



**Regular Meeting  
Human Services Commission  
Wednesday, February 11, 2026  
6:00 P.M.  
Jackie Robinson Community Center  
1020 North Fair Oaks Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91103**

**Members**

Joshua Levine Grater, Chair, Agency Representative  
Tunisia Offray, Vice Chair, District 7  
Latasha Jamal, District 1  
Andrea Edoria, District 2  
George Paccereilli, District 4  
Malissa Barnwell-Scott, District 5  
Anthony Orlando, District 6  
Ingrid Sotelo, Pasadena City College  
Ana Maria Apodaca, Pasadena Unified School District  
Sheri Bonner, Agency Representative  
Lisa Wilson, Agency Representative  
Vacant, District 3  
Vacant, Mayor

**Staff**

Tisha Washington, Program Coordinator  
Jorge Concul, Recording Secretary

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*The Commission may take action on any item listed on this agenda as it deems appropriate following consideration and discussion of the matter.*

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Public Comments for Items Not on the Agenda**
- 4. Approval of Minutes**
  - January 14, 2026\*
- 5. New Business**  
**Information Items**
  - Presentation from Hillside Youth on the Move regarding their Transitional Age Youth (TAY) program – Joshua Mathieu, Social Services Manager
  - Presentation from the Flintridge Center regarding the RAY (Re-Entry Action for Youth) program – Lorenzo Fuentes, Case Manager, and Malik Dorton, Case Manager
  - Review of the Pasadena Police Department Community Brief for December 2025\*
- 6. Old Business**  
**Action Item**
  - Discussion and approval of the Work Plan and Presentation Calendar updates for February 2026\*
- 7. Reports/Comments from the Chair**
- 8. Comments from Commissioners**
- 9. Staff Comments**
- 10. Upcoming Meeting Agenda Items**

## 11. Adjournment

\*Attachments



Joshua Levine Grater, Chair  
Human Services Commission

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**Draft Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
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Wednesday, January 14, 2026  
6:00 P.M.**

**Commissioners Present:** Joshua Levine Grater, Tunisia Offray, Latasha D. Jamal, Andrea Edoria (arrived 6:12 PM), George Paccereilli, Malissa Barnwell-Scott, Anthony Orlando, Ana Maria Apodaca (arrived 6:17 PM)

**Commissioners Absent:** Ingrid Sotelo (Excused), Lisa Wilson (Excused), Sheri Bonner (Excused)

**Staff Present:** Tisha Washington and Jorge Concul

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Grater called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM.

**2. Roll Call**

Staff (Concul) called the roll, and a quorum was established for the Commission.

**3. Public Comments for Items Not on the Agenda**

No public comments.

**4. Approval of Minutes**

- After review, it was moved (Paccereilli) and seconded (Orlando) to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2025, meeting. (Motion carried unanimously)

In Favor: Grater, Offray, Jamal, Edoria, Paccereilli, Barnwell-Scott, Orlando

Absent: Sotelo, Apodaca (arrived after the vote), Wilson, Bonner

**5. New Business**

**Information Items**

- **Presentation from 211LA regarding services provided in collaboration with Pasadena resources – Daniel Molina, Chief Program Officer, and Nancy Duenez Velazquez, Housing Director**

The Commission received a presentation from 211LA regarding services provided in collaboration with Pasadena resources from Daniel Molina, Chief Program Officer, and Nancy Duenez Velazquez, Housing Director. Questions from the Commission followed the presentation.

- **Review of the Pasadena Police Department Community Brief for November 2025**

The Commission reviewed the Pasadena Police Department Community Brief for November 2025. Staff (Washington) will forward the commission's questions to the Pasadena Police Department.

## **6. Old Business**

### **Action Item**

- **Discussion and Approval of the Work Plan and Presentation Calendar Updates for January 2026**

After discussion, it was moved (Jamal) and seconded (Edoria) to approve the Work Plan and Presentation Calendar updates for January 2026. (Motion carried unanimously)

In Favor: Grater, Offray, Jamal, Edoria, Paccereilli, Barnwell-Scott, Orlando, Apodaca

Absent: Sotelo, Wilson, Bonner

## **7. Reports/Comments from the Chair**

Chair Grater reported that he was invited to present to the Commission on the Status of Women at its meeting on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. He suggested developing a brief slide deck describing the Human Services Commission's role and work to support future presentations. Staff (Washington) will assist with preparing the materials.

## **8. Comments from Commissioners**

- Commissioner Apodaca shared that the Pasadena Unified School District observed the anniversary of the fire with a moment of silence across all schools and related activities. She noted that elementary and middle school students also received a children's book addressing fire-related loss, which was shared as part of the observance.
- Commissioner Barnwell-Scott encouraged commissioners to approach the annual meeting with clear goals and to come prepared with agencies in mind that would be beneficial to the Commission's work.

## **9. Staff Comments**

- Staff (Washington) shared information for the Pasadena State of the City, scheduled for January 28, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at Robinson Park Recreation Center.
- Staff (Washington) shared a flyer for the Black History Festival with vendor information and noted that the event will take place on February 21, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Robinson Park Recreation Center.
- Staff (Washington) also provided a sign-up sheet for commissioners interested in tabling at the Black History Festival.

## **10. Upcoming Agenda Items**

- Presentation from the Flintridge Center regarding the RAY (Re-Entry Action for Youth) program
- Presentation from Hillsides Youth on the Move regarding their Transitional Age Youth (TAY) program

**11. Adjournment**

It was moved (Orlando) and seconded (Apodaca) to adjourn the regular meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.

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Joshua Levine Grater, Chair  
Human Services Commission

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Jorge Concul, Recording Secretary  
Parks, Recreation and Community  
Services Department



## **City of Pasadena Human Services Commission Work Plan: 07/09/2025–06/10/2026**

### **Mission:**

The purpose of the commission is to advise and make recommendations to the council regarding the human service needs of people of all ages in this community. This commission will aid the City in facilitating collaborative efforts and a coordinated approach to improve and expand the delivery of quality human services in Pasadena. This commission is established to respond to significant unmet human service needs and gaps as identified in such documents that include, but are not limited to, the Early Child Development Policy; Needs Assessment; and related materials.

The commission shall:

1. Facilitate bringing City and community resources together to ensure the delivery of effective human services to people of all ages;
2. Formulate ideas and suggest plans and programs designed to promote the availability and effectiveness of human services;
3. Promote cooperation and collaboration among local agencies, organizations and commissions involved in the delivery of human services, consistent with the roles and responsibilities outlined in such documents as the Human Services Commission work plan;
4. Recommend priorities to the council for City resources which respond to identified unmet human service needs;
5. Collaborate with commissions, advisory groups, community agencies, provider organizations, groups, and individuals to facilitate effective collaboration in addressing human service issues in Pasadena;
6. Advise the council on ways to achieve human service goals consistent with council-adopted policies which address human services.

### **FY 2025–2026 Ad Hoc Committees:**

**Ad Hoc Committee: Objective #1 – Early Childhood**

**Ad Hoc Committee: Objective #2 – People Experiencing Homelessness**

**Ad Hoc Committee: Objective #3 – Mental Health & Crisis Response**

## **Ad Hoc Committee: Objective #1 – Early Childhood**

**Objective Purpose:** Assess and support developmental health of children in Pasadena with a lens toward equity.

**Commissioners:** Apodaca, Sotelo, Jamal, Barnwell-Scott

### **Action Items:**

- Determine ways to support agencies that serve young children.
- Identify resources on how trauma impacts young children and make that information available to parents and service providers.
- See the results of the 2022 Early Childhood Development Policy, what has been implemented and if there are any recognizable changes due to the implementation.

### **Work Plan Updates:**

July 2025:

- No Update

August 2025:

- Commissioner Apodaca met with a coordinator from Young & Healthy and they will be offering programming on how trauma impacts young children and will make that information available to parents, service providers, and PUSD staff. Commissioner Apodaca will share the information during a future commission meeting when it becomes available. She shared the following events being coordinated by Young and Healthy:
  - Presentation #1: 9/23/25 -The Power of Showing Up: The Science of Building Resilience in Our Children, Ourselves & Our Communities
  - Presentation #2: TBD - Trauma 102: A Year After the Fires, What Do Our Kids Need Now?
  - Mini-Course Series for Parents and Caregivers Impacted by the Eaton Fire and recent local and national events (Five 90-minute workshops)
  - Ongoing support groups
  - Educational video series on "Brain-based Parenting" by Tina Payne Bryson, PhD
- Commissioner Barnwell-Scott will reach out to the Black Student and Family Task Force to find out what recommendations or policy suggestions came from their work and are applicable to this action item and others.
- The planning committee of the Celebration of the Young Child met in July. The event date is September 20, 2025. The committee has prepared a list of vendors/exhibitors and partners for the event. The ad hoc will also contribute additional suggested partners during an upcoming commission meeting.
- The ad hoc committee discussed reaching out to the planning committee for the Celebration of the Young Child to explore opportunities for supporting agencies that serve young children. Since the event will include many community vendors

and resources, the committee plans to develop a brief survey to gather input from vendors on how best to support their respective agencies.

#### September 2025:

- Commissioner Apodaca provided an update in response to Action Item #3 regarding support for early childhood development policy. She attended the final planning meeting for the Celebration of the Young Child, which will take place on Saturday, September 20, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Brookside Park. The event will include interactive city vehicles (“Touch a Truck”), a family picnic area, community exhibitions, and free admission to Kidspace Museum. Volunteers are still being sought for the event. Two commissioners are expected to attend.
  - Commissioner Apodaca shared that the Commission is preparing a set of questions to ask agencies participating in the Celebration of the Young Child. With over 30 community agencies expected, the goal is to gather insights on their services, target populations, challenges, and how the Human Services Commission can support their objectives. The final question regarding Commission support will be discussed further.

