



PUBLIC COMMENT TO ADDRESS THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMMISSION
November 13, 2025
Behavioral Health Commission Regular Meeting

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<p>The following individuals addressed the Commission either in person or by phone during this meeting. PLEASE NOTE: The text below has been retrieved from the non-verbatim transcript produced by our live captioning service. For the emailed communication, we have copied the text from the email received and pasted it on to this document.</p>				
Public Comment	Jesus and Catherine Clay	In Person	General	<p>Jose: My name is Jesus and goes up I was born in Koreatown, I went to Hoover elementary school, then I went to Valley, I went to Burbank, Hollywood, and Simi Valley.</p> <p>I have been in this program getting therapy in getting help, it has been a great program. After covid-19, I have been coming In-and-Out. I have been in this program, it has been great, I have had my ups and downs. And I am going to have Catherine speak for me thanks you guys.</p> <p>Catherine: José has been receiving services at Koreatown clinic for over sense, about a year. He has been In-and-Out, he comes into the PRC. He is allocated and advocated for his housing, and for some reason he keeps hitting a wall. So he wanted to come up and speak</p>

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				to the panel to be able to see, if he could get some assistance, he did engage with the PRC he will be reaching out and following up.
Public Comment	Bobby Hill and Catherine Clay	In Person	General	<p>Bobby: My name is Bobby Hill, I have been In-and-Out of the hospital I have moved from one place to the other, and.</p> <p>Catherine: Bobby has been a client of the department for roughly since prior to covid-19. He had just had moved his previous inhabitable, during the movement, he was hospitalized. To receive a couple of different surgeries where he wasn't able to apply for his furniture. You missed the cut offline. Once again, so Benny is going to follow up with help with that.</p>
Public Comment	Stephen Gold	In Person	General	<p>Good afternoon, everybody my name is Stephen Gold, I am a participant of BRC. In the clinic first off, I want to share a little gratitude. If it wasn't for the PRC and the people in the clinic I would not be seen here today.</p> <p>Is a matter fact I would not be walking around. I ended up in the hospital. There she transferred me to the hospital. I wasn't able to think about myself, and they knew better than I, they transferred me to the hospital where I got help, and I said before you today. I was privileged to meet Benny prior to coming in your today. And talk to her about my concerns. I have been homeless for over a year end a happier</p> <p>I have been coming to the program for that long, In-and-Out, I am bad trouble with substance abuse and thank God I've got 55 days clean today.</p> <p>Thank you, thank you very much. I know this things involved in</p>

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				getting housing, and my son and I, my son is 43, and he is got severe psychiatric problem. I have severe psychiatric problems too. How well I am cognitive enough to take care myself, he is not. And I look after him. It is just very difficult at six to 7-years-old to be out of the street. I am a veteran, and I am trying to reconcile myself with the VA. However, it is difficult, because my discharge. Anyway, I want to thank everybody, and I will talk to Betty about housing I just want to thank you all.
Public Comment	Harold Thomas	In Person	General	Good morning, ladies judgment, once again. My name is Harold Thomas, this meaning kind of big because the last meeting were in. I was born and raised in the city. The career center, during covid-19, and that's how I recommend and got ball with empiric I am back on my feet. I'm staying at Fort Pierce and. I'm going to be here, and they help me big time for me getting off the streets. I am already volunteering and do my service. But to keep agon we have it all kinds of people coming down there. For me you know, I've got to be there you know? I'm going to give back what they give to me. So what I'm saying, keep it going. Ready for the clubhouse, and till then I'm going to start speaking from now on. With them for us downstairs thank you.
Public Comment	Michael Calhoun	In Person	General	Good afternoon my name is Michael Calhoun, I've been here before. And I got great information, you know then. And right now, I am in need of a little encouragement you know from you guys and maybe look into my case. I don't know what is going on? They call you the police in the

