

San Joaquin Continuum of Care General Membership Meeting 7-23-2020

Call to Order

9:01a

Welcome and Order of Meeting

- Jon provided instructions and assistance for participants to provide comment and questions

Minutes

Approve minutes of January 23: Bill moved/Adam second, unanimous

Discussion, Information and Action Items

Reports from the SJCoC Board of Directors – Major Actions

- Jon discussed the process to complete the Plan and the approvals from various bodies; mentioned the use of the plan and how it can be implemented going forward
- Adam provided some additional detail about the plan adoption process
- Jon highlighted the “action” of the plan through the implementation addendum; Adam pointed folks to the Implementation Addendum of the plan and how to find it on the CoC website
- Jon recapped actions from the Board regarding COVID; mentioned the process to fund projects through an allocation of funds under SB89; mentioned support for Project Roomkey through SB 89; discharge planning for Project Roomkey to the extent possible; Adam reiterated the collaborative efforts of everyone included; Supervisor Miller asked Adam to discuss the extension of the project through December 2020 using CARES Act funds and provided some additional information on that process;
- Melinda Ramirez asked if the target population limitations can be lowered: Adam answered in terms of the FEMA reimbursement requirements and indicated it was unlikely to change;
- Jon recapped the process to develop the System Performance Measures adopted in February and explained the goals and vision of the updated policies; described the performance measures which were added locally vs. the HUD requirements;
- Jon described the process to develop the current reallocation policies and what those policies address;
- Jon discussed the update to the rank policy;

FY 2020 CoC Program Competition Update

- Jon mentioned that the NOFA has not yet been released; Adam discussed details of the potential released in the near future;

Housing Inventory Count and 2020 Point in Time Count

- Jon recapped the HIC;
- Jon recapped the 2020 PIT Count;

2021 Point in Time Count Planning

- Jon discussed the planning for the 2021 PIT Count;

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- Adam described the concerns about conducting a count under the circumstances of the pandemic; John Ledbetter echoed those concerns; Adam mentioned his hope that HUD will provide specific guidance;
- Wayne Richardson mentioned the ability to provide approximately 200 volunteers for the Count;
- Tori Verber-Salazar committed DA investigators for the 2021 Count as was provided for the 2019 Count;
- Supervisor Miller mentioned that the County may be able to provide PPE for the Count;
- Anjali Menon mentioned the potential to provide student volunteers through the Office of Mayor Tubbs;

Committee Updates

- Data and HMIS: no update; hope to meet again in August;
- Coordinated Entry: Matt mentioned that he and Adam are participating in a 5-week HUD workshop and intend to reconvening the Committee at a future date;
- Education and Membership: John discussed a request to the City of Lodi to get on the agenda for a future Council meeting to present the strategic plan;
- Resource Development: October 21 fundraising seminar; plans to have a Zoom call for future trainings;
- System Performance and Evaluation: Melanie reiterated the information covered earlier in the agenda; mentioned next steps of getting and reviewing data to provide that analysis to the CoC and continue to improve, so that when reallocation happens per each NOFA there will have already been systems operating to evaluate these projects on an ongoing basis;
- Strategic Planning: Peter mentioned that the committee met in July to discuss aligning the plan with realities on the ground, particularly COVID; how to adjust the plan as realities change; mentioned meetings are first Tuesday of each month at 3p;
- Emergency Shelter: Kristen mentioned a summer break but prior to that the significant work of the Committee with COVID and other issues;

Grant Opportunities

- Jon mentioned the Joint HHAP NOFA is planned for release in the next week or so

Presentations

Presentation from Curt Klaus, Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Planning and Development Representative for Region IX

- Curt mentioned the challenges at the Regional and National offices around COVID; confirmed that they do not have advance information about the CoC NOFA; mentioned that concerns around the PIT Count have been released “up”; acknowledged the local challenges and offered support; mentioned potential plans for the City of Lodi to expand shelter there; discussed the relationship of ESG and CDBG funds to his work on behalf of HUD, and various aspects of the annual process to implement those funds in terms of the 5-year consolidated plans; discussed aspects of the development of consolidated plans and how community feedback can be included;

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Comments and Announcements

- Douglas Montandon asked for a discussion of the Project Homekey NOFA: Jon provided high-level details of the program as mentioned in the NOFA;
- Curt Klaus asked about geographic representation on the SJCoC Board of Directors: Jon recapped each member and the communities they represent which demonstrates broad engagement County-wide;
- Nai Sosongkham asked about the shortfall of the Housing Authority: Jon described the reason for “shortfall” status in connection to local rents and the inability to issue new vouchers;

Adjournment

Bill Mendelson moved/JoLyn McMillan second: 10:20a