#### October 2025:

- Chair Grater read notes submitted by Commissioner Apodaca, reporting that the Ad Hoc Committee met on September 29, 2025, and that two members attended the Celebration of the Young Child on September 20, 2025. The event was well attended, featuring more than 30 organizations offering activities for children and sharing community services.
  - Two commissioners visited booths and asked participating organizations about their services, the ages they serve, challenges they experience in their work, and how the Human Services Commission can support their mission.
  - The committee was unable to speak with all agencies at the event and plans to follow up with those they missed. Members discussed possible methods such as phone calls or electronic surveys. At their next meeting, they will finalize the approach, review the list of vendors, and assign follow-up tasks among committee members.
- The committee requested staff assistance to schedule a meeting with Eva Rivera, Coordinator of the Office of the Young Child, to introduce themselves and discuss their objectives.
- Commissioner Sotelo shared that many agencies she spoke with emphasized the need for greater exposure as a way the Commission could support their work. She noted that events like the Celebration of the Young Child provide valuable opportunities for agencies to connect, collaborate, and strengthen services that support families and children.
- Commissioner Sotelo reported that the Ad Hoc Committee will compile and share the responses collected from agencies during the Celebration of the Young Child event.

November 2025:

- The Commission received a presentation regarding updates from the Office of the Young Child from Eva Rivera, MSW, Program Coordinator, City Manager's Office.
- The ad hoc committee did not meet during the past month. Commissioner Apodaca stated that the committee looks forward to scheduling a meeting with Eva Rivera, Program Coordinator of the Office of the Young Child.

December 2025:

- Commissioner Apodaca reported that the Ad Hoc Committee on Early Childhood met with Eva Rivera from the Office of the Young Child on December 1, 2025. She stated that the discussion focused on early childhood development policy and ways the committee and Commission can collaborate with the Office of the Young Child.
- Commissioner Apodaca stated that topics included challenges faced by organizations serving young children, such as families not accessing services due to fear, service reductions related to funding decreases, limited childcare availability for certain age groups, difficulties serving families with children of multiple ages, and ongoing financial needs experienced by families.
- Commissioner Apodaca reported that the committee also discussed considerations for planning the 2026 Celebration of the Young Child and ways the committee and Commission may support the planning efforts. She noted that additional information will be shared at a future meeting.
- Commissioner Apodaca shared requests from the Office of the Young Child, including asking commissioners to notify Eva Rivera of community events where her office's presence would be beneficial. She also noted that the Office of the Young Child is seeking additional organizations to serve as hub partners and welcomed recommendations from the Commission.

January 2026:

- No updates.

February 2026:

**Status:**

## **Ad Hoc Committee: Objective #2 – People Experiencing Homelessness**

**Objective Purpose:** Increase the availability of interim and temporary housing in Pasadena

**Commissioners:** Grater, Paccereilli, Offray

### **Action Items:**

- Develop and present a comprehensive report on master leasing a motel in Pasadena for interim housing.
- Exploring greater access to Coordinated Entry System for more service providers.

### **Work Plan Updates:**

July 2025:

- No Update

August 2025:

- Chair Grater stated that the Commission will look at available commission meeting dates to invite the owner of a Monrovia motel operating a successful master lease program. Some councilmembers have visited the site. If scheduling does not permit, the ad hoc committee will meet with the owner separately.
- Commissioner Offray will research other master lease programs in the region. The goal is to prepare a comprehensive report for councilmembers outlining current efforts, motel locations, participating operators, and potential funding options. Chair Grater is focused on the funding portion of the report.
- Chair Grater referenced the recent council meeting where the homeless report was presented. Several councilmembers expressed interest in pursuing the development of a year-round emergency shelter in Pasadena.
- Chair Grater appointed Commissioner Orlando to the ad hoc committee.

September 2025:

- Chair Grater shared that the master lease motel in Monrovia is the former Quality Inn. He plans to contact the owner or management to schedule a meeting. He also identified key contacts within the County CEO's office, which serves as the primary funder of the project. Volunteers of America is the designated service provider.
- Commissioner Orlando will conduct research comparing interim housing and emergency shelter models, focusing on success rates for transitions to permanent housing and related cost-benefit analysis.
- Vice Chair Offray shared that approximately 60% of domestic violence survivors become homeless after 30 days in a shelter. She emphasized that survivors cannot be placed in general population shelters. She also reported that

Shepherd's Door recently received 21 calls in one day from individuals actively fleeing violence, but only one space was available in the region.

- Vice Chair Offray is researching additional master lease motels in Los Angeles County for the committee to contact regarding potential partnerships or models.

#### October 2025:

- Chair Grater reported that the Ad Hoc Committee on People Experiencing Homelessness met on September 30, 2025, and continues to focus on the master leasing motel initiative. He noted that Commissioner Paccarelli will coordinate with Vice Chair Offray to meet with Councilmember Masuda's district field representative, Noreen Sullivan, to discuss homelessness related to the Eaton fires and the need for a master lease motel, as most potential sites are in Councilmember Masuda's district.
- Chair Grater reported that Commissioner Orlando is researching interim housing versus emergency shelter models, focusing on success rates for the transition to permanent housing and cost-benefit analysis. He noted that Commissioner Orlando has drafted an initial report shared with the committee via Google Drive, which will serve as a starting point for discussion at the next meeting.
- Chair Grater reported that he contacted Marco Santana in the County CEO's Office, who is the point person for the City of Monrovia's master lease motel program. He planned a site visit to the former Quality Inn to gather information and proposed inviting a representative from the motel to a future presentation on the Commission's calendar.
- Chair Grater suggested organizing a listening session for the Commission, modeled after the Commission on the Status of Women's recent event that included a presentation and public discussion. He noted that such sessions could help engage the community on key topics and may be added to a future presentation calendar. He also expressed interest in increasing the Commission's public visibility and media presence.
- Chair Grater shared Vice Chair Offray's report that Shepherd's Door received 92 calls in September from individuals fleeing domestic violence, with 40 percent related to the Eaton Canyon Fire. He emphasized the need for additional interim housing and a master lease motel program to support affected residents, noting that the rise in domestic violence following the fire has not received sufficient public attention.

