

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, November 20, 2025

TIME: **10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

LOCATION: ICTC Offices

1503 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 104

El Centro, CA 92243

CHAIRPERSON: CITY OF IMPERIAL VICE-CHAIR: CITY OF CALEXICO

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Introduction

2. Adoption of Minutes for September 25, 2025.

ACTION

Requesting a motion to adopt

3. Adoption of Minutes for October 23, 2025.

ACTION

Requesting a motion to adopt

4. Connect SoCal Implementation: Next Steps

PRESENTATION

Presented by SCAG Staff

5. Caltrans Updates/ Announcements

Presented by Caltrans Staff

6. SCAG Updates/ Announcements

Presented by SCAG Staff

7. ICTC Updates / Announcements

Presented by ICTC Staff

- 1. Transit Updates
- 2. Transportation Planning Updates
 - ATP Cycle 8
 - LPP Update
 - CMAQ & STBG 1:1
 - EV Charging Station Feasibility Study Update

8. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates

All

9. General Discussion / New Business

10. Adjournment

The next meeting of the ICTC TAC is tentatively scheduled for December 18, 2025. For questions you may call Marlene Flores at (760) 592-4494 or contact by email at marleneflores@imperialctc.org

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

Requesting a motion to adopt



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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 25, 2025

Present:

Lily Falomir City of Calexico Francisco Barba City of Calipatria Hector Salcedo City of El Centro Chandler Sinclair City of Holtville City of Imperial Othon Mora Isaiah Gonzalez City of Imperial Veronica Atondo County of Imperial County of Imperial Adolfo Garcia

Manuel Ortiz IID

Others:

Ana Gutierrez
Cristhian Barajas
City of Brawley
Cristhian Barajas
City of Brawley
City of Calexico
City of El Centro
City of El Centro
City of El Centro
City of Westmorland

David Aguirre **ICTC** Marlene Flores **ICTC** Cesar Beltran **ICTC** David Salgado **SCAG** Isabelle Legare **SCAG** Krystal Ayala **SCAG** Ismael Garcia **ICAPCD** Phil Kern STC Traffic

The meeting was called to order at 10:26 a.m. A quorum was present, and introductions were made. There were no public comments made.

1. A motion was made to adopt the minutes for August 28, 2025 (Ortiz/Falomir), Motion Carried.

2. SCAG Transportation Data Analysis Technical Assistance Program

(Presented by SCAG Staff)

Mrs. Legare presented on the SCAG Transportation Data Analysis Technical Assistance Program.

Mrs. Flores asked what is the turn around time to receive an answer from the program.

Mrs. Legare responded that around 5 business days or so.

Mrs. Atondo asked how many licenses are available per agency for the program. Mrs. Legare responded that there is no limit, but she stated that SCAG have a total of 210 licenses regionally for the platform.

Mrs. Falomir asked about when agencies sign up for the program, if there is a training itself on how to use it. Mrs. Legare stated that are prerecorded trainings available at the website.

3. Caltrans Updates / Announcements

Mrs. Flores shared Caltrans updates

4. SCAG Updates / Announcements

Mr. Salgado shared information about the 2025 Southern California Demographic Workshop, scheduled for October 1, 2025. At 9:00 a.m. In person & online.

5. ICTC Updates / Announcements

Mr. Aguirre provided updates regarding the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant which deadline is November 21, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Aguirre stated that Project Nominations for STBG and CMAQ program award recommendations will be presented at the SCAG Regional Council by December 2025.

6. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates:

Updates were given by the agencies.

7. General Discussion / New Business

New businesses were shared by the agencies.

The next TAC meeting will be on October 23, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., via Zoom for the public and in person at the ICTC offices.

The meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 23, 2025

Requesting a motion to adopt



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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 23, 2025

Present:

Fernando Williams

Abraham Campos

Felix de León

Chandler Sinclair

Isaiah Gonzalez

Adolfo Garcia

City of Calexico

City of El Centro

City of El Centro

City of Holtville

City of Imperial

County of Imperial

Manuel Ortiz IID

Others:

Armando Orozco

Laura Bowen

City of Calexico

City of Calexico

City of Calexico

City of Calexico

City of Calipatria

City of Calipatria

City of Brawley

Marco Coronel

County of Imperial

Veronica Atondo

County of Imperial

David Aguirre ICTC
Marlene Flores ICTC
Espy Avila ICTC
Ismael Garcia APCD

Manuel Soto Jarrett Walker and Associates
Alvaro Caviedes Jarrett Walker and Associates
Jessica Padilla Katherine Padilla and Associates

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. A quorum was present, and introductions were made. There were no public comments made.

1. Minutes were not approved. Quorum was not present

2. Comprehensive Operational Analysis

(Presented by Consultant Jarrett Walker Staff)

Mr. Soto presented an update on the Comprehensive Operational Analysis.

After the presentation, Committee members provided comments, Mr. Campos from the City of El Centro mentioned various community events that take place in the City of El Centro, where residents naturally gather, as ideal opportunities for consultants to conduct surveys and engage with the public.

Mrs. Padilla, from the consultancy team, noted that they have been conducting surveys throughout the County and they will continue to do so.

3. Caltrans Updates / Announcements

Mr. Safaie shared Caltrans updates

- Friday, November 28, 2025, is the final submittal deadline for (Allocation & Time Extensions) for the January 29-30, 2026, CTC meeting.
- Friday, November 21, 2025, at 5:00 pm is the deadline for the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants. \$ 34.5 million in funding available.
- DBE program is suspended effectively on 10/3/2025. No contracts utilizing federal funds dated today and after are allowed to have a DBE contract goal.

4. SCAG Updates / Announcements

No updates were given.

5. ICTC Updates / Announcements

Mr. Aguirre and Mrs. Flores provided ICTC updates

- Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center is projected to be completed by March 2026.
- IVT Ride Now modifications increased usage of the service so far.
- RFP for the Environmental and Design Service of the new ICTC/IVT Operations and Maintenance Facility has been issued on September 26, 2025, and it is due on November 14, 2025.
- SCAG will be releasing their recommendations project list for the CMAQ & STBG grants by December 2025.
- ICTC is working with Caltrans to allocate funds for the road bridge rehabilitation project at 2nd Street/Anza Road.
- ICTC received approval to proceed with ROW acquisition from the California Transportation Commission (CTC) in June 2025. The project has it stands now, it is fully funded.
- Mrs. Flores provided a brief presentation regarding the EV Charging Feasibility Study goals and next steps.

6. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates:

Updates were given by the agencies.

7. General Discussion / New Business

New businesses were shared by the agencies.

The next TAC meeting will be on November 20, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., via Zoom for the public and in person at the ICTC offices.

The meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

5. Caltrans Updates/Announcements

Presented by Caltrans Staff

DISTRICT 11 LOCAL ASSISTANCE REPORT

Area Engineer: Frank Safaie Frank.Safaie@dot.ca.gov

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City of El Centro
City of Calexico
City of Holtville
City of Imperial
* ICTC TAC Attendee

Area Engineer: Alejandro Lopez-Rangel
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Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC)

City of Calipatria
City of Westmorland
County of Imperial

Imperial Irrigation District (IID)

* ICTC Management Committee Attendee

*****LOCAL AGENCY ITEMS*****

Inactive Projects

Per Chapter 5 of the Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM), signed Master Agreement (MA), and Program Supplement Agreement (PSA), invoices shall be submitted at a minimum of every six months. Projects that have not submitted an invoice in six or more months are noted on the Inactive List (see link HERE). If a project has not submitted an invoice in eleven plus months, please work with Alma Sanchez to submit a justification and cc your Area Engineer.

<u>Project End Date (PED)</u>

The Project End Date (PED) is the date the local agency establishes at each project milestone phase estimating the end of a specific phase of Federally eligible participating work. No additional Federally participating costs may be incurred for the authorized phase of work after this date unless a request is submitted by the local agency to establish a new PED. Work performed after a PED expires is ineligible for reimbursement. To allow for processing, please submit a PED extension request a few months prior to expiration, please see an Excel monthly update link HERE. For submitting PED extension request, please see link HERE. For questions, please contact your Area Engineer.

Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)

Per Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements, every local agency must have a valid Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) to obligate federal funds. The UEI must be renewed every 12 months. Renewal of the UEIs is a 2-step process with FHWA & Caltrans. For UEI renewal instructions, please contact your Area Engineer.

Quality Assurance Program (QAP)

Per Chapter 16.11, a Quality Assurance Plan (QAP) ensures the materials and workmanship incorporated into each construction project conforms to the requirements of the contract plans and specifications, including approved changes. For Federally funded construction

projects, each local agency is required to adopt a QAP. No Federally funded construction authorizations will be processed without a valid QAP. QAPs are valid for five years. To renew your QAP, please contact your Area Engineer.

<u>California Transportation Commission (CTC) Requests</u>

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) administers funding for State programs listed below. For projects receiving State funds from these programs, Project Allocation Requests and Time Extensions Requests require CTC approval at one of their regularly scheduled meetings. See link <u>HERE</u> to review schedule of deadlines and prepare requests for CTC approval. Please work with your Area Engineer for CTC submittals.

State Programs administered by the CTC:

- * STIP State Transportation Improvement Program
- * ATP Active Transportation Program
- * LPP Local Partnership Program
- * TCEP Trade Corridor Enhancement Program
- * SCCP Solutions for Congested Corridors Program

Friday, November 28, 2025, is the final submittal deadline for (Allocations & Time Extensions) for the January 29-30, 2026, CTC meeting.

Title VI Online Program Assessment Form

Per Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements, local public agencies (LPAs) must complete the Title VI program Assessment Online Form, especially if LPAs receive FHWA funds. If required to have an FHWA Title VI Plan, LPAs can check out the HERE webpage to learn more about the FHWA Title VI requirements, as well as sample plans and templates. Local agencies are required to submit the forms every two years, please see link HERE.

*****GRANTS*****

Selected Grant Funding Opportunities are listed below. Please click on below grant links for additional information on deadlines, qualifications, submittal information, etc.

Caltrans Grant Funding Newsletter and Letters of Support

Stay in touch with Caltrans and get updates sent directly to your inbox on current and future grant funding opportunities, including calls for Caltrans letters of support and application training webinars, by subscribing to the Caltrans Office of Strategic Investment Planning newsletter through the <u>Constant Contact link provided here</u>.

For any grant and funding-related inquiries, including requests for Caltrans letters of support or partnership, please reach out directly to Caltrans District 11 Investment Planning Manager Brian Miller at brian.miller@dot.ca.gov.

U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Grant Opportunities

The USDOT website provides a DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard for grant opportunities in various areas such as: Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART), Rural Opportunities to Use Transportation for Economic Success (ROUTES), and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant programs. Directions, deadlines, and links to apply are HERE.

U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Competitive Grants Dashboard

The USDOT Competitive Grants Dashboard provides communities with an overview of competitive grant opportunities that can help meet their transportation infrastructure needs. Designed with all communities in mind, the Dashboard identifies grant programs with rural and Tribal set-asides or match waivers available. The Dashboard also includes Federal grant programs outside of USDOT that may be of particular interest to <u>rural communities</u>. The Dashboard is updated weekly. Directions, deadlines, and links to apply are <u>HERE</u>.

Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants

Sustainable Communities Grants - Encourage local/regional planning that supports state goals, implement RTP Sustainable Communities Strategies (where applicable), and ultimately help achieve the state's GHG reduction targets of 40% below 1990 levels by 2030 and 80% below by 2050. Sustainable Communities grants are available up to \$700K and have an 11.47% local match requirement (Native American Tribal Governments are not required to include a local match).

Strategic Partnerships Grants – Identify and address statewide, interregional, or regional transportation deficiencies on the State Highway System in partnership with Caltrans. A sub-category of this grant funds transit-focused planning projects that address multimodal transportation deficiencies. Strategic Partnerships grants are available up to \$500K and have a 20% local match requirement.

- * \$34.5 million in funding available.
- * Currently Open. Application Deadline is Friday, November 21, 2025 (5:00pm PT)
- * Click links below for more information:
 - o Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program
 - o Application Guide
 - o Apply Here

Key Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

To provide stakeholders with more visibility on upcoming funding opportunities, DOT

publishes a list of anticipated dates for upcoming Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for key programs. This list is not comprehensive and is updated periodically with additional programs and revised dates as appropriate.

