System Performance Committee (SPC) Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 24th, 2021 ║ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

[Recording of Zoom Meeting](#). The chat and materials discussed at the meeting (not provided before the meeting) are below the minutes.

Attendance:

Member	Area of Representation	Present
Alexis Bernard	Mental Health Service Organizations	No
Amani Sawires Rapaski	Substance Abuse & Housing Programs	Yes
Angela Marin	Local Government	No
Angela Upshaw	Veterans	No
Cindy Cavanaugh	County of Sacramento	No
Debra Larson	Seniors and Vulnerable Adults	No
Erin Johansen	Mental Health	Yes
Gina Roberson	Domestic Violence	Yes
John Foley	Homeless Services Provider	Yes
John Kraintz	Lived Experience	No
Lisa Bates, Co-Chair	Lead Agency	Yes
Mike Jaske	Faith Community Advocate	Yes
Monica Rocha-Wyatt	Mental Health	Yes
Stefan Heisler, Co-Chair	City of Rancho Cordova	Yes

If you have any questions or would like more information about this meeting, contact Scott Clark, Systems Performance Analyst with Sacramento Steps Forward at sclark@sacstepsforward.org.

Sarah O'Daniel	Housing Authority	No

SSF Staff	SSF Title
Andrew Geurkink	CoC Specialist
Lisa Bates	Chief Executive Officer
Michelle Watts	Chief Planning Officer
Michelle Charlton	CoC Coordinator
Peter Bell	CE Manager
Scott Clark	Systems Performance Analyst
Ya-yin Isle	Chief Strategic Initiatives Officer

Guests
Brandon A. Wirth, Cheyenne Caraway, Emily Halcon, Joseph Smith, Julie Hirota, Karri Eggers, Maria Avdalas, and Nick Golling.

Agenda Item	Presenter(s):	Time	Item Type
I. Welcome/Introductions	Lisa Bates & Stefan Heisler (Co-Chairs)	9:00 AM (5 minutes)	Information
Stefan welcomed all and started the meeting around 9:05 AM. Attendance of approximately 22 participants.			
II. Approval of 4/22/21 Meeting Minutes	Stefan Heisler	9:05 AM (5 minutes)	Action
Motioned for approval: 1st - Mike Jaske, 2nd - Amani Sawires Rapaski Motion approved. Gina Roberson abstained.			

III. SPC Co-Chair and Member Solicitation Update	Stefan Heisler	9:10 AM (5 minutes)	Information

Stefan shared that there will be a SPC member solicitation process starting this month. SPC expects to recruit for 4 slots. The goal is to present a slate for adoption at the August CoC Board meeting. Information about the opportunity will be shared broadly soon.

IV. Workplan Informing: CoC Annual Meeting Review	Scott Clark, SSF Systems Performance Analyst	9:15 AM (10 minutes)	Discussion

Scott reviewed discussion on system level issues at the CoC Annual Meeting, which in turn built on discussion of the Gaps Analysis at the May CoC Board Meeting. Participants in the "Closing the Gaps" breakout session ultimately recommended that the CoC continue to engage the broader community to discuss systemic issues in order to develop clear priorities with unified CoC messaging that can be used to impact planning & policymaking. Increased coordination, standardization, and improved access were major themes throughout the CoC Annual Meeting breakout and full group discussion.

V. Workplan Informing: Draft SPC Charter Changes	Michele Watts, SSF Chief Planning Officer & Andrew Geurkink, SSF CoC Specialist	9:25 AM (25 minutes)	Discussion

Michele presented draft changes to the Governance Charter from the Governance Committee that are related to SPC responsibilities. The proposed changes aim to clarify responsibilities of SPC versus other CoC Committees based on experience from the first year and a half of the SPC's existence. In response to the proposed change that acknowledges the SPC is not structured to lead a community wide planning effort, there was discussion about who ultimately takes responsibility for system planning. That function was seen as an overarching CoC board

responsibility informed by SPC's expertise and knowledge. There were no specific changes to the draft language proposed.

