CONTRA COSTA COUNCIL ON
HOMELESSNESS MEETING
JUNE 2, 2016, 2:00 - 3:30 PM
AGENDA

1. Welcome/Introductions
2. Council Vacancies and Appointments (Action Item)
3. Health Care for the Homeless/Consumer Advisory Board Update
4. Zero: 2016 Update
5. Committee Updates
6. State ESG Update
7. Council Policy on Advocacy (action Item)
8. Policy and Advocacy Opportunities
9. Nuts & Bolts
10. Pin It
2. COUNCIL VACANCIES AND APPOINTMENTS

Jaime Jenett, CoC Planning and Policy Manager, Homeless Services
EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL SERVICES REP

Nomination for consideration:
Alejandra Chamberlain, MS
Youth Development Services Manager
Contra Costa County Office of Education
VACANT SEATS

- Behavioral Health Rep
- Community Member Seat #3
- Consumer/Consumer Advocate
- Education and Vocational Services Rep
- Health Care Rep
- Philanthropy Rep
TO APPLY FOR A VACANT SEAT

Application available here:
http://www.cccounty.us/DocumentCenter/View/6433
3. HEALTH CARE FOR THE HOMELESS/CONSUMER ADVISORY BOARD UPDATE

Rachael Birch and Linae Young, Health Care for the Homeless

Standing Item. Updates on work of Health Care for the Homeless and the Consumer Advisory Board.
4. ZERO: 2016 UPDATE

Jennifer Baha, Zero: 2016 Coordinator, Homeless Services

Standing Item. Update on Zero: 2016 Regional Action Camp
Contra Costa Zero: 2016

June 2, 2016
Veteran By Name List Report

April 2016:

By Name List:
180

Inflow: 28

Housed: 17

Return to Homelessness: 1

Inactive: 11
Action Camp, May 24-25, 2016:

Goals:

- Veterans: Achieve **functional zero** by October 2017 by reaching and sustaining a net average change of 10 (such as reducing the inflow and increasing the housing placements) to our By Name List.

- Chronic: Reach and sustain an average housing placement rate of **15 per month**. (The current average rate is 13.)
Veteran work plan:

- Build out the Housing Security fund:
  A. Develop necessary disbursement policies.
  B. Conduct a media blitz to reach required deposit balance.

- Improve the VASH lease up process to decrease time from issuing the voucher to when the veteran moves into housing.

- Identify where and why newly homeless veterans are entering the homeless service system. Prioritize veterans who are returning to the By Name List and intervene.
Chronic work plan:

- Expedite unit turnover for chronic housing placements. Reduce the length of time from unit vacancy to lease up.

- Put in place a documented staffing schedule for the outreach system that ensures consistent coverage.

- Develop written policies that assure a plan for long term sustainability of case conferencing process.
5. COMMITTEE UPDATES

Jaime Jenett, CoC Planning and Policy Manager, Homeless Services

Standing Item. Updates on Coordinated Entry, HMIS Policy, Performance Measurement, and CoC Provider Committee.
COORDINATED ENTRY CMTE

April 20: Prevention and Diversion
• 40 Muir Drive, Martinez, 9am - noon
• Prevention providers, call centers, MSCs, outreach teams encouraged to attend

April 27: Crisis Services
• 40 Muir Drive, Martinez, 9am - noon

May 4: Permanent Housing
• 40 Muir Drive, Martinez, 9am - noon
• RRH and PSH providers encouraged to attend

May 11: Implementation
• 2425 Bisso Ln, Concord, 9am - noon
• All providers encouraged to attend
OPPORTUNITY FOR SYSTEMS CHANGE

Outreach Teams

CARE Centers (Coordinated Assessment REsource Centers)
- Basic needs
- Case management
- Warming Center
- Housing Assessment
- Housing navigation
- Health care services

2-1-1 & Crisis Call Centers

Emergency Shelter & Transitional Housing

Permanent Supportive Housing

Rapid Rehousing

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Health Care
MH

Prevention & Diversion
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Permanent Housing

Permanent Supportive Housing

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COORDINATED ENTRY CMTE

- Coordinated Entry System Manager
- Coordinated Entry RFP
- HUD Technical Assistance from CSH
HMIS POLICY CMTE

