



Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care

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Special Council Member Meeting Minutes
Monday – August 19, 2024 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
In Person Hosted by: Butte County Employment & Social Services

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Amber Abney-Bass, Jesus Center
Josh Indar, BCOE
Tracey Johnstone, City of Oroville
Brad Brunner, Caminar
Anastacia Snyder, Catalyst
Ann Winters, Catalyst
Jennifer Macarthy, City of Chico
Briana Harvey-Butterfield, DESS H&H
Keesha Hills, OSCIA
Tami Ritter, BC Board of Supervisors
Matthew McCoy, DESS
Angie Little, HACB

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sarah Frohock, BCDBH
Ian Clement, Hope Cooperative
Josh Jamison, Oro Hope Center
Steve Culleton, Town of Paradise
Meagan Meloy, BCOE

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Amie Decker, Nation's Finest
Baylee Martin, Enloe Health
Bow Rice, BCDBH
Brittnie Paxman, Jordan Crossing Ministries
Debbie Villasenor, Housing Consultant
Erin Spasbo, DESS

OTHER ATTENDEES CONT:

Kelly Doty, Wayfinder Family Services
Kenneth Huenink, DESS
Laura Smith, DESS
Leslie Johnson, CHAT
Lisa Torres, OSCIA
Lorena Reed, BCDBH
Maisue Thao, Butte College
MaryJo Alonzo, City of Chico
Meagan Massie, New Beginnings
Melody Proebstel, United Way
Monica Soderstrom, Public Health
Nancy Jorth, Youth for Change
Nick Fashing, DESS
Pamela Beeman, Chico Interfaith
Philip Wysocki, TNHB
Rayna Bryson, DESS
Scott Kennelly, BCDBH
Shelly Storkan, BCDBH
Sherry Morgado, Housing Tools
Tara Sullivan-Hames, Butte/Glenn 211
Tracey Gillihan, Butte/Glenn 211
Wendy Lo, DESS
Yesenia Gallegos, CHAT
Jaymee McLaughlin, CUSD
Jennifer Zellers, 6th Street Center for Youth
Halle Brown, NCIHA
Isabel Alaniz-Alvarado, DESS

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 Amber Abney-Bass, Chairperson at 1:00pm. Roll call of the council members conducted and a quorum established. This meeting is being facilitated by Amber Abney-Bass Chairperson and the meeting is being recorded.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – ACTION

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes for June 17, 2024 as presented.

a. June 17, 2024 – CoC Meeting Minutes

Motion: Anastacia Snyder

Second: Brad Brunner

Opposed: None

Abstained: Keesha Hills, Tracey Johnstone and Ann Winters

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes for July 29, 2024 as presented.

b. July 29, 2024 – CoC Meeting Minutes

Motion: Tracey Johnstone

Second: Jennifer Macarthy

Opposed: None

Abstained: Amber Abney-Bass, Briana Harvey-Butterfield, Matt McCoy and Keesha Hills

3. COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT: BUTTE COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – INFORMATION Health Information Exchange & Application Programming Interface Presenting: Bow Rice

Bow Rice, Program Manager Behavioral Health reviewed and explained through a power point presentation the Health Information Exchange and Application Programming Interface which included:

- Interoperability Standards
- SacValley Medshare Health Exchange Information (HIE)
- Application Programming Interface (API)

Brief discussion held on the SacValley Medshare Health Exchange Information (HIE)

4. CoC BUILDS NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY – INFORMATION

E. Murray, CoC Coordinator, shared a newly released notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) which is the CoC Builds Program. This is a nationwide competitive grant opportunity. E. Murray stated that at this time the CoC is soliciting interest in the grant. If a minimum of two agencies express interest, the CoC will draft an application and ranking process.

K. Huenink, DESS, shared the CoC Builds Program Grant is for \$175 million. The NOFO is available for all CoCs nationwide. The specific conditions for this NOFO:

1. Locally Building Supportive Housing
2. \$65 million of the \$175 million dollars for states that have a population of less than 2.5 million people
3. 20% of funding is for operating costs/operating subsidies
4. Grants.Gov System to be used for application submission
5. Any interest send an email to the CoC by August 30, 2024

5. APPROVE THE REVIEW AND RANKING PROCEDURE FOR 2024 PROJECT APPLICATION – ACTION

- a. **FY 2024-2025 NOFO Memo**
- b. **2024 -2025 Review and Ranking Procedures**
- c. **2024 – 2025 Reallocation Process**
- d. **FY 2024 New Application**
- e. **FY 2024 Renewal Application**
- f. **FY 2024 – 2025 NOFO**

S. Morgado, Housing Tools, reviewed and explained the HUD FY 2024-2025 CoC Program NOFO and associated process. The following documents were reviewed:

- FY 2024-2025 NOFO Memo
- 2024 -2025 Review and Ranking Procedures
- 2024 – 2025 Reallocation Process
- FY 2024 New Application
- FY 2024 Renewal Application
- FY 2024 – 2025 NOFO

Some important information/dates:

- This NOFO is for a 2-year period.
- The CoC Consolidated Application and Project Applications are due to HUD no later than 8pm October 30, 2024.
- Renewal applications and new applications must submit an “Intent to Apply” by 5pm on August 23, 2024.
- The CoC is accepting both renewal and new applications.
- All applicant must attend a mandatory orientation at 9am on August 26, 2024.
- All information will be posted to the CoC website, contact S. Morgado at Housing Tools with any questions.