VI. Workplan Development	Stefan Heisler & Lisa Bates	9:50 AM (50 minutes)	Action

Stefan and Lisa shared the revised workplan informed by the previous SPC meeting discussion, the CoC Board discussion of the Gaps Analysis, the Annual Meeting discussion, and the proposed Governance Charter revisions. The committee asked that agenda time be reserved as possible for ongoing system performance informing environmental scans (e.g. Assembly Bill 816 on community planning). There were no specific changes to the draft workplan presented, but it was noted that it might be good to move up Gaps Analysis preparation (exploring and setting scope of analysis) to earlier meetings, time permitting.

Motioned for adopted of the workplan: 1ˢᵗ - Erin Johansen, 2ⁿᵈ - John Foley

Motion approved.

VII. Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) Plan	Michele Watts & Peter Bell, SSF CES Manager	10:40 AM (20 minutes)	Discussion

Michele described the EHV plan regarding the timeline, prioritization, planning with SHRA/City/CoC/County/Homebase, and looking forward to receiving feedback today. Peter shared the SHRA presentation at the June CoC Board meeting discussing key elements of the program and initial lease up. He shared a SSF presentation on EHV discussing targeted subpopulation (chronically homeless, literally Homeless, at-risk seniors (63+ years old), survivors, PSH Move-on ready, RRH bridge to EHV) eligibility requirements, EHV assessment, prioritization factors, and referral benchmarks. Cheyenne Caraway, SHRA, provided additional details on the planning of EHVs including landlord bonuses, applicant incentives, transportation fees, hiring housing navigators, and more. For any questions/concerns email Cheyenne Caraway. Please see the recording and chat for more details.

VII. Announcements - None.

VIII. Meeting Adjourned at 11:02 AM. Attendance of 15 participants.

Next SPC Meeting: Thursday, July 22, 2021 (9:00 AM - 11:00 AM)

Meeting Chat

00:14:55   Amani Rapaski: Second

00:15:06   Stefan Heisler: 4/22 MEETING MINUTES

00:15:13   Amani Rapaski: Aye

00:15:16   Stefan Heisler: YES

00:15:16   Lisa Bates (She/Her) - SSF: Aye

00:15:17   Gina Roberson: abstain

00:15:18   Mike Jaske: yes

00:15:18   Monica Rocha-Wyatt (she/her), BHS: Aye

00:15:20   John Foley: yes

00:16:30   Danielle Foster: Is that for existing members? or new ones also?

00:16:51   Lisa Bates (She/Her) - SSF: Doing a broad recruitment

00:18:09   Stefan Heisler: sheisler@cityofranchocordova.org

00:35:43   Scott Clark (he/him):   From previous agenda item, here are the annual meeting materials if you case you want to look back at anything:

00:35:44   Scott Clark (he/him): https://sacramentostepsforward.org/2021-sacramento-continuum-of-care-annual-meeting/

00:39:55   Monica Rocha-Wyatt (she/her), BHS: makes sense

00:42:42   Gina Roberson: all look good to me

00:57:29   Monica Rocha-Wyatt (she/her), BHS: Good points

01:05:18   Gina Roberson: what committee will be looking at how well the Problem Solving grants worked and if it helped improve access?

01:07:07   Monica Rocha-Wyatt (she/her), BHS: BRB

01:08:25   Brandon A. Wirth - SHELTER, Inc.:   We are looking forward to that!

01:08:58   Monica Rocha-Wyatt (she/her), BHS: back

01:20:44   Karri Eggers, SHELTER, Inc:Hi there - you mentioned that you are already working with the shelters to discuss performance measurements. Have all shelters been included? SHELTER, Inc hasn't been contacted yet. We are excited to participate. Thanks!

01:20:59   Danielle Foster: Thanks all! Apologies, but I need to run to another appointment.

01:32:29   Stefan Heisler: WORKPLAN ADOPTION

01:32:37   Erin Johansen: Yes

01:32:43   Monica Rocha-Wyatt (she/her), BHS: Aye

01:32:48   Lisa Bates (She/Her) - SSF: yes

01:32:49   Mike Jaske: OK

01:32:50   John Foley: yes

01:32:57   Amani Rapaski: Yes

01:32:59   Stefan Heisler: Yes

01:35:27   Peter Bell (he/him):   May I please have screen sharing permissions?

01:35:41   Emily Halcon: Appreciate the request for input on prioritization. How is SHRA seeking/receiving input on the use of the almost $2 million in service funding that comes with these vouchers?

