



2026 OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Santa Barbara/Puerto Vallarta

Sister City Committee



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SISTER CITY COMMITTEE AT CODY'S CAFÉ 9/2

MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION



October General
Meeting
To Be Determined



Cody's served a great Mexican meal! Members came in colorful blouses, dresses and gents in guayaberas. Robert and Cheli called out numbers to lucky ticket holders. Special thanks to Angie Martel for donating gift items.

Thank you Gloria Beruman
for the beautiful photos.



Includes transfer to the hotel and a welcome dinner.

**Payment Schedule
for Oaxaca Trip**

*** August 30 - \$300**

registration paid

*** Oct. 15 - \$1200**

2nd installment due

***Nov. 15 –\$1335 final due**

**Payment can be made thru
Zelle at**

sbpvsistercity805@gmail.com

**Payments are based on
double occupancy costs.**

For Single occupancy

Installments –

Text 805-689-2588

Board of Director's Meeting in August 19, 2026

Action Items:

- **Approved** - Re-imburse \$25.00 to Marti Garcia, lost SB/PV Banner replacement
- **APPROVED** \$600.00 cost of 3 month supply of disposable underwear; special circumstance.
approved, *with one dissenting vote*
- **Approved up to \$1000 through December 2026** to maintain funding for Bettie, Coordinator for AFCC. Original Funding was depleted earlier due to unexpected costs.
- **Added to Agenda -Board approved** a request for shoes and backpacks for 15 Children w/Cancer – AFCC - amount not to exceed \$1800 from funds dedicated and raised for this purpose (see below)
- **Added to Agenda:** Gil – Proposed a committee to work with local Teddy Bear Foundation that was deferred from two years ago. Committee to meet with local office and discuss an educational exchange for their coordinator to visit Puerto Vallarta. **Concept Approved** – committee members: Sebastian, Gil, Marti, Mike Hernandez, Carlos Velasco

Ready for another trip to Mexico??

Morelia from Nov. 4 - 8 and Puerto Vallarta from Nov. 8 – 12

A few SB/PV members will go to witness the firefighter training on
Nov. 5, 6, 7 in Morelia and will visit small towns in the area.

Afterward, we will make a visit to Puerto Vallarta to meet with new
PV/SB Sister City Board

Shoes and Backpack Distribution to AFCC Children

At our board meeting last month a motion was approved to purchase shoes and backpacks for the Children of Families with Cancer (AFCC).

Our sister members took the measurements of the children and did the shopping for them. They organized and made the presentations to the children at DIVAC, a space next to the Santa Barbara Rehab Hospital in Puerto Vallarta.

Our Sister Club in Puerto Vallarta is very important in working with us to carry out many of the important projects we fund there.

Shown in the photo, PV Sister City Members: Amalia, Gaby, Jaime, Lupita and Jose.



Jesus "Joe" Sanchez RIP 9/3/26

Jesus "Joe" Sanchez, who passed away peacefully on September 3, 2026, at the age of 89. Joe is shown here in 2014 with Angie Shaw and other friend at a Sister City event at the home of Raul Navarro. He was a longtime member of Santa Barbara/Puerto

Vallarta Sister Cities organization where he participated in charitable efforts by sponsoring and generously gave his time and resources to those in need.

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October 1, 2026. Sister Cities Int'l. Dinner - Carrillo Ballroom Downtown SB
Oct. Date TBD Fundraiser Kids w/Cancer

NOVEMBER 2026

Nov. 4 - 8 IFTA Training in Morelos - Nov. 8 – 12 Visit to Puerto Vallarta
General Meeting TBD

DECEMBER 2026

Dec. 13 Posada Holiday Celebration

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