

## San Joaquin Continuum of Care Board of Directors Meeting 6-10-2021

### **Call to Order**

11:02a

### **Roll Call**

- Adam
- Kristen
- Edward
- Matt
- Russ
- Jon
- Randy
- Peter
- Melinda
- Carrie
- Kate

### **Minutes**

- Minutes of 5-13-2021 unavailable

### **Updates from SJCoC Committees**

- Data and HMIS: Jon stated that the Committee reviewed the PIT Count and HIC submissions; discussed the possibility of a report to provide additional context to help the public understand the data; an analysis of the change in numbers year over year; discussed provision of data to parties outside the CoC, with a motion passed to explore the concept of how to make data more available, including the sharing of aggregate data; the development of a data dashboard;
- System Performance and Evaluation: Kate mentioned the development of a timeline for the Committee, including review of CoC projects and a review of the rank and score tool; a project with UOP that will help to evaluate provision of PSH throughout the community;
- Strategic Planning: Carrie talked about the Committee Analysis and discussed the document circulated that reports on the results of the analysis and discussion, based on an assignment of metrics for implementation of the strategic plan; talked about next steps of the process; Russ suggested the recommendation of a Committee on Governance and Leadership to facilitate the process of electing board officers amongst other possible roles; Peter commented that the San Joaquin County community has received only a small fraction of housing dollars from the State, and a Housing Committee could help to improve those outcomes, and indicated he would be in attendance for the July 7 meeting to discuss this further;
- Education and Membership: Russ mentioned that the Committee will discuss the Committee Analysis in the next agenda;
- Coordinated Entry: Matt stated that the Committee continues to finalize the Policies and Procedures manual; met with FRRC to discuss the plan moving forward as the management entity for the CES; mentioned that the manual was in the hands of FRRC staff and will be edited by them to make accurate to their needs; highlighted the VI-SPDAT as the primary assessment tool; discussed the role of HMIS in ensuring housing data is accurate and up to date; the process

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to develop a prioritization list; plans to bring the final manual back to the CoC Board for approval in the next two months; will make an ask to local funders to require sub-recipients to utilize the prioritization list to the extent possible;

- Shelter: Edward discussed the Committee Analysis and hope to review at the next meeting; mentioned the possibility of bringing Downtown Streets Team to the region; cooling centers and the role of Cities in making those available throughout the County;

### **Public Comment**

- Opened 11:53a
- Joelle Gomez mentioned the opportunity to apply for YHDP and advocated for the CoC to attempt an application in the current round; Randy stated that adding the Committee would take a revision of the Charter, which was the reason for the Ad Hoc committee vs. permanent;
- Closed 11:57a

### **Discussion, Information and Action Items**

#### **Vote: Approve Data Dashboard**

- Jon provided an overview of the process to develop a data dashboard and discussed various aspects of the data presented, including interpretations of the data; mentioned data for various project types and highlighted the projects entering that data, as well as an interpretation of the data presented in terms of outcomes and special populations; Bill Mendelson emphasized that what the Committee was asking of the Board was an approval of just the format, and not the specific data included in the dashboard;
- Randy asked for an explanation of what the recent requests for data have been of the HMIS, and whether or not this dashboard covers those requests: Jon stated that the City of Stockton as an example is an agency the HMIS Lead is working with to meet their needs, but that the dashboard does not necessarily address those at this time, described the difference between aggregate data and data being reported out, and work towards improving the reports was an important part of the work
- Randy went on to ask if there is a way to demonstrate the number of requests for reports: Jon stated that this is not currently being done;
- Edward stated that HMIS data is collected by permission of the individual counted; Bill stated that while it is true that individuals do not have to provide all information but does not believe this is a widespread issue that is impacting the data in any appreciable way;
- Adam moved to approve the format as presented; Randy asked for the inclusion of an explanation of the data, Adam amended his motion to include the explanation, Russ seconded;