Some key programs and their deadlines:

1. ACTIVE NOFOS

FHWA Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund (TTPSF)

The Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund is a competitive, discretionary program for the development of strategic transportation safety plans by Tribes to identify transportation safety needs and how those needs will be addressed in Tribal communities. Funding will cover the following eligible activities: transportation safety plans; data assessment, improvement, and analysis; systemic roadway departure countermeasures; and other infrastructure improvements listed under 23 USC 148(a)(4).

- * \$25.1 million will be available with up to 110 expected awards for Tribal applicants.
- * The TTPSF opened October 2, 2025 with applications due Jan 15, 2026
- * Click link <u>HERE</u> for more information on the TTPSF goals and eligibility requirements, including application process, included in Amendment 2 of the NOFO.

FHWA Bridge Investment Program (BIP)

The Bridge Investment Program is a competitive, discretionary program that focuses on existing bridges to reduce the overall number of bridge in poor condition, or in fair condition at risk of falling into poor condition. The program offers three categories of funding: (1) large bridge projects (totaling over \$100 million), (2) regular bridge projects (under \$100 million), and (3) bridge planning and studies.

- * \$2.46 billion was made available for FFY 2026.
- * Please note the BIP is currently on pause. FHWA is reviewing the BIP NOFO for regular bridge projects and bridge planning and is no longer accepting applications at this time. FHWA has not provided any information on the status of the program. Caltrans will alert our partners if the NOFO is re-opened or re-posted but prospective applicants are encouraged to refer to grants.gov for any updates in the meantime.
- * Click link HERE for further information.

2. ANTICIPATED NOFOS

FTA Pilot Program for Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Planning

Funding for TOD-related comprehensive or site-specific planning on an eligible transit project whereby the project sponsor will also be utilizing FTA's Capital Investment Grants Program funds in addition. TOD strategies emphasize local development in and around high-quality transit services to create compact, mixed-use communities with easy access to jobs and destination centers via transit alternatives.

- * \$14 million in funding available.
- * Program anticipated to open late 2025/early 2026 based on past cycles but remains TBD under new USDOT priorities and pending guidance.

* Click link <u>HERE</u> for more information.

FHWA Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Grants

Funding to strategically deploy publicly accessible electric vehicle charging infrastructure and other alternative fueling infrastructure.

- * \$2.5 billion funding available over five years.
- * Anticipated opening in late 2025/early 2026 based on past cycles but remains TBD under new USDOT priorities and pending guidance.
- * Click HERE for more information.

California Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 8 – Statewide Projects

ATP Cycle 8 is a competitive discretionary program held statewide that consolidates multiple state and federal sources to fund active transportation projects that increase the number of trips taken by active modes (i.e., bike or pedestrian). Eligible project types include a combination of active transportation infrastructure (capital), non-infrastructure (education), planning, and quick build interim projects. Funding is prioritized for projects in historically disadvantaged and low-income communities.

- * The CTC is holding Cycle 8 workshops and training (both virtual and in-person) across the state. Information on upcoming activities can be found HERE. Please note that interested applicants may attend virtual sessions regardless of their location!
- * Cycle 8 Guidelines, including PSR-equivalent requirements, anticipated to in December 2025 with workshops on application development, PSR-equivalents, and other Cycle 8 support expected to begin December into Spring 2026.
- * ATP Cycle 8 Statewide Applications are due to CTC on June 22, 2026.

California Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Cycle 5 Programs

SB1 Cycle 5 Programs are a group of discretionary competitive programs held statewide that provide a variety of funding for multimodal transportation projects depending on project need and focus. Funding includes three programs: 1) Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SSCP), 2) Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP), and 3) Local Partnership Programs (LPP). More information on SB1 program evaluation and fit, Cycle 5 program and project eligibility and schedules, and other critical requirements under Cycle 5 for the SCCP, TCEP, and LPP programs can be through the link HERE.

- * Caltrans and the CTC will be holding various workshops and activities for each Cycle 5 program, including information sessions and workshops on application requirements and development. Information on upcoming events can be found under each individual program section through the link <u>HERE</u>.
- * SB1 Cycle 5 and past Cycle guidelines, including project eligibility, scheduling, and matching criteria, can be found HERE. Final program guidelines expected early 2026.
- * SB1 Cycle 5 Applications for three programs (SCCP, TCEP, and LPP) anticipated due **November 2026.**

Further details on active and upcoming NOFOs and programs are available via this link: Key Notices of Funding Opportunity (US Department of Transportation)

Additional Grant Tool

The DOT Navigator is a resource to help communities understand how to apply for grants, and plan for and deliver transformative infrastructure projects and services. Use the search box to quickly find resources. See link <u>HERE</u>.

Title VI Nondiscrimination Program

Local agencies must comply with all Title VI requirements (LAPM Section 9.2). Title VI compliance is subject to review at any time.

https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/local-civil-compliance/title-vi

*****TRAININGS/WEBINARS****

This section of the report provided training opportunities for local agencies. This section also serves as the closing remarks section of the Local Assistance Report.

DBE Interim Final Rule (IFR)

Effective 10/3/2025, DBE IFR published to 49 CFR 26:

- No contracts utilizing federal funds dated today and after are allowed to have a DBE contract goal.
- DBE goal setting will cease until further notice from the Office of Civil Rights (unsure of timeline).
- Current contracts remain valid. However, no race and gender data will be collected or tracked, and DBE compliance and oversight will be minimal until re-certification process is complete.

As we obtain more information, we will continue updating you with changes to the DBE program.

External Partner Online Trainings & Resources

The Center for Local Aid Support has developed a series of online training modules for local agencies and tribal nations. The online training courses are for professional development and provide solutions for transportation related issues. A series of self-paced online training modules. The following courses are highly recommended: Grant Applications 101 for Local Agencies and Tribes, Introduction to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), and Project Bundling. Please see link Local Aid Support for additional information.

Intro to ATP Planning & Design

The Active Transportation Resources Center (ATRC) is hosting free in-person workshops on Active Transportation Planning & Design at sites across California to introduce ATP concepts to planners, engineers, public health practitioners, CBOs, and other champions who might have little to no experience in active transportation planning. Please see link HERE for dates, Locations and to register.

