Thank you.

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>> CHAIR STEELE: Thank you. It's good to hear your voice. Happy New Year.

>> CFCI: Are think in other Public Comments on Zoom?

>> CFCI ONLINE: We have no more Public Comments.

>> CFCI: Seeing no more hands raised, this is the conclusion of the Public Comment period. As a reminder, if you would like to submit a written Public Comment for a future meeting, please email JCOD@jcod.lacounty.gov up to 24-hours prior to the meeting. Please include the meeting date in your correspondence as well as any agenda items on which you are commenting. This concludes the public comment period. I will pass it back to you, Chair Steele.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Thank you very much. Let us move to the vote. I got you on the response. Give me one second. Let's move to the vote.

>> CFCI: We will now --

>> JACKIE CONTRERAS: Are we also voting on the second set of meeting minutes?

>> CHAIR STEELE: We voted on both set of meeting minutes in the first vote. We voted on both. Thanks for the question. Do you have an amendment for those meetings? Was there a change that you needed?

>> JACKIE CONTRERAS: No. I thought we were doing them separately. That's all.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Okay. Okay. No problem. I got you. Thank you. The vote that we're going on right now is about the calendar dates.

>> CFCI: We will now conduct the vote for the motion to approve to adopt the meeting minutes as presented, or the Advisory Committee meeting dates as presented. We will be using a similar process to the Roll Call. We ask all committee members to be ready with a microphone before your

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name is called. When I call your name please indicate your vote yes, no, or abstain.

Member Carbajal or alternate? Member Castillo?

>> MEGAN CASTILLO: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Contreras?

>> JACKIE CONTRERAS: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Crockerham?

>> COREY CROCKERHAM: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Cyrus-Franklin? Member Eakins or alternate?

>> AULERIA EAKINS: Nay.

>> CFCI: Member Ferrer.

>> Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Miranda? Member Fuentes-Miranda? Member Garcia or alternate?

>> On behalf of Member Garcia or alternate, I unfortunately thought we were talking about a different Member. I have to rescind. I am not authorized to vote for them. There is no vote.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Mmm hmm.

>> CFCI; Member Hong.

>> CLEMENS HONG: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Lewis.

>> VERONICA LEWIS: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Moore-White.

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>> WHITNEY MOORE-WHITE: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member O'Brien or alternate.

>> CFCI: Member Knight?

>> WENDY KNIGHT: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Wuraola.

>> TOLU WURAOLA: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Soto or alternate.

>> CFCI: Member Steele?

>> CHAIR STEELE: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Stevens.

>> REBA STEVENS: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Joey Williams.

>> JOE WILLIAMS: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Myk'I Williams.

>> MYK'L WILLIAMS: Aye.

>> CFCI: Member Wong.

>> LISA WONG: Aye.

>> CFCI: Motion passes.

>> CHAIR STEELE: This is received. I meant to ask this top of the meeting if anyone in this body has been impacted by the fires. Yes, no? Yes. Directly, I'm thinking that directly and just making sure that folks are taken care of. We're tapped into several resources and things.

Come after and see and we'll make sure you're taken care of.

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One note to the question that was raised is our understanding of this, unless notified by this body, the Board of Supervisors, as far as their budgetary obligations year over year will continue the needs of the CFCI contracts, unless we decide, oh, this, you know, if we have a recommendation of changes, then they'll change it. But other than that, the contracts will continue year over year. That's ongoing money. Yes. Yes. So as an example, like we are a... funded partner, right? So our resources from the Department of Youth Development.

That contract actually has continued. Our contract ended last year, but we're still And we're in a new contract period of those because we didn't stop it. Cool? Yes, Member Castillo.

>> MEGAN CASTILLO: I was going to say I heard you Christian, and point taken for sure and I encourage you and anyone listening online to certainly show up with the board of supervisors and share your sentiments for them.

>> JOE WILLIAMS: Real quick, I want to thank the JCOD team, but more importantly, I know we gave him a round of applause earlier, but for Stephen Caesar's work here that he did and how we leveled up the professionalism on the board the last year and the commitment he made and the breakfast we had at homegrown café talking about the work I think is important and I just want to applaud him and his efforts as he moves over to Jason.

>> CHAIR STEELE: Indeed. All right. Thank you all. Let's continue to do the work. We have 2025 ahead of us and we will be the force of care. Okay? Point. Period. Have a great day. Talk to you soon.

Meeting adjourned.

[ Meeting concludes 5:54 PM]