



MEETING AGENDA

IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

January 8, 2026

8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

Location: 2895 S 4th Street – Building C (Conference Room A and B)
El Centro, CA 92243

IVCCC MISSION

TO ENGAGE INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS OF IMPERIAL VALLEY IN A COMMUNITY-BASED PROCESS THAT WORKS TO ERADICATE HOMELESSNESS IN THE REGION, ADDRESSES THE UNDERLYING CAUSES OF HOMELESSNESS, AND LESSENS THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF HOMELESSNESS ON INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITY.

I. Welcome, Pledge and Invocation

II. Introduction

III. Discussion/Approval of the Agenda

1. Agenda of January 8, 2026

IV. Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of December 11, 2025 (Attachment 1)

V. Public Comment

Public Comment is limited to items not listed on the agenda. This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the council on any subject matter within the council's jurisdiction. Any action taken as a result of Public Comment shall be limited to direction to staff. Individuals will be given three (3) minutes to address the council; groups or topics will be given a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes. Public comments will be limited to a maximum of 30 minutes. If additional time is required for public comments, they will be heard at the end of the meeting. Please remember to follow the Public Comment Code of Conduct: no profanity or obscenity, yelling or screaming, no slander or defamatory statements, no personal threats or attacks, no hateful or demeaning language based on hate of a person's race, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, gender, or disability, and respect all people who are present or watching.

VI. Special Presentations

1. Imperial Valley College (IVC) – Programs and Services (Attachment 2)

VII. Administrative Entity Updates (Attachment 3)

1. Annual General Membership Meeting
2. Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Round 3 Update
3. Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Round 5 Request for Proposals (RFP) Update
4. Executive Board Membership Appointment
5. 2026 Point-in-Time Count Updates
6. CoC NOFO Local Competition
7. Homeless Resources Assistance Line Updates

VIII. Roundtable

Standing Item: Imperial County Behavioral Health Services – Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) Update

IX. Meeting Adjourned

1. Next meeting: Thursday, April 9, 2026, from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM



Minutes

IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL (IVCCC)

Annual General Membership Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2025

8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

2895 S. 4th Street – Building C, Conference Room A and B
El Centro, CA 92243

I. Welcome, Pledge and Invocation

Mr. Sid Hester, Homeless Services Manager, representing the Administrative Entity called the meeting to order at 8:41 a.m. Mr. Richard Lopez, Worthy Secretary of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, led the pledge, and Mr. Kirk Mann, Executive Director of the Imperial Valley Housing Authority, led the invocation.

II. Introductions

Mr. Hester welcomed service providers and public office representatives present, thanking their attendance and efforts in fulfilling the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care's Mission to engage individuals and organizations in a unified community-based program that looks to eradicate homelessness.

Introductions made of Ms. Iris Montes-Zapien, Assistant Director of Social Services, Ms. Renee Robles, Deputy Director for the Housing Services and Welfare to Work Division, and Ms. Diana Rosas, Deputy Director for Transitioning Services. Executive Board members Chair Les Smith, Richard Lopez and Kirk Mann were present, along with the Continuum of Care team members, Araceli Lopez, Eduardo Garcia, Andrea Arballo, Nadia Pacheco, Eleanor Vega, Elizabeth Cox and Alma Barrios.

III. Approval of the agenda for December 11, 2025

Motion by Gabriel Aguirre and seconded by Antoinette Fallon.

All voted in favor.

IV. Approval of Minutes for July 10, 2025

Motion by Richard Lopez and seconded by Gabriel Aguirre.

All voted in favor.

V. Approval of Minutes for October 9, 2025

Motion by Richard Lopez and seconded by Gabriel Aguirre.

All voted in favor.

VI. Public Comment

Ms. Renee Robles, Deputy Director for the Housing Services and Welfare to Work Division, stated that no requests for public comments were received prior to the meeting.