Long-Term Pavement Performance

The National Association of County Engineers (NACE) is hosting a free webinar titled "Preservation: A Strategy for Long-Term Pavement Performance" on December 4. The presenters will discuss pavement condition assessment tools and cover issues with asphalt roads, asset management strategies, and pavement preservation. Please see link <u>HERE</u> for additional information.

Designing Smarter Roads: Permeable Pavements & Culverts

Join FHWA Center for Local Aid Support (CLAS) webinar on December 18 to learn how permeable pavements and culverts are reshaping and how to manage stormwater and build resilient urban infrastructure. Permeable pavements allow water to filter through surfaces like roads, trails, and parking lots, helping reduce runoff and improve water quality. Please see link HERE for additional information.

Caltrans Federal Grants 101 Webinar Series

Caltrans is making available recordings from its Federal Grants 101 Webinars, a 5-part series designed to assist local, regional and Tribal partners with the competitive Federal grants application process and ensure successful outcomes for all our partners involved.

- 1. Watch <u>recording</u> of Session 1 (How to Create Competitive Federal Grants Applications), Password: iGhC4Sc7
- 2. Watch <u>recording</u> of Session 2 (Learn about Federal Grant Requirements and Resources), Password: tMNYMVa4
- 3. Watch recording of Session 3 (All about Benefit-Cost Analysis),

Password: rPtJMFJ8

1. Session 4 (Post-Award: What happens now?) – TBA

Survey: Identifying the Needs of Local Public Agencies and Tribes

The California LTAP (CALTAP), Caltrans Division of Local Assistance (DLA), and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) need help identifying the support needs for our local public agency and tribal partners, and their stakeholders. Once we have this information, we endeavor to prioritize the delivery of training and technical assistance throughout California. Based on last year's feedback, we listened and delivered the Resident Engineers Academy and Labor Compliance to assist those who completed the survey.

Please help us by taking this brief, less than 10-minute <u>SURVEY</u> to let us know:

- What are your staff training needs?
- Are they being met by current class offerings?
- Do you need more effective (or responsive) technical support?
- Are you kept informed of key funding opportunities & training schedules?

We thank you in advance for helping us plan, develop, and prioritize local assistance services in ways that can more effectively serve your organizations' goals.

For questions or comments, please contact <u>CALTAP</u>.

<u>Caltrans Federal Affairs Update</u>

This Federal update provides Hot topics, trainings, resources, grants/NOFOs, etc. Please see link HERE for more information.

<u>Caltrans Local Assistance Trainings & Resources</u>

The Caltrans Local Assistance website is a great place for Tribal resources, RE Academy videos, various Federal trainings, California Transportation Commission related links, etc. Please see link <u>HERE</u> for additional information.

Please see the Caltrans Local Assistance Blog (LAB), which has additional resources and updates. LocalAssistanceBlog.com

6. SCAG Updates/Announcements

Presented by SCAG Staff



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Memorandum

Date: October 15, 2025

To: ICTC Committee and Management Meeting

From: David Salgado, Government Affairs Officer (GAO)

Re: Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) Report

The following is a summary of the SCAG Executive Director's Report and/or Federal and State Legislature Staff Report for the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Management Committee and Regular Commission meeting for the month of OCTOBER 2025.

1. SCAG 2026 Draft Public Participation Plan Available for Public Comment

The SCAG 2026 Draft Public Participation Plan (PPP) is now available for public comment. The PPP outlines SCAG's commitments to representative, accessible, and effective public and stakeholder participation in the development of its plans, programs, and initiatives. The PPP also defines audience categories, outlines methodology for conducting participation efforts, summarizes communication methods, and describes SCAG's measures and processes for evaluating its participation efforts.

SCAG has prepared the 2026 Draft Public Participation Plan in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations that set forth SCAG's responsibilities as a metropolitan planning organization. The 45-day public comment period for the 2026 Draft Public Participation Plan began on Sept. 22 and concludes on Nov. 7. For more information on how to submit a comment and to view a copy of the Draft Public Participation Plan and an Executive Summary, visit the project website.

2. 2025 Southern California Demographic Workshop Revisits the 'Intergenerational Contract'

More than 350 people attended the 2025 Southern California Demographic Workshop, "Revisiting the Intergenerational Contract," on Oct. 1 to discuss the latest demographic trends for the region and explore how demographic and economic changes are influencing the traditional "intergenerational contract." The 36th annual event was hosted by SCAG and the USC Price School of Public Policy.

Highlights of the 2025 Southern California Demographic Workshop include the publication of a new report, "Highs, Lows, and Shocks: Key Housing and Economic Trends in Southern California," by SCAG and USC demographers to provide insight into American Community Survey data released earlier in September by the U.S. Census Bureau. More info about the report is available on SCAG News.



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The 2025 Southern California Demographic Workshop also included three panels and a keynote address, the latter by Dowell Myers, professor and director of the Population Dynamics Research Group at the USC Sol Price School of Public Policy. More information about the event program and resources available following the event are available on SCAG news.

3. SCAG Toolbox Tuesday Explore Challenges and Opportunities for Tribal Data

On Sept. 30, SCAG hosted a Toolbox Tuesday session about how regional organizations can support Tribes and Native people to overcome the unique challenges in federal, state, and other data sets for Native Americans and Tribal communities.

The discussion, led by Brookings Institution Metro Fellow Robert Maxim, reviewed findings from a recent report <u>co-published by SCAG and the Brookings Institution</u> that assesses data challenges for Tribes and Native Americans in the SCAG region and nationally.

The session examined the shortcomings of public data for Tribes and Native American communities, presented insights from Tribal leaders in the SCAG region about their data needs and priorities, and outlined actions that regional organizations can take to improve data quality and availability for Tribes.

4. SCAG Launches New Future Leaders Initiative

SCAG recently <u>announced the Future Leaders Initiative</u> (FLI). This six-month civic leadership pilot program is for young adults interested in building an understanding of how regional and local governments collaborate for long-term change and impact. Program participants, ages 18-24 representing each county in the region, will explore planning principles and their impact on both the present and the future of Southern California. By creating an accessible pipeline for young adults to deepen their knowledge and leadership skills through direct engagement with local leaders and professionals, SCAG will cultivate a cohort of 24 new thoughtful civic leaders and local voices shaping the SCAG region. FLI applications will open on Tuesday, Oct. 14. Read more about the program on <u>SCAG News</u>.