#### November 2025:

- Chair Grater reported that the committee did not meet but communicated over email throughout the month.
- Chair Grater reported that the committee is comparing interim housing and emergency shelter models to prepare a recommendation to City Council for a master lease motel, with a draft expected in early 2026. He noted that the report incorporates homeless count data provided in August and that follow-up questions will be sent to staff.
- Commissioner Orlando reviewed research literature on interim housing and emergency shelters, noting that interim housing reduces returns to

homelessness and lowers the likelihood of criminal justice involvement, with mixed findings on health outcomes. Commissioner Paccarelli drafted language on how interim housing improves access to social services compared to emergency shelters, supported by Commissioner Orlando's research.

- Commissioner Orlando identified a 2015 HUD study showing interim housing to be approximately 40 percent more affordable than emergency shelter.
- The committee will next review real estate data, needs of domestic violence survivors, and develop a detailed proposal for a master lease recommendation to City Council.
- Chair Grater visited a master lease motel in Monrovia operated by Volunteers of America and connected with the property owner, who expressed a positive experience and interest in presenting to the Commission.
- Commissioner Paccarelli shared that Councilmember Masuda continues to support the master lease concept and has directed his field staff to monitor motel availability, noting that interim housing addresses the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness and those in crisis.

#### December 2025:

- Chair Grater reported that Commissioner Orlando continues work on the interim housing report and shared preliminary findings highlighting housing cost comparisons in Pasadena. He noted that average rents in Pasadena exceed those in Los Angeles County, reflecting high demand and limited supply. He added that the committee is working to connect with the National Alliance to End Homelessness to engage subject-matter experts and strengthen the case for interim housing.
- Commissioner Paccarelli asked whether members were comfortable sharing preliminary interim housing research with Councilmember Masuda to provide background on the committee's work. He emphasized that the information would be shared as an early preview of a larger report which will be shared as a recommendation to the City Council once complete.

#### January 2026:

- Chair Grater reported that the ad hoc committee continues work on its interim housing report comparing interim housing and emergency shelter, with a focus on cost and effectiveness. He stated that the ad hoc committee reviewed data related to affordable housing and homelessness and remains in the research and information-gathering phase.
- Chair Grater shared information on the upcoming Point in Time Homeless Count on January 21, from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and the following morning on Thursday, January 22, from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., and encouraged commissioners to volunteer. He noted that volunteer opportunities and details are available through the Pasadena Partnership website and explained that volunteers receive training and are assigned to designated areas to assist with data collection.
- Commissioner Apodaca noted that a Youth Homeless Count is also scheduled to take place on January 22, 2026, as an additional opportunity for participation.

February 2026:

**Status:**

## **Ad Hoc Committee: Objective #3 – Mental Health and Crisis Response**

**Objective Purpose:** Improve accessibility and retention of mental health and crisis response services

**Commissioners:** Edoria, Apodaca, Paccereilli, Bonner, Wilson

### **Action Items:**

- Gather data and status of crisis response services regarding the Eaton Canyon Fire, and any trauma-informed care services provided.
- Find ways to improve access to crisis response services.
- Partner with Pasadena Library and Pasadena Public Health to update and refresh the Emotional Health and Well Being Resource Guide.

### **Work Plan Updates:**

July 2025:

- No Update

August 2025:

- Commissioner Wilson will check in and review the resources compiled through the Partnership for Children, Youth and Families. The group has been maintaining a log of mental health providers as well as crisis response efforts.
- Committee members discussed the challenges of identifying gaps in access. Commissioner Paccereilli will contact 211LA to discuss any challenges they may be having in connecting citizens to services. The ad hoc committee will also look at conducting a survey.
- Commissioner Edoria brought up the need to identify mental health resources that are responding to those impacted by immigration raids. This unique need will be in the committee's research.
- Commissioner Edoria will reach out to her City Councilmember, Rick Cole, to inquire about including mental health resources in his monthly newsletter. The team agreed that including mental health resources in the newsletters of all city councilmembers would be a worthwhile goal.
- The committee discussed the process of working with a city department.
- Commissioner Bonner reached out to Manuel Carmona, Director of Public Health, City of Pasadena and provided the following information:
  - The Emotional Health and Wellbeing Guide hasn't been updated since 2019; Manuel Carmona will explore further.
  - The Pasadena Public Health Department (PPHD) developed a mental health resource guide in 2024, which is available online on the City's website.
  - For communities impacted by the fire and for immigrants, his department refers individuals to resources provided by the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health.