VII. State of the Continuum of Care Address – Les Smith, Executive Board Chairman, Continuum of Care Council

Mr. Les Smith, Chair of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council, presented an address on the current status of the Continuum of Care, acknowledging the Executive Board, Administrative Entity, and service providers for their leadership and service to the unsheltered population. The 2025 Point-in-Time Count and housing inventory reflect that the majority of individuals experiencing homelessness in Imperial County remain unsheltered, often affected by mental health conditions, substance use, and other complex barriers. Contributing factors include rising housing costs, low wages, health challenges, family instability, and limited affordable housing. In 2025, expanded medical recuperative care, sobering services, post-hospital care, and day services improved recovery outcomes and housing placement. Enhanced interagency coordination, increased funding, HMIS data tracking, and CES utilization strengthened outreach, housing navigation, Rapid Rehousing, and Permanent Supportive Housing. Planning for the 2026 Point-in-Time Count continues, underscoring the broad community impact of homelessness and the necessity of sustained, collaborative efforts countywide funding has been.

VIII. Approval of 2026 Proposed General Membership Meeting Calendar (Attachment 3)

Mr. Hester presented the proposed 2026 General Membership Meeting Calendar. The General Membership proposes meeting quarterly, the second Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The dates proposed are January 9, April 9, July 9, October 8. The Annual General Membership Meeting is proposed to be December 10 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Motion by Les Smith and seconded by Kirk Mann.

All voted in favor.

IX. Keynote Speaker – Appaswamy “Vino” Pajanor, CEO, Catholic Charities Diocese of San Diego – Day Center & Overview of Programs and Services (Attachment 4)

Mr. Vino Pajanor, CEO of Catholic Charities Diocese of San Diego, addressed the organization's mission and impact, noting its establishment in 1936 as a faith-based nonprofit providing social welfare services to vulnerable populations. Following a 2022 strategic planning process informed by community and leadership input, homelessness, food insecurity, and housing instability were identified as primary needs in San Diego and Imperial Counties. In response, a Day Center was opened in El Centro on February 15, 2023, serving approximately 2,194 individuals experiencing homelessness, with an average daily utilization of 80–90 persons. Service engagement increased from 771 individuals in 2023 to 1,712 in 2025, alongside growth in housing navigation enrollments. Rapid Rehousing outcomes improved from 4 permanent placements in 2023 to 59 in 2025. Homeless prevention services assisted 110 individuals in 2024 and 137 in 2025. Additional initiatives, including the Working Hands program launched in 2024, coupled with staff training and interagency coordination, strengthened pathways to housing, employment, and long-term stability.

X. Presentations

Imperial County Behavioral Health Services – Community Assistance, Recover, and Empowerment (CARE) Act

Sylvia Bazan, Program Manager for CARE Act of the Imperial County Behavioral Health Services presented the Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Act was established under Senate Bill 1338 (Chapter 319, Statutes of 2022) to provide a civil court-based framework for early intervention for adults with untreated severe mental illness. The CARE Act authorizes eligible parties to petition the court to initiate a voluntary CARE agreement or a court-ordered CARE plan, lasting up to 12 months with a potential one-year extension. Eligible individuals must be 18 or older, have a qualifying psychotic disorder, experience severe and persistent mental illness impairing daily functioning, and not be clinically stabilized in voluntary treatment. The CARE process prioritizes coordinated behavioral health treatment, housing supports, medications, and social services. Proceedings may be initiated by the individual, family members, community partners, or county agencies. Ongoing court reviews ensure compliance, monitor progress, and allow for modifications, with continued support available upon program completion.

Rooted Life – Recuperative Care

Tracey Wilson, Chief Executive Officer, presented on the history of Rooted Life and its Recuperative Care initiatives in Imperial County. Established in San Diego County in 2015, Rooted Life provides Recuperative Care and Medi-Cal (CalAIM) services to individuals requiring medical recovery and supportive services. The organization operates 140 recuperative care beds across nine facilities, including 24 in Imperial County, offering 30–90 day programs with in-house Enhanced Care Management, housing navigation, and day habilitation under a housing-first, harm-reduction, low-barrier model. Guided by a multiyear plan led by the California Department of Health Care Services, Rooted Life aims to improve health and housing outcomes while reducing reliance on emergency services. Eligible participants include individuals with significant behavioral health needs, disabilities, homelessness or housing instability, justice system involvement, and youth with complex medical conditions. Rooted Life's client-centered model emphasizes a home-like environment to support recovery and long-term stabilization.