01:45:18   Emily Halcon: Just to be clear, while we receive incentives to lease up by December, it is not a mandate - SHRA has a year to lease up before HUD even has the option (but not requirement) to take them back

01:47:30   Emily Halcon: Can SHRA also include the mandates to remove the local requirements (e.g. criminal histories, etc.) to make access easier than in "regular" vouchers?

01:47:57   Amani Rapaski: Thats helpful info emily. Thanks

01:49:20   Erin Johansen: To Emily's point, I don't believe I have heard about $2million in services funding in any of the meetings so I would appreciate a discussion of that.

01:53:34   Emily Halcon: Thanks, Erin. I would too. FYI, there is info on the service fee in the FAQ (starting on page 15). There are required services, and a menu of optional ones. As of now, I believe the recommendation is to only provide the required services, but think the community may want to weigh in on the optional ones, too. https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PIH/documents/EHV_FAQ_v3_06092021.pdf

01:55:51   Emily Halcon: I have to run - given the time limits, will the questions in the chat be answered in writing after the meeting and shared out?

01:57:18   Michele Watts, she/her/hers, SSF Chief Planning Officer: We can provide answers after the meeting. Some will need to be answered by SHRA- SSF will coordinated with them.

01:57:33   Erin Johansen: Reviewing the service fee, is this what SHRA is using to hire staff to find housing and lease up fees.

01:58:04   Cheyenne Caraway: I will speak about the service fees as soon as the presentation is done :)

02:05:33   Monica Rocha-Wyatt (she/her), BHS: Sorry, have 11am meeting

02:05:37   Mike Jaske: I am sorry. I have an 11AM meeting.

02:05:53   Peter Bell (he/him):   This ppt is available here: https://sacramentostepsforward.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/EHV-Prioritization-PPT-6.17.21-MW-Edits-6-18-21.pdf

02:06:31   Peter Bell (he/him):   You can find the entire EHV notice here: https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PIH/documents/PIH2021-15.pdf

02:08:25   Cheyenne Caraway: ccaraway@shra.org
02:09:02   Erin Johansen: I also have an 11am meeting. If there is a vote required I vote to approve the prioritization plan as Amani stated-prioritize all the groups listed.

02:09:24   Michelle Charlton (She/Her/Hers) SSF, CoC Coordinator: The next CoC Board meeting is Tues, June 29th 1pm to 2:30pm

02:09:42   Peter Bell (he/him):   Thank you all for the opportunity to present. Thank you for the feedback.

Part VI. Standing Committees

The following Standing Committees are intended to ensure that the core responsibilities of the Sacramento CoC are carried out efficiently and effectively to meet its mission.

A. Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is comprised of the three Sacramento CoC Board officers to carry out officer responsibilities as described in Section III.D. The Executive Committee calls all meetings of the Sacramento CoC and Sacramento CoC Board. The Executive Committee may act for the Sacramento CoC Board for urgent decisions where a regular or special meeting of the Sacramento CoC Board cannot be scheduled. In such a case, decisions are then referred to the full Sacramento CoC Board for ratification.

B. Governance Committee

The Governance Committee is responsible for ongoing evaluation of the CoC structure and operations, including:

- Annual review of the governance charter and making recommendations for changes to the Sacramento CoC Board;

- Overseeing Sacramento CoC Board member appointment process, including reviewing applications and nominating candidates to the Sacramento CoC Board;

- Annually inviting membership to the Sacramento CoC and developing strategies to ensure broad participation, including persons with lived experience on the Sacramento CoC, Sacramento CoC Board, and its committees; and

- Reviewing the annual budget and year-end reconciliation of the CoC Lead Agency and HMIS Lead Agency, relative to Sacramento CoC activities and reviewing activities broadly carried out by these entities outside of the Sacramento CoC activities.

