



Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care

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MINUTES OF ALL-MEMBER MEETING

Monday, November 18th, 2019

Housing Authority of the County of Butte

2039 Forest Avenue-Chico, CA

MEMBERS WITH VOTING:

John Fleming	Monica Soderstrom	Lisa Currier
Mia Kirk	Meagan Meloy	Tara Sullivan Hames
Dawn Blackhorse	Bradley Brunner	Ed Mayer
Cathleen Oimet	Anastacia Snyder	Debbie Villasenor
Marie Demers	Thomas Tenorio	Sherrise Allen
Eric Smith	Tammi Ritter	Laura Cootsona
Crystal Mourad	Annie Terry	Annie Terry
Joy Amaro	Emily Bateman	Alex Brown
Javi Pinedo	Don Taylor	Joe Henderson
Scott Huber	Scott Rich	Erna Friedeberg

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Stefan Spirk	Linda Draper
Staci Parisi	Brianna Harvery Butterfield
Patricia Barrios	Crystal Howard
Jaclyn Mattson	Gene Azparren
Nancy Jorth	Ana Vicuna
Tim Hawkins	John Mitchell
Jessica Ridgley	Amber Benedict

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Krystal Tyranowski

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by CoC/Council Chair Tom Tenorio at 1:11 P.M.

- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** No prior All-CoC meeting minutes were available for approval at this meeting.
- 2. INTRODUCTIONS:** All members present introduced themselves.
- 3. REVIEW OF AGENDA:** T. Tenorio welcomed all members and reviewed the importance of the All-Member Meeting.
- 4. ELECTION OF 2020 COC COUNCIL MEMBERS:** M Demers and A Snyder of the Elections Committee briefly reviewed the voting process and the positions up for election at the current time of the meeting. Ballots were distributed to all voting representatives at 1:20 p.m. and then collected shortly afterward. The Elections Committee announced that the elections results will be released to members by November 20th, 2019.
- 5. RECOMMENDATION TO DESIGNATE COUNTY IN CoC SUPPORT ROLES:** T. Tenorio reviewed a memo that had been issued prior to the meeting that provided details of the issue being discussed. The intent of the memo was to provide information that the CoC could use to take action today. He reported that the CoC is

required to fill particular roles with legal entities in order to be in compliance with HUD. The three major roles that support the work of the Continuum of Care are filled per the vote of the entire Continuum of Care and not just the Council even though the Council is the designated decision-making body of the CoC. T. Tenorio shared that, while the CoC has been able to meet its expectations from funding sources for 10 years, the administrative demands are increasing and it is vital that the capacity within the Continuum of Care meets the ongoing demands being placed upon the support roles of the Continuum of Care. The County of Butte has expressed a clear interest in expanding its involvement with and the support of the Continuum of Care. That interest has taken the form of actions to create a new staff unit with the Department of Employment and Social Services (DESS) to take on the responsibilities related to coordination of housing and homeless issues of the County.

To aid the CoC in its considerations E Mayer of the Housing Authority and T Tenorio of the Community Action Agency of Butte County, Inc. presented their thoughts regarding the progression of the Continuum of Care and how important it is for the CoC to expand its capacities to do more in light of the increased attention and funding that is possible for the area. This interest was also expressed by other stakeholders in the CoC including the HMIS Committee and the Coordinated Entry System Committee. Should the CoC approve a designation of the County as the entity to occupy the required support roles then it was expressed that it does not mean that the CoC will be a “County-directed CoC”. Rather it will be a “County-supported CoC” and that the CoC Council will still have a vital and indispensable role in the CoC with the support of the County of Butte. It would mean that the Coordination-function would no longer reside at the Housing Authority of the County of Butte. D. Taylor added that it would be in the best interest of the CoC to emulate the precedents of other Continuums across the state that have engaged their Counties in coordinating the Continuums of Care. It was agreed upon by 27 voting members with 1 abstention that the County of Butte be designated as: a) CoC Lead Agency for the Continuum of Care, b) HMIS Lead Agency and c) Collaborative Applicant in support of the CoC. This designation will be in effect for a term of up to 3 years, the maximum allowed for in the CoC Governance Charter.

M/S/C: Cootsona - Smith

- 6. APPOINTMENT OF VACANT COUNCIL MEMBER POSITION:** T. Tenorio reported the request to have the Homeless/Formerly Homeless Representative Nomination be taken until December 20th, 2019 and to authorize the appointment of the Homeless/Formerly Homeless Representative at the January 2020 Continuum of Care meeting. All members within attendance were within agreement of the action. **M/S/C: Amaro - Snyder**

- 7. RECOMMENDATION TO AMEND CHARTER RE: ELECTION OF HOMELESS OR FORMERLY HOMELESS TO THE COUNCIL:** T. Tenorio reported that the CoC is being requested to approve an amendment to the Governance Charter that eliminated the requirement for the Homeless/ Formerly Homeless Representative to have attended one CoC meeting prior to being nominated. The CoC had discussion on the proposed action. It was further stressed by the Elections Committee the critical necessity that the Homeless/Formerly Homeless Representative position be filled per HUD requirements. Of the members in attendance 25 members were in favor of the amendment and 3 noes.

M/S/C: Mayer-Meloy

- 8. REPORT REGARDING STATUS OF ACTIVITIES TO EXPAND COUNTY SUPPORT OF COC:** D. Taylor reported that there are currently 7 candidates for the position of Program Manager which will function in

the role of CoC Coordinator. An announcement will be made once it is determined who will fill the 4 open positions for the Continuum of Care with the County of Butte. The projected date of these positions to be filled is January 1st, 2020. The cumulative report for the HEAP 30-60-90 day reporting periods will also be made available at a future date. D. Taylor expressed a desire to accomplish two HMIS trainings per month in both Oroville and Chico. The county will also, be applying for Whole Person Care Dollars by means of two separate applications.

- 9. PRESENTATION REGARDING 2020 CENSUS ACTIVITIES RELATING TO HARD-TO-REACH POPULATIONS:** No report was available at this time. A future date for a presentation is TBD.
- 10. REGIONAL TASK FORCE REPORTS:** A. Brown reported that the Greater Chico Homeless Task Force will be having a meeting next Thursday November 21st, 2019 to address the needs of the community and those forced to endure homelessness. The Greater Chico Homeless Task Force has aspirations in pursuance of being a hub for information through the implementation of anonymity to provide an open environment for providers to come together and contribute their input.
- 11. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ NEXT MEETING:** The next Full Member CoC Meeting is to be determined at a future date. E. Bateman reported that there will be three upcoming events for runaway homeless youth: a candlelight vigil, youth art, and a silent auction. D. Villasenor reported there are 101 new housing units in development for low income seniors with 15 of those units set aside for the “No Place Like Home” program. J. Amaro reported that the Rapid Re-Housing program is fully funded. E. Mayer added to the updates that the State of California did not set aside any funding for those affected by the Camp Fire. C. Oimet reported that there are opportunities at Butte County Department of Behavioral Health for people to come every 3rd Wednesday of every month to the Advisory Board Meetings to voice their concerns or to share with the Advisory Board with Behavioral Health.

Next CoC Meeting is to be held on Monday, December 16th, 2019 from 9:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. at the Butte Community Employment Center in Oroville Ca.

ADJOURNED: 2:30 P.M.