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Butte County Continuum of Care Councilmember Minutes Monday - August 21, 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

Briana Harvey-Butterfield, DESS H&H

Sarah Frohock, BCDBH

Tami Ritter, BC Board of Supervisors

Emily Pereira, Youth for Change

Ian Clement, Hope Cooperative

Jennifer Macarthy, City of Chico

Marie Demers, City of Chico

Tracy Johnstone, City of Oroville

Josh Jamison, Oroville Hope Center

Ann Winters, Catalyst

Brad Brunner, Caminar

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Marin Hambley, Stonewall

Ed Mayer, HACB

Steve Culleton, Town of Paradise

Meagan Meloy, BCOE

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Teri DuBose, Congressman LaMalfa

Erin Murray, DESS H&H

Stefan Spirk, CAA

Patrick Telles, Legal Services of Northern CA

Jaymee McLaughlin, CUSD

Tracey Gillihan, Butte-Glenn 211

Wendy Lo, DESS H&H

Eduardo Abarca, Ampla Health MMU North

Shelly Storkan, DBH

Monica Soderstrom, Public Health

OTHER ATTENDEES CONT:

Brianna Scott, Aegis Treatment Centers

Melissa Jamison, United Way of Nor Cal

Austin Herbaugh, DESS PIO

Matt McCoy, DESS VSO

Laura Smith, DESS H&H

Debbie Villasenor, Housing Consultant

Isabel Alaniz-Alvarado, DESS H&H

Carnella Marks, ROC

Rayna Bryson, DESS HSP

Kenneth Huenink, DESS H&H

Mary Jo Alonzo, City of Chico

Lorena Reed, BCDBH

Hilary Crosby, Safe Space Chico

Pamela Beeman, Chico Area Interfaith Council

Taylor Bunch, TNHA

Annie Terry, ORM

Josh Jamison, Oroville Hope Center

Shelby Boston, DESS

Nancy Jorth, Youth for Change

Maisue Thao, Butte College

Leslie Johnson, CHAT

Sarah Graham, CHAT

Dee Price, DESS H&H

Lisa Angle, DESS H&H

Jesica Giannola, CHAT

Jolene Hausman, Butte County Child Abuse Council

Troy McClanahan, DESS H&H

Erin Spasbo, 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 conducted by Anastacia Snyder, Chairperson and a quorum was established. This meeting is being facilitated by Anastacia Snyder, Chairperson and the meeting is being recorded.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – ACTION

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

a. July 17, 2023 - CoC Council Meeting Minutes

Motion: Marie Demers Second: Tracy Johnstone

Opposed: None Abstain: None

b. July 31, 2023 - CoC Special Meeting

Motion: Marie Demers Second: Tracy Johnstone

Opposed: None

Abstain: Marie Demers and Anastacia Snyder

3. EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT: BALANCE OF STATE - ACTION

Wendy Lo, DESS H&H reviewed the 2023 ESG BoS memo regarding the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) NOFO release of the 2023 Emergency Solutions Grants Program Balance of State.

The funds are made available in 2 ways:

- 1. Non-Competitive process for Rapid Re-Housing Activities and
- 2. Regional Competitions within geographic regions

Wendy Lo, DESS H&H stated the CoC can elect to set aside 40% or 50% for the Non-Competitive portion of the allocation 40% Non-Competitive Rapid Rehousing and 60% Regional Competition or 50% Non-Competitive Rapid Rehousing and 50% Regional Competition.

The County is recommending the election of the 50% Non-Competitive Rapid Rehousing and 50% Regional Competition

Brief discussion held on the 2023 ESG BoS funds.

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A motion to approve the County recommendation of the 50% Non-Competitive Rapid Rehousing and 50% Regional Competition split for the 2023 ESG BoS allocation.

Motion: Tracy Johnstone Second: Brad Brunner

Opposed: None Abstain: None

4. COMMUNITY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT - INFORMATION

Presenting Allan Dikes, Oroville Rescue Mission

Allan Dikes, Oroville Rescue Mission Executive Director stated the Oroville Rescue Mission was established in 1964 with very humble beginnings but has grown over the years. Allan stated the Oroville Rescue Mission provides services to those in need. An overview was given of what services are provided at the Oroville Rescue Mission which includes providing 3 meals a day, shower facilities, clean clothes, heating and cooling centers and the emergency shelter with 49 beds for men and 14 beds for the woman. There are 2 rooms available for women with children and the New Life recovery program with 19 people enrolled.

Oroville Rescue Mission has a resource center available to assist clients with case management and other services which includes: resume building, bus passes, clothing vouchers, housing navigating, job search, computer labs, ID documents, hygiene kits.

Allan Dikes stated in collaboration with the City of Oroville the Esperanza Project will start construction any time. The construction of the Esperanza Project should be completed by January 2024 and fully functional by the end of February. The Esperanza Project will 20 beds for men and 20 beds for woman with onsite wrap around services focusing on comprehensive case management. Also 30 pallet shelters will be available to house at least 2 people per unit with 5 ADA pallet shelters with 1 person per unit. There will be a safe parking area for vehicles and RV's, camping and a community area, shower and laundry facilities. The Esperanza Project will be taking referrals.

Allan Dikes reviewed the steps that Oroville Rescue Mission takes when connecting with the homeless population and those in need with appropriate services.

