



## Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care

### **BUTTE COUNTYWIDE HOMELESS CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL MEMBER MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, September 20, 2021**

**1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.**

#### **Zoom Option Hosted by Butte County Employment & Social Services**

##### **COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Angela McLaughlin, Greater Chico Homeless Taskforce  
Ed Mayer, Housing Authority of the County of Butte  
Joy Amaro, True North Housing Alliance  
Marin Hambley, Stonewall Alliance/Safe Space  
Meagan Meloy, Butte County Office of Education  
Keesha Hills, OSCIA  
Sarah Frohock, Butte County Dept. of Behavioral Health  
Tami Ritter, Butte County Board of Supervisors  
Josh Jamison, Oroville Hope Center/Alternate  
Anastacia Snyder, Catalyst Domestic Violence Services  
Don Taylor, Butte County DESS Housing & Homeless  
John Mitchell, Christian Faith Center  
Thomas Tenorio, Community Action Agency  
Michael O'Brien, Butte County Board of Supervisors

##### **OTHER ATTENDEES:**

Josiah Vasey, Butte-Glenn 2-1-1  
Wendy Lo, DESS Housing and Homeless  
Jay Coughlin, DESS Housing and Homeless  
Michael Wright, DESS Housing and Homeless  
Crystal Hutchinson, Children's Services  
MaryJo Alonzo, City of Chico  
John Fleming, Ampla Health  
Patrick Telles, Legal Services of Northern CA  
Isabel Alaniz-Alverado, DESS Housing and Homeless  
Kathleen Sweeney, BC Tami Ritter's office  
Mary Kay Benson, NSST and Butte County Shelter for All  
Nancy Jorth, Youth for Change  
Melody Proebstel, United Way  
Melissa Jamison, UWNC  
Moriah McGillm, NCIHA  
Pahua Thao, DESS Housing and Homeless  
Nick Fashing, DESS Adult Services  
Erin Murray, DESS Housing and Homeless  
Tara Sullivan-Hames, Butte/Glenn 2-1-1  
John Zepeda, Butte County Veterans Service Office  
Susan Wilson, Safe Space

##### **OTHER ATTENDEES, CONT'D:**

Debra Lucero, Butte County Supervisor, District 2  
Debbie Villasenor, Housing Consultant  
Rachel DeLeon, DESS  
Kevin Thompson, OSCIA  
Laura Cootsona, Jesus Center  
Ann Winters, Catalyst Domestic Violence Services  
Sawyer Lamontagne, CHAT  
Shelly Storkan, BCDBH  
Caitlin Davis-Rivers, CHAT  
Lorena Reed, BCDBH  
Luann Manss, Caring Choices  
Leslie Johnson, CHAT  
Hilary Crosby, Caring Choices  
Scott Kennelly, BCDBH  
Amber Abney-Bass, Jesus Center  
Dawn Blackhorse, Butte College

##### **COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Stephanie Hayden, Oroville Hope Center  
Steve Culleton, Town of Paradise  
Emily Bateman, Youth for Change/6th Street  
Eric Smith, City of Oroville  
Marie Demers, City of Chico

##### **CoC COORDINATOR:**

Briana Harvey-Butterfield, DESS Housing & Homeless

##### **RECORDING:**

Kyle Prieto, DESS Housing & Homeless

##### **ZOOM MONITOR:**

Elisa Rawlinson, DESS Housing & Homeless

## ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- 1. CONVENE MEETING AND ESTABLISH QUORUM:** The meeting was called to order by Anastacia Snyder at 1:10 p.m. This meeting is being recorded. Roll call for Council Members was completed by Anastacia Snyder. It was determined there are enough Council Members for a Quorum. No field introductions were done. If you would like your name listed as an attendee please type your name and agency in the chat box. Michael O'Brien was welcomed to his first CoC meeting. CoC meetings will remain virtual for the foreseeable future to ensure health safety.
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made to approve the CoC meeting minutes for;  
A) CoC Council Member Meeting of August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021, B) CoC Special Meeting 2021 ESG BoS of August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and C) CoC Special Meeting 2021 CoC Program of September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. No changes were noted for minutes.