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				streets is not good. So, I think that is something I am trying to deal with. You know. You know. In my own way. I just appreciate everything that you guys have done, so far in the city. And I am looking forward to more good things thank you.
Public Comment	Jim "The Hat"	In person	General	<p>Good morning commissioners, Jim the hat, trustworthy true information for Ted talks. I'm grateful that I have you going through chemotherapy. Being able to get back from controlled suicide. So, I appreciate the department being there to help me to go through that. And suicide prevention.</p> <p>So, this way be able to return the appreciation by being able to offer right now, 50-\$100 back in people's pocket. Because in the food crisis program information that shark tanks use from the Scriptures. Like they say, do you know your numbers? Scripture says calculate that.</p> <p>They asked the people are you able to wait to the business to be able to make money for you? Scripture say be content this emergency brake on the consumer influence that people have. From 50-\$100 that information money back into people pocket. Because we have food crisis right now.</p> <p>It comes from JW.org is practical information. Financial Valley, thank you I want to share this with you, and this is called coping with the high prices. We are able to help our clients in people that we serve, to have financial receipt that is not tied to primary education. JW.org.</p>
Public Comment	Selam	By Phone	General	Hi, good morning this is Selam again. I just want to say if we really want to address the issue of mental health in California, I want the

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				commission and DMH to look at the LPS conversion ship here It has to be in the shape in the hospitals when the patient is needed. We as society members we cannot punch in the code no enforcement over psychologist can petition the code. I think it is time to expand who can petition the code. Because the current system is not working. We want to work together as a current system.
Public Comment	Bernice Masters	By Phone	UsCC Co-Chair/ Stakeholder Report	Hello, can you hear me? This is Bernie's Masters, I just wanted to announce that I was solidly voted in two be the current CCC co-chair. I am playing a little catch-up to see what is happening and what our participants needs are pick We just set a meeting yesterday, very full meeting. And celebrated Native American heritage months with a few presentations including national family caregiver month. We want to recognize caregivers at this time, and their needs and they have one caregiver action network. They have a wonderful website with webinars going on. I want to announce that. I want to announce, and I am here again and looking forward to participate that's a thank you.
Public Comment	Romalis Taylor	On Teams	UsCC Co-Chair/ Stakeholder Report	My name is Romalis Taylor I am a cochair of the black and African heritage underserved culture community. I'm given a report on behalf of all of the U.S.CC for fiscal year 25-26 the subcommittees are scheduled to implement a total of 261 time funded community defined capacity building projects. Targeting the following underserved culture of communities. Access

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				<p>for all, individuals with apparent or not apparent disabilities, including the deaf and hard of hearing immunity. The black and African heritage communities, the American Indian and Alaska native community. The Asian-Pacific Islander community. Eastern European and Middle Eastern European, Latino, LGBTQ, the projects will focus on the mental health awareness for these communities.</p> <p>Reducing stigma, alleviating mental health disparities, and enhancing access to care through the incorporation of culturally specific engagement strategies. Targeting historically underserved communities in L.A. County. The UScc face the following challenges. Finding cochairs that the time and ability to attend the CPT and DH commission meetings on monthly basis.</p> <p>The research indicates that culturally isolated communities demonstrate better mental health outcomes when receiving universal prevention services. Under PHS eight, universal prevention services will be managed by the state. There is an anxiety about how that will impact services for culturally diverse communities in L.A. County.</p> <p>The UScc subcommittees would like the BH commission to provide more advocacy and support for DMH to implement a broader range of community defined practices including nontraditional holistic approaches to engaging culturally isolated communities, and the population.</p> <p>The universal prevention services, the universal prevention services</p>