Veterans Village of San Diego – Workforce Development & Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic

Oscar Nava and Susan Quijada presented on the Employment Department of Veteran's Village of San Diego, funded through the U.S. Department of Labor's Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program, the only national employment initiative exclusively serving homeless veterans. The program provides comprehensive services including case management, employment assistance, housing support, mental health therapy, legal aid, financial assistance, and basic needs to promote long-term stability. Eligibility requires at least one day of active-duty service, appropriate documentation, and homelessness or risk thereof, including justice-involved veterans. The forthcoming Imperial Valley division has secured \$237,070 annually for three years to support employment-focused services, outreach, housing referrals, and workforce readiness, with a temporary local office established. Additionally, Christina Ferrel and John

Carswell presented on the Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Veteran's Village of San Diego, which delivers specialized, high-quality mental health services to post-9/11 veterans, active-duty service members, and their families to enhance overall well-being.

Whole Person Care Clinic – Street Medicine Team

Dr. Connie Bartlett provided an overview of the Whole Person Care Clinic, outlining its mission to deliver holistic, compassionate, and accessible care addressing the physical, emotional, and social needs of individuals regardless of socioeconomic status. Through an integrated model combining medical care, mental health services, and community-based resources, the clinic emphasizes dignity, inclusion, and patient-centered support. Services are delivered by multidisciplinary teams, including an El Centro team composed of an RN/NP and two medical assistants, and a Carlsbad team with an NP and medical assistant. A core component of service delivery is street medicine, which brings care directly to individuals experiencing homelessness in encampments, shelters, and unsheltered settings, reducing barriers such as transportation, cost, and mistrust. Services include primary care, behavioral health support, case management, and referrals to recuperative care. Documented outcomes demonstrate reduced emergency utilization and cost savings totaling \$142,186 through treatment of conditions such as hypertension, diabetes, asthma, and skin infections, while fostering improved health outcomes and sustained engagement in care.

Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program – Housing Programs

Gabriel Aguirre, Imperial IVROP Coordinator, and Yessenia Partida, Program Manager, presented on the Housing Programs administered by the Imperial County Department of Social Services and IVROP, which operate under a housing-first, evidence-based framework utilizing rapid rehousing and supportive housing without conditioning housing on service participation. Key programs include the Housing Support Program (HSP), a state-funded initiative serving CalWORKs families through prevention, housing navigation, and financial assistance, which provided utility support to 88 families in 2024. Additional programs include Bringing Families Home, Housing Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP), Home Safe, and Transitional Aged Youth (TAY), collectively addressing families, adults with disabilities, vulnerable seniors, and youth ages 18–24. Annual program goals include housing 200 CalWORKs families and 25 individuals through HDAP. IVROP also supports youth workforce readiness and post-secondary success. Currently, 45 youth participants are enrolled across programs, supported through coordinated case management and interagency referrals.

XI. Keynote Speaker – Gina Vargas, Executive Director, WomanHaven – Overview of Programs and Services

Gina Vargas, Executive Director of WomanHaven, expressed gratitude to service providers for their collaboration and emphasized the importance of connecting individuals in crisis to available resources. She shared a case example of a woman fleeing multiple violent and critical situations at home, who faced significant challenges in seeking help. With guidance from WomanHaven, the woman was able to access legal support, housing, and safety services, ultimately gaining freedom and stability in several areas of her life. The speaker highlighted WomanHaven's long-standing mission since 1977 to address domestic violence, stalking, and human trafficking through outreach,

prevention, client support, emergency shelter, wellness programs, and assistance for those experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

XII. Presentations

Adjoin – Veterans Division

Ana Norris presented on Adjoin's Veterans Division serving Imperial and San Diego Counties, a nonprofit organization funded by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to administer Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF). Adjoin provides comprehensive assistance to veterans and individuals with disabilities, including housing stabilization, rapid rehousing, utility and rental assistance, benefits navigation, employment support, transportation, mental health referrals, and coordination with Continuum of Care partners. Over the past four years, Adjoin delivered 17,837 service hours and assisted 2,348 veterans and families over six years. In 2025, services reached 54% families and 46% individuals through rapid rehousing. Eligibility is limited to veterans with a discharge status other than dishonorable who are experiencing or at imminent risk of homelessness. Adjoin may provide up to two years of rental assistance, emphasizing housing stability, prevention, and long-term self-sufficiency.