September 2025:

- Chair Grater read the following updates from the Ad Hoc committee:
  - PPHD doesn't offer direct mental health services and they have been promoting the LA Co Dept of Mental Health resources found at <https://dmh.lacounty.gov/our-services/disaster-services/disaster-mh-resources/> and <https://dmh.lacounty.gov/supporting-immigrant-clients/>.
  - The Ad Hoc Committee reported that Alternative Crisis Response expressed interest in partnering with the Commission to distribute “Who to Call” materials at Community Centers and libraries. The ad hoc committee will explore collaboration options.
  - Commissioner Paccarelli also met with representatives from 211LA, who are interested in working with the Commission on future initiatives.
  - Commissioner Bonner spoke with Tim McDonald and Jane Gov from the Pasadena Public Library regarding the Commission’s interest in supporting an updated version of the community resource guide, last published in 2019. She offered to share the ad hoc committee’s collected resources and explore those held by the library. Although data is still being gathered, the committee is also interested in identifying non-governmental organizations that support undocumented residents. A follow-up meeting is expected to be scheduled within the month.
- Commissioner Edoria shared that she spoke with a representative from the Pasadena Public Library, who confirmed that while the library does not currently offer mental health resources, they refer patrons to Door of Hope. The library expressed interest in collaborating with the Commission as additional resources are gathered.
- Commissioner Paccarelli noted that based on his recent conversation with 211LA representatives, the Pasadena Public Library does refer patrons to 211LA for mental health inquiries. He added that 211LA aims to empower callers by guiding them toward solutions rather than defaulting to a single agency.

October 2025:

- Commissioner Bonner reported that the ad hoc committee met on October 6, 2025, and discussed collaboration with 211LA. Commissioner Paccarelli is working with the organization to coordinate a future presentation. She added that the committee also connected with the Pasadena Public Library about its online Mental Health and Wellness publication, with the goal of developing resource materials to help residents access mental health services.
- Commissioner Edoria reported that she spoke with Selina Ho from the Police Oversight Commission regarding a potential collaboration to explore how the Pasadena Police Department can review cases and respond in a manner that addresses mental health.

November 2025:

- Commissioner Wilson reported that the committee met on November 10, 2025. She stated that members are still attempting to connect with the Pasadena Public Library, which has not yet responded.

- Commissioner Wilson noted that the ad hoc committee will begin updating a mental health provider list originally compiled by Planned Parenthood and will divide the work among Commissioners. The updated list may later be shared with Pasadena Library for inclusion in future resources.
- Commissioner Bonner requested staff assistance in contacting the library due to the lack of response, and Staff (Washington) confirmed she will reach out to facilitate.

December 2025:

- Chair Grater reported an update on behalf of Commissioner Wilson, stating that the ad hoc committee did not meet this month. He noted that the ad hoc committee is making progress on updating the Pasadena and San Gabriel Valley mental health directory and has heard from the Pasadena Public Library that it is awaiting guidance from the Mental Health Department regarding plans to update the directory.
- Commissioner shared that once the review is complete, the department expressed interest in partnering with the Commission to explore ways to make the information more accessible to the community.
- Vice Chair Offray shared concerns based on her direct experience attempting to access mental health resources in Pasadena for a person in need. She reported difficulty obtaining referrals from the Pasadena Public Health Department when crisis response teams were unavailable and expressed concern that service providers were unable to obtain basic resource information. She suggested that the ad hoc committee examine gaps in access to mental health resources within the City.
- The Commission discussed concerns regarding gaps in access to mental health resources within the City, including the need for clearer points of contact, improved coordination between City and County services, and greater alignment between stated public health goals and on-the-ground implementation. Commissioners emphasized the importance of improving awareness, accountability, and access to mental health resources for residents, particularly during times of crisis.
- Chair Grater stated that the Commission discussed the possibility of inviting leadership from the Pasadena Public Health Department or the City Manager's office to a future meeting to better understand roles, responsibilities, and coordination related to mental health services.

January 2026:

- No updates.

February 2026:

**Status:**

## Human Services Commission

### Presentation Calendar FY 2025–2026

#### To be scheduled

- Presentation from the Economic Development Staff regarding an update on the status of the former Kaiser building (Staff – Washington)
- Presentation from UCLA regarding the Early Development Instrument (EDI) (Apodaca)
- Presentation from Pacific Clinics regarding the state of mental health of Pasadena residents post Eaton Canyon fire (Offray)
- (tentative) Presentation from the Public Health Department regarding an update on mental health access and timely crisis intervention coordination support in the City of Pasadena – Staff (Washington)

#### July 2025:

- No Presentation

#### August 2025:

- Police Department introduction of the new Public Information Officer and discussion of the Community Brief Report – Commander Sean Dawkins, Pasadena Police Department
- Presentation from the Pasadena Housing Department regarding the Coordinated Entry System and City of Pasadena Homeless Count results – Jenny O’Reilly-Jones, Program Coordinator
- Presentation from the Public Health Department on the Community Health Improvement Plan – Dr. Matt Feaster, Division Manager, Epidemiology & Disease Control Division, and Mariela Muro, Management Analyst III, Epidemiology & Disease Control Division