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				will be provided if the state is managing those funds. We are concerned about the cultural relevance of what the state intends to do in our community for all of these diverse entities. Thank you.
Public Comment	Martha Guerra	In person	Agenda Item: Clubhouse Model; Trainings for Staff	<p>>> I am a community member; I had a question about the clubhouse model. And when is that recommended? I understand it works in different areas but is coming here to the downstairs center. I was wondering if there's an idea as to when you might think that is? Thank you. My second comment or question would be what kind of training with the staff that is currently downstairs undergo? Because I am a peer member I use the services. I can attest that people of different personalities. Some people will be more controlling. Those control issues may be difficult to overcome when the club model. I will provide an example. I was told not to say that by people with honesty is because they don't want to be in trouble. I will not name names, but I think it is important. I feel I want to share. It is something very simple. That you might even think I'm being let me explain. I came in one day, not too long ago. It was 11:00 a.m. I asked for a snack which is one of the great services that they provide.</p> <p>There were snacks available, and I was told by a gentleman no, right now is not snack time. It is oatmeal time. I don't eat oatmeal, and I like it so were no without snack. I know it is petty. Maybe is being petty on my end. And I was like don't say anything then all of us staff will get in trouble.</p> <p>But it is not just the point that I was denied, it is just the point that sometimes snack in a time of need can be very soothing. When you</p>

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				are told no, then it kind of hurts you.
Public Comment	Lee Mollet	By Phone	Stakeholder Report/SALT 6 Co-chair	Good afternoon my new was Lee Millett salt six cochair. I just want to check in. And let you know. December 3 we have the YWCA for the seniors luncheon. We have Pastor James for December 20. Toy Drive. And then we have it at Sally attend. That's about it on our check in.
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Re: ADA Title II Record Continuity – Confirmation of Receipt and Retention of Exhibit Q-24 (Behavioral Health Commission Record, October 2025) under Unified BCCP™ / B2C3A™ Evidentiary Convergence Protocol

Good morning, Ms. Fuentes and Behavioral Health Commission Team,

I am writing in advance of the November 13, 2025 Behavioral Health Commission meeting to respectfully follow up on my prior written submissions transmitted on October 15, 18, and 20, 2025, each of which included Exhibit Q-24 (Cross-Temporal Convergence Note, June 2024 → October 2025) and related correspondence.

To date, I have not received confirmation that these materials have been retained in the Commission’s administrative record or acknowledged under the Commission’s ADA and Brown Act obligations. Because the Commission’s November 13 agenda again includes discussion of policy updates and CARE Court directives, it is essential that the prior Exhibit Q-24 materials remain part of the active administrative record for continuity and provenance review.

For record clarity:

- The above submissions were transmitted under my confirmed ADA Title II / § 504 written-communication accommodation (CRD approval 10/23/25).
- They are governed by the **Unified BCCP™ / B2C3A™ Evidentiary Convergence Protocol**, which standardizes ADA record-continuity, attribution, and procedural linkage across County and State entities.
- These filings therefore fall within Title II effective-communication and record-retention requirements (28 C.F.R. § 35.160; Gov. Code § 11135).

Accordingly, I respectfully request written confirmation that:

1. **Exhibit Q-24** and the associated October 2025 correspondence have been preserved in the Commission’s official administrative and public-record archives; and
2. The Commission’s “three-day-prior” written-comment policy does not restrict ADA-protected written submissions intended for administrative-record inclusion rather than general public comment.

For clarity, please treat this correspondence as both an ADA Title II procedural notice

and a written public comment for inclusion in the official record of Commission proceedings, consistent with Government Code § 11120 et seq. and the Commission’s public-comment policy.

This clarification is submitted in good faith to ensure procedural accuracy, accessibility compliance, and record continuity for the upcoming meeting.

Respectfully,

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Submitted in accordance with confirmed **ADA Title II / § 504 written-communication accommodation** (CRD approval 10/23/25).