Access to Independence – Empowering Resilience Building Communities

Daniel Torres, program manager of Access to Independence, and service coordinator Jose presented an overview of Access to Independence, a nonprofit Center for Independent Living serving San Diego County, the Imperial Valley, and Honolulu. The organization provides advocacy, case management, peer support, and referrals to promote independence among individuals with disabilities. Since 2024, Access to Independence has served 9,220 individuals, prevented institutionalization or homelessness for 558 clients, facilitated 460 transitions from institutions to community living, and distributed 400 care baskets. Programs are tailored to regional needs and largely offered at no cost, including youth services for ages 14–24, Homeward Bound housing transition and modification services, Stepping Stones prevention supports, benefits counseling for SSI, SSDI, Medi-Cal, and CalFresh, and emergency preparedness through the Emergency and Resilience Response Program. Collectively, these initiatives support housing stability, self-sufficiency, and community integration.

XIII. Community Voice – Mr. Poole

Mr. Poole shared his testimony as a person with lived experience who has faced numerous challenges. Mr. Poole highlighted the importance of community and the extended efforts Whole Person Care Clinic (WPCC) does to guide individuals into a stable, independent and healthy way of living. He mentioned the quality of service and installations, making it easier for clients to collect knowledge in different areas, as well as work on their recuperative care to be prepared for increasing life opportunities. The expertise and dedication of the WPCC is visible and palpable, through the experiences that were shared.

XIV. Administrative Entity – Year in Review, Paula S. Llanas, Director, Department of Social Services

Deputy Director Renee A. Robles expressed gratitude to all service providers and partner organizations for their dedication and collaboration over the past year, in Director Paula S. Llanas' absence. Highlighting the department's role in coordinating programs and

resources, emphasizing the collective effort to support individuals experiencing or at risk of homelessness, strengthening housing stability, and improving overall community well-being, acknowledging that these achievements reflect the ongoing commitment and teamwork of everyone involved

XV. Roundtable

Araceli Lopez, representing the Administrative Entity, reminded those presents of the upcoming Point-in-Time Count set to take place on January 23 and 24, 2026, kindly requesting volunteers and the overall communication of the event.

XVI. Closing Remarks

In closing, Homeless Services Manager Sid Hester thanked everyone for their attention and continued commitment to supporting individuals experiencing homelessness, emphasizing appreciation for the ongoing collaboration and dedication of all service providers.

XVII. Meeting Adjourned

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m. Next General Membership Meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2026, 8:30am – 10:30 a.m.



PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE

RESILIENT SCHOLARS PROGRAM



PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

RESILIENT SCHOLARS PROGRAM SERVES STUDENTS WHO HAVE HAD EXPERIENCES IN FOSTER CARE OR EXPERIENCES IN HOMELESSNESS AND ARE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 16 TO 24 YEARS OF AGE.

PROGRAM SERVICES

- COUNSELING
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- EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE
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ELIGIBLE STUDENTS RECEIVE ALL EOPS SERVICES AND MAY ALSO RECEIVE:

- TEXTBOOK AND SCHOOL SUPPLY ASSISTANCE
- TRANSPORTATION SUPPORT
- FOOD AND MEAL SUPPORT
- EMERGENCY HOUSING HELP
- TUTORING SERVICES
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FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS (INCLUDING CHAFEE AND CAL GRANT B FOSTER YOUTH AWARDS)

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EOPS/CARE

THE EXTENDED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (EOPS) OFFERS COMPREHENSIVE SUPPORT TO ELIGIBLE STUDENTS, INCLUDING PRIORITY REGISTRATION, BOOK GRANTS, TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE, INDIVIDUALIZED COUNSELING, TUTORING, AND COMMUNITY REFERRALS AND MORE. AT EOPS, WE GO ABOVE AND BEYOND TO SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS ENSURING YOU FEEL SEEN, VALUED, AND EMPOWERED THROUGHOUT YOUR COLLEGE JOURNEY.

