



Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care

Chronic Homelessness Committee

Wednesday, December 21, 2022

1:30 PM to 3:00 PM

Via Zoom

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Shelly Storkan, Behavioral Health
Erin Murray, DESS HH
Carnella Marks, Restoring Our Community

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Lisa Hedemark, TNHA
Denver Nash, DESS HH
Melissa Jamison, UWNC
Lisa Carrillo, Probation
Isabel Alaniz-Alvarado, DESS HH

RECORDING:

Erin Murray, DESS H&H

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Briana Harvey-Butterfield, DESS HH
Kaitlyn Sherrill, DESS HH
Deanna Schwab, Safe Space
Don Taylor, DESS HH
Leslie Johnson, CHAT
Nancy Morgans-Ferguson, Shalom Clinic
Sarah Frohock, Behavioral Health
Tara Sullivan Hames, Help Central
Tracy Gillihan, Help Central
Elisa Rawlinson, DESS HH
Lorena Reed, Behavioral Health
Charles Withuhn, CHAT
Lori LaRiviere, MD, TNHA/BOD

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Shelly Storkan at 1:31 PM
- 2. INTRODUCTIONS/UPDATES:** All members present introduced themselves.
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made to approve minutes for *October 19, 2022*.
Motion: Erin Murray
Second: Carnella Marks
- 4. AGENCY PRESENTATION:**
Dr. LaRiviere was on the agenda to present but was unable to attend.

I. Alaniz-Alvarado presented on the Housing Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP). I. Alaniz-Alvarado introduced herself as a certified SSA Advocate. Through HDAP, those that are homeless or at imminent

risk of homelessness and are potentially eligible to disability income are eligible for assistance. Services provided include assistance in applying for SSI/SSP, SSA Disability and State Disability Income; housing navigation; rental assistance; moving costs, transportation; and more. HDAP Housing Navigator can also assist with appeals if the application is denied - approval can take two to three years.

Program Participants are pulled from Coordinated Entry, however there is currently a hold on enrollments due to staff having maximum caseload. There is currently a waitlist. The main purpose of the program is to provide help in accessing an income source and to assist with housing and housing readiness.

Comments:

E. Murray - Can long term rental assistance be provided?

I. Alaniz-Alvarado - Short term rental assistance can be provided as needed, however the assigned Housing Navigator will help explore other income sources such as State Disability and General Assistance.

S. Storkan - How many people has the program assisted?

I. Alaniz-Alvarado - In the last year, in my caseload, three people have begun receiving disability, however their applications were already in progress. Two of those individuals become housed and one is in the process of becoming housed.

C. Marks - Can you provide your contact information for program enrollment?

I. Alaniz-Alvarado - Yes, will provide in chat, however potential participants should contact 211 to be enrolled in Coordinated Entry as participants are pulled from there based on their score.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

S. Storkan stated that CHAT is now only taking names from Coordinated Entry for housing. Also, Behavioral Health has a collaboration with an apartment complex, Creekside Place that is opening in January 2023. The complex is for people that are 62 and older. 15 of those units are specifically No Place Like Home units that will house people from Coordinated Entry that are over 62, chronically homeless or at risk of chronic homelessness, and have mental health needs.

L. Hedemark provided an update at the Torres Shelter: there are 2 female beds available, 7 male beds available, and HIP is full. However, those that are under the influence can check in at 4pm each day and check for bed availability.

L. Carrillo shared that through SB 178, Probation is looking to fund a mobile probation services center. This mobile probation unit would provide outreach to those that are homeless or at risk of homelessness and on probation.

6. NEXT MEETING: *The next Chronic Homelessness Meeting will be on Wednesday, February 22, 2022 from 1:30-3 PM.*

7. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM