

# Eighth Judicial District Criminal Justice Coordination Council - Colfax/Union

Minutes

Thursday, January 29, 2026

12:00 PM- 1:00 PM

Via Google Meets

## Attendance:

<b>Colfax/Union Judicial District Court - Present</b>	<i>Judge Steven Romero, Angel Bacca, Anita Sintas, Hannah Smith, Johnny Medina, Dominic Martinez, Lexi Ortega, Clorinda Davila</i>
<b>District Attorney-Present</b>	<i>Tamarra Howard</i>
<b>Colfax/Union Public Defender- Absent</b>	
<b>Colfax/Union County Magistrate Court - Present</b>	<i>Judge Harkins, Judge Hronich</i>
<b>Colfax Adult Probation and Parole -Present</b>	<i>Margarita Fernandez</i>
<b>Colfax Team Builders- Absent</b>	
<b>RAIN- Present</b>	<i>Loretta Condor</i>
<b>Juvenile Probation and Parole-Present</b>	<i>Erika Meadows</i>
<b>Youth Heartline- Present</b>	<i>Valerie Alderette, Youth Heartline</i>
<b>Krossroads Behavioral Health – Present</b>	<i>Jeannie Kovacs</i>
<b>Alternative to Violence- Present</b>	<i>Alisha Morphew</i>

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<b>Pinwheel Healing- Present</b>	<i>Amanda Segura</i>
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**Other Attendees: Sylvia Barela, DJ Martinez (DWI Compliance), AL Nieves (CPD), Angie Ortega (New Hope Family Counseling), Denis Romero (LEAD), Amy Romero (MRS Monitoring & Recovery), Angela Sisneros, Ambrosia Trujillo (DWI Compliance), Cheryl Navarette, Jamie Goldberg, Luis De La Cruz (Union County Manager)**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action Step</b>
<b>1. Call to order</b>	12:01	
<b>2. Approval of Agenda</b>	Krossroads motions, JPO seconds	Agenda approved unanimously
<b>3. Approval of draft minutes from the November 13, 2026, Colfax/ Union CJCC meeting</b>	JPO motions, Krossroads seconds	11/13/26 draft minutes approved unanimously
<b>4. SB3/BHRIA Update- Sylvia Barela</b>	Sylvia Barela presented on working as a consultant on behavioral health planning related to Senate Bill 3/Behavioral Health Reinvestment Act. Taos County has submitted to be the accountable entity for Region 8, which is the 8th Judicial District. There will be a series of listening sessions that anyone can attend. This will help get feedback and community voice. There was an in-person listening session that was held in Union County on Wednesday January 28, 2026. We have upcoming listening sessions in Colfax County being held on February 11, 2026 from 11:30-1. We will also have a virtual session towards the end of February that anyone across the board can attend. Region 8 will be holding its sequential intercept	Invite community providers to the listening sessions.

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	<p>mapping conference in Taos March 11-13, 2026. There will be a max of 80 people who will be invited to the SIMS Mapping conference throughout Region 8. We will then combine all the information from the listening sessions and the SIMS mapping conference. The goal is to submit a behavioral health plan with specific funding priorities for our region for the first 4 year period by June 30th. We have submitted an early access application for funding to help support development detoxification services for the region, look at case management care coordination, and recovery support services.</p> <p>Jeannie raised that Krossroads already has funding from the state for a medical detox center in Las Vegas NM, and wants to make sure that the early access funding for Region 8 does not impact that project.</p>	
<p><b>5. Pre-Trial Services Update- Dominic Martinez</b></p>	<p>Held a stakeholder meeting last week in Colfax. If there is anyone here that is interested in participating in our pretrial stakeholder meetings please let Dominic or Angel know to add you to the list.</p> <p>Angel currently has a caseload of 50 defendants. About 3 for Union and the rest are Colfax cases.</p> <p>Judge Hronich mentioned that pretrial has been very helpful and has reduced FTA's.</p>	

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<p><b>6. Open Comment</b></p>	<p>Alisha Morphew is the New Executive Director of ATV.</p> <p>Jeannie Kovacs: Krossroads is interested in becoming the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) for Colfax County. They need to identify an agency to collaborate with that can provide the 24/7 care for mobile crisis services. They have everything else in place..</p> <p>Valerie Alderette: Jolene Young and her program have worked hard to get jackets, scarves, and soups to help out the community as it has been really cold. If there is anyone that has any donations please contact Youth Heartline.</p> <p>Denis Romero: LEAD has just recently hired Jayda Cordero as our new case manager. They are working with RPD and so far have had 12 referrals. They are currently looking to find a new office space. If anyone has any suggestions please reach out to Denis. They will be reaching out to other providers to collaborate with.</p> <p>Judge Hronich: The DWI program is looking for someone to provide DWI schooling here in the community. There isn't a DWI school in Colfax County. People are having to drive to Santa Fe or long distances to be able to take these DWI classes.</p> <p>Ambrosia Trujillo- It is a lengthy process to bring a DWI school here. The providing entity would need to take the class themselves, and go over what the requirements are. If anyone is interested in taking this on please reach out to Ambrosia to help get this set up.</p>	<p>Add DWI school to next meeting agenda</p>
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	Chief AI Nieves asks if law enforcement can be facilitators Ambrosia will look into it.	
<b>7. Next Meeting-TBD</b>		
<b>8. Adjourn</b>	Krossroads motions, RAIN Seconds.	Adjourns meeting at 12:40.

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