5. CHICO/GENESIS PALLET SHELTER UPDATE - INFORMATION

Amber Abney-Bass, Jesus Center stated the 2nd part of the enforcement has started at Depot Park. There are 20 available units for individuals at the Genesis Pallet Shelter. There are 196 people now at the Genesis Pallet Shelter with 40 units being shared. There have been 57% male, 42% female and 1% other than male/female who have held occupancy to the Genesis Pallet Shelter since opening. There are 92 dogs, 3 cats, 1 bird and possibly a lizard.

There have been 9 people from the Genesis Pallet Shelter who have obtained independent housing within one year of being in the Genesis Pallet Shelter. There have been several individuals whom have opted not to come back to the Genesis Pallet Shelter within 72 hours due to various reasons. Since the opening of the Pallet Shelter in April

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2022 there have been 315 individuals come to the shelter with 86 of those individuals not returning due to various reasons. There have been 64 individuals who departed due to violation of code of conduct.

Brief discussion held on departed individuals from the Genesis Pallet Shelter

6. CoC PROGRAM GRANT - INFORMATION

Erin Murray, CoC Coordinator reminded everyone the CoC Program Grant application either for New Project or Renewal are due today 8/21/23 at 5pm to Sherry Morgado and James Coles at Housing Tools. jcoles@housing-tools.com and smorgado@housing-tools.com.

Erin Murray, CoC Coordinator reminded everyone to complete the Survey sent out to all CoC membership. This survey has been sent out to CoC membership only. The Consolidated application requires polling the CoC membership on lived expertise of homelessness and domestic violence. The completion of the survey is anonymous.

7. LEAD AGENCY, COLLABORATIVE APPLICANT, ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY UPDATES - INFORMATION:

Briana Harvey-Butterfield, DESS HH announced new staff to the DESS Housing and Homeless team. Kenny Huenink, Analyst who will be working with the ESG BoS process and in addition will be taking the lead on the upcoming HHAP RFP Round 4, Laura Smith a Housing Navigator, Erin Spasbo a Housing Navigator and Dee Price a Housing Navigator.

Briana Harvey-Butterfield, DESS HHome reminded everyone as part of the Equity Subcommittee some technical assistance has been provided which is part of a dedicated series on Diversity training. If interested in participating send Erin Murray an email.

Erin Murray, CoC Coordinator announced a change in Chair and Vice Chair for 2 committees and will be brought to next month's CoC meeting for approval. The Chair for Equity Committee will be Jesica Giannola and Jolene Hausman Vice Chair. The Chair for Households with Children is now Brian Boyer and Jayme McClaughlin Vice Chair.

Erin Murray, CoC Coordinator reminded everyone at next month's meeting the CoC Council Elections Process will be reviewed along with the annual re-adoption of the Elections process. If anyone is interested in running for a CoC Council seat the process will be reviewed at the next meeting.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS - INFORMATION

Chronic Homelessness - Shelly Storkan announced the committee met on Wednesday August 16, 2023 and a presentation/overview was given on the Resilience Empowerment Support Team (REST). Next meeting is October 18th if interested email Shelly Storkan.

HMIS/CES - Troy McClanahan announced the last HMIS/CES meeting was August 14, 2023 the committee reviewed the draft CHO HMIS Quarterly Self Audit Compliance Certification Checklist, the CHO HMIS Self

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Audit Data Quality Checklist and starting working on updating the Policies and Procedures. Next meeting September 11, 2023 at 1pm via zoom.

Equity - Erin Murray announced Jessica Gianola was nominated as Chairperson and Jolene Hausman as Vice-Chairman. The first session of the Diversity, Inclusion and Equity training will be July 27, 2023.

Youth Homeless - Emily Pereira announced meeting in August and discussed the November events coming up and getting the events planned. There are a lot of events coming up which include a silent disco, candles for sale, candle making, wear green day and the vigil. Next meeting September 11.

Governance - Erin Murray announced the last scheduled meeting was cancelled and next meeting is September 13, 2023 at 10am. If interested connect with Erin.

Household with Children - Jaymee McLaughlin announced the committee did not meet in July but did meet in June. This update is for June meeting: Partnered with Youth for Change, Boys and Girls Club, DESS and Chico Unifed for some back to school events. There were about 250 students come through for school supplies in Chico and unknown amount in Paradise.

Veteran's - Matt McCoy announced last meeting was August 16, 2023 and a presentation was given by Nikki Balboa, VA regarding the Veteran's Justice Outreach Program. Also received a stand down update from Dr. LaRiviere and the need for volunteers. Next meeting on September 27, 2023.

Household Items - Erin Murray announced still working with North Valley Community Foundation on the flyer and OR code for fundraiser.

9. COALITION AND JURISDICTION REPORTS/UPDATES - INFORMATION

Greater Chico Area Homeless Task Force - Ann Winters announced two new executive team members Bryan Boyer and Ed Howelit and the Task Force is currently looking to secure a place to hold an in person meeting on September 21, 2023 at 10am.

Greater Oroville Area Homeless Task Force - Josh Jamison announced nothing new to report.

Tami Ritter, BOS - announced 2 contracts that have gone through, one related to the Opiod Settlement for a Sobering Center and another related to Johnson House and Treatment.

City of Chico - no updates for the City of Chico.

City of Oroville - no updates for the City of Oroville.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tracey Gillihan, Butte/Glenn 211 announced appointments are being made on Sundays to enter clients into Coordinated Entry.

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11. UPCOMING MEETING -

Tuesday September 5, 2023 Special Meeting Monday September 18, 2023 Council Member Meeting Butte County Department of Employment & Social Services to host Virtual Meeting

12. ADJOURN:

Anastacia Snyder, Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 1:45pm