A motion was made to approve the FY 2024-2025 application process with the following clarification under the requested actions of the memo attachment A is the memo and 2 is attachment B.

Motion: Tami Ritter
Second: Tracey Johnstone
Opposed: None
Abstained: None

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

B. Harvey-Butterfield shared that the Housing and Community Development website is being monitored for the release of the Emergency Services Solutions Balance of State Grant and at this time is has not been posted.

B. Harvey-Butterfield stated final contract documents from the State for HHAP 5 are still pending but still on track to release request for proposals (RFP) for late fall/early winter.

B. Harvey-Butterfield shared a reminder the CoC annual elections starts next month and the elections process will be presented at the September meeting for approval. The election will be held during the all-member meeting in November.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS – INFORMATION

Governance Committee – E. Murray stated the Committee has been working on getting the Elections Policy and process ready for the September meeting.

HMIS/CES Committee – E. Murray stated at the last meeting discussion was held on updating the ID Cards and adding the function for an authorized representative within the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Households with Children – J. McLaughlin stated nothing to report no meeting was held last month. Next meeting is in September.

Chronic Homelessness – S0y Storkan stated the Committee met on July 17, 2024 and next meeting is on September 18, 2024. At the meeting on July 17, 2024 representatives from the Department of Rehabilitation did a presentation on different programs offered.

PIT Committee – E. Murray stated the Committee continues to meet monthly to work on getting processes outlined for the review and approval at the all-member meeting in November for the PIT count in January.

Equity Committee – E. Murray stated both the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson needed to step down, thus the Committee will be on hiatus until the end of the year with hopes of resuming in January 2025. Contact E. Murray with any interest in being the Chair of Vice Chair for the Committee.

Youth Homelessness – J. Indar stated committee unable to meet in August due to being busy with back to school. Will be meeting in September.

Veteran’s – M. McCoy stated the last meeting on July 17, 2024 consisted of an open forum regarding the upcoming Stand Down. The Veteran’s Service Office is now offering on site claim support at the VA outpatient clinic. The Veteran’s Justice Outreach now has a peer support specialist as of July 1, 2024. Next meeting is on August 28, 2024.

8. COALITION AND JURISDICTION REPORTS/UPDATES - INFORMATION

Board of Supervisors – Supervisor Ritter mentioned the opening of the Foundation on Park Ave.

Greater Chico Homeless Task Force – Not currently meeting

Greater Oroville Homeless Coalition – No report

City of Chico – J. Macarthy shared the cleanup of the Eaton Cohasset alternative homeless site was successful and the individuals staying there will be staying in a safe and secure facility. City of Chico will continue operating the pallet shelter through the end of the original settlement agreement period. City of Chico is looking at making some modifications or obtain relief from the settlement.

M. Alonzo stated that City of Chico is working on fiscal year reporting for HUD. This fall the planning period for the next consolidated begins. Through Housing Tools, the City will be hosting a series of community meetings and will be communicating meetings through the CoC listserv.

City of Oroville – T. Johnstone announced the City of Oroville is getting closer to completing Mission Esperanza. The City of Oroville is utilizing Butte Community Program to have clean ups going on around the City.

City of Paradise – No report

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

C. Howze, Our Daughter’s Destiny, announced opening up for services for reentry in Oroville at the African American Culture Center. This program assists those previously incarcerated with workforce development, resources, housing assistance, referral services and job placement assistance. In 2025 they be opening a staffing agency.

B. Harvey-Butterfield announced she will be attending a Butte County Board of Supervisor’s meeting on August 24 to present some CoC updates. The updates will be based on the information provided at the last All Member CoC meeting which showed grant programs and service outcomes.

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A. Abney-Bass announced the Council has made it a point to reach out to the City of Chico and the City of Oroville as it pertains to the Supreme Court's decision to better understand some of the local responses. The City of Oroville has a Council meeting tomorrow night and this topic is on the agenda.

A. Abney-Bass announced the launching of two Family Resource Centers in Chico with one at the Jesus Center Renewal Center and one through North Valley Catholic Services. Youth for Change is working on one as well.

**10. NEXT MEETING – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024: COUNCIL MEMBER MEETING
Butte County Department of Employment & Social Services – Virtual Meeting**

11. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 2:38pm.