5. SCAG Celebrates Walktober with the Release of New Transportation Safety Report and Modeling Tool

October is Walktober, a month dedicated to celebrating walking; raising awareness about pedestrian safety; and encouraging communities to create safer, more accessible streets. In Southern California, Walktober is a reminder of the urgent need to address traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries continuing to affect the region's communities.



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This Walktober, SCAG is releasing two new transportation safety resources: the "2025 Regional Transportation Safety Existing Conditions Report" and the SoCal Community Transportation Safety Modeling Tool. These products are part of SCAG long term commitment to improving roadway safety through data-driven planning, new technology, and regional collaboration.

The "2025 Transportation Safety Regional Existing Conditions Report" provides a comprehensive picture of the region's current safety challenges, drawing on a decade of collision data to identify key contributing factors—such as speed, impaired driving, and roadway conditions—and highlights disparities affecting vulnerable road users like pedestrians and cyclists. This report sets a baseline for regional safety performance measures as a reference for local transportation safety planning and policy decisions.

Transportation safety remains a pressing issue in the SCAG region, where between 2014 and 2024, approximately 18,000 fatalities and 71,000 serious injuries occurred on roadways. Pedestrians and cyclists are disproportionately affected: according to the report, of the 1,616 fatal collisions that occurred on average each year in the SCAG region, 557 collisions involved someone walking or bicycling. The number of serious injuries among pedestrians and bicyclists has been steadily climbing since 2014 at an average rate of four and a half percent per year. These numbers highlight the importance of SCAG's new transportation safety resources, which give cities and counties resources to plan for safer streets.

Building on the report's findings, the <u>SoCal Community Transportation Safety Modeling Tool</u> enables jurisdictions to visualize and predict potential safety impacts of proposed land use development scenarios to plan accordingly to reduce risks of future collisions at the community level. By connecting the insights of the report with this new tool, SCAG equips the region with integrated safety resources that enable agencies to understand the "where" and "why" of collisions, anticipate future safety risks, and proactively invest in effective solutions.

7. ICTC Updates/Announcements

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Memorandum

Date: October 17, 2025

To: ICTC Commission Meeting

From: David Aguirre, Executive Director

Re: Executive Director's Report

The following is a summary of the Executive Director's Report for the ICTC Commission meeting on October 22, 2025.

- 1) SAVE THE DATE ICTC General Assembly on January 22, 2026: ICTC will be hosting its General Assembly on Thursday, January 22, 2026, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the Old Eucalyptus Schoolhouse. Admission for elected officials and city/county managers and distinguished guests will be complimentary. Staff are actively working to secure sponsorship opportunities to support the event. For questions or to learn more about sponsorship options, please contact Cristi Lerma. To register for the event visit the Eventbrite page at ICTC GENERAL ASSEMBLY Tickets, Thu, Jan 22, 2026 at 5:00 PM | Eventbrite.
- 2) **Bus Stop Maintenance Program:** ICTC has been working towards developing a bus stop maintenance program for many years. Part of the program was to develop a bus stop inventory which noted the gps locations of the bus stops in addition to a description of the assets (if any) at the bus stop. Under its existing structure, the cities/county (where the bus stops are located) are responsible for the maintenance and repair of the bus stops. In return, ICTC provides each of the cities/county funding to maintain and repair the bus stops. To provide a consolidated maintenance effort, ICTC is working with each of the cities/county to transition the maintenance and replacement of the bus stops to ICTC. ICTC will in turn utilize the funding it currently provides to the cities/county to complete the same effort. ICTC has begun the maintenance efforts associated with the bus stops for the cities of El Centro, Calexico, Calipatria, Holtville and the unincorporated communities of Seeley, Niland and Heber. ICTC is working with the cities of Imperial and Brawley to transition maintenance efforts soon.
- 3) Bus Stop Improvement Project: Staff are working on developing a bus stop improvement project across multiple cities throughout the county. The project consists of installing various bus shelters and potentially other amenities. ICTC will be coordinating with the various cities to complete the development. ICTC released the Request for Proposals for design services for the project. ICTC is looking to begin design services soon and have construction take place within FY23-24/FY24-25. The contract was awarded at the April Commission meeting. ICTC has already participated in a kickoff meeting with the consultant and all of the effected agencies. The project design is ongoing and is anticipated to be completed in the next few months. ICTC obtained additional funding to incorporate additional bus stop locations. The new location designs are being incorporated into the overall project design. The 65% percent improvement plans have been completed and were distributed to participating agencies. ICTC has received agency comments, and the comments have been forwarded to the consultant for incorporation into the project improvement plans. The improvement plans have been finalized at the 100% completion level. Final preparation of the project specifications and contract documents plans is being completed. ICTC is working towards procurement and hopes to start construction at the end of 2025 or early 2026.

