



Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care

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Councilmember Minutes

Monday - June 12, 2023

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Zoom Meeting Hosted by: Butte County Employment & Social Services

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Amber Abney-Bass, Jesus Center
Anastacia Snyder, Catalyst
Keesha Hills, OSCIA
Brad Brunner, Caminar
Ed Mayer, HACB
Sarah Frohock, DBH
Emily Pereira, Youth for Change
Ian Clement, Hope Cooperative
Jennifer Macarthy, City of Chico
Marie Demers, City of Chico
Meagan Meloy, BCOE

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ann Winters, Catalyst
Briana Harvey-Butterfield, DESS H&H
Tami Ritter, BC Board of Supervisors
Marin Hambley, Stonewall
Tracy Johnstone, City of Oroville
Steve Culleton, Town of Paradise
Josh Jamison, Oroville Hope Center

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Kevin Thompson, OSCIA
Mary Alonzo, City of Chico
Tracey Gillihan, Butte/Glenn 211
Susan Roll, CSU, Chico
Nicole Drummond, CHAT
Tim Hawkins, CAA
Wendy Lo, DESS H&H
Matt McCoy, VSO
Shelly Storkan, DBH
Monica Soderstrom, Public Health

OTHER ATTENDEES CONT:

Amie Decker, Nation's Finest
Michael Weber, Chico Enterprise-Record
Nikki Balboa, VA
Alise Pugh, DESS CSD
Lorena Reed, BCDBH
Debbie Villasenor, Housing Consultant
Patrick Telles, Legal Services of Northern California
Shelly Miller, First 5 Butte
Rayna Bryson, DESS
Brianna Scott, Aegis Treatment Center
Mary Neuman, Passages
Carnella Marks, ROC
Tara Sullivan-Hames, Butte/Glenn 211
Tiffany Danger, BCOE
Charles Withuhn, North State Shelter Team
Daniel Celis, Butte College
Mary Kay Benson, Butte County Shelter for All
Scott Kennelly, DBH
Amy Bergstrand, City of Oroville
Sherry Morgado, Housing Tools
Kaitlyn Sherrill, DESS H&H
Yesenia Gallegos, CHAT
Caitlin Davis-Rivers, CHAT
Samantha Raschka, Ampla Health
Jay Coughlin, DESS H&H

CoC Coordinator: Erin Murray, DESS H&H **Recording:** Lisa Angle, DESS H&H

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. CONVENE MEETING AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

The meeting was called to order by Anastacia Snyder, Chairperson at 1:02pm. Roll call of the council members was conducted a quorum established. This meeting is being facilitated by Anastacia Snyder and the meeting is being recorded.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – ACTION

A motion was made to approve the following minutes as presented.

- a. May 22, 2023 – CoC Council Meeting Minutes

Motion: Marie Demers
Second: Jennifer McCarthy
Opposed: None opposed
Abstain: Emily Pereira

3. 2023 POINT IN TIME EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - INFORMATION/ACTION

Presenting: Sherry Morgado, Housing Tools

Erin Murray provided an overview of the process which occurs between the completion of the Point in Time and the release of the Executive Summary. After the PIT is complete, Simtech collects the data and removes test surveys/duplicates, then DESS reviews and sorts raw data. Following the sorting, specific data is submitted to HUD. After the PIT and Housing Inventory Count data is submitted, Housing Tools then reviews and sorts the jurisdiction specific data and community specific questions to begin drafting the Executive Summary.

Sherry Morgado presented and reviewed the 2023 Point in Time Executive Summary with the CoC Council and provided the following highlights:

- 1,237 surveys collected between sheltered and unsheltered individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Households without children accounted for 84% of the households, adults with children accounted for 12% of households and 4% households consisting only of children were counted
- Countywide, 47% of respondents or 580 people were unsheltered on January 24, 2023. In the Gridley, Biggs area and the Ridge Area 100% of respondents were unsheltered. In addition 65% of those counted in Oroville were unsheltered. In Chico 40% of respondents were unsheltered, a figure that has dropped from 44% in 2022.
- There are 379 individuals who are chronically unhoused or 32% of the total count. This reflects an ongoing decrease from what was reported in 2017 when 49% of respondents met the definition but a slight increase from 2022 when 28% of respondents met the definition.