Priority Registration (Group 1)

Book Grant

Transportation Assistance (bus Passes; Parking Permits)

Supplies (E.G., Scantrons, Blue Books, Pencils, Snacks)

Individualized Career/ Personal

Academic Counseling

One-on-One Tutoring Services

Cap and Gown Assistance

Gas Cards and "Super" Book Grant* (CARE Program Only)*

Additional Criteria May Apply



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LOTUS LIVING STUDENT HOUSING PROGRAM



IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE'S STUDENT HOUSING PROGRAM OFFERS AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO
ELIGIBLE IVC STUDENTS FACING HOMELESSNESS AND/OR HOUSING INSECURITIES.



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SDSU/IV HOUSING PROGRAM

COMING SOON



SDSU IMPERIAL VALLEY AND IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE'S JOINT STUDENT HOUSING PROJECT WILL HOST UP TO 80 STUDENTS AT SDSU IMPERIAL VALLEY, CALEXICO. THE PROJECT MARKS THE FIRST STUDENT HOUSING PROJECT AT SDSU IMPERIAL VALLEY AND WILL BE OPEN TO STUDENTS ENROLLED AT EITHER SDSU IMPERIAL VALLEY OR IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE. THIS COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITY BRINGS STUDENTS FROM BOTH INSTITUTIONS TOGETHER, REPRESENTING A SIGNIFICANT STEP IN EXPANDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TO PURSUE THEIR ACADEMIC SUCCESS IN THE IMPERIAL VALLEY.

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EMERGENCY COVERED

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- DEATH OF A FAMILY MEMBER.
- SIGNIFICANT UNCOVERED MEDICAL EXPENSES RELATED TO SELF, PARTNER, OR CHILD.
- LOSS OF CHILD CARE, OR IS IMMINENT.
- LOSS OF HOUSING, OR IS IMMINENT.
- LOSS OF TRANSPORTATION, OR IS IMMINENT.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- HAVE COMPLETED AT LEAST 12 UNITS AT IVC, WITH A MINIMUM GPA OF 2.0.
- BE REGISTERED IN AT LEAST 6 UNITS AT IVC, IN THE SEMESTER IN WHICH THE FUNDS WOULD APPLY.
- HAVE MET WITH A COUNSELOR TO REVIEW AND COMPLETE YOUR COMPREHENSIVE STUDENT EDUCATIONAL PLAN.
- SUBMIT APPLICATION AND PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF THE EMERGENCY (I.E. MEDICAL BILLS, EVICTION NOTICE).

IVC KITCHEN

NO STUDENT SHOULD EVER HAVE TO STUDY ON AN EMPTY STOMACH.
WE PROVIDE A RANGE OF FOOD PROGRAMS, SUCH AS THE GRAB AND
GO BAG AND DINNER BOX PROGRAM, TO ENSURE YOU'RE WELL-FED
AND READY TO LEARN.

Grab-N-Go Program
Dinner Program
Hygiene Program
IVC Kitchen on the Go



FINANCIAL AID

GRANTS

- Pell Grant
- Cal Grant
- John Burton Book Funding Grant
- Chafee

SCHOLARSHIPS



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- JOB PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE
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UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE

SERVICES INCLUDE:

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- DACA RENEWAL
- NATURALIZATION
- FAMILY-BASED IMMIGRATION
- KNOW YOUR RIGHTS SESSIONS
- EMERGENCY PLANNING & SAFETY PREPAREDNESS
- OTHER IMMIGRATION SERVICES
- FINANCIAL & EMERGENCY AID
- ACADEMIC MATERIALS AND BOOK RELIEF
- SCHOLARSHIPS