- 4) 2024 Local Partnership Program, Cycle 5: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill 1) created the Local Partnership Program (LPP) as a program to reward and incentivize local or regional transportation agencies that have sought and received voter approval of taxes or that have imposed fees, which taxes or fees are dedicated solely for transportation improvements. The program is implemented by the California Transportation Commission (CTC). The CTC adopted the 2024 LPP Program Cycle 5 Guidelines on August 15-16, 2024. As a result of the adoption of the Cycle 5 Guidelines the Call for Projects has opened. The LPP Grant funds require a one-to-one match. The Imperial County Region's estimated allocation amount for FY 2025/26 is \$524million and \$520 million for FY2026/27 for a total of \$1,044 million. ICTC received news of an increase in Cycle 5 LPP funds following CTC's redistribution of unused Incentive Funds. This action resulted in a small increase of funds for FY 2025/26, available through June 2028. To access these funds, local agencies will work with ICTC and CTC staff in submitting Nomination Packet to the CTC for approval. Local agencies have begun forwarding their allocation packages to the CTC to secure the additional funding. There is also a competitive program that is administered by the CTC. Guidelines for the program can be found at https://catc.ca.gov/-/media/ctc-media/documents/programs/local-partnership-program/2024-lpp-competitive-guidelines-adopted-resolution.pdf
- 5) Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center (ITC): A new Intermodal Transportation Center in the City of Calexico has been part of ICTC's long range transit planning. The new Calexico ITC will serve as a regional mobility hub that will accommodate bus bays for Imperial Valley Transit in addition to private bus companies, taxis and farm labor buses. ICTC previously received a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality federal program fund to complete the environmental and design plans of the new Calexico ITC. The environmental and design phase has been completed. Right of Way Acquisition for the project has been completed. ICTC was awarded multiple grants to complete the required construction efforts for the project. ICTC received grant awards from the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0, Active Transportation Program (ATP) and Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant and Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending Programs. ICTC recently completed the construction procurement efforts, and a contract award was issued to Hazard Construction. The project is anticipated to take a year to complete. We had a successful groundbreaking ceremony on February 28, 2025, at 11 a.m. at the project site. The Contractor continues with construction activities for the project. Demolition activities have been completed and construction efforts associated with the development of building infrastructure are ongoing. Shade canopy improvements have also begun, in addition to site electrical and plumbing work. The project remains on schedule and is anticipated to be completed in early 2026.
- 6) IVT Ride Service Modifications: IVT Ride is a dial-a-ride service that is available to seniors (55 years of age or older) and persons with disabilities in the communities of Calexico, Heber, El Centro, Imperial and Brawley. The service primarily operates in an intracity capacity with the exception of the communities of El Centro, Imperial and Heber and the Westshores service which travels to the city of Brawley or the Coachella Valley. The Westshores service is also available to the general public. Due to continuing declining ridership on all IVT Ride services, staff are exploring the possibility of modifying the service to provide trips to the general public but still provide priority to the senior population. The possible modification would enable the service to capture additional passengers and implement a microtransit-like service in various communities. The possible modification would also require financial investment in technology and the development of a passenger web and mobile application. Staff anticipate bringing the further evaluated concept to the Management Committee and Commission in the coming months. Staff are also pursuing funding opportunities to facilitate the possible transition of the service. Staff provided the Commission with a presentation on August 28, 2024, with further details. There was consensus to proceed with the software development and hardware acquisition. This item received approval to proceed to further development by the commission. ICTC has received state funding to complete the software and hardware upgrades for the project. ICTC Staff developed a plan to conduct outreach (including in-person presentations and surveys) to the public about the proposed service modifications. ICTC redeveloped the service logo and finalized mobile software for anticipated use. ICTC also provided presentations about the service modifications to key stakeholders and the city councils of the affected communities. A public hearing was held on July 23, 2025 as required by law. The service began operating in its new capacity on September 2, 2025 and offered free rides to all. Ridership information will be shared to the Commission at the September 2025 meeting.

- 7) Transit Comprehensive Operational Analysis: Staff were able to secure grant funding to complete a Transit Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA). The COA is a comprehensive evaluation of ICTC's existing transit services while also presenting evaluation findings and recommendations for further improvement of ICTC's existing public transit system. ICTC intends to evaluate all ICTC operated services in addition to incorporating an assessment of the feasibility of intercity passenger rail. Staff recently released the Request for Proposals to the public and issued a contract award in October 2024. The analysis is anticipated to take a year to complete. The project has kicked off, and outreach efforts have taken place. The Analysis is currently being developed. The consultant is anticipating conducting presentations highlighting proposed recommendations to the commission in November 2025.
- 8) ICTC/IVT Operations and Maintenance Facility: ICTC staff have engaged with the proposed property owner's representative about ICTC's interest in the property. ICTC has also communicated with the city of El Centro regarding action items that would need to take place to facilitate the goal of the project. ICTC has also communicated with grant agencies and our Zero Emission Bus Plan engineering consultant to develop a preliminary site plan of the proposed improvements. Next steps include executing a Letter of Intent with the property owner, continuing coordination with the city of El Centro, and to begin conducting the required environmental studies like a Phase 1 Site Assessment. ICTC will also continue to work on grant opportunities to fund the acquisition of the property. A preliminary site plan has been prepared and was shared with the commission. ICTC was recently informed that it had received a funding commitment for the completion of the design/environmental phases of the project. ICTC has completed a phase 1 and 2 site assessment for the proposed site. ICTC has obtained NEPA clearance from the FTA for the acquisition of the project. During the meeting on March 26, 2025, the Commission approved the acquisition of the property pending Federal Transit Administration (FTA) concurrence. ICTC completed the acquisition of the project site in June 2025. Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Environmental and Design Services was released on September 26, 2025, and due on November 14, 2025. Staff also submitted multiple grant applications for the anticipated construction efforts under FTA 5339 for Bus Facilities and Low No Emission Programs.
- 9) CMAQ and STBG Call for Projects: SCAG implemented a call for projects for the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG). The funding years associated with this call for projects are FFY 2026-27 and FFY 2027-28. SCAG adopted the CMAQ/STBG Guidelines at its March 6, 2025, Regional Council Meeting. This item was taken to the ICTC TAC in February and was presented to the Management Committee and Commission respectively in March 2025. ICTC adopted its scoring framework at the March 2025 Commission Meeting. The Call for Projects opened on March 31, 2025, and closed on May 16, 2025, at 5 p.m. Applications were due to SCAG via its online application portal. The Imperial County region submitted a total of 15 applications from the cities of Calexico, Calipatria, El Centro, Holtville, Imperial and the County of Imperial. The scoring and ranking of projects was completed by members of the ICTC TAC in June 2025. The recommendations were presented to the Management Committee in July 2025 and to the commission in July 2025. Staff forwarded the final list of recommendations to SCAG for further evaluation in July 2025. SCAG is currently evaluating project submittals across the SCAG region. It is anticipated that determinations pertaining to possible project selection will take place in the next couple of months.
- 10) 2nd Street/Anza Road Bridge Rehabilitation Project: ICTC is working with Caltrans to develop an approach towards proceeding with the development of the required environmental and engineering phases for the rehabilitation 2nd Street/Anza Road Bridge Project. ICTC met with Caltrans to discuss the next steps and will begin development of the required actions to proceed with the project. ICTC will be working closely with Caltrans and the city of Calexico on further actions. ICTC is anticipating proceeding environmental analysis and design in early 2026.
- 11) Imperial County EV Charging Infrastructure Feasibility Study: ICTC recently submitted a grant application under the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) to prepare a Countywide EV Charging Infrastructure Feasibility Study. The project will aim to identify strategic locations within the county for EV Charging Infrastructure. Caltrans is currently developing a similar project for locations along State facilities. ICTC has finalized the contract agreement with the selected proposer, and a project kickoff meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2025.

