

County of Fresno

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Fresno County LAAC Meeting Minutes Thursday, 01/16/2025 2:00 PM

Attendance and Introductions

Meeting was held via Microsoft Teams was called to order at 2:00 PM with the following members present virtually: James Kus, Nysen Armenta, Rosaura Barajas, Gloria Ayala, and Rebecca Donabed with Resources for Independence Central Valley. James Kus led the meeting.

Review of November 2024 Election

Had about 330,000 voters that did participate, primarily through vote by mail, 65,000 voters voted in person, including over 7,000 by CVR/Provisional ballots. Ninety percent of all CVR ballots were counted, ten percent of provisional ballots were counted. This is the largest number of CVR/Provisionals we received since 2018.

We have a new print vendor who does our ballots, envelopes, and ballot translation guides for the eight 14201 languages that we do. Ballot translation guide booklets are now bounded.

For this election we had 384 workers, 88 were Spanish speakers. Other languages, 3 spoke Hmong, 4 Punjabi, 1



Tagalog, actively promoting recruitment in our larger elections.

Election Administration Plan in 2025

All Voter's Choice Act counties are required to do an Election Administration Plan (EAP), when they become a Voter's Choice County. An update is required every four years to the EAP. Fresno County is up for an update this year. This will entail a lot of public meeting and information being put out in the public, including the actual EAP. We will begin VCAAC and will start a fourth committee, as required by SB1450 will be focused on voter education. Will be doing outreach, tied into VCAAC. Plan is to have monthly VCA meeting through November, December.

The VCAAC is an opportunity for intrested people to come into to talk and give us feed back on how to do the process. We will also ask questions of other people. Will be a very busy year for getting feed back from the public. EAP will be translated into our other languages once it becomes available. Final EAP is planned to be done by December of this year.

Spanish Website version

Is our intention to still develop a parallel Spanish Website. Last meeting we had we were short in staff and time due to the November 2024 election. Now is back in full development, however it is not yet ready. Will do the front end of the web pages first for translation.

Curbside Voting

Regarding curbside voting, had available at all the 53 vote centers. Had 29 voters call the number to request curbside assistance, which spanned across 20 vote centers. This is an increase from previous election. Will be looking into changing our signage to make our curbside voting more visible.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on May 15, 2025, at 2:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM.