

## Sacramento Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 13th, 2021 | 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM



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[Recording of Zoom Meeting](#). The meeting chat is below the minutes.

### Attendance:

Member	Area of Representation	Present
Alexis Bernard	Mental Health Service Organization	Yes
Amani Sawires Rapaski	Substance Abuse	Yes
Angela Upshaw - Vice Chair	Veterans	Yes
April Marie Dawson	People with Disabilities	No
Chevon Kothari	County Health Services	Yes
Christie M. Gonzales	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes
Christie Lynn	Law Enforcement	No
Elyah "Eroz" Williams	Youth with Lived Experience	Yes
Emily Halcon	County of Sacramento	Yes
Erin Johansen - Chair	Mental Health	Yes
Fatemah Martinez	Shelter Provider	Yes
Jameson Parker	Business Community & Street Outreach	No
Jenna Abbott	Business Community	Yes
John Kraintz	Lived Experience	Yes
Joseph Smith	Coalition/Network	Yes
Julie Davis-Jaffe	Employment Development	Yes
Juile Hirota	Shelter and/or Housing Provider	Yes
MaryLiz Paulson	Housing Authority	Yes
Mike Jaske	Faith Community Advocate	Yes
Nicholas Golling	City of Sacramento	Yes
Pixie Pearl - Secretary	Homeless Youth	Yes
Sarah Bontrager	City of Elk Grove	Yes
Stefan Heisler	City of Rancho Cordova	Yes

Stephanie Cotter	City of Citrus Heights	Yes
Tara Turrentine	Education	Yes

SSF Staff	SSF Title
Andrew Geurkink	Continuum of Care Specialist
Christina Heredia	Referral Specialist
Kathreen “Nica” Daria	Volunteer & Training Coordinator
Glenn Merker	Referral Specialist
Janet Rice	Chief Financial Officer
Lisa Bates	Chief Executive Officer
Michele Watts	Chief Planning Officer
Michelle Charlton	Continuum of Care Coordinator
Peter Bell	Coordinated Entry Manager
Sarah Schwartz	Field Administrator
Scott Clark	Systems Performance Analysis
Stacey Fong	Coordinated Entry Analysis
Tamu Green	Systems Performance Advisor
Ya-yin Isle	Chief Strategic Initiatives Officer

Guests
<p>Ardy, Bishop Chris Baker, Bo Cassell, Brandon Wirth, Bruce Kuban, Celia Yniguez, Cheyenne Caraway, Cynthia Hunt, Cynthia Pimentel, Danny Marques, David Husid, David Panush, Debbie Hughes, Deisy Madrigal, Edward Mariscal, Elizabeth Elliott, Emily Zelaya, Erica Plumb, G. Herrera, Genelle Cazares, Harjit Singh Gill, HyppoliteK, Isabella Garcia, Jeffery Tardaguila, Jesse Williams, John Foley, Joshua Collver, Julie Field, Karisa, Kate Hutchinson, Kyle Stefano, Leesa Hooks, Monica Rocha-Wyatt, NCIHA, Patti Uplinger, Peter Muse, QJ, Richelle Cullen, Robynne Rose-Haymer, Sharna Braucks, SHERandez, Tiffany Rayford, Troy Lynch, William White, WSACA, and Zuri.</p>

<b>I. Welcome &amp; Introductions:</b> Erin Johansen, Chair
Erin called the meeting to order around 8:03 AM. Attendance of 47 participants.

## II. Review & Approval of Sept. 8th Minutes: Pixie Pearl, Secretary

### Approval of 9/8/21 CoC Board minutes

Motioned for approval: 1st - Emily Halcon / 2nd - Tara Turrentine

Motion approved.

## III. Chair's Report: Erin Johansen

Erin mentioned:

- The CoC Board and Committees have new Zoom details to allow more participants to join the meetings. Calendar invites, the [SSF CoC meeting webpage](#), and upcoming agendas have the updated Zoom details. Please be sure to join the new Zoom meeting rooms per CoC meeting.
- We will not have a Nov. CoC Board meeting. **Our next CoC Board Meeting is Fri., 10/29/21 from 8am to 10am.** This special Board meeting will focus on NOFO business items. A calendar invite has been sent out. The agenda and materials will be provided closer to the meeting date.

## IV. CEO's Report: Lisa Bates

Lisa shared details about:

- the NOFO competition (mid November)
- the 2022 Point-In-Time Count and how SSF will take on a great role in the coordination which will occur in Jan. 2022

## V. Announcements:

**CoC Board Chair:** None.

**CoC Board Member:** Angela Upshaw, CoC Vice Chair, shared details about the Supportive Services for Veteran Families's (SSVF) Shallow Subsidy Service program.

**Community:** Jeff Tardaguila shared details about the new law changes regarding the homeless students population and CalTrans sweeps on X street.

