



**MINUTES**  
**October 14, 2025**  
**11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**  
**Yuma Union High School District Office**  
**3150 S Avenue A, Yuma AZ 85364**

**Attendees:**

Sector	Member Name/Title	Organization Name
YCADC	Joanne Fiser	Executive Director, YCADC
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Ryan Butcher	Yuma County Public Health Services District
Business Community	Pepper Mellon	RL Jones Insurance
Other Organization with Expertise in Substance Use	Berenice Ortiz	TLCR
Other Organization with Expertise in Substance Use	Arisil Gill	TLCR
Other Organization with Expertise in Substance Use	Susan Turner	TLCR
Other Organization with Expertise in Substance Use	Danny Koolick	Horizon Health
Other Organization with Expertise in Substance Use	Reyes Moreno	Horizon Health
Other Organization with Expertise in Substance Use	Miguel Burciaga	Crossroads Mission
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Jessica Valadez	AZ Dept of Liquor & License Control
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Jeremy Daniels	Yuma Police Department
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Tom Garrity	Yuma Police Department
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Jose Arguelles	Yuma Police Department
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Jeff Ross	Yuma Police Department
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Kellan Tammel	Yuma Fire Department
Schools	Raquel Dominguez	NAU
Schools	Jessica Campa	NAU
Schools	Chloe Comets	NAU
Law Enforcement	Victoria Gonzalez	YCSO and YCJJC
Law Enforcement	Martin Kemena	YCSO

Law Enforcement	Robert Arrianda	YCSO
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Jen Hulbert	Yuma County Public Health Services District
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Merris Durand	Social Work Program
Other Organization with Expertise in Substance Use	Maria Chavoya	AZ Complete Health
Nonprofit	Courtney Starkey	Community Partners
Schools	Henry Gonzalez	YUHSD
Schools	Yescina Cuming	YUHSD
Schools	Keith Dale	YUHSD
Schools	Olivia Ponchas	YUHSD
Law Enforcement	Mike Williams	YPD
Nonprofit	Matt Pappan	VO Yuma
Nonprofit	Nidia Herrera	Arizona at Work
Nonprofit	Keith Francis Jr	AZCH
Nonprofit	George Flores	RAZE
Nonprofit	Jesus Montez	RAZE
Healthcare Professionals	Shawna Pischinger	Onvida Health
Healthcare Professionals	Lisa Brazeel	EHC
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Nidya Casas	Yuma County Juvenile Court
Law Enforcement	Cassandra Reed	YPD
Schools	Anna Camberos	RWMS
Law Enforcement	Robert Write	YPD
Nonprofit	Elvis Kost	YCEH
Federal Govt/military	Castejamos Korta	USBP
Federal Govt/military	Adriana Rodriguez	CBP / USBP
Schools	Abigail Ambriz	NAU
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Karen Watts	City of Yuma Council
Healthcare Professionals	Jordin Aguilar	ONVIDA Health
Healthcare Professionals	C Ericksen	Community Medical Services
Federal Govt/military	Joshua Dahl	USBP
Business	Cori Rico	Gowan Company
Other Organization with Expertise in Substance Use	Oswaldo Rodriguez	YCJJC
Schools	Nikki Hage	AWC
Schools	Nathan Flores	AWC
Healthcare Professionals	Margie Hiatt	Onvida Health
Federal Govt/Military	Candace Brown	MCGS / MCAS Yuma
Schools	Lauren Spurlock	MAP / YUHSD
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Lucia Wilson	Achieve Human Services
State, local, and/or tribal government agencies	Jonathan Duarte	YCAPD
Schools	Ulises Torres	GRHS

- 11:30 Lunch/Connector Question: ***“What is one positive influence or mentor that helped you make healthy choices growing up?”***
- 11:45 Pledge/September Meeting Minutes will be emailed
- 11:55 Welcome/Name, title and agency (Please email [ycadc1@gmail.com](mailto:ycadc1@gmail.com) all updates)
- 12:00 **YCADC & YCMHC Updates:**
- YCADC & YCMHC had a table with resource materials at Rolle Elementary School’s Family Game Night, where kids enjoyed a fun mini golf activity at our table, while families received prevention resources.
  - AWC and Onvida Health hosted a Symposium where YCADC & YCMHC shared a table with resource materials and presented to about 80 attendees during a breakout session on the importance of drug prevention and community collaboration.
  - YCADC & YCMHC, along with many champion agencies, attended the 22nd Annual G.A.I.N. Event, sharing resources, connecting with families, and helping our community be healthier and safer with educational tools.

#### **Upcoming Events**

- **Red Ribbon Week:** YCADC & YCMHC will be in multiple schools throughout Yuma County giving presentations and sharing prevention resources. Please follow and share our social media campaign. [Facebook.ocm/YCADC](https://www.facebook.com/YCADC)
- **Trick or Treat Scary & Safe Event – October 31, 2025:** Hosted by the Yuma Police Department at the Yuma County Fairgrounds. This fundraiser benefits the Special Olympics of Yuma. To participate, contact [Hayato.Johnson@yumaaz.gov](mailto:Hayato.Johnson@yumaaz.gov).
- **Narcan Distribution Site – NEW LOCATION:** Beginning tomorrow, Narcan will be available for community pickup at the YCADC & YCMHC offices located at 180 W 1st Street, Yuma, AZ 85364 (Old City Hall Building).

#### **Appreciation**

- Thank you to our **Champions Beto Garcia, Beverly Cade, and Jordin Aguilar** for working the G.A.I.N. Event for us — your energy and teamwork made a big impact!
- A heartfelt thank-you to **Daniel Espino with Yuma Fire Department** for being our podcast guest and sharing valuable insight with our community.
- Special thanks to **Beau Gonzalez, YUHSD Health & Safety Director**, for the invitation to present at the Western Consortium Safety Meeting on Mental Health Resources.
- A big thank-you to our champions **Jenn Hulbert and Beverly Cade** for sharing resources at the AWC and Onvida Health Symposium. Your support is always noticed-thank you!

**12:20 PM** – Raul Fiveash, Detective Sergeant Yuma Police Department – Mental Health Co-Responders Unit Presentation

**12:55 PM** – Good of the Order

**1:00 PM** – Adjourn