- 12) EV Charger Acquisition Project: Staff are working on developing an EV charger acquisition project across multiple cities throughout the county. ICTC will be coordinating with the various cities to complete the development. Once the charger stations are acquired, ICTC will proceed with the next steps associated with the installation. ICTC released the RFP for the project on August 29, 2025. ICTC is now in the process of finalizing and reviewing the proposal submitted. The agreement will be presented to the Commission for approval consideration in October 2025. It is anticipated that the project will be completed in FY 2025–26.
- 13) **Potential HHW Site in Calipatria:** Staff are currently exploring the potential development of a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection site within the City of Calipatria. This initiative is part of our ongoing efforts to enhance environmental stewardship and promote public safety by providing residents with a dedicated and accessible location for the proper disposal of household hazardous materials. The implementation of this project is contingent upon securing appropriate grant funding, which will support the necessary infrastructure, operational costs, and community outreach efforts. Should the grant be awarded, this facility would significantly improve local access to safe and environmentally responsible HHW disposal options, thereby reducing the risk of improper waste management and its associated environmental and health impacts. Staff will continue to seek opportunities and will keep the Commission informed of any developments as they arise.
- 14) New Border Express Route starting February 10, 2025: Staff have coordinated the implementation of a demonstration route that will operate Monday through Friday at select times between the 3rd and Paulin Bus Stop to the Calexico East POE. This is being demonstrated in anticipation of a larger scale route associated with the upcoming transit facility that is anticipated to begin when the new East POE facility is completed. There is also an additional IVC Express Trip embedded in the new service which will help alleviate some of the congestion we see on some of our IVC Express trips. Staff will be providing updates as it pertains to the development of the service.
- 15) Calexico East Port of Entry Intermodal Transportation Center: ICTC was recently awarded \$12.6 million by the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) through its Transit Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) to acquire, design and construct a transit facility at the Calexico East Port of Entry (POE). The goal of the Calexico East POE Intermodal Transportation Center is to create a transformative transportation hub that integrates various modes of transportation including public transit buses. The facility is anticipated to offer amenities such as shade, seating, bicycle parking, signage, and travel guidance, addressing the current lack of amenities and transportation options for pedestrians crossing the border at the Calexico East POE. Additionally, this project will bring four new zero emission vehicles to provide public transit services to the area. The project will have several phases with an estimated completion date in 2030. The Master Agreement between ICTC and Caltrans was approved at the April 2025 Commission Meeting. ICTC received approval to proceed with Right of Way acquisition from the California Transportation Commission (CTC) in June 2025. ICTC is working on next steps to proceed with the property acquisition.
- 16) Electronic Fare Payments: ICTC is currently pursuing the implementation of an electronic fare payment system to its fixed route transit services. The system would allow all of its fixed route buses to take card payments in addition to its existing cash payment system. ICTC has received approval to utilize grant funds and intends to proceed with the development of the project. ICTC recently received various bids from interested parties for consideration. ICTC is evaluating the responses and intends to work towards a potential contract award in late October 2025 or November 2025.
- 17) Forrester Road Project Study Report (PSR): Caltrans District 11 has been working on a project report on behalf of ICTC. The PSR will analyze safety and operation improvements along Forrester Road between I-8 and SR86/SR78. Other improvements include the Westmorland bypass. A meeting to discuss the draft PSR took place at the ICTC offices on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 9 a.m. Further updates to the PSR are anticipated along with additional meetings to discuss the updated PSR. The updated PSR was recently completed, and the PSR was presented to the management committee and commission in September 2024. ICTC will proceed with further aspects of project development. Staff are currently working with Caltrans Staff to move the project into the Project Approval and Environmental Document Phase.

- 18) Imperial Mexicali Binational Alliance (IMBA): IMBA's 2025 Chair is Abel Graciano representing the Mexicali Region and Vice-Chair is David Aguirre from ICTC representing the Imperial County Region. The next IMBA and Strategic Planning meeting is scheduled to be held on November 13, 2025, in Imperial County.
- 19) State Route 86 (Northbound) Border Patrol Checkpoint: State Route 86 (Northbound) Border Patrol Checkpoint: In August 2017 following a year of coordination, Caltrans, the County of Imperial and ICTC met with CBP management and operations staff achieved consensus for a new conceptual alternative prepared by Caltrans. The LTA Board met on September 27, 2017; staff presented the Board with a fund request for \$1.3 million from the 5% Regional Highway Set-Aside from the Measure D allocations. A Consultant Agreement with AECOM for design and construction engineering was approved by the LTA on February 28, 2018. Following our ICTC Board meeting in late September 2020, ICTC has initiated a traffic study as required by Caltrans. Design work has been delayed due to Border Patrol's concern related to their ability to provide additional funding necessary to meet their operational requirements. On Wednesday, March 17, 2021, ICTC received confirmation from Border Patrol Headquarters in Washington D.C. that they wish to proceed with the original Canopy Design that is similar to Interstate 8 Pine Valley Checkpoint.

As discussed, and confirmed with Border Patrol, ICTC will only provide the remaining funds we had available (February 2021) of approximately \$1.3 million to complete the traffic study, 100% design plans, construction of the canopy, lighting related to the canopy, and traffic related improvements required by Caltrans. Border Patrol is committed to paying for all other construction-related costs and Border Patrol will lead the construction contract. Border Patrol, Caltrans and ICTC are having weekly meetings toward completing design plans. CBP will be working with Caltrans to obtain environmental clearance once funding for construction is obtained. The improvement plans have been prepared in the final draft form and have been submitted to Caltrans for review. Caltrans has provided review comments on the improvement plans. ICTC will work with the design engineer to complete the required updates. Environmental studies and Caltrans submittal are pending submittal by CBP. ICTC's consultant has finalized the project improvement plans and CBP will proceed with developing environmental documents and pursue funding for the construction of the facility. ICTC continues to engage in discussions with the CBP team on the next steps for the project. The project requires the finalization of the environmental documents prior to proceeding with the construction phase. CBP is currently reviewing the project with their HQ Team to attempt to secure funding.