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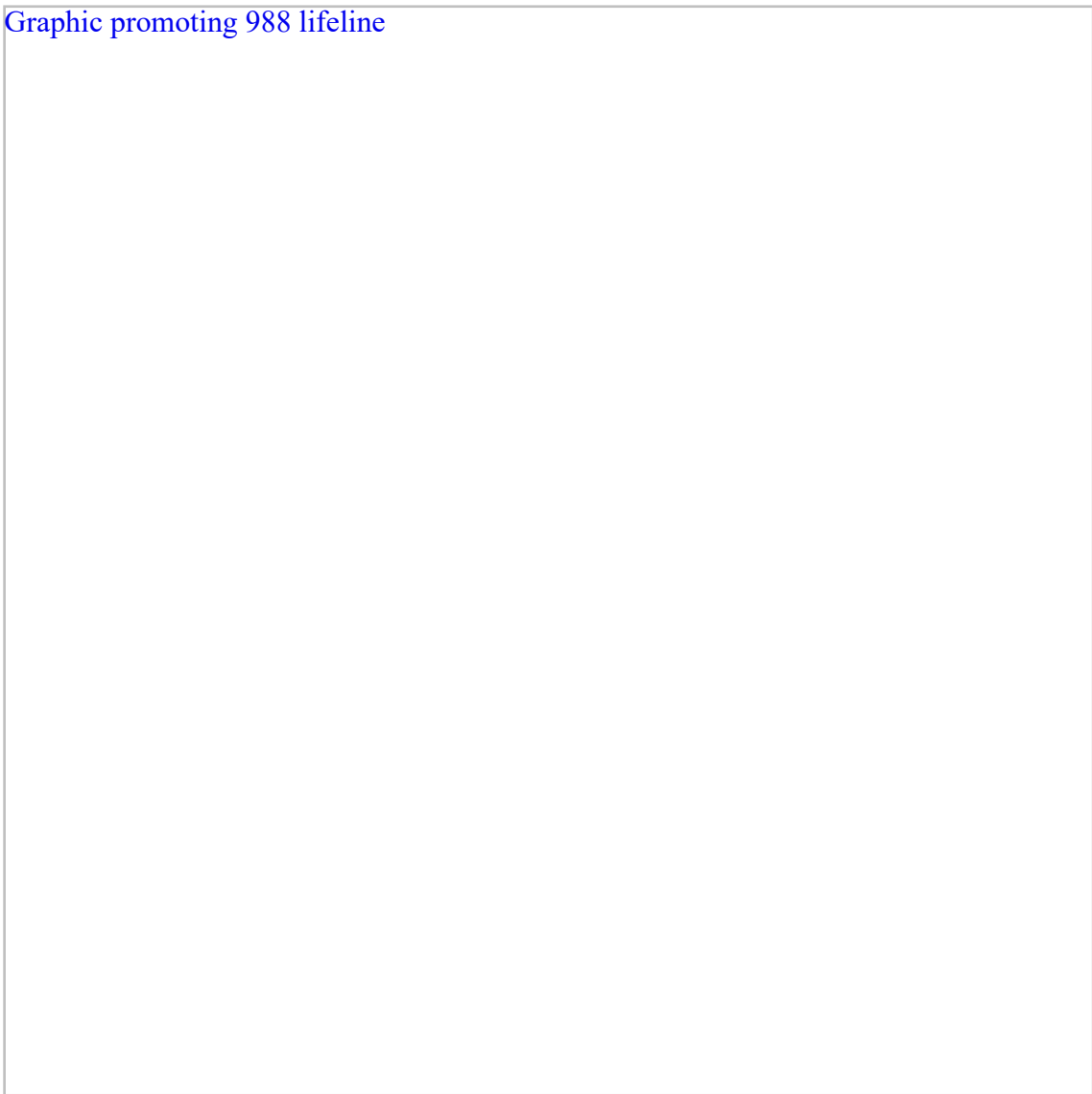
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STAKEHOLDER GROUP REPORT TO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMMISSION (BHC)

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Meeting Date:	
Stakeholder Group Name:	
Prepared by (Name and Role):	
Select Your Group's District (If Applicable):	
Date Submitted to BHC:	

Summarize your group's accomplishments and successes you would like to share with the BHC:

Please identify any challenges you experienced and offer recommendations for improvement:

How can the BHC provide support to your efforts?

STAKEHOLDER GROUP REPORT TO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMMISSION (BHC)

What are the topics of interest in your group's next meeting?

What else do you want the BHC to know?

Reviewed by (Commissioner Name):	
Action taken:	
Date:	