CONTRA COSTA COUNCIL ON
HOMELESSNESS MEETING

FEBRUARY 23, 2016, 3:30 - 5:00 PM
AGENDA

1. Welcome/Introductions
2. 2016 Action Plan (Action Item)
3. Idaho Apartments (Action Item)
4. FMR Study Results
5. Minimum Wage (Action Item)
6. Executive Director State of the CoC Meeting
7. Health Care for the Homeless Update
8. Zero:2016 Update
9. Committee Updates
10. HMIS Vendor (Action Item)
11. Policy and Advocacy Opportunities
12. Nuts & Bolts
13. Pin it
2. 2016 ACTION PLAN (ACTION ITEM)

Amanda Stempson, HomeBase

2016 ACTION PLAN: CLIMBING THE MOUNTAIN

- Advocacy & Community Engagement
- Funding Coordination
- Data, Analysis & Evaluation
- Coordinated Entry System Development
- Governance
2016 ACTION PLAN: CLIMBING THE MOUNTAIN

Governance

- **Council Retreat**: orient new Council members and discuss 2016 Action Plan
- **Council Elections**: elect new Chair and Vice Chair
- **2017 Action Plan**: identify actions and implementation steps for 2017
2016 ACTION PLAN: CLIMBING THE MOUNTAIN

Coordinated Entry System Development

- **Homeless Preference**: work with Housing Authority to implement graduation strategy using coordinated entry
- **Coordinated Entry System Development**: concentrated workshops on prevention/diversion, crisis services, and permanent housing and services
- **Coordinated Entry System Launch**: RFP process
- **Coordinated Entry System Evaluation**: monitor outcomes and feedback, modify system as needed
2016 ACTION PLAN: CLIMBING THE MOUNTAIN

Data, Analysis & Evaluation

- **Point-in-Time Count**: Coordinate PIT Count and HIC data collection, analysis, and reporting
- **HMIS**: select new system, update plans, improve bed coverage rates
- **System-Wide Performance Measures**: finalize report and implement regular monitoring schedule
- **Project-Level Performance Monitoring**: develop project-level measures and goals; collect and monitor; provide TA
- **Gaps Analysis**: conduct comprehensive assessment of needs
2016 ACTION PLAN: CLIMBING THE MOUNTAIN

Funding Coordination

- **Written Standards**: draft, revise, approve and implement
- **CoC Program Applications Review & Rank Process**: debrief 2015 process; improve for 2016; complete initial review and finalize prioritized list of projects
- **State ESG Program Applications Review & Rank Process**: identify needed changes, review and rank projects
- **Consortium Coordination**: provide information for annual Action Plan
- **ESG Coordination**: strengthen involvement in local ESG funding decisions
- **Coordination with Aligned Funding Streams**: strengthen coordination (e.g., CDBG, HOME)
2016 ACTION PLAN: CLIMBING THE MOUNTAIN

Advocacy & Community Engagement

• **Executive Director Engagement**: engage with CoC- and ESG-funded agencies’ executive directors to coordinate

• **Criminalization of Homelessness**: feature presentations, and coordinate advocacy/education

• **CoC Recruitment**: improve CoC participation by underrepresented stakeholder groups

• **Funding and Policy Advocacy**: provide advice to BoS, BH Director, HS Director, and cities on homelessness

• **Concord Naval Weapons Station**: support advocacy efforts

• **Healthcare for the Homeless**: analyze biannual reports, make recommendations to BoS

• **Zero:2016**: coordinate with efforts, leadership, committees
3. IDAHO APARTMENTS (ACTION ITEM)

Lavonna Martin, Chief of Homeless Services

Council action to approve transfer of Idaho Apts. from Rubicon to Lifelong.
4. FMR STUDY RESULTS

Joseph Villarreal,
Housing Authority of Contra Costa County

Update on results of study of fair market rents for Alameda/Contra Costa region.
5. MINIMUM WAGE (ACTION ITEM)

Doug Leich, Multi-faith ACTION Coalition

Discussion of Council position on new minimum wage petition.
6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR STATE OF THE COC MEETING

Teri House, Council Chair

Discussion of agenda for 2/26 meeting with CoC- and ESG-funded service provider EDs.
7. HEALTH CARE FOR THE HOMELESS UPDATE

Alvin Silva & Rachael Birch, HCH

Standing Item. Update on HCH program developments.
8. ZERO: 2016 UPDATE

Jennifer Baha, Zero: 2016 Coordinator

Standing Item. Update on 2015 progress on meeting goals.
9. COMMITTEE UPDATES

Jaime Jenett, CoC Planning and Policy Manager

Standing Item. Updates on Coordinated Entry, Performance Measurement, and HMIS Policy Committees.
COORDINATED ENTRY COMMITTEE UPDATE

• Committee meetings on hiatus through February while HomeBase meeting with providers one-on-one regarding prevention and diversion
• Work underway with Housing Authority to implement homeless preference graduation strategy
• Will reconvene in March to launch concentrated workshops around:
  • Prevention and Diversion
  • Crisis Services
  • Permanent Housing and Services
PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT CMTE UPDATE

• System-level performance measures complete for Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, and Permanent Supportive Housing

• HomeBase met with providers to discuss Street Outreach and Supportive Services Only measures; now working with Homeless Program to develop measures

• Once reports developed, will reconvene Performance Measures Committee in March to determine goals
HMIS POLICY COMMITTEE UPDATE

• In process of selecting new HMIS software

• Next HMIS Policy Committee meeting:
  • Thursday, February 25th
  • 2 – 4 pm
  • Homeless Program Conference Room
10. HMIS VENDOR (ACTION ITEM)

Kim Thai, HMIS Administrator

Council action to change HMIS vendor.
HMIS VENDOR CHANGE

- Why the switch
  - Software issues
  - Vendor issues
- Why Clarity
  - Flexibility
  - Ease of use
  - User-friendly, on-the-fly reporting
- Timeline for Implementation, if contract is executed in July:
  - System migration and setup: July-Sept
  - Community Training: Oct
  - Go Live: sometime in Nov
7. POLICY AND ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES

Lavonna Martin, Chief of Homeless Services

Standing Item. Updates on County budget, criminalization of homelessness, Concord Naval Weapons Station, and NAEH.
BUDGET UPDATES

• Board of Supervisors: April 2016 hearings

• CoC Program: Tier 1 awards to be announced soon; Tier 2 to be announced in late March or early April
CRIMINALIZATION OF HOMELESSNESS

• Attention on the issue from HUD
• Best practices and key strategies
• Analysis of laws in Contra Costa
• Strategies in effect in Contra Costa
• Proposed California legislation
CONCORD NAVAL WEAPONS STATION

• Selection of master developer delayed in fall due to grievances filed by Catellus

• Investigative Report finds that Lennar violated the no-lobbying provision on one occasion, but city staff recommend that Lennar not be disqualified

• City Council to consider report tonight

• Catellus and Lennar presentation to Concord City Council was pushed back from February to March
Discussion of takeaways from National Alliance to End Homelessness Family & Youth Homelessness Conference in Oakland, CA.
12. NUTS AND BOLTS

Standing Item. Community announcements.
13. PIN IT

Standing Item: Future items of discussion/scheduling to be considered.

Note: March meeting is cancelled; next meeting is Thursday, April 7, 2-3:30 pm, ZA Room, Martinez.