- 20) Reap 2.0 Subregional Partnership Program: ICTC was awarded a total of \$274,133 in funding from the Reap 2.0 Subregional Partnership Program to provide technical support to our local agencies with housing planning and to facilitate housing production. ICTC has notified each of our member agencies about the funding availability. Several cities have expressed interest in the funding and staff is working with each of the agencies to further evaluate their proposed projects. Final projects have been identified and awarded by the commission. A project kickoff meeting was held with SCAG and the funding awardees. SCAG is working with the awardees to proceed with the project. The City of Calexico and City of Westmorland were able to secure additional funding from SCAG to further develop their projects.
- 21) Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ) 2024 Call for Projects FFY 2023-2024 to FFY 2025/2026: The STBG, CRP and CMAQ Call for Projects began on November 9, 2023. Applications were due on Friday, January 26, 2024, at the ICTC office. All agencies were provided with guideline documentation and were encouraged to submit potential projects.

Program	Applicants	Total Value Requested by All Applicants
CMAQ	City of Imperial	\$388,000
STBG	City of Imperial, City of Brawley and City of El	\$2,416,000
	Centro	
CRP	ICTC – City of Imperial	\$1,083,000

Due to the number of projects submitted, ICTC was able to evaluate all projects internally without utilizing the normal process which involves all cities participating in the scoring and ranking process. ICTC recommended projects to SCAG as part of the final submittal process. SCAG recently approved the list of projects anticipated to receiving funding. The project list is as follows:

Program	Applicants	Total Value
		Requested by All
		Applicants
CMAQ	City of Imperial – Aten Blvd Sidewalk	\$388,000
	Installation Phases 1 through 3	
STBG	City of Imperial – P Street Rehab	\$519,000
STBG	City of El Centro – S. Imperial Avenue Utility	\$520,000
	Relocations	
STBG	City of Brawley – Western Avenue	\$599,000
	Improvements	
CRP	ICTC – EV Charger Study	\$150,000
CRP	City of Imperial – EV Charger Installation	\$622,000
	Phases 1 and 2	

ICTC staff will be working with local agency staff and programming all approved projects in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). Several projects have already started development for use of the grant funds.

- 22) **Orchard Road & SR115 Traffic Concept Report:** During the Commission meeting of September 2022, the Commission asked ICTC staff to follow up on the SR 115 Transportation Concept Report (TCR). ICTC staff has conducted meetings with Caltrans and County Public Works staff during the week of October 17th. ICTC staff, in partnership with County and Caltrans staff, are continuing discussions for short-term options to deter trucks from using Orchard Road. The parties are also expected to discuss long-term options as well. More information will be shared as discussions continue.
- 23) San Diego & Imperial Counties Sustainable Freight Strategy: The study is posted to the ICTC website at: https://www.imperialctc.org/assets/san-diego-imperial-counties-sustainable-freight-implementation-strategy-final-report-2024-02-01.pdf

24) Funding Opportunities:

- Local Partnership Program (LPP)- Schedule and major milestones can be found at: https://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/local-partnership-program/local-partnership-program-formulaic
- For a complete list of California specific grant opportunities go to https://www.grants.ca.gov/
- For a complete list of federal transportation grant opportunities go to https://www.transportation.gov/infrastructure-investment-and-jobs-act

25) Meetings/trainings attended on behalf of ICTC Executive Director and staff:

Various project specific meetings are held throughout the month.

Various community presentations are held throughout the month by the Regional Mobility Coordinator Various transit community services provided throughout the month by ICTC/Imperial Valley Transit

- September 24, 2025 meeting with Caltrans to discuss regional models research via zoom meeting
- September 24, 2025 ICTC Commission, IVRMA and LTA meetings at the ICTC offices
- September 25, 2025 ICTC TAC meeting at the ICTC offices
- September 25, 2025 IVRMA TAC meeting at the ICTC offices
- September 29, 2025 IVT Ride Now outreach in Brawley (Priscilla Baca)
- September 29, 2025 Caltrans Local Assistance Regional Focus Group via zoom meeting
- September 30, 2025 Imperial Valley College Deaf Resource Fair (Priscilla Baca, Maria Gamez)
- October 1, 2025 Bus Stops Improvement Project (Cesar Beltran)
- October 1, 2025 2025 Southern California Demographic Workshop via zoom meeting

- October 1, 2025 ICTC SSTAC meeting at the ICTC offices
- October 1, 2025 ICTC Staff Meeting
- October 2, 2025 Sustainability Planning Grant Discussion via Teams meeting
- October 2, 2025 DBE webinar via zoom meeting
- October 3, 2025 Calexico ITC site visit with Commissioners
- October 3, 2025 IVT Ride Now outreach in El Centro (Priscilla Baca)
- October 6-8 Motorist Aid Conference in San Diego (Espy Avila, Marlene Flores)
- October 7, 2025 Imperial County Planning Call: EV Charging Station Passenger Vehicle Feasibility Study (Marlene Flores)
- October 8, 2025 IVT Ride Now outreach in Westshores (Priscilla Baca)
- October 8, 2025 SCAG Natural and Agricultural Lands Study Listening Session Municipal/Government Agencies Group
- October 9, 2025 Senior Appreciation Day at the MLK Jr. Pavilion in El Centro (Priscilla Baca, Maria Gamez)
- October 10, 2025 Caltrans training on DBE Update on Interim Final Rule via zoom meeting (David Aguirre, Gustavo Gomez, Cesar Beltran)
- October 8-10, 2025 CalCOG Carl Program, Session #2 in Napa, CA (Marlene Flores)
- October 13, 2025 Meeting to review Projects at the ICTC office.
- October 15, 2025 Brawley Wellness Center Presentation (attended by Priscilla Baca)
- October 15, 2025 ICTC Management Committee Meeting at the ICTC office.
- October 15, 2025 ST. Mary's Church Presentation (attended by Priscilla Baca)
- October 16, 2025 Staff Meeting
- October 21-23, 2025 CALACT Conference 2025 (attended by Gustavo Gomez and Priscilla Baca)