



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

February 12, 2026 – 11:00 a.m.
San Joaquin County Public Health Services
1601 E. Hazelton Ave.
Stockton, CA 95205

1. Commencement of Meeting - Roll Call

Chair Carney opened the meeting at 11:00 a.m. Roll was called.

Board Members Present: Carney, Phovixay, Hutchinson, Garber, Mendelson, Grover, Quan, and Grant.

Board Members Excused: Young, Guarascio, Jackson, Lozano, Buettner (Online)

2. **Announcement of Recusals** – Chair Carney called for the announcement of recusals. McLeish advised for agenda item #6, the following Board Members must recuse themselves from voting: Chair Carney, Vice-Chair Phovixay, Garber, Mendelson, Grover, Guarascio, Quan, Buettner and Jackson.

3. Approval of Minutes

Chair Carney called for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2025 Board meeting.

Motion made and seconded **(Mendelson/Hutchinson)**

Roll call vote taken **(Carney – Yes, Phovixay – Yes ,Hutchinson – Yes, Garber – Yes, Mendelson – Yes, Young – NP, Grover – Yes, Guarascio – NP, Quan – Yes, Grant – Yes, Jackson – NP, Lozano – NP, Buettner – NP) 8/0.**

4. **Public Comment** – No public comments.

5. Collaborative Applicant Updates

San Joaquin County/Collaborative Applicant

- CoC Program Competition NOFO Update
- HHAP-6 and Encampment Policy Updates
- PLHA NOFA Update
- Next CoC meeting – Cancel March meeting; next meeting is April 9, 2026 (Board of Directors Meeting)
- RSE – SJCoC Website Redesign

Chair Carney introduced Dawn McLeish, Deputy Director of Human Services Agency, to discuss CoC Program Competition NOFO update, HHAP-6 and Encampment Policy updates, PLHA NOFA update, the next CoC Meeting, and SJCoC website redesign.

CoC Program Competition NOFO Update – McLeish thanked everyone for their patience as they worked through the challenges of the program competition NOFO. She updated that staff have notified HUD to renew all projects and that we will abide by the two-year process. McLeish anticipates more changes on the next NOFO but hopes for a smoother process and increased time to be able to review and give organizations time to apply. Board Member Mendelson inquired if HUD had responded or acknowledged that they received the collaborative applicant's correspondence and advised for a follow-up. McLeish stated that it was due and submitted by the 9th, so she will look into a follow-up.

HHAP-6 and Encampment Policy Updates – McLeish informed that the HHAP 6 application has been accepted. Kayce Rane stated that City of Stockton’s agreement for HHAP 6 has been signed by the City Manager. A final requirement from the state was the submission of a local encampment policy that aligns with the Governor’s model ordinance for municipal codes. McLeish thanked Rane for coordinating with County staff and multiple cities to gather and verify policy information. San Joaquin County and the cities of Lathrop, Manteca, Lodi, Stockton, and Tracy have all adopted municipal codes and law enforcement standards that are consistent with Cal ICH guidance and emphasized to address encampments and the rights of unsheltered persons with urgency and dignity. Many departments have created special positions that partner with community organizations to address encampment and provide reasonable options to unsheltered residents. County and City of Stockton have submitted all required documentation, completing the HHAP 6 requirements. Board Member Hutchinson inquired if people should expect the RFP to come out, and McLeish replied that we have not been awarded yet and that there would have to be an updated award schedule and deadlines.

The California Department of Housing Community Development (HCD) has reached out to cities and counties across the state regarding homeless shelter reporting requirements associated with Assembly Bill 130 (AB 130), in which it requires each city and county to submit an annual report to HCD by April 1st of each year. This report needs to be submitted to maintain HHAP and ERF funding. Requirements include annual shelter inspections, updated local oversight responsibilities, and mandatory posting of occupant rights and reporting substandard conditions procedure at intake. It also prohibits funding shelters with unresolved violations, potentially resulting in reduced funding if not addressed. The Neighborhood Preservation staff are finalizing required notices, and the County CDD will handle inspections for smaller cities while coordinating with the City of Stockton. All materials will be distributed soon, and inspections are expected to be completed before the deadline. Board Member Mendelson asked if Neighborhood Preservation needed an updated housing inventory count, showing the current operating shelters. McLeish responded that the state has a list of shelters that are required under this code, which the list has been pulled and in review.

