

San Joaquin Continuum of Care Board of Directors Meeting 12-10-2020

Call to Order

11:00a

Roll Call

- Adam
- Jon
- Matt
- Mike
- John
- Bill
- Edward
- Randy
- Peter
- Carrie
- Jenn

Minutes

- Not available; tabled until January meeting

Updates from SJCoC Committees

- Bill stated that the HMIS committee is working to update the LSA submissions; CoC is required to participate in the HDIS and work to join is ongoing;
- Peter stated that he was stepping down as the Chair of the Strategic Planning committee and is seeking nominations for a new Chair;
- John mentioned that Education and Membership is in the process of developing a list of Success Stories for the website and will be adding those to the site soon; stated that he will be stepping down as Chair and is seeking nominations for a new Chair;
- Matt stated that CES Committee will be meeting later today and will discuss moving forward with Family Resource and Renewal Committee;
- Jon stated that System Performance and Evaluation Chair Melanie Estarziau stepped down as Chair and Kate Hutchinson agreed to serve as Chair starting in January;

Public Comment

- Opened 11:11a; Adam stated that the County would be making 7,400 masks available and would be following up as soon as possible with instructions on how service providers can get those;

Discussion, Information and Action Items

Point in Time Count update

- Jon asked for an update regarding needs for the sheltered component of the Count; Bill stated that the HMIS lead will be reaching out to shelters to ensure the necessary data is available when needed;

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FY 2020 Continuum of Care Program Competition Update

- Jon stated that he did not have an update; Adam stated he had not heard anything from HUD and did not expect to until sometime after inauguration; Bill stated that he was not aware that contracts would be able to continue beyond their grant period without some guidance from HUD;

Lodi HEAP Project Update and Contingencies

- Jon mentioned that Lodi City Council approved a location on December 2 and should be able to expend funds in time for the June 30, 2021 deadline;

Approval of New Version of SJCoC Reallocation Tool

- Jon provided background on the reallocation process and described the changes to the tool proposed by the System Performance and Evaluation Committee;
- Adam moved to approve the changes to the tool, Bill seconded; approved unanimously

Allocation of Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Funds

- Jon described the previous discussions regarding how to move forward with the allocations and how that was provided;
- Adam provided an explanation of how the funding awards were decided upon;
- Carrie provided some additional perspective and information on the process and discussions; mentioned that consideration was given to projects serving the region;
- Jon clarified who would be excluded from voting: Kate, Randy, Bill, Jon, and Peter; Matt, Adam and Bill concurred with this list;
- Edward stated that he felt the projects were Stockton-centric and would have liked to have seen more jurisdictions represented; Matt answered that the discussions centered around the County allocations and then examined where the gaps were based on the ranking order, so while it may have come out Stockton-centric it was not by design; Carrie stated that regarding the shelter projects this was the clear community priority;
- Edward stated that the County's process was detrimental to the funding of high-functioning projects;
- Supervisor Miller added that she shared Edward's perspective to a certain extent but noted that the City of Stockton did not provide funding to the Tracy project, and implored him to acknowledge that elected bodies such as the County are required to fund on a regional basis, and acknowledged the difficulties in the City of Stockton funding projects outside of the City of Stockton; noted that the Board was willing and able to continue in the Joint NOFA process; Edward answered that it would have been helpful to non-profits if the County had stated ahead of time that emergency shelter would be the only project type considered for funding rather than waste their time applying for projects that had no chance of being funded;
- Bill stated that the process only called for a Joint NOFA and it would have been preferable for funds to be placed into a single pot rather than three separate pots; Adam stated that the State has a system to allow for the redirection of HHAP funds to a single entity;

