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September 25, 2025

# SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (SSTAC) AGENDA

**DATE:** Wednesday, October 01, 2025

**TIME**: 10:00 a.m.

**LOCATION**: ICTC Office

1503 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 104

El Centro, CA 92243

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# DISCUSSION/ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes May 7, 2025, and September 3, 2025 ACTION

3. Comprehensive Operational Analysis PRESENTATION

By Jarret Walker & Associates

**4.** Reappointment of Voting Positions ACTION

**5.** Installation of Officers ACTION

6. CTSA Reports DISCUSSION

By ICTC Staff Transit Dept.

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7. Transit 101

By ICTC Staff

**PRESENTATION** 

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

**8.** Transit Operator Updates

By Transdev Staff

- a. Imperial Valley Transit (IVT)
- b. IVT Access
- c. IVT Ride Now
  - i. Brawley
  - ii. Calexico
  - iii. El Centro
  - iv. Imperial
  - v. West Shores
- d. IVT MedTrans

DISCUSSION

9. General Discussion

All

**10.** Adjournment ACTION

The next meeting is scheduled for November 05, 2024. For questions or comments, please call Gustavo Gomez at 760-592-4494 or email him at <a href="mailto:gustavogomez@imperialctc.org">gustavogomez@imperialctc.org</a>.



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### SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES September 03, 2025

Present: Voting Attendees:

Raul Cordova IC Work Training Center Sarah Enz Public Administrator Mike Hack Senior Consumer

Camilo Garcia Workforce & Economic Development

Gustavo Gomez ICTC

Non-Voting Attendees:

Jose Guillen IVT MedTrans/IVT Ride

Helio Sanchez IVT Transit Cesar Sanchez IVT Transit Karla Pacheo IVT ACCESS

Aracely Torres Special Project Equity Imperial County (ZOOM)
Luis Castro Imperial County Department of Social Services

Priscilla Baca ICTC

1. Mr. Hack called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

A quorum was not present.

- 2. Introductions were made.
  - Hybrid meeting.
- 3. Minutes were adopted for May 07, 2025.

Motion not carried.

4. CTSA Reports:

Ms. Baca had the following information:

- Brief overview of the Social Service Transportation Advisory Council's purpose and duties, SSTAC's charge under California Public Utility Code 99238 to identify transit needs, review, and recommend actions through the unmet transit needs hearing process
- SSTAC membership requirements include the appointment of representatives for seniors, individuals with disabilities, and social service providers.

 Outlined the annual calendar of SSTAC activities, including the unmet transit needs survey conducted in April.

# Mr. Gomez presented the following information:

- IVT Ride Now is an expansion of IVT Ride, featuring a new on-demand component similar to Uber. The service costs \$2 for the general public and \$1 for seniors.
- The service provides both app-based and traditional phone reservation options. Additional outreach and promotion are needed to increase public awareness.
- Calexico ITC is under construction and expected to be completed by March 2026. Bus Stop
  Improvement project, which will include several stops in El Centro, Calipatria, and
  Westmorland.
- Contactless payment options and real-time bus tracking updates will be available soon.
- The East Port of Entry Terminal project is currently in its initial stages of development
- ICTC maintenance and operation Facility project is in the early planning stages.

### Ms. Baca presented the following information:

- Distributed IVT Ride Now flyers to county offices and public locations.
- Outreach to all senior apartments in Calexico, El Centro, and Brawley. Will continue with outreach for all services, specifically, IVT Ride Now

### 5. Transit Operator Reports:

Imperial Valley Transit:

Mr. Sanchez had the following report:

• Service is operating normally. We now have a dedicated bus shelter maintenance person and have power-washed all bus shelters. Regular maintenance will continue for high-traffic bus stops

#### **IVT Access:**

Ms. Pacheco had the following report:

• IVT Access usage tends to slow down during the summer months, but activity is increasing now that school is back in session.

#### IVT Ride:

Mr. Guillen had the following report on all IVT Ride services:

- The SDSU Brawley campus is included in the IVT Ride Now service area.
- Service disruption during a recent storm that affected travel to Coachella

## IVT MedTrans:

Mr. Guillen had the following report:

 IVT Med Trans Transportation provides services to VA facilities and San Diego State University.

