

## San Joaquin Continuum of Care Board of Directors Meeting 3-9-2023

### **Call to Order**

11:03a

### **Roll Call**

- Kate
- Adam
- Krista
- Tiffany
- Randy
- Melinda
- Nadeja
- Wayne
- Virginia
- Melanie
- Nykiah

### **Minutes**

- Minutes of 2-9-2022
  - Wayne moved; Tiffany seconded; unanimous;

### **Public Comment**

- Opened 11:06a
- none
- Closed 11:07a

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

#### **City of Tracy Update on Homelessness Response: Virginia Carney**

- Virginia presented many aspects of the project, including successes, challenges, timelines, delays, construction milestones, procurement and contracting, partnerships, siting, financing, discussions and actions of the City Council, capacity, services provided and clients housed to date, future phases, etc.
- Krista asked what the project needs going forward:
  - Virginia stated that several aspects of construction are underway and that it is unclear at this time as to what more is needed.

#### **Emergency Food and Shelter Program Report: Joseph Wood**

- Joseph discussed his role as the Board Chair for the program; the source of funding through the Federal Emergency Management Agency; the methods, timelines, and amounts of funding distribution, including the 25 administrative fee charged by United Way for administering the program locally; the eligibility requirements of the funding; the local application process; 16 total agencies applying in the most recent round; the 14 applicants funded countywide; shared

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allocation amounts per agency; the formulas used to determine allocations; future activities of the EFSP Board;

- Melanie asked what a packaged meal means:
  - Joseph explained that the unit is based upon weight as reported by the relevant organizations.
- Annette DePauli asked for additional details regarding the history and structure of the program, which Joseph provided;
- Melinda asked where the funds come from:
  - Joseph stated that it is through the Congressional budget;
- Krista mentioned the role of the HMIS Lead Agency in providing data for the EFSP process;
- Melaine asked if the totals are intended to cover 100% of the agencies costs:
  - Joseph stated that the funds are always considered supplemental and are not intended to cover 100% of costs;

### **Point in Time Count 2024: Krista Fiser**

- Krista described to the group the process to date; indicated that the intention was to request approval to move forward with the Scope of Work as developed by the PIT Count Planning group; mentioned those who helped develop the document; shared the document with the group and went over several details;
- Melanie asked if there were contractors being targeted, and asked about safety concerns and the need for local PDs to be involved:
  - Krista indicated that there was a list of targeted contractors being developed, and briefly discussed some possibilities around involvement of the PD;
- Krista called for a vote:
  - Melanie moved to direct the committee to move forward with the SOW as conceived; Melinda seconded; unanimous, no abstentions;

### **Updates from SJCoC Committees:**

- Data and HMIS Committee: Adam read the following message from Jon, who was not in attendance:
  - *The HMIS Lead has completed the annual Longitudinal Systems Analysis report to HUD, the annual data quality review for the entire SJCoC.*
  - *The HMIS Lead has submitted the annual System Performance Report to HUD. The Lead is in the process of performing a three-year analysis of trends presented in the last three Systems Performance reports and will share them with the System Performance Committee.*
  - *The HMIS Lead and the Data Committee are developing suggested language to update the HMIS Policies and Procedures to potentially allow for sharing of personal information ONLY with Managed Care Plans under the direction from the State of California, ONLY with express consent of clients in the form of a specific Release of Information. This development of potential language is a response to the Homeless Housing Incentive Program requirements; so far the HMIS Lead has refused to share any information that will violate client confidentiality or our policies, and will go to use to protect and defend*

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*the privacy of data entrusted to the SJCoC HMIS. Please send any feedback to [jmendelson@cvlihc.org](mailto:jmendelson@cvlihc.org).*

- *Thank you to all Participating Agencies that have sent their HMIS fee payments. It was a very hard step to ask for these fees, and we very much appreciate all the agencies that have responded.*
- *Preliminary reports for the 2023 PiT and HIC will be drawn beginning after March 16. This is your last chance to update the bed and unit inventory of your projects! Send updates to [jmendelson@cvlihc.org](mailto:jmendelson@cvlihc.org) and [ssingh@cvlihc.org](mailto:ssingh@cvlihc.org).*
- System Performance and Evaluation Committee: Krista indicated that the Committee had completed the reallocation review and would be returning to the Board in April for additional information;
- Strategic Planning Committee: Kayce Rane discussed the work of the committee on housing disparities and the state-assigned consultant; discussions with and contributions from people with lived experience and youth about challenges related to accessing services; systemic concerns related to the impact of specific organizations and the system as a whole in terms of how data is collected and reviewed, and discussed some of the reasons why these challenges exist;
- Education and Membership Committee: No update provided;
- Coordinated Entry Committee: Tiffany stated that work with BitFocus is ongoing to establish a matchmaking process to place clients in the community queue through the HMIS;
- Shelter Committee: Jennifer Rhyne mentioned that she was seeking a new co-chair; discussed the work of the committee in responding to unsheltered homelessness in inclement weather; upcoming projects coming online and how those could be incorporated into the existing system; possibility of moving to a quarterly meeting in-person;
- Youth Action Board: Nykiah stated that the group is planning a communication to the coordinated entry system and the city of Stockton regarding barriers to services for homeless youth; planning a workshop; planning a webpage;
- Youth Action Committee: Krista stated the group was partnering with SJCOOE; working on issues related to homelessness for justice-involved youth;
- Housing Committee: Nadeja stated that the next meeting would include a presentation from Housing Connector from Seattle; Virginia provided additional details regarding the organization;
- Outreach Committee: no update provided;

### Comments and Announcements

- none

### Adjournment

- 12:01p
- Next meeting scheduled for 11a on April 13, 2023