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Thank you Behavioral Health Commissioners for your time serving on this commission.

I attended the public meeting last night 4/15/2026. During the meeting, discussions on priority setting were held. I was happy to see resources for marginalized and minoritized communities on the wall, including specific mention of English Language Learners.

One member of the public commented that the commission is obligated under Prop 1/BHSA to prioritize the most sick and impacted individuals in the county. I would like to highlight that Sacramento has one of the highest Afghan refugee populations in the country, and that the systems that have forced the migration of these refugees has left these individuals with PTSD and severe trauma.

The most sick across Sacramento County are also diverse populations. They can be people who do not speak English, do not trust the U.S. Medical system, and have strong social stigma against discussing behavioral health. There are the people you are obligated to serve, alongside the many diverse populations that call this county home. Please prioritize English Language Learners and other marginalized communities as you work as a commission to make behavioral health services the best it can be for Sacramento County.

Thank you for your time.

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