Please see the recording for more details.

## VI. Consent Agenda - Action Items:

**A. Racial Equity Committee Slate Appointment**

**B. Point-In-Time Count Committee Slate Appointment (Part A)**

**C. HHAP-3 Update**

**Approval of (A) Racial Equity Committee Slate Appointment with the amendment to remove Brenda-Joyce Newman from the slate**

Motioned for approval: 1st - Sarah Bontrager / 2nd - Christie M. Gonzales

Motion approved.

**Approval of (B) Point-In-Time Count Committee Slate Appointment (Part A) and (C) HHAP-3 Update**

Motioned for approval: 1st - Angela Upshaw / 2nd - Jenna Abott

Motion approved.

**VII. New Business:**

<b>A. Homeless Advocacy Effort</b>	Joseph Smith, Loaves & Fishes & CoC Board Member, Mike Jaske, Sacramento ACT & CoC Board Member, & David Panush, California Health Policy Strategies	8:40 AM (30 minutes)	Information
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A short video was shared with an interview of 2 homeless persons discussing Medi-Cal and healthcare access. Joseph shared details about the video. The video highlighted that the medical community isn't well connected with the homeless community.

Mike discussed the presentation, provided within the meeting materials, that included details about the participants, how the group started around Nov. 2020, issues, what is CalAIM, mandatory populations of focus, details about ECM, community supports (in lieu of services ILOS), CalAIM incentives payments and other funding opportunities, key implementation questions, and concluded with a open discussion with the meeting participants.

Chevon, CoC Board member, shared details about a CalAIM workshop on Tuesday, Oct. 19th, 2021 at 2:30pm and mentioned the focus on cost savings, investments, limitations on services, and how the plans have been under discussion with the City and County.

David shared details about CalAIM which included details about the services, the plans, a timeline, and the funding opportunity.

Lisa Bates shared details how SSF staff is looking at this from a system level and

their efforts.

Questions were asked during the meeting. Please see the recording for more details.

**B. HUD CoC NOFO Updates:**

- **Projects Competition**
- **CoC Application (narrative)**
- **Planning Grant Application**

Michele Watts, SSF  
Chief Planning Officer

9:10 AM  
(25 minutes)

Information

Michele shared details that included the Providers efforts, how materials are currently under active review of the rank panelists in the Project Review Committee (18 renewals and about 10 new project applications), how the panel meetings will occur over multiple days in the week of 10/18/21 and will discuss scores and priority recommendations, that a list of recommendations will be shared for the CoC Board approval. She mentioned CoC Board members aren't required to provide comments but are welcome to share feedback.

Homebase is coordinating the drafting of this year's application. SSF staff has provided a variety of information to support Homebase in developing narrative and have collected information from Providers. SSF is anticipating to review the full draft in late October and will send it to the CoC Board to authorize SSF to submit the application. Projects and the CoC application will be posted on the SSF website if approved. The planning project grant application is the third big project of the local application and SSF is the collaborative applicant; these funds support activities under HEARTH Act.

An Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) update from Cheyenne Caraway, SHRA, shared that 100 vouchers have been provided as of today, 3 vouchers have been sent out, and that they are working on 300 more applications. Questions were asked during the meeting. Please see the recording for more details.

**C. HOME-ARP City & County Allocation Plans**

Celia Yniguez,  
Sacramento Housing  
and Redevelopment  
Agency (SHRA)

9:35 AM  
(15 minutes)

Information  
&  
Action

Celia shared details about the HOME-ARP City & County Allocation Plans which included the funds types, project needs, HUD's funding, the consolidated/action plan, the 2021 amendments to funds, types of categories, 3 NOFA's over the next 3 years, and more. Questions were asked during the meeting. Please see the recording for more details.

### **Approval of HOME-ARP City & County Allocation Plans**

Motioned for approval: 1st - Mike Jaske / 2nd - Tara Turrentine

Motion approved.

#### **D. 2022 Unsheltered PIT Count Update**

April Marie Dawson,  
PITC Co-Chair &  
Michele Watts

9:50 AM  
(5 minutes)

Information

Michele and Kathreen "Nica" discussed the volunteer and planning efforts which included the next PITC focus will be on the data collection tool, finalizing the scope and budget with CSUS, the volunteer trainings, materials, application, and communications efforts. Please see the recording for more details.

#### **E. YHDP Update**

Michele Watts &  
Kathreen Daria, SSF  
Volunteer & Training  
Coordinator

9:55 AM  
(5 minutes)

Information

Michele and Kathreen shared details about the application, when HUD will announce the results, and more. Please see the recording for more details.