PLHA NOFA Update – McLeish notified the Board that there are minimal updates regarding the PHLA NOFA. Rajony Poy with Neighborhood Preservation added that the NOFA was released on January 16th, and applications are due February 20th for those who are interested in applying. Information is available on the Neighborhood Preservation Website.

Next CoC meeting – McLeish suggested canceling March’s CoC meeting, as there are no agenda items. Next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2026.

RSE – SJCoC Website Redesign – McLeish introduced Hailey Vincent, Managing Supervisor at RSC, to talk about the SJCoC website redesign. Vincent explained how information was gathered regarding the needs and preferences for the new website and the team is currently in the process of pulling together a large site audit. They are working towards what to organize, how to make the site more functional, and make a difference in how information is seen and downloaded. The goal is to highlight the impact that the CoC is making. In terms of next steps, Vincent is providing a comprehensive outline for everyone to review and confirm that everything is covered in an organized way and easy to understand. The hope is to make the website more accessible so that the public can easily view the website and know what they are looking for. Once the content is aligned, the design process will begin. Board Member Mendelson inquired about how the updates to the site will work after the new site is live, and if there will be a dedicated point of contact so that documents and reports can be posted timely. Vincent replied that it will be handled by the IT team at HSA. McLeish added that since this is a community webpage, members of the group and community will be invited to volunteer if they would like to assist with the design process. Those who would like to volunteer, please reach out to Dawn McLeish or Rajony Poy.

6. Discuss and Approve the HHAP-5 Rating and Ranking Results

Chair Carney introduced Rajony Poy with Neighborhood Preservation to present the HHAP-5 Rating and Ranking Results. Poy stated that the HHAP-5 rating and ranking committee concluded its process on January 28, 2026. It was asked that the Board formally approve the ranking recommendations, and following the CoC board approval, the funding recommendations will go before the County Board of Supervisors on March 17th.

Motion made and seconded (**Hutchinson/Grant**)

Roll call vote taken (**Carney – Recused, Phovixay – Recused, Hutchinson – Yes, Garber – Recused, Mendelson – Recused, Young – NP, Grover – Recused, Guarascio – NP/Recused, Quan – Recused, Grant – Yes, Jackson – NP/Recused, Lozano – NP, Buettner – NP/Recused**) 2/0.

7. Committee Updates

- *Executive Planning Committee: Virginia Carney, Chair* – The Executive Planning Committee did not meet.
- *Data and Performance Management Committee: Jon Mendelson, Chair* – No January meeting; will meet in February. HMIS lead is working on the PIT count and Applied Survey Research and will make sure data is received timely. For those who received a message from Jon Mendelson regarding the inventories of shelters, permanent housing, and transitional housing programs, please respond to the message as they will be flagging organizations with a low inventory count.
- *Coordinated Entry and Housing Case Conferencing Committee: Matt Garber, Chair* – No meeting in January; next meeting will be on February 17th, 2026.
- *Shelter and Interim Housing Committee: Jennifer Rhyne and Virginia Carney, Co-Chairs* – No meeting in January.
- *Youth Action Board: Fanny Aviles, Chair* – Saul Lopez gave an update. They have met five times since the last meeting. At two of those meetings, they had BHS and Central Valley Housing, as well as the Greater Valley Conservation Corp successfully present and provide information to the youth. PREVAIL will also be holding a training course in March for suicide prevention.
- *Outreach and Engagement Committee: Vielka Guarascio and Jamie Grant, Co-Chairs* – No meeting in February; meeting is rescheduled for March.
- *Ad Hoc PIT Count Planning Committee: Sasha Jackson, Chair* – Poy provided an update that the PIT count was conducted on January 27th; ASR informed the count was conducted successfully and smoothly. Lived Experience guides received praise for helping and leading the count. Next step is the survey portion of the count. Results are expected to be released in late spring.

8. Adjourn Board Meeting

Chair Carney called for a motion to adjourn at 11:24am.

Motion made and seconded (Grant/Grover & Mendelson)

Staff confirmed the motion was made by Board Member Grant and second was made by Board Member Grover and Board Member Mendelson.