C. HMIS and Data Committee

With assistance from the HMIS Lead Agency, the HMIS and Data Committee is responsible for carrying out responsibilities of Part II. C., including,

- Ensuring HMIS is operated in compliance with HUD;
- Reviewing local reports to HUD to ensure accuracy;
- Ensuring accurate, timely and comprehensive data is available to inform Sacramento CoC activities;
- Reviewing and recommending changes to the Sacramento CoC Board on privacy, security, and data quality plans consistent with HUD regulations and notices;
- Developing and regularly reviewing HMIS policies and procedures materials; and
- Assisting in the evaluation of the HMIS Lead, as requested by the Sacramento CoC Board and ensuring the Lead Agency successfully completes the following:
  - The annual Housing Inventory Count, and
  - The biennial Homeless Point-in-Time Count
- ~~Assisting in the evaluation of the HMIS Lead, as requested by the Sacramento CoC Board.~~

D. Project Review Committee

The Project Review Committee holds primary responsibility for overseeing a collaborative process to select projects for the HUD CoC funding application and for evaluating project performance of HUD-funded activities. Activities include:

- ~~In consultation with funding recipients, establishing performance targets by population and program type;~~

- In consultation with funding recipients, establishing performance targets by population and program type, which includes soliciting the review and input of the Systems Performance Committee;

- In consultation with funding recipients and ESG jurisdictions, establish written standards as described in Part I. A. 6.;

- Evaluating year-round performance of recipients and outcomes as required for HUD-funded CoC and ESG activities and report to HUD and Sacramento CoC Board; and

- Implementing the review and rank process, including determining funding priorities, and making funding recommendations for the CoC funding application.

E. System Performance Committee

The System Performance Committee ~~is responsible for~~supports system wide planning to ~~ensure~~help the overall housing and service system meets the needs of individuals, including unaccompanied youth, and families experiencing homelessness. Working with the CoC Lead Agency who

prepares the documents and reporting out to the Sacramento CoC Board for approval or adoption, areas of responsibility for this committee include:

- Mapping how the homeless system of services functions, including inventorying of major programs, services and resources, to inform the Sacramento CoC Board and public;

- ~~Completing the annual Housing Inventory Count required by HUD;~~

- Conducting the annual gaps analysis and presenting to the Sacramento CoC Board;
- Convening the PIT Subcommittee
  This subcommittee provides regular updates, as well as recommendations as needed, to the System Performance Committee and/or the CoC Board on the planning of the unsheltered count efforts of the biennial homeless PIT Count.
- ~~Planning and conducting the Point-In-Time Counts;~~

- Evaluating system-level performance using HUD and community performance measures;

- Reviewing and providing feedback as needed on aspects related to the CoC NOFA Competition and its components:

  - project priorities list

  - community narrative (HUD calls this the CoC Application)

  - planning application
- ~~Reviewing the annual CoC application relative to system performance and planning activities; and~~

- Reviewing and providing feedback as needed on aspects related to system performance and planning activities, such as:

  - The annual Housing Inventory County
  - Performance targets set in the project review tools developed by the PRC
  - Point-in-Time Counts
  - The annual CoC application
  - Strategic plans and community initiatives
- ~~Recommending strategies and actions to the Sacramento CoC Board to improve overall functioning of the homeless system.~~

F. Coordinated Entry System Committee

The Coordinated Entry System Committee oversees the design and implementation of the local coordinated entry system (CES) and evaluates its functioning and impact on improving access and connection to services

to resolve homelessness. Responsibilities include:

- In consultation with ESG jurisdictions and CoC recipients, establishing policies and procedures, including specific policies to guide operation for persons fleeing domestic violence to ensure HUD requirements and local goals are met;

- Developing performance metrics and evaluative tools specific to oversight and administration of the CES;

- Regularly seeking feedback from providers, consumers, and others engaging with the CES; and

- Reporting regularly on the activities of the CES to Sacramento CoC Board and broader CoC community on access, resources, and functioning.

G. Youth Committee

The Sacramento Youth Action Board (YAB) is a formal committee of the Sacramento CoC Board. Membership consists of persons between ages 18 and 24 years at the time initial appointment to the YAB, and at least two-thirds of YAB members must be homeless or formerly homeless. The YAB advises the Sacramento CoC Board on policies and activities that relate to preventing and ending youth homelessness. Specific areas of work include:

- Informing CoC's written plans or strategies relative to preventing and ending youth homelessness;

- Informing the design of the PIT Count; and

- Informing other CoC Committee work, such as the CES Committee, Project review Committee and System Performance Committee, as it relates to preventing and ending youth homelessness.