#### September 2025:

- Presentation from the Eviction Prevention and Rental Assistance Program regarding rent increases following the Eaton Fire and eviction prevention in Pasadena – Stacey McCarroll, Friends in Deed

#### October 2025:

- Presentation from the Department of Housing regarding proposed housing development with Planned Parenthood – Jim Wong, Director, Department of Housing, and Caroline Lockwood Nelson, Program Coordinator (Staff – Washington)

#### November 2025:

- Presentation on updates from the Office of the Young Child – Eva Rivera, MSW, Program Coordinator, City Manager’s Office
- Presentation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year 2024–2025 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

Public Services – Randy Mabson, Program Coordinator III, Department of Housing

December 2025:

- Presentation from the Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center regarding an overview of the Regional Center System, which provides services and support for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families – Syuzanna Mejlumyan, Manager, Koch Young Resource Center, and Katy Granados, Assistant Director, Client and Family Services
- Presentation from Ability First regarding their programs and services for the disabled community – Magally Lopez, Supported Employment Case Manager

January 2026:

- Community Listening Session: Presentation from 211LA regarding services provided in collaboration with Pasadena resources – Daniel Molina, Chief Program Officer, and Nancy Duenez Velazquez, Housing Director (Services for the Unhoused)

February 2026:

- Presentation from Hillside Youth on the Move regarding their Transitional Age Youth (TAY) program – Joshua Mathieu, Social Services Manager
- Presentation from the Flintridge Center regarding the RAY (Re-Entry Action for Youth) program – Lorenzo Fuentes, Case Manager, and Malik Dorton, Case Manager

March 2026:

- Presentation from the City Attorney's office focusing on the Diversion Program as it applies to domestic violence cases in the city of Pasadena (Staff – Washington)
- Presentation from the Commission on the Status of Women regarding their findings in their work plan and issues they are looking to address within the city of Pasadena (Staff – Washington)

April 2026:

- (tentative) Presentation from the Department of Housing regarding the approval of the PY26 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) recommendation for Public Service Funding – Randy Mabson, Program Coordinator
- (tentative) Presentation from Foothill Workforce Development regarding employment and career services available to individuals and the broader community, including connections to workforce opportunities – Michael Trogan, Acting Career Services Administrator (Staff – Washington)

May 2026:

- Presentation from either the Family Resource Center or the Child Development Center at Pasadena City College, focusing on support services for parenting students (Sotelo)
- Presentation regarding the master leasing of a motel for interim housing (Grater)

June 2026: Annual Meeting

(Updates approved January 14, 2025)



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Presented by  
Joshua Mathieu, PRC Program Manager

# Presentation Agenda



**Overview of Youth Moving On**



**Description of Programs and Services including:**



**The Peer Resource Center**



**LAHSA SPA 3 TAY Access Center**



**Transitional Housing**



**Workforce Development**



**Questions/Comments**

# Issues Facing TAY Youth

**Lack of Family Support**

**Lack of Monetary Support**

**Underdeveloped Basic Life Skills**

**History of extensive trauma**

**Higher likelihood of Depression, Anxiety, PTSD and Substance Abuse**

**Lack of Affordable Housing**

**Lack of Community and Peer Supports**

**Distrust of Service Providers**



# Peer Resource Center

TAY DROP-IN CENTER

456 E ORANGE GROVE BLVD  
SUITE 140

PASADENA CA 91104

## Who We Are

- ▶ Youth Moving On (YMO) provides transition-age youth ages 16 – 25 with a continuum of support services
- ▶ Youth accessing services are former foster youth, probation youth, youth experiencing homelessness or just need support and resources.
- ▶ We strive to minimize barriers for youth and provide a “one-stop-shop” for centralized services and support.

# Peer Resource Center “One-Stop Shop”

- ▶ Individualized Case Management
- ▶ Mental Health Services
- ▶ Housing Assistance Services
- ▶ Substance Abuse Linkages
- ▶ Workshops: Cooking, Art Therapy, Healthy Connections
- ▶ Career and Educational Planning
- ▶ Linkage to Resources
- ▶ Computer Lab, Printing and Internet Access

# Peer Resource Center “One-Stop Shop”

- ▶ Food – Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
- ▶ Shower Services
- ▶ Laundry Services
- ▶ Hygiene Products
- ▶ Transportation – TAP Cards
- ▶ School Supplies
- ▶ Clothing Assistance
- ▶ Phone Charging Station

# Peer Resource Center

A one-stop-shop of support for youth, ages 16-25

Call or walk in anytime  
for housing resources and support!

# February 2026



## MONDAY

**2**   
**Dine and Discuss**  
4 - 5 p.m.

**9**   
**Valentine's Cookie Decorating**  
2 - 4 p.m.

**16** **PRC CLOSED FOR**  
**HAPPY Presidents Day**

**23**   
**Board Games**  
2 - 3 p.m.



## TUESDAY

**3**   
**Healthy Connections**  
2 - 4 p.m.

**10**   
**Mindful Baking**  
2 - 4 p.m.

**17**   
**Healthy Connections**  
2 - 4 p.m.

**24**   
**Healthy Connections**  
2 - 4 p.m.  
**Cooking on a Budget**  
3 - 4 p.m.



## WEDNESDAY

**4**   
**The Art Within You**  
2 - 4 p.m.

**11** **Education Coordinator Office Hours**  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
**The Art Within You**  
2 - 4 p.m. 

