



MINUTES
Thursday, May 18, 2023
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- I. **Roll Call** – Community System of Care (CSOC) Council
Meeting called to order by co-chairperson, Emily Webster at 2:32 p.m. Please see the attachment for roll call.
- II. **Public Comment Period**
- Chair member, Miguel Donoso stated that the Economic Development Action Committee came out with a report that is over 115 pages; there have been complaints that the document is only provided in English; the verbiage is formal, and the average person(s) has difficulties understanding it.
- III. **Action items**
- a. Motion to approve May 18 2023 minutes from Jason Conway and second from Margie Johnson
Approved (14 – Y, 0 – N, 0 – Abstain)
 - b. Motion to appoint new HMIS Chairperson as Jason Conway from Miguel Donoso and second from Margie Johnson
Approved (13 – Y, 0 – N, 1 – Abstain)
 - c. Motion to appoint Miguel Donoso as the Housing Committee chairperson by Jason Conway and second from Linda Murphy-Julien
Approved (13 – Y, 0 – N, 1 – Abstain)
 - d. Presentation by Emily Webster, Youth Navigation Center, to implement a Youth Action Board (YAB) committee within the Continuum of Care (CoC). The YAB will consist of youth with lived experience, ages 16 – 24 that will support decision making processes, provide information and think of/implement strategies to help homelessness within the community. With implementation of the YAB, there is a request to add two board seats. An amendment of Bylaws would need to be made to accommodate two additional board members. Motion to approve with revision of Bylaws by Jason Conway and second from Miguel Donoso
Approved (14 – Y, 0 – N, 0 – Abstain)
 - e. Presentation by Lynnell Fuller, Community Services Agency (CSA), on the Point-in-Time 2023 Count. 2091 individuals reported to be homeless during the PIT Count making up 1790 households; 84% of individuals were interviewed and 16% were observed. Motion to approve by Edgar Garcia and second from Linda Murphy-Julien
Approved (13 – Y, 0 – N, 2 – Abstain)
 - f. Presentation by Amy Wyatt, Thurmond Consulting, regarding the Youth Homeless Demonstration Project (YHDP) application that is due June 27, 2023. The purpose of the program is to support communities in the development and implementation of a coordinated community approach to preventing and ending youth homelessness. HUD will award approximately \$60,000,000 up to 25 communities, with a priority for communities with substantial rural populations. The CoC had previously contracted

with Thurmond Consulting for \$27,500 to develop a homeless plan narrative; the consultant is proposing to reallocate the \$27,500 to write and submit the YHDP application. Motion to approve by Steve Madison, second from Linda Murphy-Julien
Approved (14 – Y, 0 – N, 2 – Abstain)

- g. Kelly Alvarado, Community Services Agency, briefly went over CSOC HHAP Round 3 funds. There is a 50% funding obligation deadline of 5/31/2024; only 33% has been fulfilled.

Presentation by Maria Armstrong, Turning Point, regarding Housing Assessment Team (HAT) and Supportive Services Only (SSO) and Street Outreach to homeless individuals. Turning Point is requesting Outreach and Engagement funding from the CoC in the amount of \$955,542.00 for outreach services for the next two years of operation; services Turning Point offers include:

- i. Responding to requests from external requestors for outreach services (shelters, hospitals, motel/transitional housing referrals)
- ii. Case Management offers support to clients; case managers can help access housing, employment, healthcare, and other services
- iii. Offers financial assistance for security deposit/move in assistance
- iv. Transportation assistance for appointments
- v. Motel Assistance on a case by case basis, anywhere from 2-5 days
- vi. Hygiene kits which include any food and basic needs

Motion to approve with stipulation that specific numbers of how individuals are served and how many individuals move beyond assistance provide at the end of year one from Linda Murphy-Julien, second from Miguel Donoso

Approved (16 – Y, 0 – N, 0 – Abstain)