• Met May 17th
• Decisions made on data migration
• Rollout timeline: Clarity live by Jan. 1
• New programs and protocols relating to Zero:2016 to track progress
• 3 monthly reports now required: client enrollment, active caseload, null report
COC PROVIDERS CMTE

- Met May 18th to debrief 2015 CoC competition and prepare for 2016
- Anticipating NOFA by end of June
- Next meeting is June 9th, 2-3:30 pm, Homeless Program Conf. Rm. to review data to inform priorities and scoring tools
- Will present recommended revisions to tools and process at July Council meeting
6. STATE ESG UPDATE

Gabriel Lemus, CDBG Program Planner,
Dept. of Conservation and Development

Update on Contra Costa County’s administration of State ESG Funds for FY 2015 and FY 2016.
7. COUNCIL POLICY ON ADVOCACY

Rehana Parsons, HomeBase

Possible action to adopt written policy on Council’s advocacy role and allowable activities; discussion of advocacy priorities.
DRAFT ADVOCACY POLICIES, PROTOCOL AND PRIORITIES FOR COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

- Rules of Thumb for Advocacy
  - As Council
  - As Individual Council Members
- How to Advocate as Council: Update Protocol
- Discussion: Advocacy Opportunities and Priorities
- Action: Vote
RULES OF THUMB FOR ADVOCACY: AS COUNCIL

- Alert, inform and educate on best practices related to legislation/initiatives
- Propose/recommend positions to the Board of Supervisors through CAO

As an Advisory Board serving at pleasure of Board of Supervisors, Council cannot take any position (Support or Oppose) on any pending or proposed legislation or initiative
RULES OF THUMB FOR ADVOCACY: AS INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBER

Board Member (not employee of County):
- Can acknowledge they are Council Board member
- Reference info and discussions held at the Council; can encourage a position

Board Member (employee of County):
- Must state for record they are speaking as private citizen and not as representative of County/Department

Members cannot state/imply that the Council is taking a position
HOW TO ADVOCATE AS COUNCIL: UPDATE PROTOCOL

➢ Continue to build out process and protocol for Council to pursue policy and advocacy opportunities

➢ Create process flow to define key steps in advocacy process (i.e., issues identification and prioritization through adoption of Council recommendation by Board of Supervisors Chair)
DISCUSSION: ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES AND PRIORITIES

- Forging Ahead Goal 1: Permanent housing
  - Reduce/eliminate barriers to housing entry and attainment
  - Increase available housing stock
  - Increase housing supports for key sub-populations
  - Improve availability of Move On strategy
- Forging Ahead Goal 2: Prevention
  - Bolster prevention, diversion and retention services and supports
DISCUSSION: ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES AND PRIORITIES

- What info and insight would be helpful to hear during monthly meeting standing agenda updates on policy advocacy and opportunities?

- Which partners and organizations can we partner with to achieve our advocacy goals (e.g., the Multi-faith ACTION Coalition)?
ACTION: VOTE

Does the Chair hear a motion to formally adopt the Contra Costa Council on Homelessness Advocacy Policies, Protocol and Priorities, including agreed upon updates and additions discussed here today?
8. POLICY AND ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES

Amanda Stempson, HomeBase

Standing Item: Discussion regarding Concord Naval Weapons Station.
POLICY AND ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES:
CONCORD NAVAL WEAPONS STATION

- Lennar selected as Phase 1 Master Developer
  - Further negotiations over next 6-9 months to finalize contract
  - Specific Plan process later this year to lay out how the 500 acres will be developed

- Concord City Council to hear first regular project updates at June 7th meeting
POLICY AND ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES: CONCORD NAVAL WEAPONS STATION

- Homeless Collaborative engaged in advocacy efforts
  - Inclusion of all 16 acres in Phase 1
  - Location of homeless housing sites: proximity to amenities, transit
- Option for homeless units integration vs. 100%
9. NUTS & BOLTS

Standing Item: Community Announcements
Save the Date

Thursday, October 13, 2016
9 am-3 pm
Antioch, CA
Antioch W. 104 Street
9 am-3 pm

Volunteers are asked to help:
- provide translation
- serve food
- route people
- great and
- connect with

Volunteers are
NEED YOUR HELP
we need
volunteers
to help

Connect
Save Homeless
East County
Project
10. PIN IT

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

Next meeting is Thursday, July 7th, 2:00 - 3:30 pm, ZA Room, 30 Muir Road, Martinez.