

San Joaquin Continuum of Care General Membership Meeting 3-24-2022

Call to Order

9:02a

Welcome and Order of Meeting

Minutes from Meeting of November 24, 2021

- Adam Cheshire moved; Bill Mendelson seconded; unanimous, no abstentions;

Discussion, Information and Action Items

Reports from the SJCoC Board of Directors: Kate Hutchinson provided a brief synopsis of each item;

- Approved Strategic Plan Committee Report and Recommendations
 - Kayce Rane discussed the work of the Strategic Planning Committee to determine alignment between the plan goals and the mandates of each CoC Committee, and developed some recommendations to change those mandates in order to better respond to the goals of the Strategic Plan; found a lack of focus on issues of equity and youth homelessness; mentioned that there were recently added several new Committees that addressed some of these concerns, including Housing, Outreach, and Youth Action Board;
- HHAP-2 funding allocations and HHAP-3 application
 - Adam Cheshire provided an update on the allocation of HHAP-2 funds, and an update on work so far for the HHAP-3 application;
- Update on work of Homebase
 - Kate Hutchinson provided an update on work so far, including the Board retreat and Coordinated Entry, and plans to work with Homebase going forward; stated that the Impact Report should be sent around within the next week through the normal means;

Updates on Point in Time Count

- Kristen Birtwhistle provided an update on the background and planning process, individuals involved, and results; mentioned debrief meetings with various organizers; Bill Mendelson provided an update regarding the data determined so far; mentioned that we saw a lower unsheltered count in 2022 than in 2019; Krista Fiser discussed the processes for developing and deploying a youth-specific survey;

Update on CoC Program Competition

- Kate Hutchinson provided an update on the process; discussed the notice of funding for the 2021 competition; described the Letter of Intent process and inviting attendees; Adam Cheshire discussed the role of the System Performance and Evaluation Committee in the process;

Committee Updates

- Data and HMIS: Bill Mendelson talked about the development of the Data Dashboard; an examination of costs associated with operating the HMIS and an analysis of potential for expansion; Adam Cheshire talked about the HMIS Lead Evaluation and the process so far; Kate

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Hutchinson highlighted that our local HMIS is one of the few in which every provider enters data;

- System Performance and Evaluation: Melanie Estarziau described the reallocation review process and results; discussed that the System Performance committee is working with Strategic Planning on the question of alignment; Jon Mendelson discussed that the Committee is working on evaluation criteria for other project types such as emergency shelter and transitional housing;
- Strategic Planning: Kayce Rane emphasized that the Committee is committed to the work of equity;
- Education and Membership: Peter Ragsdale stated that the Committee is working on communicating the work of CoC members through the Constant Contact system, and noted that many people are responding; work on updating the website, in particular updating the FAQs; the rollout of the Data Dashboard;
- Coordinated Entry: Matt Garber provided information on the goals of the Coordinated Entry system and the progress in working with the HMIS Lead and 211 to move forward with the CES; talked about the work with Homebase on implementation of the CES;
- Shelter: Kristen Birtwhistle stated that the new Chairs of the Committee are Jennifer Rhyne from City of Lodi, and Zuleima Flores-Abid from United Way of San Joaquin County; described in general terms the mandate of the Committee around examining shelter in San Joaquin County and the goals of the Strategic Plan related to shelter expansion; mentioned progress on several specific projects throughout the region;
- Youth Action Board: Krista Fiser mentioned the work of the Youth Action Committee to support the Youth Action Board; described in general terms the mandate of the Committee in developing policies and guidance around youth homelessness; coordination of various service providers and the YAB; working with 211 to develop processes for youth-centric coordinated entry;
- Outreach: Natascha Garcia described the focus of the Committee to enhance coordination and collaboration, with a recent focus on identifying the agencies providing outreach services and defining what outreach is in an effort to determine potential service gaps;

Presentations

- None scheduled

Updates, Comments and Announcements from General Membership

- Carrie Wright mentioned the Low-Barrier Shelter NOFA from the City of Stockton; discussed the issuance of a Request for Qualifications for a safe camping program; mentioned the hiring of Kayce Rane to support related operations;
- Jon Mendelson shared that Town Center Studios Phase 1 is complete with 27 chronically homeless individuals in 20 units; work is ongoing to complete Phase 2; thanked San Joaquin County regarding their assistance;
- Kristen Birtwhistle mentioned the release of Phase 39 of the EFSP;
- Krista Fiser discussed that WCYFS received grant funding for homeless youth to support YAB and expand WCYFS services; their drop-in center is planned to be opened by end of March; Opportunity House about to re-open following a fire last year;

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- Annette Sanchez stated that Visionary Home Builders' Liberty Square 74-unit veteran project has been completed, with plans for an open house;

Adjournment

- 10:12a: Bill Mendelson moved to adjourn; Adam Cheshire seconded;
- Next meeting of the General Membership: May 26, 2022 at 9a