**VIII. Meeting Adjourned at 9:46 AM. Attendance of 71 participants.**

**Next CoC Board Meeting: Friday, Oct. 29th, 2021 (8:00 AM to 10:00 AM)**

*The November 10th CoC Board meeting is canceled.*

## **CoC Board Meeting Chat**

07:58:08 From Mike Jaske to Everyone:  
Good morning

07:58:27 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:  
Welcome! Here are today's meeting materials:

<https://sacramentostepsforward.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/10.13.21-CoC-Board-Packet.pdf>

08:00:48 From chunt to Everyone:

Good morning everyone, this is Cynthia Hunt from Cottage Housing Inc.

08:01:37 From David Husid, Cottage Housing to Everyone:

David Husid Cottage Housing

08:02:15 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:

Welcome! Here are today's meeting materials:

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08:02:29 From Patti Uplinger to Everyone:

Patti Uplinger STEP Inc Housing Access Services

08:02:32 From Kyle Stefano to Everyone:

Kyle Stefano, Sacramento Covered

08:02:35 From Debbie Martinez Next Move/PRK to Everyone:

Debbie Martinez Next Move and Project Room Key

08:02:39 From iPhone to Everyone:

Tamyra Dow HRS Hope Coop

08:02:44 From John Foley to Everyone:

John Foley, Sacramento Self Help Housing

08:03:07 From Genelle Cazares to Everyone:

Genelle Cazares, El Hogar Community Services

08:03:21 From Jeffery Tardaguila to Everyone:

[jefftard22@gmail.com](mailto:jefftard22@gmail.com) Sac PIT

08:03:42 From Christina H. SSF Referral Specialist to Everyone:

Christina Heredia Sacramento Steps Forward Referral Specialist

08:04:24 From Dr. Tamu Green (she/her) SSF Systems Performance Advisor to Everyone:

Good morning, everyone. Tamu Green, Systems Performance Advisor at SSF.

08:05:10 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:

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08:05:17 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:  
**The November 10th CoC Board meeting is canceled.**

08:07:04 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:  
**Approval of Sept. 8th, 2021 Minutes**

08:07:11 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:  
aye

08:07:11 From Tara Turrentine to Everyone:  
Yes

08:07:12 From AngelaUpshaw to Everyone:  
yes

08:07:12 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:  
Yes

08:07:12 From Julie Davis-Jaffe - SETA Sacramento Works to Everyone:  
Yes

08:07:12 From Christie Gonzales to Everyone:  
yes

08:07:14 From Joseph Smith to Everyone:  
yes

08:07:17 From Pixie Pearl (they/them) to Everyone:  
yes

08:07:17 From Erin Johansen, Hope Cooperative to Everyone:  
yes

08:07:18 From Mike Jaske to Everyone:  
yes

08:07:18 From mpaulson to Everyone:  
Yes

08:07:23 From Fatemah Martinez to Everyone:  
Yes



08:07:27 From Pixie Pearl (they/them) to Everyone:  
yes

08:07:29 From Chevon Kothari - DHS to Everyone:  
yes

08:07:35 From Stefan Heisler to Everyone:  
yes

08:13:43 From Sarah Bontrager to Everyone:  
Motion

08:13:58 From Chevon Kothari - DHS to Everyone:  
Yes

08:14:00 From Julie Hirota Saint John's to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:00 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:  
**Approval of Racial Equity Committee Slate Appointment**

08:14:03 From Sarah Bontrager to Everyone:  
Yes

08:14:03 From Pixie Pearl (they/them) to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:04 From Stefan Heisler to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:06 From Amani Sawires to Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC  
Coordinator(Direct Message):  
Yes

08:14:06 From Christie Gonzales to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:06 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:07 From Erin Johansen, Hope Cooperative to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:07 From Mike Jaske to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:09 From mpaulson to Everyone:  
Yes

08:14:10 From Tara Turrentine to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:10 From Julie Davis-Jaffe - SETA Sacramento Works to Everyone:  
Yes

08:14:11 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:  
aye

08:14:13 From Joseph Smith to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:15 From AngelaUpshaw to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:16 From Amani Sawires to Everyone:  
Yes

08:14:19 From Fatemah Martinez to Everyone:  
Yes

08:14:49 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:  
**Approval of Point-In-Time Count Committee Slate Appointment (Part A) and HHAP-3 Update:**

08:14:52 From Pixie Pearl (they/them) to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:53 From Nick Golling City of Sacramento to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:53 From Sarah Bontrager to Everyone:  
Yes

08:14:53 From Chevon Kothari - DHS to Everyone:

Yes

08:14:54 From Stefan Heisler to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:55 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:55 From Erin Johansen, Hope Cooperative to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:56 From Christie Gonzales to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:57 From mpaulson to Everyone:  
Yes

08:14:57 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:  
aye

08:14:59 From Julie Hirota Saint John's to Everyone:  
yes

08:14:59 From Mike Jaske to Everyone:  
yes

08:15:00 From Joseph Smith to Everyone:  
yes

08:15:01 From AngelaUpshaw to Everyone:  
yes

08:15:04 From Tara Turrentine to Everyone:  
yes

08:23:06 From Erin Johansen, Hope Cooperative to Everyone:  
Health Authority Commission

08:50:56 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:

How does this fit in with the EHV that were recently provided? And were we able to use all that we were provided for the city?