**18**   
**Housing 101**  
12 - 1 p.m.  
**The Art Within You**  
2 - 4 p.m.

**25** **Healthy Cooking Presentation**  
12 - 1 p.m.  
**The Art Within You**  
2 - 4 p.m. 



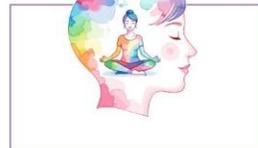
## THURSDAY

**5**   
**LGBTQIA+ & Allies Support Group**  
1:30 - 2:30  
**Find Your Flow Mindfulness Group**  
2 - 4 p.m.

**12** **LGBTQIA+ & Allies Support Group**  
1:30 - 2:30  
**Find Your Flow Mindfulness Group**  
2 - 4 p.m.   
**Reset YOGA** 5 - 6 p.m.

**19** **LGBTQIA+ & Allies Support Group**  
1:30 - 2:30  
**Find Your Flow Mindfulness Group**  
2 - 4 p.m. 

**26** **LGBTQIA+ & Allies Support Group**  
1:30 - 2:30  
**Find Your Flow Mindfulness Group**  
2 - 4 p.m.  
**Reset YOGA** 5 - 6 p.m.



## FRIDAY

**6**   
**LEGO Build Day**  
2 - 4 p.m.

**13**   
**Movie Day**  
2 - 4 p.m.

**20**   
**Gems and Geodes**  
2 - 4 p.m.

**27** **Youth Advisory Board Meeting**  
2 - 3 p.m.



**Need Housing Resources?**  
Give us a call to talk to one of our housing specialists and see what options you might be eligible for.  
**Call 626.765.6010**

Ask about our mental health services, and see if you qualify! (Medi-Cal recipients only).  
**Call 626.765.6010 or email us at [yminofo@hillsides.org](mailto:yminofo@hillsides.org).**

Food, school supplies, hygiene products and clothing are available:  
**Monday - Friday, 12 - 1 p.m. and 4 - 5 p.m.**

**Daily Meal Times:**  
Breakfast (M/F) 9 - 10 a.m.  
Lunch 12 - 1 p.m.  
Dinner 4 - 5 p.m.

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## Hours

Monday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Tuesday 10:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Wednesday 10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Thursday 10:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Friday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

# YOUTH MOVING ON PEER RESOURCE CENTER

## YOUTH MOVING ON OFFERS:

- Life skills training
- Transportation Assistance
- School supplies and tutoring
- Food and cooking classes
- Computer access
- Employment assistance and support
- Housing assistance
- Housing support/Next Step Tool (YCES SPA 3 Access Center)
- Hygiene products
- Laundry room
- Showers
- Mental health referrals
- Individual therapy and support groups
- Case management support

## ALL SERVICES ARE FREE!

- For youth 16-25 years old.

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**Thursday | 10:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.**  
**Friday | 9:00 a.m. - 6 p.m.**



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# LAHSA TAY ACCESS Center

- ▶ The Peer Resource Center is the SPA 3 Access Center for Youth, 18-24 years old.
- ▶ Eligibility generally requires literal homeless or fleeing a DV situation.
- ▶ Interim Housing Waitlist links to Emergency Shelters and Transitional Housing.
- ▶ Former Foster and Probation Youth are eligible for ILP Housing if they were in care after their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- ▶ YHDP Outreach Staff travel throughout SPA 3 to provide housing services.
- ▶ Problem Solving funding may assist with Rent and Security Deposit.
- ▶ Call, drop-in, or complete an online referral to get connected.  
<https://www.hillsides.org/forms/housing-service-referral>



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# ILP Transitional Housing

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# YMO Housing

- ▶ 18-Bed transitional housing program for youth transitioning out of the foster care or juvenile probation system.
- ▶ YMO receives referral's from DCFS or YMO PRC drop-in center
- ▶ ILP Youth: aged 18-21
- ▶ Transitional Housing Youth: aged 21-25
- ▶ Required to work, attend school, and contribute reduced rent (\$100-\$300 per month).



# Studio Apartment for an ILP youth





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## Youth Moving On **WORKFORCE**

Youth Moving On helps young adults prepare for work and provides essential training to get ready for the next chapter in life.

- *Job search skills training and resume support*
- *Interview preparation*
- *Money management skills*
- *Tax preparation resources*
- *Training and certification support*
- *Career club workshops*
- *Paystub information and training*

**Brent Bullard**

Workforce Development Specialist

T 323.328.6049

[bbullard@hillsides.org](mailto:bbullard@hillsides.org)



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# What we do

# CAREER CLUB EMPLOYMENT WORKSHOP



Must be able  
to attend all 7  
classes.

