



PINAL COUNTY COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS



Meeting Agenda and Minutes

Tuesday, June 9, 2026, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Virtual

First Chairperson: Cinda Thorne; Second Chairperson: Meredith Doyle

Committed Agencies	Representative	Present
A New Leaf	Michelle Boyle, Amanda Flores	X
Against Abuse	Kiya Darlage, Dynia Abraham, Mary Duarte	X
AJUSD	Heather and Meara	
Autumn Community Foundation	Shavell Gounod	
Axiom	Meredith Doyle	X
Axiom Community of Recovery	Nick Koury, Monica Bearden	X
AZ Complete Health	Melissa Dye, Kristi Denk	X
Banner University Health Plans	Kayla McGhee, Jennifer Vargas	X
BCBSAZ Health Choice	Rose Kent	X
CAHRA	Jason Lohman	
CGA	Lydia Montano, Sarah Graham, Cowboy, Jose, Greta Edwards	X
Central Arizona Aging	Marla Pierce, Martha Meyers	X
City of Casa Grande	May K Allen	
Compassion Connect AZ	Alicia Barela, Jennelle Esquivel	
EMPACT-Suicide Prevention Center	Erica Chestnut-Ramirez, Sarah Swonder, Samantha Gaskill, Cecilia Cardona	X
Genesis Project	Trinity Frey, Sheryl Bigelow	X
HOHP	Kim Vandenberg, Suzanne Payan	X
Horizon Health and Wellness	Mary Jo Silcox, Robert Robles, Jennifer Luna, Ashley Salas, Stephanie Espinoza	
Mercy Care	Jennifer Page, Matthew Kelly	X
Molina Healthcare	Cinda Thorne	X
National Community Health Partners	James Moore, Olista Stewart	X
Olive Branch	LaDawn Griffith	X
Open Arms Vocational Living Center	Amber Liermann	X
Pinal County Adult Probation	Scott Smith	
Pinal County Housing	Taliashiere Williams	
Pinal County Lead Agency	Heather Patel, Angelita Casillas, Sheri Rico	X
Pinal County Reentry/PCSO	Sarah Ballester	
Pinal Hispanic Council	Ralph Varela	X
PPEP Technical High School	Joseph Martinez, Isaac Perez	
SAVAHS	Jocelyn Muzzin, Cara Donnelly	X
Stanfield Elementary School	Rosalva and Deanna	X
Tribal Representative	Monica Antone	
United Way	Joseph Caruso	X
Catalysts Helping Increase Potential	Richard Cunningham, Joanna Wilson, Melissa Williams	X
A Servant's Hands	Angela Lies, David Lies	
L. Shneen Enterprises LLC	Lashundia Smith	
Total of 44 attendees		



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Michael
Kiya D AAI
Dynia Abraham
Sheryl Bigelow
Joseph Caruso
NCHP CASA GRANDE
Angelita Casillas
Richard Cunningham
Amber DiAnne
Melissa Dye
Joanne Galindo
Adriana Gonzales
Shavell Gounod
Sarah Graham
LaDawn Griffith
John Jefferson
Matthew Kelly
Nick Koury
Ann Lewis
Kayla McGhee
Aurica Morrison
Martha Myers

Heather Patel
Suzanne Payan
Marla Pierce
Tricia Ramp
Meredith Rice
Sheri Rico
Daniela Rodriguez
Tia S
Scott Smith
Deanna Smith-Stout
Michael Van Ness
Turiya Weiss
Christine Schupbach-Kunze
Cinda Thorne- Molina Healthcare
Greta Edwards
Jennifer Lagunas - CGA
Jen Page-Mercy Care
Jocelyn Muzzin
Jodi, ABC Housing
Nicholas De La Garza-Molina Healthcare
Ralph Varela
Rose Kent



1. Call to Order by Chair Cinda Thorne at 1:10 PM
2. Attendance/Establish Quorum (22/36)
3. Action Items
 - Approval of Minutes for April 14, 2026.
 - a. Cowboy moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Marla Pierce. Motion passed.
4. Presentations
 - A presentation was received by Pinal Hispanic Council, Ralph Varela
 - August 21, 2026, at 8:30 AM ribbon cutting and open house of their new facility in Coolidge.
 - A presentation was received by McKinney Vento liaison Deanna Smith-Stout, M.Ed.
5. Discussions and Updates
 - Workplan for July 2026 – August 2027 was shared by Cinda Thorne
 - Scholarship opportunities were announced by Cinda Thorne
 - Equity snapshot/identifying barriers survey findings were presented by Angelita Casillas
 - NOFO opportunities shared
 - HUD CoC
 - ADOH Recovery Housing Program
6. Committee report outs facilitated by the Chair (3 min. each max.)
 - a. Membership Committee - Heather
 - a. Total number of members = 36
 - b. Membership forms are due every January
 - c. Membership form is available at <https://pcceh.com/members/>
 - b. Statewide CoC Governance Advisory Board report provided by Cinda
 - c. State LCEH Leads Meeting report provided by Cinda
 - d. PIT Committee – Suzanne
 - a. Calling for volunteers
 - e. HMIS/CE/CC Committee – Jocelyn
 - a. New meeting time at 2:30 starting with DV, followed by general population
 - f. JEDI Committee (Access and Opportunity) – Angelita
 - a. Upcoming training – A New Leaf, August 11
 - g. Casa Grande Coalition to End Homelessness/CG Helps – no report
 - h. Apache Junction Coalition to End Homelessness/AJ Resource Center – Sheryl
 - a. New partnership with SRP and Wildfire to provide utility assistance
 - b. Preventing 2 evictions
 - c. Sock drive is completed
 - d. July 2nd Blood Drive
 - e. October 21st Project Connect
7. Agency Announcements/Agency Updates
 - NCHP – rental assistance for veterans, no longer full rental assistance is provided, only 30% and 50% utilities.
 - HR 1 (Big Beautiful Bill) – beginning in 2027, Medicare/Medicaid must show and demonstrate 80 hours of service. Molina Healthcare and AZ Complete Health keeping close eye on this status and preparing clientele for this.
 - Back to School Event on July 9, 4:30 – 7:30 in Casa Grande at First Presbyterian.
8. Next Meeting – Tuesday, August 11, 2026 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. VIRTUAL
9. Adjourn 2:58 PM



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UPCOMING CALENDER

8/11/26	A New Leaf, Kathy Di Nolfi re: homelessness programs
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