# 6. General Discussion

- SSTAC members asked if ICTC can email the PDF IVT RIDE Now flyer.
- -Consider nominations for SSTAC officer positions. There is currently a vacancy for the chairperson role, which will need to be addressed at the October meeting.
- -Forward information about upcoming community events to ICTC staff for COA outreach opportunities.

# 7. Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.
- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 1, 2025, at the Imperial County Transportation Commission Office, 1503 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 104, El Centro, CA 92243.



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# SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

**MINUTES** May 07, 2025

<u>Present</u> <u>Voting Attendees:</u>

Cristina Leal ARC- Imperial Valley
Raul Cordova IC Work Training Center

David Aguirre ICTC

Sarah Enz Public Administrator
Mike Hack Senior Consumer
Andrew Sanchez Imperial Valley College

Non-Voting Attendees:

Jose Guillen IVT MedTrans/IVT Ride

Helio Sanchez IVT Transit Cesar Sanchez IVT Transit Karla Pacheo IVT ACCESS

Carolina García Public Authority Program

Jeanette Castillo Social Services

Yvette Valenzuela Department of Social Services

Dennis Brookes Kathrine & Associates
Andrea Breault Kathrine & Associates

Priscilla Baca ICTC Espy Avila ICTC

1. Mr. Hack called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

A quorum was present.

- 2. Introductions were made.
  - Hybrid meeting.
- 3. Minutes were adopted for March 5, 2025, and April 2, 2025 (Enz, Cordova) Motion Carried.
- 4. CTSA Reports:

Mr. Aguirre had the following information:

• The SSTAC findings letter has been completed. The UTN public hearing took place on April 7, 2025, followed by the findings meeting on April 28, 202

We are finalizing designs for the Bus Stop Improvement Project, which includes shade and seating at the bus stop in front of the El Centro library, with construction procurement

- starting soon. Additionally, we will explore transportation needs in northern Imperial County and add an express route from Calexico to IVC and back in the evening.
- These items include ongoing support for IVT Ride, IVT MedTrans, Imperial Valley Transit, IVT ACCESS, and Calexico on Demand Service, while complying with FTA provisions.
- We completed the UTN process and are finalizing actions for board approval at the end of May. Afterward, we'll forward the item to CALTRANS to incorporate some aspects into our budget, then we can implement those items during our 25-26 fiscal year
- We are 90% complete with the bus stop improvement projects and are waiting for comments
  from El Centro, Calipatria, and Westmoreland to finalize plans for next month. Once we do,
  we can proceed with procurement for construction this summer. These projects, which are
  linked to shelter improvements, will take 8-12 weeks once a contractor is on board, with
  shelter installation scheduled for this fall.
- We are currently demolishing buildings at the Calexico Transit Center and have removed one so far. We are also working on the concrete infrastructure and removing the old parking lot. The project is expected to be completed by March next year.
- We're moving forward with plans for the Calexico East Transit Center, with construction set to begin next year.
- We're developing COA and have presented it to SSTAC. More outreach is planned in the coming months to evaluate our services and provide recommendations.
- We will be installing electronic payments for all fixed-route services in the coming months.

# Ms. Baca presented the following information:

- I delivered a presentation on IHSS and organized an event for the senior center.
- Upcoming presentations for Social Services and NHHA will be scheduled as well.

### 5. Transit Operator FY 2024-25 Reports:

### Imperial Valley Transit:

• Service is operating normally, but there are delays due to construction in the surrounding cities.

## IVT Access:

• Service experienced delays in the middle of the month due to spring break. Numbers should increase by mid-May. As summer approaches, a slowdown is expected.

#### IVT Ride:

Mr. Guillen presented the report on all IVT Ride services:

• Ride is performing well with steady numbers. Applications are coming in gradually. Westmorland's numbers are also increasing slowly.

#### IVT MedTrans:

• Mr. Guillen presented the report on the service: The numbers have remained steady. Additionally, we have a new IVTMetrans commercial launch soon.

### 6. General Discussion

- Dr. Sanchez confirmed that IVC will be on summer vacation, resulting in a significant drop in ridership. The annual transportation survey conducted by the office will yield valuable insights and information.

# 7. Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.
- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at the Imperial County Transportation Commission Office, 1503 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 104, El Centro, CA 92243.