

Sacramento Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 11th, 2022 | 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
Amber Kemp	Healthcare	Yes
Angela Upshaw - Vice Chair	Veterans	Yes
April Marie Dawson	People with Disabilities	No
Christie M. Gonzales	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes
Deisy Madrigal	Social Services	Yes
Elyah "Eroz" Williams	Youth with Lived Experience	No
Emily Halcon	County of Sacramento	Yes
Erin Johansen - Chair	Mental Health	Yes
Fatemah Martinez	Shelter Provider	Yes
Jameson Parker	Business Community & Street Outreach	Yes
Jenna Abbott	Business Community	Yes
Jenine Spotnitz	Mental Health	Yes
John Kraintz	Lived Experience	No
Joseph Smith	Coalition/Network	Yes

Julie Davis-Jaffe	Employment Development	Yes
Juile Hirota	Shelter and/or Housing Provider	Yes
Kimberley Rae Berry	Person with Lived Experience	No
MaryLiz Paulson	Housing Authority	No
Mason Gizard	Person with Lived Experience	Yes
Mike Jaske	Faith Community Advocate	Yes
Monica Rocha-Wyatt	Mental Health	Yes
Nicholas Golling	City of Sacramento	Yes
Paul Jbeily	Law Enforcement	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	No
Tara Turrentine	Education	Yes

SSF Staff	SSF Title
Christina Heredia	Referral Specialist
Janet Rice	Chief Financial Officer
Jesse Archer	CoC Analyst
Jillyan McKinney	Racial Equity Specialist
Josh Lowy	Programming Analyst
Kathreen Daria	Volunteer & Training Coordinator
Kaylin Jones	CoC Coordinator
Lisa Bates	Chief Executive Officer
Michele Watts	Chief Planning Officer

Peter Bell	CE Manager
Rolf Davidson	Director of Programs
Scott Clark	Data Analysis Manager
Tanesha Travis	PLE Coordinator
Theresa Bible	Outreach Navigator – Meadowview
Ya-yin Isle	Chief Strategic Initiatives Officer

Guests

Alisa Osunfunke Orduna, Alyxe Lett, Andrew Geurkink, Brandon Wirth, Brian Heller De Leon, Cynthia Pimentel, Danielle Foster, Dawn Angelo, Dawn Basciano, Emily Zelaya, Erica Plumb, genesis white, HART of Folsom, Ivonne Ellis, James Trout, JesseWilliams, John Foley, Julie Field, Karisa Hyppolite, Kasia Elijah, Kate Hutchinson, Kathy Simms, Kia Phillips, Kris Kuntz, Kristin Kane, LeeAnn Brown, Lee Sorrell, Liz Pazdral, nathan arianeh, Mike Fitzgerald, Noel Kammermann, Quinn Jones-Hylton, Robynne Rose-Haymer, Rose, Sarah's iPhone, Sher Singh, Sierra Edwards, Stephanie Henry, Susan Lal, Tim Koehler, Tom Albanese, Troy Lynch, Waking the Village, Zuri K, 15102958675, 19165490373, 19168793439

I. Welcome & Introductions: Erin Johansen, CoC Board Chair

Erin called the meeting to order around 8:04 AM. Attendance of 73 participants.

II. Review & Approval of March 9th, 2022 Minutes: Pixie Popplewell, Secretary

Motioned for approval: 1st -Tara Turrentine / 2nd - Nick Golling

Motion approved.

III. CoC Board Chair's Report: Erin Johansen

IV. Sacramento Steps Forward (SSF) CEO's Report: Lisa Bates

Lisa Bates shared that:

- Information from the Annual Meeting is on the [SSF website](#) and thanked all for their participation.
- There was a possibility that the June Board meeting may be moved up a week from its current June 8th date but that discussions needed to happen first in order to confirm the change.

**V. Announcements:
(Upcoming Events & Recent Actions)**

CoC Board
Members, SSF
Staff & Guests

8:15 AM
(10 minutes)

Information

- Jenna Abbott shared that the River District is still recruiting for an Executive Director, as well as a Program Manager.
- Kate Hutchinsn mentioned that they have started leasing up for Lavender Court and that the referrals will come through Coordinated Entry.

VI. Consent Agenda - Action Items:

A. Coordinated Entry System Committee new member slate

B. Point in Time Committee new member appointment

C. Coordinated Entry System PSH Transfer Policy & Procedures and PSH Termination of Assistance Policy & Procedures

Consent items motioned for approval: 1st -Emily Halcon / 2nd - Alexis Bernard

Motion approved.

