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Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care

LGBTQ+ and People of Color Committee

Thursday, AUGUST 28, 2021

2 P.M. to 3 P.M.

Butte County Employment and Social Services – Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

Zoom Link: +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marin Hambley (they/them)
Dawn Blackhorse (she/her)
Javi Pinedo (they/them)
Melody Proebstel (she/her)
Rachel Sanchez (she/her)
Erin Murray (she/her)
Ernesto Telly (he/him)
Tami Ritter (she/her)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Bobby Jones
Carolina Cruz
Elisa Rawlinson
Emily Bateman

Katya Ponce-Sanchez
Mark Alvidrez
Pahua Thao

Suzanne Dolan
Siana Sonoquie

OTHER ATTENDEES:

RECORDING: None available.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Marin Hambley at 2pm, who facilitated the meeting.
2. **INTRODUCTIONS:** All Members in attendance introduced themselves.
3. **APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES**
 - a. Waived, will vote next week
4. Review of Survey Questions (SEE BELOW) - **Voting Item**
 - a. **Motion: Marin Hambley**
 - b. **Second: Melody P**
 - i. **No abstentions**
 - ii. **No nays**
 - iii. **Yays: 7**
5. Discussion of Plan to Present Questions to COC for committee approval
 - a. frame it within ESG funding and state funding
 - b. Agenda item
 - c. Have folks read attached, don't read it over during meeting
6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
 - a. Melody: should we come up with suggestions for COC for evaluating ESG applications
 1. requiring training to receive funding
 2. Evaluation question on ESG applications
 - a. Something around: How does or how will your program and/or agency identify and address racial disparities?
 - b. Has or will your project include prioritizations to address disproportionate impacts that homelessness and COVID-19 has on communities of color, particularly Black, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander, and Native and Indigenous communities?
 - c. What marketing and communication strategies have been used or will be used to increase equitable access to your project?
7. The meeting was adjourned at 3 P.M.

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SURVEY QUESTIONS FOR COC PROVIDERS

DESCRIPTION: The LGBTQ+ and POC Sub-committee of the Butte County Continuum of Care is looking to better understand the experiences of different LGBTQ+ people and People of Color working within COC participating agencies within the last five years, and those individuals attempting to access services from the various agencies participating in the COC. This survey will remain anonymous, and individual responses will not be shared outside of the team analyzing the data, and will not be shared with any employers. Any data collected will be summarized into trends and statistics before sharing. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Marin Hambley, marin@stonewallchico.org; Pahua Thao, pthao1@buttecounty.net

Note: If you don't feel comfortable accessing this from a company/agency computer or email, you can access the survey directly from the COC website, or Stonewall's website here:

1. Demographics questions:
 - i. Do you currently hold, or have you held a position (paid or volunteer) at a participating agency in the Butte County Continuum of Care within the last five years?
 1. Answers: Yes I currently hold, Yes I previously held, No, Other
 2. ***skip logic question; End survey if answer is "no"**
 - ii. How long have you worked within COC participating agencies (including if you've worked for more than one agency)?
 - iii. How many COC agencies have you worked for?
 - iv. Do you identify within the LGBTQ+ community?
 - v. Do you identify within the Transgender, Gender Non-conforming, and/or Non-binary community?
 - vi. Do you identify as a Person of Color?
 - vii. Which role best describes your position in your current agency?
 1. Note of answer options: supervisor, management, administrative, line staff, direct services, part-time, contract, volunteer, board member
2. Has your agency taken steps that you know of to be more inclusive of LGBTQ+ folks?
 - i. Yes, No, Maybe/Not sure
3. Has your agency taken steps that you know of to be more inclusive of People of Color?
 - i. Yes, No, Maybe/Not sure
4. Are you comfortable being who you are at work?
 - i. Scale of 1 to 5
5. What is your comfort discussing race in your workplace?
 - i. Scale of 1 to 5

