

Contra Costa Council on Homelessness Meeting

The Contra Costa Council on Homelessness provides a forum for communication and coordination about the implementation of the County's Strategic Plan to prevent and end homelessness, and for orchestrating a vision on ending homelessness in the County, educating the community on homeless issues, and advocating on federal, state, and local policy issues affecting people who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness. The Council provides advice and input on the operations of homeless services, program operations, and program development efforts in Contra Costa County. Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference of the Council.

AGENDA

Thursday, August 3, 2017, 1:00 – 3:00 pm ZA Room, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553

Age	enda Item	Presenter	Desired Outcomes
1.	Welcome/Introductions	Gabriel Lemus, Chair	Call to order.
2.	Approve Minutes (Action Item)	Gabriel Lemus, Chair	Review and adoption of minutes from the July Council meeting.
3.	Provider Presentations	Jonathan Russell, Bay Area Rescue Mission Kathryn Lee, Catholic Charities	Presentations by Bay Area Rescue Mission and Catholic Charities.
4.	Stand Down on the Delta Update	J.R. Wilson, Delta Veterans Group	Presentation by Delta Veterans Group about upcoming event Stand Down on the Delta.
5.	2017 CoC Program Local Competition (Action Item)	Amanda Wehrman, HomeBase	Review of 2017 CoC Program NOFA and possible action to approve recommended scoring tools and process revisions.
6.	Policy and Advocacy Opportunities (Action Items)	Erica McWhorter, HomeBase	Standing Item. Review of funding advocacy memo. Possible action to establish Policy & Advocacy Cmte. Possible action to establish ad-hoc Cmte for Homelessness Awareness Month (November).
7.	HUD System Performance Measures	Dana Ewing, H3	Review of CoC system performance measures data submitted to HUD.
8.	Senior Homelessness Panel Report Out	Erica McWhorter, HomeBase	Report out on Senior Homelessness Panel at the July CoC Quarterly Meeting.
9.	Committee Updates	Amanda Wehrman, HomeBase Juliana Pooley, H3	Standing Item. Report out on Consumer Advisory and Coordinated Entry Cmtes.
10.	Built for Zero Update	Jaime Jenett, H3	Standing Item. Update on progress on the Built for Zero campaign.
11.	Nuts & Bolts	All	Standing Item. Community announcements.
12.	Pin it	All	Standing Item. Future items of discussion and scheduling to be considered.

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS

Acronym	Definition		
AHAR	Annual Homeless Assessment Report		
APR	Annual Performance Report (for HUD homeless programs)		
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant (CPD program – federal)		
CSBG	Community Services Block Grant		
Continuum of Care	Continuum of Care approach to assistance to the homeless		
CoC	Federal grant program stressing permanent solutions to homelessness		
Con Plan	Consolidated Plan, a locally developed plan for housing assistance and urban development under CDBG and other CPD programs		
CPD	Community Planning and Development (HUD Office)		
ESG	Emergency Solutions Grant (CPD – federal program)		
FMR	Fair Market Rent (maximum rent for Section 8 rental assistance/CoC grants)		
HCD	Housing and Community Development (State office)		
HEARTH	Homeless Emergency and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act of 2009		
HPRP	Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing		
HMIS	Homeless Management Information System		
HOME	Home Investment Partnerships (CPD program)		
HOPWA	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (CPD program)		
HUD	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (federal)		
MHSA	Mental Health Services Act		
NOFA	Notice of Funding Availability		
PHA	Public Housing Authority		
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration		
SNAPS	Office of Special Needs Assistance Program (HUD office overseeing CoC)		
SOAR	SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SSI/SSDI Application program)		
SRO	Single-Room Occupancy housing units		
SSA	Social Security Administration		
SSDI	Social Security Disability Income		
SSI	Supplemental Security Income		
TA	Technical Assistance		
TANF	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families		
TAY	Transition Age Youth (usually ages 16-24)		
VA	Veterans Affairs (U.S. Department of)		
VASH	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing		
VI-SPDAT	Vulnerability Index – Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool		

Unless otherwise noted, Council meetings will be held on the first Thursday every month from 2:00 – 3:30 pm in the ZA Room, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553. CoC meetings are held every 3rd Friday in the months of April, July, October, and January from 10:00-12:00 at the ZA Meeting Room, ZA Room, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553. Any disclosable public records related to an open session item on a regular meeting agenda and distributed by the Contra Costa Council on Homelessness to a majority of members less than 72 hours prior to that meeting are available for public inspection at 1350 Arnold Dr., Suite 202, Martinez during normal business hours. Public comment may be submitted via electronic mail on agenda items at least one full workday prior to the published meeting time. The Contra Costa Council on Homelessness will provide reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities planning to attend meetings. Contact the individual shown below at least 72 hours before the meeting: Jaime Jenett; Phone: (925) 313-7720; Email: Jaime Jenett@hsd.cccounty.us.