#### **Vote: Approve Ad-Hoc Youth Committee**

- Adam provided a brief overview of the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program; mentioned the discussions around the possibility of either Women's Center – Youth and Family Services or Children's Home of Stockton acting as the lead agency for a YHDP grant; described the scoring criteria for a competitive application; discussed the idea of setting up a youth committee to develop a competitive YHDP application in the subsequent round;

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- Matt stated that he supported a committee and moving forward that we likely don't have the ability of getting a good score within the next six weeks, citing the needs assessment and the YAB as the major sticking points, and asked for input regarding a viable application;
- Kate stated her involvement in the Sacramento area YHDP applications and stated that it's a good exercise to apply regardless of whether or not the application is successful; Adam asked if HUD provides a debrief similar to the COC program competition: Kate indicated that they do;
- Jon stated that he felt that if there is an agency to do the lifting to get the application completed within the deadline that he would be supportive; noted that San Joaquin County is the designated Collaborative Applicant;
- Carrie echoed Jon's comments, and stated that the only way City of Stockton was able to get the Project Homekey grant submitted was with the help of lead developers;
- Randy stated that he was supportive of the establishment of the committee and the application in order to meet this need for the community;
- Kate moved to establish an ad hoc youth committee to explore the possibility of applying for YHDP; Carrie seconded; unanimous;
- Edward clarified that the CA would not be the entity that develops the application; Adam provided clarification on the role of the CA in the application of CoC Programs;

### **Vote: Approve Participation in Communications Campaign**

- Russ discussed the recommendation from the Committee; mentioned concerns around this process being inappropriately branded as United Way; mentioned the structure of the campaign as presented and the process to move information through an editorial board;
- Carrie moved to approve the recommendation; Melinda seconded; unanimous;

### **Vote: Approve MOU as required by the EHV Program**

- Peter discussed the program and the need for the establishment of this MOU; Carena Lane from HACSJ presented briefly on the program; Peter provided some specific details on the need for the MOU;
- Edward moved to approve the MOU; Randy seconded; Peter abstained; unanimous;

## Presentations

### **Chair Tom Patti, San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors: Update on the 2x2x2 Process**

- Chair Patti apologized for previous comments about being "the Supervisor you despise the most", stating that he was misunderstood and emphasized the value of the work of the CoC at the County; clarified that he is not forcing action but looking to bring things together; reviewed the one-page action plan developed by the City of Stockton and the connection to the Strategic Plan; mentioned the goals of the 2x2x2 in relation to the metrics identified in the one-page and the possibilities to actualize one or two items at a time to funds or otherwise provide resources to implement, including the development of a new low-barrier regional shelter; stated that he will continue to advocate for setting aside funds; mentioned Edward's role in the possibility of St. Mary's committing to support the efforts of the 2x2x2 around a specific project; provided encouraging words to the CoC around collaboration;
- Peter commented that he agreed that the time to act is now

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- Chair Patti mentioned the idea of bringing our fair share of housing funds to San Joaquin County aligned with previous comments by Peter;
- Jon stated that he felt that we need to invest in local capacity in order to do a better job to capture State and Federal housing dollars, and described some recent efforts that have helped to facilitate the expansion of that capacity which has resulted in our local community being at the stage where we are able to take better advantage;
- Edward mentioned that negotiations between St. Mary's and the County were in the early stages and he appreciated that Chair Patti kept his comments vague; stated that he was pleased to see elected officials getting more directly involved;
- Randy commented that each of the grants that have come into the County have admin funds set aside, and it is important to keep this in mind in terms of discussions around the expansion of capacity;
- Chair Patti stated that Stanislaus County has invested in solutions and compared that to efforts of San Joaquin County;

### **Additional Items and Updates**

- none

### **Adjournment**

- 12:59p: Adam moved, Randy second, unanimous;
- Next meeting scheduled for 11a on July 8, 2021