

HIV Community Planning Council
COUNCIL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, September 8th, 2026
Zoom
3:00-4:30pm

Committee Members Present: Chuck Adams, Bill Blum, Anna Branzuela, Nga Le, Jon Oskarsson, Johnny Rodriguez

Committee Members Absent: Irma Parada [E]

Other Council Members Present: Thomas Knoble, T. J. Lee-Miyaki, Andre Robertson

Others Present: Natalie Basha, Arpi Terzian

Support Staff Present: Mark Molnar, Kira Perez, Kat Téllez

Draft Minutes

1. Introductions and Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 pm by CM Adams and everyone introduced themselves. Quorum was established.

2. Review/Approve September 8th, 2026 DRAFT Agenda – VOTE

The September 8th, 2026 DRAFT Agenda was reviewed and approved by consensus.

3. Review/Approve August 11th, 2026 DRAFT Minutes – VOTE

The August 11th, 2026 DRAFT Minutes were reviewed and approved by consensus.

4. Announcements

- None.

5. Public Comment

- None.

6. HIV Epidemiology Report – Arpi Terzian

- Arpi Terzian introduced the HIV Epidemiology Report and provided an overview of the presentation. Terzian reviewed the number of people newly diagnosed with HIV, people living with HIV (PLWH), and deaths in 2025, noting a slight decrease in new HIV diagnoses. Terzian reviewed the demographics of people newly diagnosed with HIV by gender, race/ethnicity, transmission risk, and residence of diagnosis. Terzian noted that the number of new diagnoses has decreased but the rate of decline has slowed. Demographic disparities still exist with the number of new diagnoses highest in the Latine/x/o/a community, and the rate of diagnoses highest in Black/African Americans. She added that the uptick in new diagnoses in cis women in 2024 was not observed in 2025. Terzian reviewed the stage of disease by demographics information including sex, age group, transmission category, and race/ethnicity. Terzian added that demographic disparities in late-stage diagnoses persist with an uptick in late-stage diagnoses among Latine/x/o/a, people with other/unknown race/ethnicity, and people aged 50 years and older. Terzian reviewed trends along the HIV care continuum, noting that milestones and disparities exist along this continuum. She highlighted that linkage to care is typically fast, with the median time between diagnosis and first care visit was one day, versus 43 days in 2020 and 33 days in 2024. She added that Black/African Americans, cis women, persons aged 25-29 years old, and those with heterosexual risk were less likely to achieve viral suppression. Terzian discussed San Francisco's (SF) progress towards Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) and how they track progress using surveillance data. Terzian reviewed the demographics of PLWH in SF by sex, age group, transmission category, and race/ethnicity. She noted that Black/African American and Latine/x/a cis women are disproportionately affected by HIV/AIDS relative to the female population in SF.

Terzian reviewed an overview of mortality trends, noting that age-adjusted mortality rates are highest in Black/African American cis men, the top three causes of death are accidents (drug overdose), HIV, and heart disease, and that HIV-related deaths make up smaller proportions of all deaths.

- CM Rodriguez asked, regarding the basic statistics of 2025, were the 103 SF residents diagnosed with AIDS already aware of their HIV status?
 - Terzian confirmed yes, that number includes people who had been diagnosed with HIV in previous years.
- CM Blum asked Terzian if she had more information about the folks who received AIDS diagnoses and if it was T-cell count versus an opportunistic infection versus something else?
 - Terzian confirmed this information would be available in the report.
 - ❖ CM Blum added that Terzian might want to have this information handy at the Full Council meeting as he anticipates she will get questions about the.
- CM Lee-Miyaki asked if the folks who received AIDS diagnoses were first-time or late-time testers?
 - Terzian said that number includes first-time testers, late-time testers, and those who already had and were aware of their HIV diagnosis.
 - ❖ CM Lee-Miyaki asked if she had the age breakdown for these folks.
 - Terzian said a large portion are over the age of 50.
- CM Lee-Miyaki noted the increase in cases in Lake Merced and is surprised it has a high rate for a residential area.
 - CM Knoble noted that the Lake Merced apartments are going through a lot of changes and the population in the area is shifting.
- CM Knoble asked if the percentage of Latine/x/o/a folks increased in the city?
 - Terzian said that to her knowledge there has not been a substantial increase in underlying demographics.
- CM Lee-Miyaki asked, regarding slide 24, how does the 82% viral suppression compare to other cities of a similar size? He asked if they have done everything they can do to reach out to communities and conduct testing?
 - Terzian said relative to other cities we are doing great and that is a high proportion, with other cities reporting much lower numbers.

7. Resource Allocation Scenarios – VOTE

- CS Molnar reviewed the Resource Allocation Funding Scenarios for flat, decreased, increased funding. CS Molnar noted that this is a travelling motion from committee to committee and there is no need to move or second.
 - **Flat Funding:** If funding remains at the current level, service category resource allocation will remain level across all categories.

Motion passed through a roll call vote, refer to column (1).

- **Decreased Funding:** In the event of decreased funding, for the first 10% of reductions, allocation for services that are covered under California's essential health benefits package* will be reduced proportionately. If further reduced allocation is required, reductions will occur proportionately across all service categories.
 - CM Oskarsson thinks dental has been moved out of essential coverage with the latest medical updates as of January 1, 2026. He will take a look and circle back.
 - CS Molnar said he appreciates that and added that the motion isn't dependent upon that verbiage.

Motion passed through a roll call vote, refer to column (2).

- **Increased Funding:** If increased funding occurs, service category resource allocation will be increased proportionally across all service categories not covered under California's essential health benefits package.

Motion passed through a roll call vote, refer to column (3).

8. Next Meeting Date & Agenda Items – VOTE

The next Council Affairs Committee is scheduled for October 13th, 2026 from 3:00 – 4:30 pm via Zoom.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:31 pm by CM Branzuela.

Council Affairs Committee

HIV Community Planning Council

Roll Call: **P**=Present; **A**=Absent; **E**=Excused; **L**=Leave of Absence

Votes: **Y**=Yes; **N**=No; **B**=Abstain; **R**=Recused (deduct from quorum)

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roll [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10]

1.	Chuck Adams (Co-Chair)	P	Y	Y	Y							
2.	Bill Blum	P										
3.	Anna Branzuela (Co-Chair)	P	Y	Y	Y							
4.	Nga Le	P	Y	Y	Y							
5.	Jon Oskarsson	P	Y	Y	Y							
6.	Irma Parada	E	-	-	-							
7.	Johnny Rodriguez	P	Y	Y	Y							
8.	Thomas Knoble	P	B	B	B							
9.	T. J. Lee-Miyaki	P	Y	Y	Y							
10.	Andre Robertson	P	Y	Y	Y							

Ayes		7	7	7							
Nayes		0	0	0							
Abstain		1	1	1							
Recusal		0	0	0							
Total	8	8	8	8							