



Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care

Chronic Homelessness Committee

Wednesday, April 20, 2022

1:30 PM to 3:00 PM

Via Zoom

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Elisa Rawlinson, DESS HH
Erin Murray, DESS HH
Kaitlyn Sherrill, DESS HH
Lori LaRiviere, MD, TNHA/BOD
Lorena Reed, Behavioral Health
Tracey Gillihan, Help Central

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Ashely Husted, TNHA
Aimee Decker, Nation's Finest
Debra Taylor, NorCal VA
Erin Spasbo, DESS HH
Hilary Crosby, Safe Space
Debra Taylor, NorCal VA
Lisa Hedemark, TNHA
Melissa Jamison, United Way
Michael Wright, DESS HH
Patricia Acevedo, TNHA

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Briana Harvey-Butterfield, DESS HH
Charles Withuhn, CHAT
Deanna Schwab, Safe Space
Don Taylor, DESS HH
John Mitchell, ORM
Leslie Johnson, CHAT
Nancy Morgans-Ferguson, Shalom Clinic
Sarah Frohock, Behavioral Health
Shelly Storkan, Behavioral Health
Tara Sullivan Hames, Help Central

RECORDING:

Erin Murray

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Erin Murray at 1:32 PM
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Unable to approve October 20, 2021, December 15, 2021, and February 16, 2022 minutes. Minutes tabled until next meeting.
- 3. INTRODUCTIONS/UPDATES:** Dr. Lori LaRiviere, the co-chair for the Veterans Stand Down stated that they are moving forward with the Stand Down at the end of September 2022. They are seeking anyone who has information on where we can find our homeless Veterans within the County, or if anyone is

interested in working at the Stand Down, visit: ButteCountyStandDown.org. She is also working on her Medical Professional Cooperation, providing enhanced case management to the homeless population, suffering from either mild to moderate mental illness. The intention is to have a portable RV-type office space, where they can give services to multiple locations, such as encampments and shelters hoping to get funding through the enhanced case management, from CalAIM. For more information contact Dr. Lori at: drlorila@gmail.com. P. Acevedo, of True Northern Housing Alliance stated that they have 96 individuals at the shelters right now, so there are beds available. If they have stayed at the shelter before, they just need to call for an appointment. H. Crosby, of Safe Space let the committee know they are going to have volunteer opportunities and trainings becoming available. She is also creating a nonprofit called Outreach to Outcomes, based out of Butte, Glenn and Tehama Counties providing targeted case management to vulnerable populations.

4. **AGENCY PRESENTATION – TRUE NORTH HOUSING ALLIANCE:** A. Husted with True North Housing Alliance (TNHA) gave an overview of what intake looks like for an individual seeking shelter at their agency. Upon check-in there is information that must be gathered to show that the client qualifies for their services. Once they have been accepted, they are given a case manager. TNHA is a 24/7 shelter, their intake hours are from 2PM - 4PM. Intake hours can vary if the police or Behavioral Health are the ones referring/dropping off the client. Services that are provided are: showers, restrooms and laundry, mail can be held or received at the shelter after the client is gone. TNHA works with Show Love, a thrift store that helps provide clothes for those in need. There are 4 case managers: Lisa Hedemark, helping with Veterans/mental health issues; Patricia Acevedo, with harm reduction/Probation; Lauren (no last name given), who helps with APS/domestic violence victims and Catt Ashby, who helps with our youth and youth addicts. E. Murray added that she is looking for volunteers to do an agency presentations at one of the next meetings.
5. **COORDINATED ENTRY COMMUNITY QUEUES:** E. Rawlinson presented information on status of community queues. We are going to organize our Coordinated Entry (CE) list into queues, to better match our clients into the housing available in our community. On the last page of the packet, the 4 four queues that have been approved by the HIMS/CES committee are listed. Individuals are able to be in multiple queues at once. Track characteristics will be built into the HMIS system, providing for a way to better connect individuals with our housing providers. Because the VI-SPADT assessment has been causing issues with equity, we are redoing the assessment making the enrollment process very simple and will have minimal questions.
6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Dr Lori LaRiviere stated that it would be a good idea to try and connect the leaders of the CoC with CalAIM. L. Hedemark, TNHA stated that they are beginning their second phase of construction, but will continue in-taking clients throughout the renovation.
7. **NEXT MEETING:** *The next CoC Council Meeting will be on Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at 1:30 PM.*

8. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:57 PM