REQUEST FOR UNDOCUMENTED STUDENT SUPPORT

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DISABILITY SUPPORT PROGRAMS & SERVICES

DSP&S LOCATION
BUILDING 2900 (CAMPUS MAP)

OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

ZOOM VIRTUAL LAB HOURS:
MONDAY- FRIDAY 2:00PM TO 4:00PM

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Administrative Entity Updates

Presented to the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council
General Membership on January 8, 2026



Annual General Membership

December 11, 2025



Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Status Round 3

- HHAP Round 3 Riverwalk Project: Progress on the construction of the Single Room Occupancy (SRO) units



Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 5 – Timeline (Tentative)

January 8, 2026	RFP scheduled release on IVCCC's website: IVCCC and County of Imperial Purchasing Department's vendor portal: PlanetBids .
January 13, 2026	Technical assistance workshop will be held via Teams at 2:00 PM (workshop is not mandatory but recommended). Link: [HHAP-5 Technical Assistance Workshop].
January 14, 2026	Deadline for submission of applicant(s) questions to be entered on Imperial County Purchasing PlanetBids vendor portal <u>by 2:00 PM</u> .
January 20, 2026	Applicant(s) questions and answers posted to the IVCCC and Imperial County Purchasing PlanetBids vendor portal by 5:00 PM.
February 18, 2026	Deadline for proposal submission by 4:00 PM on Imperial County Purchasing PlanetBids vendor portal.
February 24, 2026	Scoring and Ranking Committee reviews and ranks projects.
March 4, 2026	IVCCC Executive Board takes action on recommendations.
March 6, 2026	IVCCC posts ranking on the IVCCC website and will send out award letters.
June 30, 2028	Expenditure deadline.



Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 5 – Request for Proposals (RFP)

Amount Available through RFP:

- Allocation: \$3,267,503.09
- Youth Set Aside: \$375,762.86

Important Dates:

Application Deadline: February 18, 2026

Scoring and Ranking: February 24, 2026

Expenditure Deadline: June 30, 2028

More information:

- [IVCCC Website](#)
- [PlanetBids](#)



Executive Board Membership Appointment

Les Smith, Chair
(2024-2026)

Vice Chair
(2024-2026)

Secretary
(2026-2028)

(2026-2028)

(2026-2028)

(2026-2028)

Javier Moreno
(2024-2026)

Kirk Mann
(2024-2026)

Sabrina Barber
(2024-2026)

Rosa Diaz
(2024-2026)

Richard Lopez
(2024-2026)



2026 Point-in-Time Count Updates

Count Dates:

- Inner Cities: Friday, January 23, 2026, at 5:30 AM
- Slab City: Saturday, January 24, 2026, at 9:00 AM

Donations Needed:

- Point In Time Count Donation Letter disseminated
- January 14, 2026: Care Kit assembly

Volunteer Recruitment:

- December 2025: Volunteer training kickoff
- 72 Registered volunteers
- Starbucks gift cards available for volunteers



2026 Point-in-Time Count Trainings

REGISTER HERE



Please complete
Registration Form



December 16, 2025 – 6:00 PM

City of Calexico Council Chambers
608 Heber Ave., Calexico, CA 92231

December 18, 2025 – 3:00 PM

El Centro Council Chambers
1275 W. Main St., El Centro, CA 92243

January 6, 2026 – 6:00 PM

Teen Center Room (Lion Center)
225 "A" St., Brawley, CA 92227

January 8, 2026 – 6:00 PM

El Centro Library
1198 N. Imperial Ave., El Centro, CA 92243

January 15, 2026 – 6:00 PM

Teen Center Room (Lion Center)
225 "A" St., Brawley, CA 92227

Training for County Employees will be announced at a
later date via email.