Appendix A: Roles and Responsibilities

CoC Responsibilities	Sacramento CoC Board	Responsible Committee	Support Needed
Governance/Administration			
1. Hold meetings of full membership ~~semi~~ annually	Lead	Executive	Support all meetings, including logistics, notices, minutes
2. Make public invitation for new CoC members annually and as vacancies arise and appoint new members	Approve	Governance	Lead staff
3. Oversee Board membership process. ~~Review process every five years.~~	Approve	Governance	Support committee work
4. Appoint Chairs and members for Standing Committees. Develop workplans.	Approve	Executive	Support solicitation of chairs and members Staff all standing committees
5. Create and charter additional Ad Hoc Committees and Collaboratives	Approve	Executive	Recommend staffing capacity when new Ad Hoc committees and Collaboratives are being considered
6. Annually review governance charter in consultation with Collaborative Applicant and HMIS Lead	Approve	Governance	Work collaboratively with committee
7. Establish code of conduct, recusal processes to comply with conflict of interest.	Approve (with annual charter)	Governance	Implement through collecting forms and monitoring conflicts, recusals, etc.
8. Coordinate on organizational and administrative matters, including financials, staffing.	Receive annual report	Executive	Coordinate on organizational issues – including financials and staffing, and report out annually
9. Coordinate with SSF Board	Receive Report	CoC Board Chair	
10. Evaluate and designate CoC Lead Agency and HMIS Lead ~~every five years~~ and confirm expectations are being met.	Approve	Executive	Collaborative review
11. Review CoC Lead Agency and HMIS Lead Agency financials as related to HUD and State-funded CoC projects (budget and year-end)	Receive report	Governance	Work collaboratively to review and submit
CoC Funding Application			

12. Design, operate and follow a collaborative application process	Approve	Project Review	Work collaboratively with committee on process and submission	
13. Establish HUD-fundeding priorities	Approve	Project Review/ System Performance	Work collaboratively with committee on process and submission (Project Review Committee is lead)	Commented [AG4]: Change in language to improve clarity
14. Rate and rank projects	Approve	Project Review	Work collaboratively with committee on process and submission	
15. Develop system (non project) for portions of application, including application for planning activities.	Approve	System Performance	Work collaboratively with committee on process and submission	
16. Monitor and ensure compliance with new federal policies.	Approve	Varies by topic	Lead Staff	Commented [A5]: not mentioned in above Charter
CoC Project Oversight				
17. Coordinate implementation of a County-wide housing and support services system for persons experiencing homelessness	Approve	System Performance	Lead Staff	
18. Establish new HUD CoC Project performance targets by population and program type	Approve	Project Review / System Performance	Lead staff Project Review Committee is lead, with support from System Performance	
19. Monitor performance, evaluate outcomes and provide recommendation to CoC Board for action to address take action against poor performance	Receive report	Project Review/ System Performance	Lead staff Conduct onsite monitoring, reports and follow up Project Review Committee is lead, with support from System Performance	Commented [AG6]: The CoC currently does not comply with this Role/Responsibility
20. Evaluate ESG and CoC outcomes and report to HUD and CoC Board	Receive report	Project Review/ System Performance	Independent Consultant Lead staff Project Review Committee is lead, with support from System Performance	Commented [AG7]: Change in language to improve clarity

21. Establish and follow written standards for providing CoC assistance, in consultation with ESG, including P&P for • Evaluating eligibility; • Prioritizing who receives TH assistance • Prioritizing who receives RRH • Rent and assistance standards • Prioritizing PSH	Approve	Project Review / System Performance	Independent Consultant Lead staff Project Review Committee is lead, with support from System Performance	**Commented [AG8]:** Change in language to improve clarity
Coordinated Entry				
22. Establish and operate centralized or coordinated entry, in consultation with ESG recipients.		CES	implementation of Coordinated entry, either directly or through contracts	
23. Approve policies and procedures. Develop specific policy to guide operation for DV.	Approve	CES	Lead staff	**Commented [AG9]:** The CoC currently does not comply with this Role/Responsibility
24. Ongoing evaluation of system and outcomes and annual report	Receive report	CES	Lead staff	
HMIS/Data				
25. Designate single HMIS system and lead	Approve	HMIS and Data		
26. Review, revise and approve, privacy, security, data quality plans	Approve	HMIS and Data	HMIS Lead prepares plans	
27. Ensure HMIS operated in compliance with HUD		HMIS and Data	HMIS Lead implements	
28. Report to HUD and community on system and project performance outcomes	Receive report	HMIS and Data/System Performance	HMIS Lead prepares reports	
Communitywide Planning				
29. Support development ofDevelop communitywide plan to ensure outreach, shelter, housing, supportive services, prevention	Approve	Executive Committee; All Committees System Performance	Lead staff	**Commented [AG10]:** The CoC currently does not comply with this Role/Responsibility
30. Conduct PIT	Receive report	System Performance /PIT Subcommitt	Prepare or contract for report, leads community discussion in developing and reviewing	

