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STATE PLAN COMMITTEE MEETING
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DATE: November 12, 2026

TIME: 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM

COMMITTEE CHAIR: Jessica Brown

Item 1. CALL TO ORDER

Item 2. ESTABLISH QUORUM

Item 3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Item 4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

This item is for members of the public to provide comments and/or present information to this body on matters not listed on the agenda. There will be up to 20 minutes allocated to hear from the public with each person allotted up to 3 minutes to comment.

Additionally, there will be up to 10 minutes allocated to hear from the public on each agenda item, with each person allotted up to 1 minute to comment.

Item 5. **APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2026 MINUTES** VOTE Page 3

Item 6. **2027-2031 STATE PLAN UPDATE** Page 8

David Delgado, SCDD Branch Chief of HQ Operations and State Plan

Item 7. **2026 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE DRAFT REPORT** VOTE Page 12

Jessica Brown, Committee Chair;

David Delgado, SCDD Branch Chief of HQ Operations and State Plan; &

Beth Hurn, Manager of Data, Reporting, and Community Engagement

Item 8. **NEXT MEETINGS & ADJOURNMENT**

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AGENDA ITEM 5
ACTION ITEM

STATE PLAN COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Approval of January 2026 Minutes

Members will review and approve the January 15, 2026 meeting minutes.

Action Recommended

Approve the January 15, 2026 minutes.

Attachment(s)

January 15, 2026 Meeting Minutes

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State Plan Committee Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2026

Attending Members	Members Absent	Others Attending
Jessica Brown, Chair (FA)	Azucena Garcia-Ferro (SA)	Austin Murphy
Cathay Liu (FA)		Charles Nguyen
Larry Yin (UCEDD)		David Delgado
Michelle Padilla (SA)		Janet Fernandez
Nestor Nieves (SA)		Maureen Fitzgerald
		Rihana Ahmad
		Vianey Gomes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Jessica Brown (FA) called the meeting to order at 2:02 m.

2. ESTABLISH QUORUM

A quorum was established.

3. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Members and others introduced themselves. Branch Chief of HQ Operations and State Plan David Delgado gave new members a brief overview of the State Plan and the Committee's responsibilities and noted that the Council will not take on new Cycle Grant projects in 2026.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Maureen Fitzgerald submitted a written comment in the chat noting that, "according to Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Purchase of Service reports, only 67 percent of services authorized in Individual Program Plans (IPPs) statewide were provided in fiscal year 2024-25."

Senior Planning Analyst (Staff) Janet Fernandez responded that this information will be included in the Comprehensive Review Analysis (CRA)

5. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 2025 MINUTES

It was moved/seconded (Padilla [SA]/Liu [FA]) and carried to approve the November 13, 2025, meeting minutes, as presented. All members present voted to approve. (See Page 1 for a list of members present).

6. 2027-2031 STATE PLAN PUBLIC COMMENT REVIEW

Overview of Public Comment

Branch Chief of HQ Operations and State Plan David Delgado presented the State Plan Team's analysis of public comments on the proposed 2027-2031 State Plan. During the 45-day comment period (November 21, 2025, to January 5, 2026), SCDD received 11 survey responses with 32 comments across the three goal areas. Positive feedback noted that the plan gives self-advocates hope and includes measurable goals and objectives.

General Public Comment Themes:

Non-Specific Language: Commenters felt some goals and objectives were vague, such as Objective 2.1 not naming specific laws. Staff explained that the plan intentionally uses broad language, as advised by federal guidance, so the Council can stay responsive to community needs. Specific projects will be outlined in the Work Plan.

Lack of Language and Disparity Goal: Commenters asked whether those served will reflect California's population and whether events will be offered in other languages. Although the new plan does not have an explicit language or cultural disparity objective, staff noted the Council will continue to provide translation upon request, offer activities in native languages whenever feasible, and target outreach to unserved and underserved communities. In 2025, the Council offered activities in 16 languages and targeted 14 underserved populations.

Regional Center Systems and Services: Commenters raised concerns about regional center accountability, service denials, websites, and inconsistency in services. Staff explained that Objective 2.1 covers regional center systems, and more specific efforts, such as aligning services and websites, are better suited as projects in the annual work plan.

Emerging Issues to Be Escalated

Statewide Service Consistency: Commenters noted that services vary by location and asked for standardized purchase of service (POS) information across regional centers. Staff shared that SCDD is moving

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toward more statewide projects and is piloting a regional center service code website with DDS to provide accurate, plain language information.

Lack of Accessible Information: Commenters noted that the DDS directory and many regional center and partner websites are not user friendly for people with I/DD. Staff will share this with the regional offices as a possible project.

Consideration for the Committee

One commenter asked how "effective self-advocates" would be defined in Goal 1. Staff recommended keeping "effective" since it was recommended by federal partners and can be measured through post-training surveys.

Committee Discussion

Committee member Nestor Nieves (SA) commented that access to services varies by regional center and region due to differences in approval practices, cost of living, transportation, and available providers, and stressed the need for a baseline of services regardless of where one lives. Chief Deputy Director Rihana Ahmad responded that all comments, including those from this meeting, will be compiled with issues raised in the town halls and statewide survey. She added that staff managers will form workgroups on focus areas, such as regional centers, housing, and employment, to review these issues and develop projects and strategies for the Work Plan.

