



Contra Costa Council on Homelessness Meeting

The Contra Costa Council on Homelessness provides a forum for communication and coordination about the implementation of the County's Strategic Plan to prevent and end homelessness, and for orchestrating a vision on ending homelessness in the County, educating the community on homeless issues, and advocating on federal, state, and local policy issues affecting people who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness. The Council provides advice and input on the operations of homeless services, program operations, and program development efforts in Contra Costa County. Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference of the Council.

AGENDA

Thursday, August 2, 2018, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
50 Douglas Drive, 2nd Floor, Martinez, CA 94553

Agenda Item	Presenter	Desired Outcomes
1. Welcome/Introductions	Doug Leich, Chair	Call to order.
2. Approve Minutes (Action Item)	Doug Leich, Chair	Review and adoption of minutes from the July 2018 Council meeting.
3. Committee Updates	Committee Members	YAC Report Out. Possible action to appoint members to Funding Committee. Possible action to appoint additional member to Appeals Committee.
4. 2018 Youth PIT Count Update	Youth Action Council	Overview of the Youth 2018 PIT Count process.
5. Racial Equity CoC Quarterly Meeting Report-Out	John Barclay	Overview of Racial Equity meeting.
6. Policy and Advocacy Discussion and Decision Points (Action Item)	Doug Leich, Chair	Discussion of state funding and available funding sources for homeless services. Update on amended SB918.
7. STAND! For Families Free of Violence Provider Presentation	Lisa Osborne, STAND! Usha Ramachandran, STAND!	Overview of STAND! Services and DV issues for people who may also be experiencing homelessness.
8. Community Announcements	All	Standing Item. Community announcements.
9. Pin it	All	Standing Item. Other future items of discussion and scheduling to be considered.

Commonly Used Acronyms

Acronym	Definition
AHAR	Annual Homeless Assessment Report
APR	Annual Performance Report (for HUD homeless programs)
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant (CPD program – federal)
CSBG	Community Services Block Grant
Continuum of Care	Continuum of Care approach to assistance to the homeless
CoC	Federal grant program stressing permanent solutions to homelessness
Con Plan	Consolidated Plan, a locally developed plan for housing assistance and urban development under CDBG and other CPD programs
CPD	Community Planning and Development (HUD Office)
EHSD	(Contra Costa County) Employment and Human Services Division
ESG	Emergency Solutions Grant (CPD – federal program)
FMR	Fair Market Rent (maximum rent for Section 8 rental assistance/CoC grants)
HCD	Housing and Community Development (State office)
HEARTH	Homeless Emergency and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act of 2009
HPRP	Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing
HMIS	Homeless Management Information System
HOME	Home Investment Partnerships (CPD program)
HOPWA	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (CPD program)
HUD	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (federal)
MHSA	Mental Health Services Act
NOFA	Notice of Funding Availability
PHA	Public Housing Authority
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration
SNAPS	Office of Special Needs Assistance Program (HUD office overseeing CoC)
SOAR	SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SSI/SSDI Application program)
SRO	Single-Room Occupancy housing units
SSA	Social Security Administration
SSDI	Social Security Disability Income
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
TA	Technical Assistance
TANF	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
TAY	Transition Age Youth (usually ages 16-24)
VA	Veterans Affairs (U.S. Department of)
VASH	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing
VI-SPDAT	Vulnerability Index – Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool

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CES	Coordinated Entry System
CoC	Continuum of Care; system of care offering assistance to persons experiencing/at risk of homelessness
CoC	Federal grant program stressing permanent solutions to homelessness
Con Plan	Consolidated Plan, a locally developed plan for housing assistance and urban development under CDBG and other CPD programs
DCD	Department of Conservation and Development
ESG	Emergency Solutions Grant (CPD – federal and state program funding streams)
FMR	Fair Market Rent (maximum rent for Section 8 rental assistance/CoC grants)
H3	(Contra Costa County) Health, Housing, and Homeless Services Division
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PHA	Public Housing Authority
RRH	Rapid Re-Housing
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration
SNAPS	Office of Special Needs Assistance Program (HUD office overseeing CoC)
SSO	Supportive Services Only (program)
SSDI	Social Security Disability Income
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
SSVF	Supportive Services for Veteran Families program (funding stream)
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3. Committee Updates



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Committee/Workgroup	Meeting Date	Outcomes
Oversight	July 26, 2018	Newly Oversight Committee Members met after structuring earlier this month. Members discussed intended goals of committee, desired outcomes of meetings, and future agenda items for committee.
Affordable Housing Developers Workgroup	June 20, 2018	Identified group of units/projects to engage for piloting affordable housing developer participation in CE, and currently reaching out to them for their input and ideas.
Quarterly COC Meeting	July 20, 2018	Presentations from BARHII and H3 about a framework for looking at equity issues, including understanding social determinants of health and the impact of housing insecurity; race and ethnicity data from the County Homelessness Continuum of Care, including findings on inequities and disparities in system decision points.
Centralized Emergency Shelter Workgroup	July 17, 2018	Reviewed demonstration of HMIS features to support referral process. Discussed shelter referral process to reach consensus on client flow, assessment questions, use of HMIS, and other details. Next steps: HomeBase to draft a process flow for referrals broken out by shelter; will reconvene to review and discuss outstanding questions.

Note: See Committee/Workgroup Calendar for a list of this year's Committee events and action items.