VII. New Business:

A. Local Homelessness Action Plan & HHAP-3 Allocations

- **Draft plan presentation**
- **Allocations discussion**
- **Plan for approving plan and allocations in June**

Ya-Yin Isle, SSF
Chief Strategic
Initiatives Officer
Michele Watts,
SSF Chief
Planning Officer
Alisa Orduna,
Consultant, & Tom
Albanese,
Consultant

8:25 AM
(60 minutes)

Information
&
Discussion

- Ya-Yin Isle introduced Tom Albanese and thanked all that attended the Annual Meeting and explained that the gaps analysis information would be shared in greater detail.
- Tom Albanese walked through the Gaps Analysis information in greater detail and explained that it is an ongoing project and how the Point-In-Time Count information and the annual HMIS data would influence it. Please view the slides Tom shared [here](#), pages three through six and fifteen. The HHAP-3 Local Homelessness Action Plan will come back to the CoC Board for approval in June.
- Emily Halcon representing the County of Sacramento discussed HHAP-3 allocations and continuing with HHAP-1 investments. She expressed that the Board is not interested in closing down programs but looking at continuity of programs already established.
- Danielle Foster representing the City of Sacramento spoke about shelter expansion through the use of HHAP funds.
- Michele Watts shared an initial discussion of potential areas of the CoC's HHAP-3 funding.

Questions were asked and answered. Please see the chat and recording.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● B. CalAIM and HHIP Program 	Lisa Bates	9:25 AM (20 minutes)	Information & Discussion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Amber Kemp with Health Net discussed the process for the application submission of the Housing and Homeless Incentive Program now that the state has released its final guidance. The focus of the plan is on individuals experiencing homelessness and connecting medical members that are needing housing. This is a two year program where funds are not promised but earned. The State requires certain measures be met and improvement seen in order to draw down the available funds. There are four key elements of the plan that the State is looking for along with a strong collaboration with the CoC and the incorporation of HHAP 3 goals so that duplications that may result are reduced. Slides from the presentation may be found here. 			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● C. Actions taken by CoC Executive Committee on behalf of the CoC Board 	Michele Watts & Jillyan McKinney, SSF Racial Equity Specialist	9:45 AM (10 minutes)	Information

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● State Family Homelessness Challenge Grant: Authorized SSF to apply for the state family grant ● Wilton Rancheria: Approved the addition of Wilton Rancheria to the Sacramento City & County CoC via the HUD FY2022 NOFO Registration 			
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- Michele Watts shared that there were two actions taken and the decision to apply for the State Family Homelessness Challenge Grant and the approval of the addition of Wilton Rancheria to the Sacramento CoC were approved by the Executive Committee on behalf of the CoC Board as those decisions had a deadline prior to the Board meeting today, May 11,2022.

D. 2022 Unsheltered PIT Report Update	Michele Watts	9:55 AM (5 minutes)	Information
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- Michele Watts brought attention to the next PIT Committee meeting on May 19th and that the report from the 2022 PIT Count would be coming out at the end of June. At the May 19th meeting there would also be discussion of the plan for the next PIT Count and the pros and cons to hold the optional 2023 PIT Count or the mandated 2024 PIT Count would be weighed, then would be brought back to the CoC Board for final decision making.

VIII. Meeting Adjourned at 10:04am.
Next CoC Board Meeting: Wednesday, June 1st, 2022

For any questions or concerns, please contact Michele Watts, SSF Chief Planning Officer, at mwatts@sacstepsforward.org

CoC Board Meeting Chat

08:00:08 From Christina H SSF Referral Specialist (she, her) to Everyone:
Good morning everyone.

08:00:52 From Joseph Smith to Everyone:
I'm here

08:01:05 From Monica Rocha-Wyatt, she/her, Sac Co Behavioral Health to Everyone:
I'm here but not on the list

08:01:26 From Pixie Popplewell to Everyone:
That was my bad Monica!

08:01:29 From Nick Golling to Everyone:
off cam while getting kiddos set up and off to school! good morning everyone!

08:01:34 From Pixie Popplewell to Everyone:
I'll get you added!

08:02:25 From Monica Rocha-Wyatt, she/her, Sac Co Behavioral Health to Everyone:
No worries :)

08:04:50 From Tara Turrentine, SCOE to Everyone:
Welcome, Mason! Good to "see" you.

08:08:43 From Pixie Popplewell to Everyone:
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08:08:47 From Julie Davis-Jaffe (she/her) SETA to Everyone:
Yes

08:08:49 From Sarah Bontrager to Everyone:
Yes

08:08:50 From Tara Turrentine, SCOE to Everyone:
Yes

08:08:50 From Mike Jaske, SacACT to Everyone:
yes

08:08:50 From Erin Johansen to Everyone:
yes

08:08:51 From Stefan Heisler to Everyone:
Yes

08:08:51 From Joseph Smith to Everyone:
yes

08:08:51 From Pixie Popplewell to Everyone:
yes

08:08:51 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:
yes

08:08:52 From Alexis Bernard, Turning Point Community Programs to Everyone:
yes

08:08:52 From Julie Hirota, Saint John's to Everyone:
yes

08:08:53 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:
aye

08:08:54 From Amani Sawires -VOA to Everyone:
yes

08:08:54 From Christie Gonzales to Everyone:
yes

08:08:58 From AngelaUpshaw to Everyone:
yes

08:09:56 From Michele Watts, she/her/hers, SSF Chief Planning Officer to Everyone:
no minutes for the annual meeting. sorry, I was stuck on mute, we did post online. I
will add to the chat.

08:11:02 From Michele Watts, she/her/hers, SSF Chief Planning Officer to Everyone:
annual meeting materials:
<https://sacramentostepsforward.org/2022-sacramento-continuum-of-care-annual-meeting/>

08:13:34 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:
Here is the link to the jobs we have open.

08:13:38 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:

<https://riverdistrict.net/res/downloads/JobPost-Program-Manager.pdf>

08:14:09 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:

<https://riverdistrict.net/res/downloads/JobPost-Public-Space-Team-Member.pdf>

08:14:38 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:

<https://riverdistrict.net/res/downloads/JobPost-Public-Space-Team-Leader.pdf>

08:14:52 From Pixie Popplewell to Everyone:

Approve Consent Agenda

08:14:55 From Amani Sawires -VOA to Everyone:

yes

08:14:55 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:

yes

08:14:56 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:

aye

08:14:56 From Erin Johansen to Everyone:

yes

08:14:57 From Nick Golling to Everyone:

yes

08:14:58 From Alexis Bernard, Turning Point Community Programs to Everyone:

yes

08:14:58 From Sarah Bontrager to Everyone:

Yes

08:14:58 From Mike Jaske, SacACT to Everyone:

yes

08:14:58 From Stefan Heisler to Everyone:

Yes

08:14:58 From Mason Gizard to Everyone:

yes

08:14:59 From Jenine Spotnitz to Everyone:
Yes

08:14:59 From Pixie Popplewell to Everyone:
yes

08:15:01 From Joseph Smith to Everyone:
yes

08:15:01 From AngelaUpshaw to Everyone:
yes

08:15:01 From Deisy Madrigal, She/Her to Everyone:
Yes

08:15:05 From Tara Turrentine, SCOE to Everyone:
Yes

08:15:08 From Julie Hirota, Saint John's to Everyone:
yes

08:15:17 From Christie Gonzales to Everyone:
yes

08:15:32 From Julie Davis-Jaffe (she/her) SETA to Everyone:
Yes

08:18:10 From Amani Sawires -VOA to Everyone:
are these numbers unduplicated?

08:27:12 From Amani Sawires -VOA to Everyone:
when you talk about "other communities" are these communities similar to
sacramento in size, ami, cost of living, rental costs, vacancy rate, etc?

08:36:18 From Jenine Spotnitz to Everyone:
This is great, thank you. Is the number who are projected to need housing
subsidies but not supportive services available, or is this what you said you're
working on?

- 08:39:12 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:
Please for the love of all that's good and holy someone get this man in front of the City Council and County Supes. They need to hear all of this
- 08:39:44 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:
Specifically the need for flexibility in what we build and how we use it as an ongoing asset
- 08:40:53 From Erin Johansen to Everyone:
CalAim ECM can be a great match to provide services to those in subsidized housing
- 08:41:13 From Alexis Bernard, Turning Point Community Programs to Everyone:
Thank you!
- 08:41:13 From Amani Sawires -VOA to Everyone:
thank you. very informative
- 08:41:55 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:
BRB
- 08:42:35 From Tom Albanese to Everyone:
Credit to Mark Silverbush, my colleague for doing much of the heavy lifting with the gaps analysis, as well as Josh and Scott from SSF
- 08:46:51 From Monica Rocha-Wyatt, she/her, Sac Co Behavioral Health to Everyone:
brb
- 08:49:49 From Waking the Village to Everyone:
This is a great presentation! Such thanks to all who worked on it. How will we avoid what happened in the past where we push to get everyone into coordinated entry, but (with nowhere to navigate folks to) we quickly have a list of names that no one is connected to and we build mistrust in clients in the effectiveness of engagement? We slowed down the system in the past as we worked through names that no providers had connection to any longer.
- 08:52:38 From Erin Johansen to Everyone:
Thank you for lifting up and prioritizing the need for more subsidized housing!!
- 08:53:48 From Monica Rocha-Wyatt, she/her, Sac Co Behavioral Health to Everyone:
back