- Survey responses show that 368 people or 30% of respondents were unhoused for the first time. The figures were especially pronounced in the Ridge Area and Gridley/Biggs area where the total potential respondents were 64% and 42% respectively.
- 7% of the respondents identified themselves as American Indian/Alaskan Native. This group is disproportionately impacted by homelessness relative to their overall proportion of the population countywide, which is 2.7% according to the U.S Census 2022 population estimates.
- There were 157 individuals ages 0-24 surveyed of which 64 were transition-aged youth (ages 18-24). Forty-three children under the age of 5 were counted, along with 34 children ages 5-12 and 16 children ages 13-17. 85% of all youth counted were in Chico.

The CoC adopted its methodology for the 2023 PIT Survey in the November 2022 CoC Meeting. Included in the Appendices of the 2023 PIT Executive Summary is the CoC memo outlining the adopted methodology as well as a copy of the PIT surveys.

Sherry Morgado reviewed the 2023 PIT Survey data tables with the CoC Council, the data tables included:

- Total Number of Unhoused People
- Household Make-up
- Demographics
- Nighttime Habitation
- Chronic Homelessness
- First Time Unhoused
- Disabling Conditions
- Causes of Homelessness
- Barriers to Permanent Housing
- Residency
- Education
- Income and Housing
- Veteran Status
- Domestic Violence
- Youth
- Legal System Involvement
- Moving Forward as a Community

The 2023 PIT Executive Summary will be uploaded onto the CoC Website and emailed to of the CoC membership immediately following the meeting.

Anastacia Snyder, Chairperson asked for questions from the CoC Council and the CoC membership. There was one question regarding data for children 0-5. The data included in the Executive Summary for children is not broken down by age.

A motion was made to approve the 2023 PIT Executive Summary as presented.

a. 2023 PIT Executive Summary

Motion: Ed Mayer
Second: Keesha Hills
Opposed: None
Abstain: None

4. DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION TRAINING AND PRACTICE LAB INTRODUCTION - INFORMATION

Presenting: Mercedes Frierson, ACTION to Healing, LLC.

Mercedes Frierson provided an overview and introduction to the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Training/Practice Lab to be provided in a 4 month series which starts on July 7, 2023. The training series is July 27, 2023, August 31, 2023, September 28, 2023 and October 26, 2023. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Training topics will be as follows:

- The Intersection of Racism & Homelessness
- Trauma Informed Care Homeless Service Delivery
- Implicit Bias Thinking & Bias Behaviors
- Cultural Humility as Harm Reduction

5. LEAD AGENCY, COLLABORATIVE APPLICANT, ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY UPDATES – INFORMATION

Erin Murray announced an opportunity for HMIS. Butte Countywide Homeless CoC will be a part of an advanced user group through Cloudburst technical assistance. Butte County, as the HMIS lead, was selected as one of the twelve agencies to participate due to how successful the CoC has been in utilizing HMIS.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS – INFORMATION

- Governance Committee –Erin Murray states the committee is still working on the Rapid Rehousing Policy and will be meeting again to finalize the policy.
- HMIS Coordinated Entry Committee – June meeting cancelled and next meeting is in July.
- Households with Children – Meeting first Tuesday everyone month at 1pm by zoom. Working on back to school event planning to collect backpacks, school supplies, etc. An event will be held at the Boys and Girls Club in Chico and Paradise in early August.
- Chronic Homelessness Committee – Haven't met since last CoC Meeting. Next meeting June 21, 2023 at 1:30pm. If interested in being member email Shelly Storkan or Lorena Reed.
- Youth Homelessness Committee – Haven't met since last CoC Meeting. Next meeting June 14, 2023 at 12:30pm by zoom.
- Veterans Committee - Not in attendance to report.
- Household Items Group - Met on June 1st and developed a draft procedure. Started a process on how to open up a fund with the North Valley Community Foundation and currently working on making up a name for the

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fund. Once name of fund is determined the flyer will be developed and sent to everyone in August or September. Next meeting is July 20th and if anyone would like to attend send email to Jay Coughlin.

- Equity Committee - First Equity Committee Meeting will be June 29, 2023 2pm to 4pm. Invites to be sent out.

7. COALITION AND JURISDICTION REPORTS/UPDATES – INFORMATION:

- No Coalition/Jurisdiction Reports provided

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- None

9. NEXT MEETING – Monday July 17, 2023

Butte County Department of Employment & Social Services to host Virtual Meeting

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Anastacia Snyder, Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 2:56pm