Motion: Ed Mayer  
Second: Tom Tenorio  
Opposed: None  
Abstain: Michael O'Brien
- 3. Funding Opportunities Update:** Briana Harvey-Butterfield started by explaining that the current funding opportunities memo that is on the CoC website is the most current and up to date version and a copy was included in the agenda packet. Under the HHAP 1 & 2 category there was a date change to when proposals are due to the county, which is October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The ESG BoS funding that is available through the CoC has \$338,560 available, 50% of which is competitive and the other 50% is non-competitive. Applications are due to the CoC September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and are available on the HCD website. Once the application is approved the projects will be entered into eCivis no later than October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The CoC Program funding that is made available through the CoC Competition has a total of \$741,596 which also includes the annual renewal demand. Applications for this grant are due to the CoC by October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and all approved projects will be submitted by November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Briana has sent out an invitation to an orientation that is scheduled for September 21, 2021, this is a virtual meeting. The HHAP 1 & 2 funding is made available through the County Request for Proposal process. HHAP 1 has \$2,528,299.44 and HHAP 2 has \$1,176,787.92 available. Proposals are due to the county by October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and the contract commencement will be on December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 upon the Board of Supervisors approval. Erin Murray speaks about the timeline extension for HHAP proposals and how it is beneficial for more agencies to consider all the additional funding sources. Notices of intent for the HHAP fund are due to the county Wednesday September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and should be submitted at [hhsupport@buttecounty.net](mailto:hhsupport@buttecounty.net). Proposals are now due to the county on Friday October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Briana Harvey-Butterfield reviewed a memo regarding the ESG BoS Review and Ranking Committee members, the deadline and when the committee will be meeting.
- 4. Lead Agency Information, Collaborative Applicant & Administrative Entity Updates:** Don Taylor reported on the ESG and annual CoC funding opportunities, including the HHAP 1 & 2. The Housing and Homeless staff have been finishing up the reporting process for HEAP which includes 3 different reports that are needing to be submitted to the state. It was reported that staff members have been attending training conferences in regard to BitFocus/ Clarity/HMIS programs. New features are in the works and will be available in the future. In October there will be staff sent to NHSDC conference, which drives public policy and improvements. Adjustments to training and/or HMIS may be necessary for the CoC.

- 5. Committee Reports:** Housing and Homeless reported that the governance did not meet this month. Chronically homeless committee reported via Shelley that their Mission Statement is completed and their next meeting will be next month, the date was not available. Elisa Rawlinson had the date set at 1:30-3:30 on October 20<sup>th</sup> for the next meeting. The Chronic Homeless committee will only be meeting once every two months on the third Wednesday, that schedule has been updated on the website. HMIS/CES committee is still meeting every month, talking points include allocating local priority points, providing updated guidance for users to ensure priority points are acceptably allocated. The programing of HMIS is being updated. Client demographic information will now be stored on the client level tabs rather than only in the enrollment page, which not all partnering agencies have access to. This is beneficial to effective case management. The LGBTQ/People of Color community committee, Stonewall Alliance representative Marin Hambley spoke and stated that a meeting occurred last month and they were able to finalize survey questions. Waiting for CoC approval to distribute questionnaire, the next meeting is the last Wednesday of this month at 2:00 p.m. Youth homelessness was the next committee to speak, Sarah Frohock shared that the second edition of writing for doughnuts release is on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Households with Children, Megan Meloy spoke, they last met on September 7<sup>th</sup>. They discussed how to better use Federal funds to assist homeless students including mental health support, socio-economic support and academic support i.e. tutoring. Veterans committee, meets every 6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, John Zepeda reported, next meeting is the 29<sup>th</sup> of September. The biggest upcoming event is the “Butte County Stand Down” on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Chico Elks Lodge. Volunteer forms available through Amanda Gaylord with CHAT, an e-mail is being sent to Briana to distribute to all partnering agencies to be able to volunteer. Briana Harvey-Butterfield updated on “Point in Time”, last meeting was on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Survey questions were finalized and began discussions on methodology and potential hub locations. Next scheduled meeting is September 29<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-4:00 and going forward meetings will occur every two weeks. Invitation for interested parties to participate on the “Point in Time” Committee was extended.
- 6. COMMITTEE & JURISDICTIONAL REPORTS/UPDATES:** Sister coalitions were called on for updates, Angela McLaughlin with the Chico coalition responded, AGIS will be presenting next month. Oroville coalition was not present. Paradise coalition was not present. A jurisdictional report from council member Ritter on behalf of council member Lucero, there are challenges with the coordinated entry system. Concerns were raised about the temporary resting site at the Chico airport and the lack of communication between the clients and getting access to CES. A call for more attention and priority toward making services available to the public was raised. Tara Sullivan-Hames responded on behalf of Butte/Glenn 211. Supervisor Ritter expressed a desire to do more to support Butte/Glenn 211 via funding and personnel to better assist the public. Anastacia posed the question as to whether this topic of discussion would be better served at a committee level rather than the CoC level. A response from Debbie Villasenor was given, she stated that this narrative has been expressed for at least the past five years at the committee level and it is most prudent to have it being discussed at the higher CoC level. Ed Mayer with Housing Authority of the County of Butte, gave an update on the emergency vouchers, had 116 vouchers and all but approximately 10 are allocated. 75% of participants have been qualified, and 30-35 family have requests for tenancy approval.
- 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None
- 8. NEXT MEETING:** Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Butte County Department of Employment and Social Services to host In Person & Virtual Meeting in Oroville, 78 Table Mountain Blvd.

**9. Adjourned: 2:02 P.M.**