08:54:05 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:
back

09:04:17 From Peter Bell (he/him) to Everyone:
Hi WTV, I think case conferencing will be a key strategy to minimize people "falling off" the by-name list - but we will also need to continue to push for more resources to be available through a coordinated process.

09:06:04 From Mike Jaske, SacACT to Everyone:
Will these slides be emailed or posted quickly? Especially the goals?

09:10:07 From Lisa Bates (She/Her) - SSF to Everyone:
We can make available. Still draft until the CoC approves in June

09:23:35 From Pixie Popplewell to Everyone:
Our data showed that youth actually make up over 20% of homelessness in Sacramento

09:24:46 From Robynne Rose-Haymer to Everyone:
Thanks Deisy, for continuing to raise this important issue!

09:27:39 From Waking the Village to Everyone:
Just want to amplify what Deisy is saying. The priority for chronically homelessness means that a youth needs to free fall for quite awhile before eligible for many HUD funded programs. HUD also has research that points to the ways youth homelessness looks different (i.e. couch bouncing) and thus gets missed.

09:29:22 From Peter Bell (he/him) to Everyone:
We have made strides to improve access to housing programs for TAY (e.g. EHV included TAY couch bouncing as an eligible population) - but we have more work to do

09:31:05 From Zuri K CLAP to Everyone:
thank you Bridgette! great points

09:32:03 From Mason Gizard to Everyone:
I just wanted to echo what Bridget said. I share that experience with youth as well.

09:32:06 From Nick Golling to Everyone:
thank you for the feedback Bridget!

- 09:35:29 From Kate Hutchinson to Everyone:
Lending my support for the comment by Deisy, Bridget, Robynne and Mason.
- 09:35:47 From Jenna Abbott to Everyone:
Excellent presentations today
- 09:54:16 From Julie Davis-Jaffe (she/her) SETA to Everyone:
Great meeting. I need to leave to attend another meeting.
- 09:56:53 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:
As a reminder, the Board of Sups authorized \$10 million to create a new landlord engagement and re-housing program which is intended to help fill some of these gaps with CalAIM and other housing programs. We are working to scope that program out now for a hopeful RFP for provider(s) in the early fall. We certainly see this as one part of helping to fill this gap in CalAIM
- 09:58:25 From Erin Johansen to Everyone:
Landlord engagement will not solve for this by itself. Vacancy rates are still seriously low and many of the CalAim ECM recipients do not have income. Employment of course is a key strategy but that takes time. Also, landlord engagement also requires a voucher to accompany, is that a plan?
- 09:59:14 From Emily Halcon to Everyone:
The program is called "landlord engagement" but includes funding for flexible rental subsidies We need a new name!
- 09:59:50 From Erin Johansen to Everyone:
Ok that is great!
- 10:00:08 From Alyxe Lett (she/her)-OHI to Everyone:
need to jump to another call. Thanks all!
- 10:01:23 From Amber Kemp to Everyone:
I need to hop off for another meeting. Thanks, everyone!
- 10:01:30 From Jenine Spotnitz to Everyone:
I need to hop off as well, thank you for a very informative meeting!
- 10:01:41 From Danielle Foster to Everyone:
Thanks all!!

- 10:02:31 From Kristin Kane (she/her) Kaiser Permanente to Everyone:
I need to hop off for another meeting. Thank you for all that you are doing. I look forward to joining future meetings.
- 10:02:41 From Nick Golling to Everyone:
so sorry everyone I'm late for another meeting. thank you all for your great work!
- 10:03:45 From Ivonne Ellis, DHA to Everyone:
Thank you everyone!
- 10:03:47 From Tara Turrentine, SCOE to Everyone:
Thank you, all.
- 10:04:01 From Tom Albanese to Everyone:
Thanks all
- 10:04:05 From Ya-yin Isle (she/her), SSF to Everyone:
Thank you everyone!
- 10:04:08 From Julie Hirota - Saint John's to Everyone:
thanks