**Get prepared to work!  
Learn the job skills you  
need to succeed!**

## **YMO PEER RESOURCE CENTER**

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Pasadena, CA 91104

### **7-WEEK COURSE INCLUDES:**

- Snacks provided during class
- Dinner provided before class  
from 4 - 5 P.M.
- Weekly raffles and prizes
- \$100 Visa gift card upon completion

### **EVERY TUESDAY FROM**

**FEB. 13 - MARCH 26**

5 - 7 P.M.

**AGES 16-25**

### **VISIT**

<https://forms.office.com/r/QpL9k0tEi4>

# WOWbook Curriculum

**TAY Collaborative World of Work Curriculum  
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# WOWbook Curriculum

# Student Work Program

- ▶ Complete job preparedness curriculum, “Career Club”
- ▶ Partner Locations: food banks, thrift shops, coffee shops, parks & rec, horse rehab, museums, and more.
- ▶ 240 total hours
- ▶ \$340 stipend
- ▶ 20 hr/week max
- ▶ \$4,080 Total earning potential

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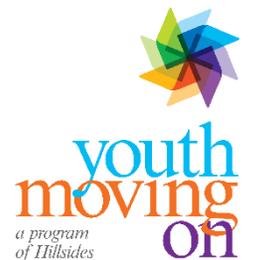
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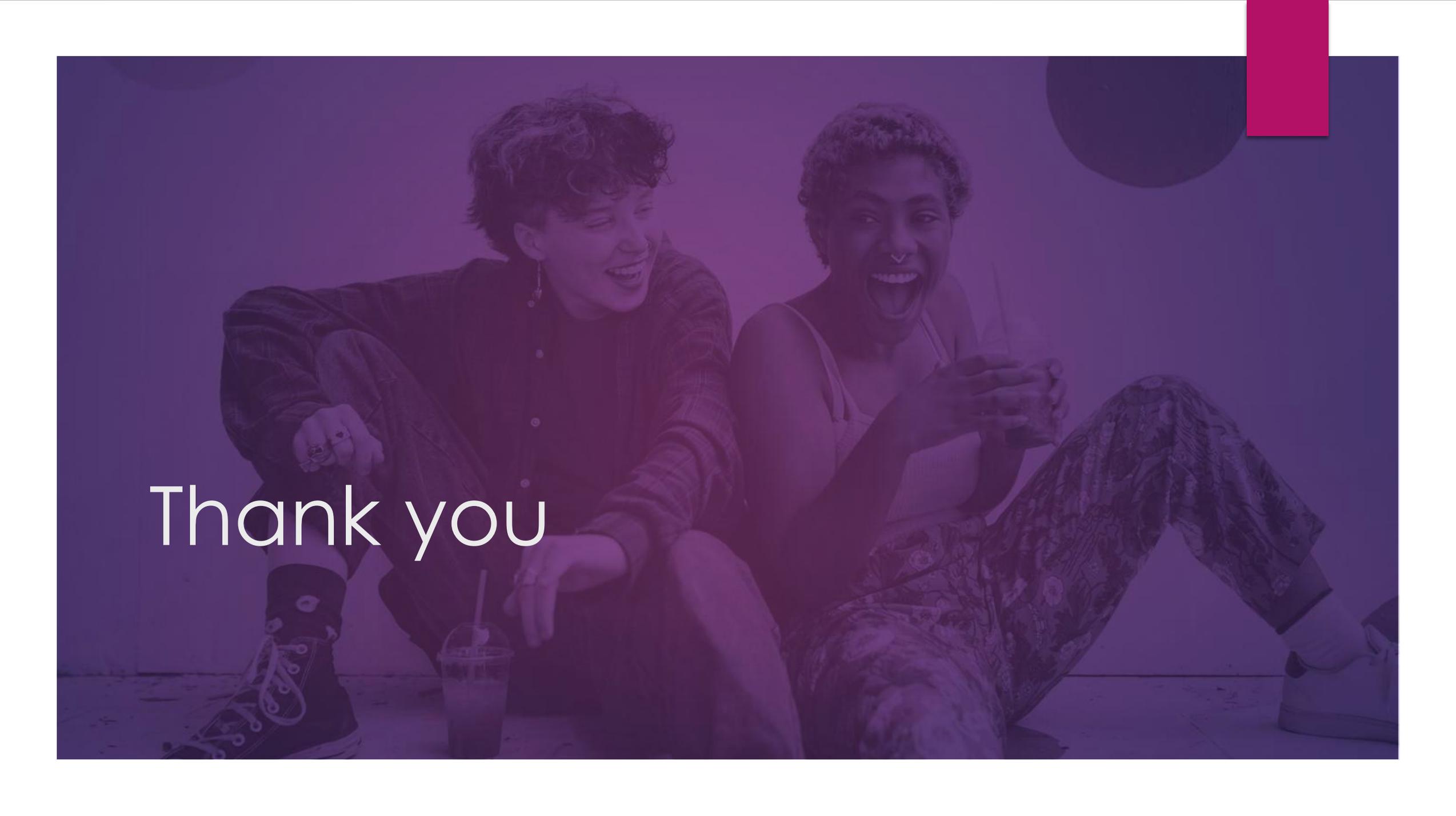
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