IV. Informational Items

- a. HHAP Obligation Requirements presented by John Pursley:
 - i. 50% of the CoC Allocation needs to be obligated or in contract before May of 2024, which is now met with the approval of Item III.G
 - ii. Diversion Prevention and System Support has not yet been allocated

Public Comment(s)

- Edgar Garcia, City of Modesto, proposed that remaining funds be looked at and possibly reallocated due to the financial status of Access Center Emergency Shelter (ACES), a 182 bed facility for homeless individuals
- b. CSOC Action Item Requests 7-Day Requirement presented by Emily Webster:
 - i. The CoC is requesting that any monetary proposals require a 7-day advance request made to CSA before any regular monthly meeting, allowing board members time to review the request prior to voting
 - c. Flyers for the various 2023 Cooling Zones throughout Stanislaus County were provided in both English and Spanish to attending persons
 - d. The CoC does not fall under the Bagley Keene Act and does not have to abide by a 10-day advance notice of agenda rule; an amendment to the bylaws will be required to remove Bagley Keene and implement the Brown Act
 - e. Stanislaus Homeless Advocacy & Resources Enterprise (SHARE) presented by Steven Finch; their vision is to give people experiencing homelessness in Stanislaus County to have access to gaps in services to help people with what they



need to achieve self-sufficiency and/or secure appropriate level of care.

- i. SHARE was founded in the Spring of 2020 by Steve Finch and Frank Ploof
- ii. Collaborative efforts are made with Peace/Life Center, CHAT, CARE, Salvation Army and St. Vincent de Paul, Behavioral Health & CSA and Community Volunteers
- iii. Core Services include street outreach, case management and mentoring, short-term shelter, and advocacy and policy

V. General Membership Announcements

- a. Emily Webster announced that there are still sub-committee chair positions that have not yet been filled, members are encouraged to express interest
- b. Victims Service Provider resignation letter has been received; a new provider has submitted their application

VI. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

Next Meeting: June 15, 2023 from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Location: Harvest Hall Rooms D & E at the Agricultural Commissioner
3800 Cornucopia Way, Modesto CA 95358



ATTACHMENT A - ROLL CALL - CSOC COUNCIL
Thursday, May 18, 2023

Attendance

FUNDERS	1	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Modesto	Edgar Garcia	P
	2	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Turlock	VACANT	
	3	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Riverbank	Marisela Garcia	P
HOUSING/SERVICES PROVIDERS	4	Permanent Supportive Housing Provider	VACANT	
	5	Transitional/Rapid-Rehousing Provider	Esther Rosas	P
	6	Emergency Shelter Provider	Harold Laubach Jr.	A
	7	Youth Services Provider	Emily Webster	P
	8	Victims Services Provider	VACANT	
	9	Housing Authority of Stanislaus County	Natalia Jebri	P
	10	Veterans Services - VA Palo Alto Health Care System, Supervisory Social Worker or HUD-VASH Program Team Member	VACANT	
	11	Healthcare Provider	Lakin Ambriz	P
	12	Senior Service Provider - Stanislaus County of Aging & Veterans Services	Hannah Brady	P
BROADER COMMUNITY	13	BIPOC Advocate	VACANT	
	14	LGBTQ Advocate	Mindy Harrod	P
	15	Lived Experience 1	Carrie Turnquist	P
	16	Lived Experience 2	Miguel Donoso	P
	17	Lived Experience 3	Wanda Jones	A
	18	Homeless Advocate	Linda Murphy-Julien	P
	19	Faith Sector Representative	Jason Conway	P
	20	Neighborhood Representative- South	Maryn Pitt	A
	21	Neighborhood Representative- North	Monica Vergara	P
	22	Neighborhood Representative- East	VACANT	
	23	Neighborhood Representative- West	Margie Johnson	P
	24	Education Community Representative	Fred Berry	P
	25	Business Community Representative	Steve Madison	P
	26	Philanthropy Representative	VACANT	
	27	Law Enforcement Representative	VACANT	

A – Absent
P – Present