Committee member Michelle Padilla (SA) asked whether the State Plan could help more people with disabilities get state jobs, including raising awareness of the Limited Examination and Appointment Program (LEAP). Ms. Ahmad responded that employment is a focus area in both the Systems Change and Capacity-Building goals, and that SCDD is already meeting with the California Department of Human Resources (CalHR), the Office of Data and Innovation, and other agencies on inclusive hiring practices.

Public Comment

In a follow-up comment, Maureen Fitzgerald asked whether the State Plan can help people receive the services authorized in their IPPs. She also noted that regional center operations receive regular funding increases while community providers must seek them from the Legislature.

Committee Determination

After reviewing the public comments and staff analysis, the Committee

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determined that no changes are needed for the 5-year State Plan to adequately reflect the needs of people with I/DD in California, so no vote was required.

Chair Jessica Brown plans to share this update with the Council at its January 27, 2026, meeting, and the presentation will be posted on the Committee's webpage. The State Plan will be posted online and submitted to the Administration for Community Living (ACL) on or before August 15, 2026.

7. NEXT MEETINGS AND ADJOURNMENT

The next meetings are tentatively scheduled for Thursday, June 11, 2026, and Thursday, November 12, 2026. Chair Jessica Brown adjourned the meeting at 2:44 p.m.

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AGENDA ITEM 6
INFORMATION ITEM

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2027-2031 State Plan Update

In January 2026, the Committee reviewed public comments on the proposed 2027-2031 5-year State Plan and determined that no changes were needed. The State Plan was posted online and submitted to the Administration for Community Living (ACL) on August 14, 2026.

David Delgado, SCDD Branch Chief of HQ Operations and State Plan, will provide Committee members with an update on the status of the 2027-2031 State Plan and next steps.

Attachment(s)

2027 – 2031 State Plan

2027-31 State Plan

Goal 1: Self-Advocacy By 2031, the Council will increase the number of people with intellectual/developmental disabilities to become effective self-advocates, peer trainers, and/or community leaders.	
Objectives	
1.1	By 2031, the Council will reach 10,000 self-advocates with community-building activities, training, events, projects and resources that build their capacity for self-governance and to become effective, active leaders, peer trainers and mentors.
1.2	By 2031, the Council will reach 5,000 self-advocates, representing California's population, to be active in cross-disability and peer networks and groups by providing support and peer advocacy/leadership opportunities.
1.3	In the event of unexpected project opportunities, emerging needs, and/or community, cross- regional or statewide requests, the Council may engage in additional activities with and/or on behalf of family and self-advocates and those who support and serve them.

Goal 2: Systems Change/Advocacy **By 2031, the Council will lead, in partnership with family/self-advocates and others, to protect and enhance civil rights and improve statewide and community-based systems to be more fully inclusive and supportive of people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families.**	
Objectives	
2.1	By 2031, the Council will develop, improve and/or change 40 practices, 25 policies, and 15 regulations (or guidance) and/or laws in the systems of regional centers, community-based services, education, and government entities. This work will include the areas of health/safety, employment, housing, and/ or emerging issues in ways that will benefit people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and protect their civil rights, promote full inclusion, and/or provide additional supports and services.
2.2	By 2031, the Council will support 50,000 people (family/self-advocates and others) by engaging in 20 statewide/cross-regional/regional systems change efforts/projects/events in the areas of health/safety, employment, housing, self-determination, and/or emerging issues to: **1.** Provide them information, skills and/or supports to increase their abilities to become effective advocates; **2.** Engage in professional training and/or other efforts to implement systems, demonstrate or support systems change; and/or, **3.** Increase services and/or improve supports for people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families.

Goal 3: Capacity-Building/Advocacy **By 2031, the Council will increase partnerships with and support of more people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families, so they know their rights and can advocate for and receive personalized services.**	
Objectives	
3.1	By 2031, the Council will increase the capacity of 50,000 people (family/self-advocates/others) with assistance and resources to identify and obtain the supports and services they need, by: **1.** Providing (staff-led, peer-led and/or collaborative) training, **2.** Providing technical assistance (TA)/advocacy clinics and/or resources, and **3.** Establishing and/or collaborating with and supporting family-advocate groups/networks.
3.2	By 2031, the Council will engage in projects and events in the areas of health/safety, housing, employment, education, and/or emerging issues, reaching 35,000 people (family/self-advocates/others) with opportunities for community inclusion and family peer support networks that increase their knowledge and capacity to obtain supports and services that are important to them.

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AGENDA ITEM 7
ACTION ITEM

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2026 Program Performance Draft Report

The Administration for Community Living (ACL) requires Councils to prepare an annual Program Performance Report (PPR) that documents SCDD's outputs/outcomes/impacts, as accomplished in the activities of its FFY 2022-2026 State Plan. These reports are due to the Office on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (OIDD) each federal fiscal year (FFY) for those activities completed from October 1st through September 30th.

Staff will present the draft of the 2026 PPR outputs/outcomes/impacts and activity and project highlights in a PowerPoint for Committee members to review and provide input and make recommendations to move the draft 2026 PPR forward to the full Council for approval.

Action Recommended

Recommend approval of the draft 2026 Program Performance Report (PPR) to the full Council at the November 17, 2026 Council meeting.

Handout(s)

Program Performance Report Draft Presentation