



**State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention  
Community Investment & System Accountability for Youth Justice (CISA)  
Subcommittee  
Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Zoom (virtual)

Chair Dierkhising called the meeting to order.

**Present:**

Carly Dierkhising (Chair), Andrew Garcia (Co-Chair), Krystal Lewis, Carol Biondi, Michelle Guymon, Lucero Noyola, Anthony Ortiz Jr., Christian Lucchesi, Protima Pandey, Michael Duncan, Jacqueline Skapik, LaRon Dennis, Jorja Leap

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

- Motion: Carly Dierkhising
- Second: Lucero Noyola
- Outcome: Motion passed unanimously; minutes were approved.

**Meeting Schedule Update**

**Purpose:**

To address scheduling conflicts related to member availability and overlap with SACJ meetings.

**Decision:**

Subcommittee meetings were rescheduled from third Wednesdays to third Fridays, 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., for the remainder of 2026.

**Next Meeting:**

Friday, February 20, 2026, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Next Steps:**

- Chair Dierkhising will update calendar holds.
- Chair Dierkhising and Krystal Lewis will coordinate Zoom logistics.

## **Discussion: Juvenile Justice Commissions (JJs)**

### **Purpose:**

To discuss Juvenile Justice Commissions (JJs) and explore opportunities for improved coordination, support, and accountability statewide.

### **Topics Discussed:**

- Ongoing confusion regarding overlapping roles, responsibilities, and structures among JJs, JJDPs, and JJCCs.
- Variability in how JJs operate across counties, including differences in structure and funding support.
- Limited evaluation of JJ effectiveness and overall impact.
- OYCR's identification of strengthening and connecting JJs as a 2026 priority.

### **Member Input:**

- Members emphasized the need for clearer role definitions and improved coordination across commissions.
- Members raised concerns about the lack of evaluation data and transparency related to JJ activities and funding.

### **Decision / Next Steps:**

- The Subcommittee agreed to invite Marcia Rincon Gallardo (OYCR) to present at a future meeting to provide an overview of the JJ ecosystem, including roles, structures, funding considerations, and opportunities for coordination.
- Chair Dierkhising, Andrew Garcia, Krystal Lewis, and Christian Lucchesi will coordinate with Marcia Rincon Gallardo in advance and request supporting visuals.

## **Needs Assessment for Title II Grantees Presentation** (Andrew Garcia)

### **Purpose:**

To assess the needs, capacity, collaboration interests, systems awareness, and data practices of current Title II grantees.

### **Proposed Components:**

- Initial focus on current Title II grantees
- Consideration of surveys and/or interviews
- Review of data collection and outcome measurement practices
- Youth and family perspectives may be included at a later stage

### **Timeline (Tentative):**

- January to February: finalize approach
- March to April: data collection
- May: preliminary report-out
- Summer 2026: formal reporting

**Budget:**

OYCR confirmed funding is available to support SACJJDP and subcommittee activities.

**Public Records Considerations:**

Members were reminded that Subcommittee activities are subject to public meeting and public records requirements; anonymity cannot be guaranteed.

**Next Steps:**

The Subcommittee discussed adding needs assessment questions to future grantee presentations, and the Chairs will propose a final approach.

**Adjournment**

Chair Dierkhising thanked all members for their participation. The meeting was adjourned.

Resources Shared:

[Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission - Tulare County Probation Department](#)

[Needs Assessment Outline](#)

[SACJJDP Slides 9-17-25](#)

[Title II Formula Grants - OYCR](#)