Council on Homelessness

Thursday, February 6, 2020
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Concord
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<td>Introductions</td>
<td>Doug Leich, Chair</td>
<td>Call to order.</td>
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<td>Public Comment</td>
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<td>Open period for members of the public to comment on items not listed on the agenda.</td>
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<td>1:20 pm</td>
<td>Approve Minutes (ACTION ITEM)</td>
<td>Doug Leich, Chair</td>
<td>Review and adoption of minutes from the January 9, 2020 Council meeting.</td>
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<td>Policy Update</td>
<td>Lavonna Martin, H3</td>
<td>Update on Governor Newsom’s Executive Order and potential impact in Contra Costa.</td>
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<td>1:40 pm</td>
<td>HUD CoC NOFA update</td>
<td>Amanda Wehrman, HomeBase</td>
<td>Present results of Tier 1 HUD CoC NOFA awards.</td>
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<td>Deanne Pearn, Contra Costa Interfaith Housing</td>
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<td>Update on completed observational count and upcoming survey gathering.</td>
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<td>Potential new COH seat (ACTION ITEM)</td>
<td>Jaime Jenett, H3 and Amanda Wehrman, HomeBase</td>
<td>Potentially approve splitting Educational/Vocational seat into two seats: 1) Educational and 2) Workforce Development</td>
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<td>Census Update</td>
<td>Jaime Jenett, H3</td>
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<td>COH Orientation: CoC and CES</td>
<td>Jaime Jenett, H3</td>
<td>Overview of Continuum of Care and Coordinated Entry</td>
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<td>Community Announcements</td>
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1. Introductions

- Doug Leich

Call to order.
2. Public Comment

• All

Open period for members of the public to comment on items not listed on the agenda.
3. Approve Minutes (ACTION ITEM)

- Doug Leich, Chair

Possible action: Approve January 9, 2020 Minutes
4. Policy Update

- Lavonna Martin, H3

Update on Governor Newsom’s Executive Order and potential impact in Contra Costa.
Governor's 2020 Proposal

Initial proposal includes:
 Flexible Housing Pool
 State land
 RVs campers as temporary shelter
 Medi-Cal: Healthier CA For All (Formerly Cal-AIM)

• Homeless Advisory Task Force Recommendations are different from the Governor’s Executive Order.
County Response to Governor’s Executive Order

Initial questions around:

- Ensuring coordination, collaboration and equity
- Ensuring feasibility and sustainment at the local level
- Ensuring communities can benefit from experts and experienced partners in homelessness assistance
Additional Concerns:

- Disbursement of flexible fund resources to local service providers through DSS
- Additional funds for Medi-Cal Healthier California for All provides only an option not a requirement for funding for housing stability (tenancy support, RA, navigation)
- Potential obstacles for using state land, including location, contamination, and transit
- Potential resources like TA or HMIS funding to meet any enhanced accountability requirements
5. HUD CoC NOFA Update

• Amanda Wehrman, HomeBase

Present results of Tier 1 HUD CoC NOFA awards.
FY2019 CoC Awards

- HUD announced Tier 1 awards on Jan. 14th
- All of Contra Costa’s Tier 1 projects were fully funded for a total of $
  - Decreases reflect FMR changes
- CoC Planning Grant also awarded in full
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**Total Awards** | $15,053,633 | $14,308,724 | $-744,909
What happens next

- Straddling and Tier 2 projects to be announced by HUD at a later date
- Also anticipating release of CoC Debriefing memo with application score
6. Agency Name Change

- Deanne Pearn, Contra Costa Interfaith Housing

Announce Contra Costa Interfaith Housing’s new name.
7. Point in Time Count Update

- Jamie Klinger, H3

Update on completed observational count and upcoming survey gathering.
PIT Update

- PIT observational count: 1/23/2020 5am – 9am
- Kick-off sites
  - West: San Pablo PD Training facility
  - Central: St Bonaventure Church
  - East: Nick Rodriguez Community Center
- # of volunteers: 152 volunteers
- # of teams: 71 teams
PIT Update

- Volunteer survey - live
- Analysis of count data (complete!)
- Survey sampling (February 10 – 14*)
  - *survey sampling Feb 18-21 if needed)
- Press release post survey sampling
- City count data will be available
8. Recommended COH seat (ACTION ITEM)

- Jaime Jenett, H3

Potentially approve adding “Workforce Development” seat
HUD Priority: Increasing Employment

Language from 2019 CoC Program NOFA:

- Employment provides people experiencing homelessness with income to afford housing.
- Employment also improves recovery outcomes for individuals with mental illness or addiction.
- CoCs and CoC-funded projects should work with local employment agencies and employers to prioritize training and employment opportunities for people experiencing homelessness.
- CoCs should also promote partnerships with public and private organizations that promote employment.
6. CoC Coordination and Engagement

n. Promoting & Increasing Employment (6 points)

Increase access to education, training, and employment for people experiencing homelessness

See page 66 of 2019 NOFA.
Criteria for Scoring

1. Demonstrate through a written agreement a partnership with a state or local workforce development board that includes prioritized access to employment opportunities or co-enrollment in workforce and homeless assistance programs for people experiencing homelessness.
Criteria for Scoring