08:56:28 From Edward Mariscal to Everyone:

DHCS submitted two requests to CMS: (1) the CalAIM Section 1115 demonstration (formerly entitled Medi-Cal 2020 Section 1115 demonstration) for a five-year renewal, with amendment; and (2) the CalAIM Section 1915(b) waiver for a five-year renewal, with amendment. DHCS is requesting approval by December 2021 to enable implementation in January 2022.

It's on the DHCS website: CalAIM 1115 and 1915(b) Waiver Renewals

09:02:37 From chunt to Everyone:

I have a question with the 10 new projects, if approved do they take priority over renewal projects?

09:03:52 From Bishop Chris Baker to Everyone:

looking forward to some exciting things..

09:12:06 From mpaulson to Everyone:

Sorry I need to jump off. Thank you.

09:13:36 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:

Cheyenne how many of the 100 vouchers have been leased up?

09:13:47 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:

Sorry, missed that, thanks Erin!

09:14:33 From Bishop Chris Baker to Everyone:

im juggling two zooms , other is correctional reentry were i am on the advisory board..

09:18:13 From Bishop Chris Baker to Everyone:

How about prefabricated housing in which i am working with them on future projects in south sacramento???

09:22:22 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:

Celia, isn't there a State allocation of HOME-ARP as well that non-entitlement jurisdictions can apply for?

09:25:24 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:

FYI, in the HUD HOME-ARP allocation amounts, there is \$1555,003,054 for "CA Non Entitlement". Typically, this is distributed through HCD

<https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/CPD/documents/HOME-ARP.pdf>

09:25:40 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:

Typo - \$155,003,054!

09:26:11 From Elizabeth Elliott, Executive Director,( NCIHA, She, They, Them) to Everyone:

The audio is really terrible when Bishop Baker is speaking

09:27:00 From Stephanie Cotter to Everyone:

the Sacramento county allocation includes the surrounding cities because we're in a consortium

09:27:17 From Stephanie Cotter to Everyone:

so we couldn't apply for the no entitlement

09:28:42 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:

**Approval of HOME-ARP City & County Allocation Plans:**

09:28:49 From AngelaUpshaw to Everyone:

yes

09:28:49 From Nick Golling to Everyone:

yes

09:28:50 From Julie Hirota to Everyone:

yes

09:28:50 From Erin Johansen, Hope Cooperative to Everyone:

yes

09:28:51 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:

yes

09:28:51 From Pixie Pearl (they/them) to Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator(Direct Message):

yes,

09:28:52 From Stephanie Cotter to Everyone:

yes

09:28:52 From Sarah Bontrager to Everyone:

Yes

09:28:53 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:

aye

09:28:53 From Fatemah Martinez to Everyone:  
Yes

09:28:54 From Stefan Heisler to Everyone:  
yes

09:28:55 From Julie Davis-Jaffe - SETA Sacramento Works to Everyone:  
Yes

09:28:57 From Pixie Pearl (they/them) to Everyone:  
yes

09:29:00 From Amani Sawires to Everyone:  
Yes

09:29:01 From Tara Turrentine to Everyone:  
yes

09:29:10 From Mike Jaske to Everyone:  
yes

09:34:36 From Elyah Williams to Everyone:  
When will the details for the pit count training and registration be released

09:41:17 From Ardy to Everyone:  
I'd like my organization and our volunteers to be involved in the upcoming PIT.  
Please keep me posted on registration details:)

09:42:02 From Michele Watts, she/her/hers, SSF Chief Planning Officer to Everyone:  
Will do, Ardy, thank you!

09:42:29 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:  
More details about the 2022 PITC, see here:  
<https://sacramentostepsforward.org/continuum-of-care-point-in-time-pit-count/2022-pit-count/>

09:44:03 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:  
Access all details about CoC meeting, see here:  
<https://sacramentostepsforward.org/committees>

09:44:56 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:

Access the CoC Policies here:

<https://sacramentostepsforward.org/coc-program-comp/policies/>

09:45:07 From Michelle Charlton (She/Her) SSF, CoC Coordinator to Everyone:

We want your feedback! Access the survey to provide feedback on the drafts listed above. **Feedback is due by Thursday, Nov. 4th, 2021 by 5:00 PM.**

09:46:11 From Sharna Braucks to Everyone:

Thank you!