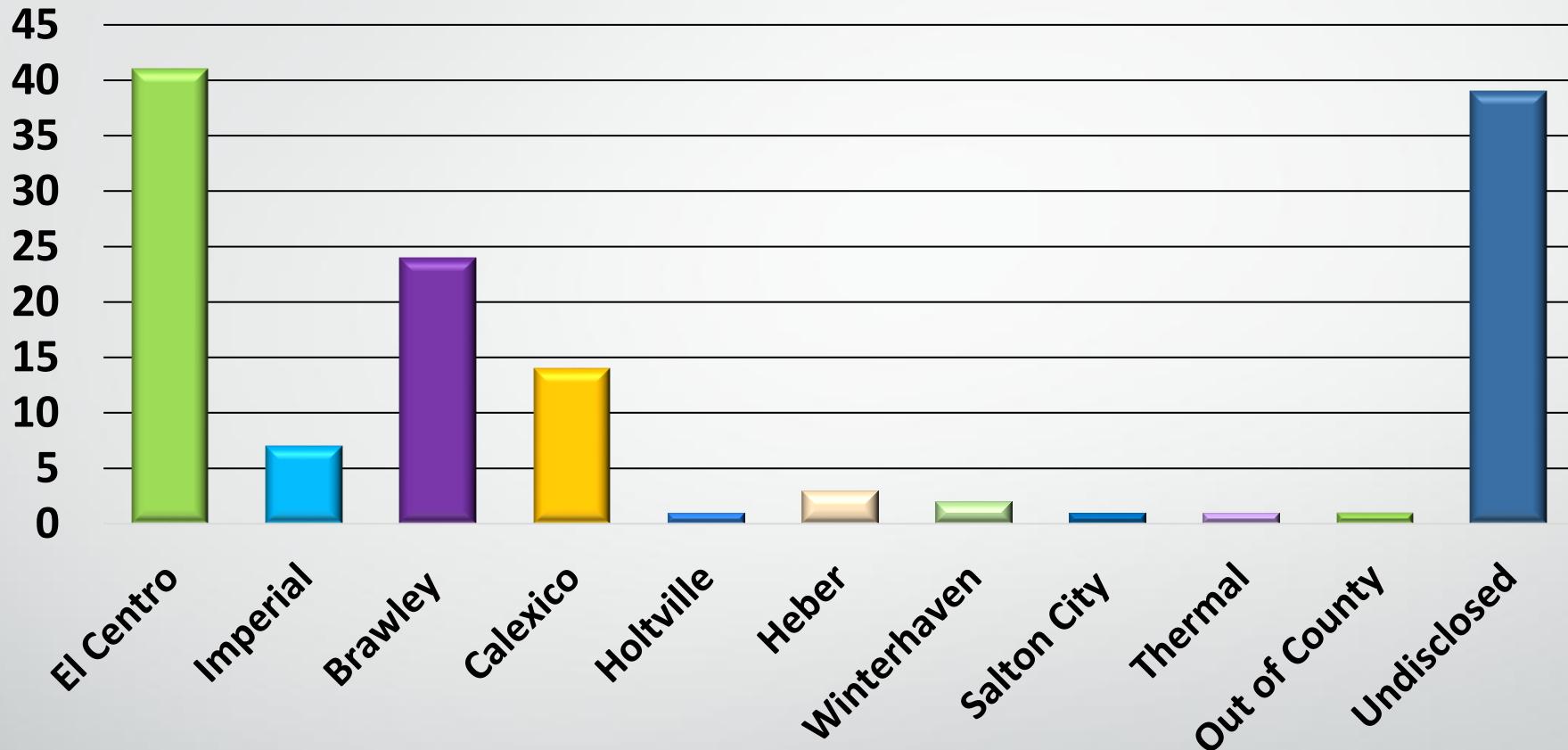
CoC NOFO Local Competition

- Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 on 11/13/2025. Subsequently, CoC NOFO FY 2025 was withdrawn by HUD with respect to the Continuum of Care (CoC) grant program as of December 8, 2025.
- Last year's NOFO was originally a 2-year NOFO (FY 2024 and FY 2025).

Update: We are pending to receive further guidance from Housing and Urban Development and will continue to monitor the CoC Competition website and notifications for developments.



Homeless Resource Assistance Line



- Month: **December 2025**
- Total Calls Received: **209**
- Average Calls Per Day: **9-10 calls**
- Year-to-Date Calls: **2,780**





Thank you