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6. What is your comfort discussing gender in your workplace?
 - i. Scale of 1 to 5
7. Do you know someone who identifies as a Person of Color who works at your agency?
 - i. Yes, No, Maybe/Not sure
8. Do you know someone who identifies as LGBTQ+ who works at your agency?
 - i. Yes, No, Maybe/Not sure
9. Have you experienced or have you witnessed any other employees experiencing harassment or discrimination based on race from your coworkers or colleagues? (Answers: Yes I experienced; Yes I witnessed; No)
 - i. If yes, did you feel comfortable reporting?
 - ii. What happened? Was it addressed? How was it addressed? What follow up did you see?
10. Have you experienced or have you witnessed any other employees experiencing harassment or discrimination based on gender, or sexuality from your coworkers or colleagues? (Answers: Yes I experienced; Yes I witnessed; No)
 - i. If yes, did you feel comfortable reporting?
 - ii. What happened? Was it addressed? How was it addressed? What follow up did you see?
11. Have you experienced or have you witnessed any other employees experiencing harassment or discrimination based on race from clients or the people your agency is serving? (Answers: Yes I experienced; Yes I witnessed; No)
 - i. If yes, did you report it?
 - ii. Did you feel comfortable reporting?
 - iii. What happened? What follow up did you see?
12. Have you experienced or have you witnessed any other employees experiencing harassment or discrimination based on gender or sexuality from clients or the people your agency is serving? (Answers: Yes I experienced; Yes I witnessed; No)
 - i. If yes, did you report it?
 - ii. Did you feel comfortable reporting?
 - iii. What happened? What follow up did you see?
13. Have you heard negative or inappropriate comments about your or another person's race in your workplace from colleagues?
 - i. If yes, did you feel comfortable reporting?
 - ii. What happened? Was it addressed? How was it addressed? What follow up did you see?
14. Have you heard negative or inappropriate comments about your or another person's gender or sexuality in your workplace from colleagues?
 - i. If yes, did you feel comfortable reporting?

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- ii. What happened? Was it addressed? How was it addressed? What follow up did you see?
15. Have you heard negative or inappropriate comments about your or another person's race in your workplace from clients?
 - i. If yes, did you feel comfortable reporting?
 - ii. What happened? Was it addressed? How was it addressed? What follow up did you see?
16. Have you heard negative or inappropriate comments about your or another person's gender or sexuality in your workplace from clients?
 - i. If yes, did you feel comfortable reporting?
 - ii. What happened? Was it addressed? How was it addressed? What follow up did you see?
17. Have you experienced a client being resistant to services because of your gender or sexuality?
 - i. If yes, is this something you felt comfortable talking to your supervisor/coworkers with?
 - ii. If you did talk about it with your team, did you get the support you needed/wanted from that conversation?
18. Have you experienced a client being resistant to services because of your race?
 - i. If yes, is this something you felt comfortable talking to your supervisor/coworkers with?
 - ii. If you did talk about it with your team, did you get the support you needed/wanted from that conversation?
19. Have you had to change positions at your job, or leave a position due to factors of discrimination/harassment based on your race, gender, and/or sexuality?
 - i. If yes, which factor played a role? (Check all that apply: gender, sexuality, race, other)
20. Do you believe you have been fired, denied a promotion, or demoted due to factors of discrimination/harassment based on your race, gender, and/or sexuality?
 - i. If yes, which factor played a role? (Check all that apply: gender, sexuality, race, other)
21. Are you aware of the procedures for reporting incidents of discrimination/bias at your workplace?
 - a. If YES
 - i. Does this policy include follow-up actions?
 - ii. How does this policy get evaluated?
 - iii. Do you have faith in this policy?
 - iv. Do you feel like the policy is comprehensive? Do you feel like the policy is missing anything?
 1. If yes, please explain: Long answer format

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- v. Have you seen this policy be effective?
 - vi. Have you utilized this reporting procedure before?
22. Does your workplace offer and/or require LGBTQ+ cultural competency training?
 - i. Check all that apply: No, Yes it is offered, Yes it is required
 23. Does your workplace offer and/or require anti-racism training?
 - i. Check all that apply: No, Yes it is offered, Yes it is required
 24. Have you felt tokenized at your workplace? Or have you ever felt like others at your workplace have considered you a token representative of your identity?
 - i. define token
 25. Have you ever observed different treatment, including for example different enforcement of policies, towards clients of a certain race who are participating in your agency's services?
 - i. If yes, was this an isolated incident? Is this consistent behavior exhibited by that individual employee? Do you believe this is agency culture?
 26. Have you ever observed different treatment, including for example different enforcement of policies, towards clients of a certain gender or sexuality who are participating in your agency's services?
 - i. If yes, was this an isolated incident? Is this consistent behavior exhibited by that individual employee? Do you believe this is agency culture?
 27. Have you ever observed someone being disqualified or exited from services where you believe their race played a role in that decision?
 - i. If yes, was this an isolated incident? Is this consistent behavior exhibited by that individual employee? Do you believe this is agency culture?
 28. Have you ever observed someone being disqualified or exited from services where you believe their gender and/or sexuality played a role in that decision?
 - i. If yes, was this an isolated incident? Is this consistent behavior exhibited by that individual employee? Do you believe this is agency culture?
 29. Is there anything else you'd like to share?