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31.Conduct annual gaps analysis of needs and services	Approve	System Performance	Prepare or contract for report, leads community discussion in developing and reviewing	Commented [AG11]: The CoC currently does not comply with this Role/Responsibility
32.Submit Housing Inventory Count (HIC) to HUD	Receive report	~~System Performance~~ HMIS and Data	Lead staff	
Coordination				
33.Provide info for Consolidated Plan	Receive report	System Performance	Lead staff	
34.Consult with ESG recipients on the Plan for allocating ESG funding and reporting on performance in CAPER	Receive report	~~System Performance~~ Project Review	Lead staff Project Review Committee is lead, with support from System Performance	Commented [AG12]: The CoC currently does not comply with this Role/Responsibility
Communication				
35.Maintain CoC membership and communications, including website		Executive	Lead staff	
36.Communicate with public, leaders and stakeholders on key issues	Receive report	Executive	Lead staff	

Emergency Housing Vouchers

June 9, 2021

What are Emergency Housing Vouchers

- The American Rescue Plan (ARP) of 2021 appropriated $5 billion for the Emergency Housing Vouchers

- 70,000 were awarded to appr. 700 Housing Authorities

- Sacramento received 484 vouchers. Potential to receive more

- Separate from Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program

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Emergency Housing Vouchers

EHV eligibility is limited to households **(individuals and families)** who are:

- Homeless;

- At-risk of homelessness;

- Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; and

- Recently homeless, and for whom providing rental assistance will prevent homelessness or risk of housing instability.

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EHV Partnerships

- All referrals must come through the Continuum of Care's (CoC's) Coordinated Entry (CE) System or from a Victim Service Provider

- Focus on advancing equity and inclusion

- Work in partnership with domestic violence victim providers

- CoC's are responsible for determining whether the family qualifies under one of the four eligibility categories

Housing Search Assistance

- Housing Authorities **must** ensure housing search assistance is made available to EHV families during their initial housing search.

- Examples may include, but are not limited to:
  - Assistance completing paperwork
  - Provide transportation to search for a housing unit
  - Advocate for the household to the landlord
  - Address discrimination issues based on race, ethnicity, disability etc.
  - Market the incentive program
  - Find appropriate housing units

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Enhanced Assistance

Housing Authority will develop a Landlord/Applicant Incentive Program

Examples may include, but are not limited to:
- Owner Incentive fees
- Application fees
- Holding fees
- Security deposit assistance
- Utility deposit assistance
- Tenant readiness
- Moving expenses
- Renters insurance

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Key Elements of Program

- HUD wants households **leased up** within **4 to 6 months**

- Incentive ~ Sacramento receives additional homeless vouchers

Caution:

- Within "reasonable time period" HUD could redistribute unleased vouchers and provide to other housing authorities

- Within 12 months all unissued vouchers will be revoked and reallocated

Initial Lease Up

GOAL: to lease 484 homeless households in 6 months!

- Must find homeless households quickly

- Have robust pipeline of referrals from CE/domestic violence victim providers

- Link homeless household to staff immediately to assist with intake/landlord paperwork

- Help household find a suitable unit

- Link household to ongoing services for stability (preferable)

Thank you!