2. Identify steps the CoC has taken to promote partnerships and access to employment opportunities with private employers and private employment organizations, including steps such as holding job fairs, outreach to employers, and partnering with staffing agencies.
Criteria for Scoring

3. Demonstrate through a written agreement a partnership with a local education or training organization that includes prioritized access to education and training opportunities for people experiencing homelessness
Criteria for Scoring

4. Demonstrate that the CoC is working with public and private organizations to provide meaningful employment opportunities for residents of permanent supportive housing
Criteria for Scoring

Demonstrate that the CoC is taking steps to increase employment opportunities and employment income among people experiencing homelessness, e.g., training provider organizations on increasing employment or creating incentives for employment.
Action to Consider

Add Workforce Development seat and select one of two options:

1. Add Workforce Development seat and remove “Vocational” from Educational/Vocational seat
2. Add “Workforce Development” Seat and make no changes to Educational/Vocational Seat name.
9. Census Update

- Jaime Jenett, H3

Update on plans to ensure people experiencing homelessness are counted in US Census
Volunteer Opportunities!

- Staffing Questionnaire Assistance Kiosk (QAK)
  - Basic training
  - Bring branded laptop to site
  - Encourage people to complete census form
- Month of April
- Weekday/Evening/Weekend
- Stay tuned for sign ups
Census Questionnaire

- 9 basic questions + 7 questions per additional person in household
  - The number of people living or staying at your home on April 1, 2020.
  - Whether the home is owned or rented.
  - The sex of each person in the household.
  - The age of each person in the household.
  - The race of each person in the household.
  - Whether a person in the household is of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin.
  - The relationship of each person in the household to each other.
Sites By Region

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Sites

- Bay Church Shower/Laundry Program
- CARE Centers
- Healthcare for the Homeless mobile clinics
- Loaves and Fishes
- St. Vincent De Paul Rotacare Clinics
- Warming Centers
10. Contra Costa Continuum of Care (CoC) Overview

- Jaime Jenett, H3

Overview of the Contra Costa CoC and Coordinated Entry structure.
Continuum of Care

“The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is designed to promote communitywide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, and State and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and families while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to homeless individuals, families, and communities by homelessness; promote access to and effect utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness.”- HUD
Partnerships

- Workforce Development
- Schools
- Public Works
- Criminal Justice
- Non-profits
- Law Enforcement
- Medical Health
- Business Community
- Veteran Providers
- Behavioral Health
- Housing Developers/Providers
- Faith Community
- Child/Adult Welfare
- Elected Officials

Contra Costa Continuum of Care
Projects submit application to Council on Homelessness for ranking.

Council on Homelessness (COH)

COH submits ranking of projects to HUD for whole County

HUD gives $ directly to awardees

Project seeking HUD funding

Project seeking HUD funding

Project seeking HUD funding

Project seeking HUD funding
H3 PROGRAM

Our mission is to ensure and integrated system of care from prevention through intervention for homeless adults, youth, and families within our community. We strive to accomplish this through the development of policies and practices, community involvement, advocacy, and the coordination of services that respect human dignity, strengthen partnerships, and maximizes resources.

CCYCS
Youth Services

CCACS
Adult Services

Staff to Council on Homelessness, CoC Administrative Entity, CES Administration and HMIS Lead Agency

C.O.R.E. Outreach

Supportive Housing Program
What is Coordinated Entry?

- Strategy rather than a program
- Way to prioritize who gets into housing
- Streamline how people get connected to our homeless system of care
3 Points of Entry

CALL
- Call 211
- Available 24/7
- For at-risk and literally homeless

CARE
- Daytime drop in centers
- Open weekdays 8-4
- Richmond, Walnut Creek and Concord
- For literally homeless

CORE
- Mobile Outreach Teams
- 7 days a week
- Call 211
- For unsheltered
Homeless Services

- Prevention
- Rapid Resolution
- Crisis Services
- Crisis Housing
- Housing Services
- Housing
Contra Costa County Coordinated Entry Process Flow

ACCESS

ASSESSMENT AND REFERRALS

PRIORITY AND MATCHING

EXIT

211

CARE Centers

CORE Outreach

INITIAL ARRIVAL SCREENING/STANDARD INTAKE

HOMELESSNESS AVERTED

Rapid Resolution Services

CARE Center

Emergency Shelter

Transitional Housing

Warming Center

HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT: VI-SPDAT*

Community Queue for Housing

HOUSING PLACEMENT CASE CONFERENCE

Housing Navigation

Housing Security Fund

Rapid Rehousing Assistance

Exiting to Housing

Affordable Housing (Friends/family, rental, etc.)

Permanent Supportive Housing (w/ services for persons with disabilities, including SMI)

*Those not housed in 6 months or who re-enter the system complete new VI-SPDAT as necessary.

1/31/2019
11. Community Announcements

• All

Standing Item.
12. Pin It

- All

Standing Item. Other future items of discussion and scheduling to be considered
Upcoming Meetings

Council on Homelessness
Thursday 3/5/20
1pm - 3 pm
2380 Bisso Lane, Concord