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- Jenn agreed with Edward's comments regarding regional collaboration and seeking greater geographic distribution of funds, and asked the Board to commit to ensure that the entire County is being served;
- John recognized the concerns and stated that HHAP Round 2 is our next opportunity to do better, and highlighted the challenges of determining how to fund \$38M in funding requests on \$12M in available funding;
- Peter stated that we have to celebrate the fact that we received this funding and highlighted Mayor Tubbs ability to get these funds carved out for the City of Stockton;
- Matt moved to adopt the awards as recommended; John seconded;
- Roll Call Vote:
 - Adam: yes
 - Edward: yes
 - Matt: yes
 - Kate: abstain
 - Mike: abstain
 - John: yes
 - Bill: abstain
 - Randy: abstain
 - Peter: abstain
 - Jenn: yes
 - Jon: abstain
- Motion passes; Adam stated that he would follow up with applicants on behalf the County and CoC; Bill asked that sub-recipient agreements include a requirement for participation in the HMIS;
- Randy stated that during the Shelter Committee meeting this morning, non-awarded agencies should receive an explanation of the process and why they weren't funded; Bill asked if the City and County also do this: Randy stated yes.

Priorities for HHAP Round 2 Funds

- Jon mentioned the details of the Round 2 NOFA, and asked if the CoC will choose to work through a Joint process, will applications from Round 1 be funded for Round 2;
- Adam provided perspective on the Round 2 NOFA;
- Carrie added that they are still analyzing the Round 2 NOFA and interested in funding different projects;
- John stated that the strategic plan must be a part of any future funding decisions;
- Mike asked if we were discussing using the prior process: Jon clarified that this was one potential way forward being discussed and provided details on how that might work;
- Bill moved to authorize the Collaborative Applicant to move forward to apply for the SJCoC HHAP Round 2 allocation and all necessary details, and work with City and County to collaborate and be considerate of the possibility for previous submissions and new projects be funded; John second; unanimously approved.

Technical Assistance for Future Scoring Committees

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- Peter stated that the recommendation was based upon streamlining the process further and addressing some of the confusing aspects arising from the Round 1 process; and mentioned that the rhetoric around the integrity of these processes will be undercut through the engagement of technical assistance;
- Edward asked why HHAP funds were not being used for strategic planning; Carrie clarified that the budget for strategic planning was included; Jon stated that the CoC did not submit an application for the strategic planning dollars; Carrie further clarified that the funds were set aside by the CoC today as part of the total budget;
- Adam requested that Jon place this item on the next Board agenda for discussion; Jon agreed;

HMIS Vendor Performance Measures

- Jon described the measures and the process to develop those measures;
- Bill stated it was not appropriate for him to make a motion but encouraged the Board to approve; clarified that this is about the HMIS Lead, not the HMIS Vendor which is a distinct organization;
- John moved to approval; Kate Second; unanimously approved; Jon and Bill abstain

Tracking Progress Toward Strategic Plan Action Goals

- Peter provided background on the process and recommended that this be tabled until the Committee determines a new Chair, and stated that the process is ongoing;

Outreach to New Elected Officials

- Jon provided background and mentioned that he had already connected with Stockton Mayor-Elect Lincoln;
- John described how the committee intends to move forward to include a large number of elected officials; described the details of the sorts of information that should be provided to and discussed with these officials; will be reaching out to the Board of Directors for assistance in contacting the officials;
- Jon mentioned that he would ensure this item was revisited at the next Board meeting;

Agenda Building for New Board of Directors

- Jon mentioned that the Board should engage in a discussion about plans for the entire upcoming year;
- Carrie asked for clarification for the process of seating new officers; Jon provided those details;

Presentations

- none

Additional Items and Updates

- Adam noted that this was Bill and John's last meeting as Board Directors and thanked them for their service;

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- John stated that he was pleased and amazed about the progress he has witnessed in less than two years and credited the entire Board and particularly Jon's leadership as Chair; Jon encouraged both John and Bill to continue to participate in whatever capacity they are able;
- Carrie asked for a report regarding the Collaborative Applicant performance; Jon stated that the review process has not yet occurred but should; Bill clarified that the process has yet to be developed and established; Jon stated that he would place this item on the next Board agenda;

Adjournment

- Next meeting scheduled for January 14
- Bill moved to adjourn; Randy seconded; unanimous