Emergency Housing Vouchers

Sacramento Continuum of Care

Overview

- Targeted subpopulations

- Prioritization factors

- Referral benchmarks

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Targeted Subpopulations

The Sacramento Continuum of Care is choosing to target subpopulations in all four eligible categories, including:

Category 1 - Experiencing Homelessness: **Chronically homeless, Literally homeless**
Category 2- At-risk of Experiencing Homelessness: **Seniors**
Category 3- Fleeing or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking: **Survivors**
Category 4- Recently homeless and for whom providing rental assistance will prevent the family's homelessness or having high risk of housing instability: **Move-on eligible residents in current PSH programs (not limited to CoC-only); Recently homeless eligible residents in RRH programs**

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Eligibility Requirements

In addition to meeting specific eligibility requirements applicable to each category, a household is considered *ineligible*, if:

- Any member of the household is subject to a lifetime registration requirement on a state sex offender registration program
- Any member of the household has ever been convicted of manufacturing methamphetamines on the premises of federally assisted housing
- There are no members of the household who are U.S. citizens or noncitizens with eligible immigration status

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EHV Assessment

Each factor is worth one point. A household would be prioritized based on the highest score:

- No or a very low source of income
- Previously experienced homelessness (HMIS)
- Long-term disability as defined by the HEARTH Act that impedes their ability to work
- History of eviction
- Other housing barriers, such as a criminal background (excluding lifetime 290s)
- Is able to meet most basic needs independently and does not require long-term supportive services OR is receiving sufficient CBO services to meet their needs

Other factors to consider:

- Recently homeless: rent burden if household were to remain in their unit when assistance ends
- At-risk: urgency/# of days when household will exit to homelessness

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Subpopulation: Chronically Homeless

- Reasoning: Targets existing CoC and CES programs, who serve the most vulnerable

- Prioritization factors: Connected to ongoing supportive services, COVID-19 prioritization factors

- Referral sources: Behavioral Health Programs, Health Homes/Pathways, FSRP, and other programs serving this population

- Estimated number of **weekly** referrals: 25+ (depends on eligible supportive services)

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Subpopulation: Literally Homeless

- Reasoning: Targets existing CoC and CES programs

- Prioritization factors: *EHV assessment questions*

- Referral sources: Varies

- Estimated number of **weekly** referrals: 30

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Subpopulation: At-Risk Seniors (62+ years old)

- Reasoning: (1) Seniors are prioritized within the CES temporary COVID-19 prioritization schema. (2) There is a lack of sufficient dedicated housing services for seniors and seniors are ineligible for mainstream vouchers.

- Prioritization factors- *EHV assessment questions*

- Referral sources- Varies

- Estimated number of **weekly** referrals: 5

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Subpopulation: Survivors

- Reasoning: (1) Victim service providers have not been well-connected to the homeless response system, despite the intersectionality between intimate partner violence and homelessness. (2) EHV notice requires pathway(s) for all survivors.

- Prioritization factors: Severity of needs questions, *EHV assessment questions*

- Referral sources: My Sister's House, Opening Doors, WEAVE, CASH, IRC, St. John's Women's Shelter, and possibly others.

- Estimated number of **weekly** referrals: 25

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Subpopulation: PSH Move-on Ready

- Reasoning: Creates more flow through coordinated entry PSH units for most vulnerable populations

- Prioritization factors: Do you still need supportive services?
    - <mark>Trauma Informed / Motivational Interviewing questions – Are you ready?</mark>

- Referral sources: All permanent supportive housing programs

- Estimated number of **weekly** referrals: 15

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Subpopulation: RRH Bridge to EHV

- Reasoning: Prevents returns to homelessness

- Prioritization factors: *EHV assessment questions*

- Referral sources: All RRH programs (?)

- Estimated number of **weekly** referrals: ???

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Prioritization and Referral

- Within each of the six subpopulations, clients will be prioritized based on the highest assessment score
- Clients with the same score will be ranked by length of time homeless, and then first come first served
- Referrals will take place through HMIS (anonymous profiles will be used for Survivor System referrals)

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Weekly Benchmarks – 100 Referrals / week

Subpopulation	Number of Weekly Referrals
Chronically Homeless (w/ services)	25+
Literally Homeless	30
At-Risk Seniors	5
Survivors	25
PSH Move On	15
RRH Bridge	TBD
Total	**100 +**

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Weekly Benchmarks – 100 Referrals / week

100 households referred to SHRA on a weekly basis

If there are not enough eligible clients within a subpopulation to complete the target number of referrals per week, eligible households within the other subpopulations will be referred.

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