



MINUTES
Thursday, October 19, 2023
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- I. **Roll Call** – Community System of Care (CSOC) Council Meeting called to order by chairperson, Maryn Pitt at 2:36 p.m. Please see the attachment for roll call.
- II. **Public Comment Period**
 - a. There were no public comment requests
- III. **Action items**
 - a. September Minutes: Motion to approve minutes from Linda Murphy-Julien and second from Emily Webster
Approved (12 – Y, 0 – N, 0 – Abstain)
 - b. Kate Trompetter with Connect4 Consulting was asked to host a housing and homeless summit. Focus on Prevention convened a group of service providers to explore the feasibility and interest in a summit. There is a desire to educate and inspire a broader audience about the challenges and opportunities to address the needs of our homeless population. A mapping process will help tell the story and help the community see where contributions can be made. Funding is available in Systems & Support HHAP Rounds 1 and 3. An estimated \$20,000 is needed for the mapping process. Amended motion to approve an allocation of up to \$20,000 to engage a consultant in working with Kate Trompetter and team; it is preferred that the consultant work in or be familiar with the Stanislaus County community. Motion to approve from Steve Madison and second from Linda Murphy-Julien
Approved (13 – Y, 0 – N, 1 – Abstain)
 - c. Approval of CSOC Veterans Services membership application for Jose E. Ortega. Motion to approve from Linda Murphy-Julien and second from Miguel Donoso
Approved (14 – Y, 0 – N, 0 – Abstain)
 - d. A volunteer sign-up list was passed around for the 2024 PIT Committee. Maryn Pitt volunteered to Chair the 2024 PIT Committee. Motion to approve from Emily Webster and second from Edgar Garcia
Approved (15 – Y, 0 – N, 0 – Abstain)
- IV. **Funding Opportunities**
 - a. Ana San Nicolas with County Planning announced a funding opportunity that will be released in the coming months with a max allotment of \$200,000; Homeless Prevention (HCD) ESG will be matched dollar for dollar with a one-year expenditure. More information will follow at a later date
- V. **Informational Items**
 - a. Amy Wyatt with Thurmond Consulting announced that the Continuum of Care program competition was concluded on September 28, 2023
 - The Consolidated Application and Priority Listing application was submitted on time. 20 applications for funding were reviewed over a two-day period by

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- three committee members of which 19 programs moved forward for Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding approval totaling \$4,326,359; a portion of the requested amount includes a bonus project which is not guaranteed
- Applied for a planning grant totaling \$220,631 for planning activities only
 - Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 5 has been published, the application portal is open however, there are no allocation currently set for counties or CoC. Deadline to apply is March 27, 2024; eligible populations now include “at risk” of homelessness; 1% increase for HMIS funding; planning activities were also increased by 1%; the county and CoC now have to collaborate on the regional plan
- b. The Racial Equity and Gaps Analysis was conducted in May, 2023 with a final report released in June, 2023. Consideration of recommendations would move the County of Stanislaus toward the goal of reducing the incidence of homelessness among high-risk populations of color and improve the change that persons experiencing homelessness will access services and achieve long-term housing stability
- *Setting and Achieving Goals*: Establish a definition of equal access to opportunity and equitable outcomes. Ensure data integrity and set measurable goals/due dates for agencies responsible for tracking and reporting progress to the CoC
 - *CoC Structure and Policy Review*: Review the current CoC structure and policies
 - *Coordinated Entry (CE) Process*: Evaluate and modify the CE process to cultivate equitable outcomes for persons from all racial and ethnic groups
 - *Outreach, Engagement, and Service Access*: Enhance current outreach and supportive service operations to foster equity of service provision to underrepresented populations and communities
 - *Advocacy and Collaboration*: Advocate for additional innovative housing solutions. Create opportunities for leadership, advocates, and persons experiencing homelessness or housing instability to discuss the issue of homelessness and equity. Advocate for increased access to basic living necessities
- c. The purpose of the Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan (AFHMP) is to reduce segregation and encourage integration in housing by promoting housing choice and opportunities regardless of one’s protected characteristics under federal and state fair housing laws. An AFHMP is required by HUD under the Fair Housing Act for properties with greater than five units. Steve Madison proposed creating a plan through CSOC to help with consistency and outreach efforts. Once a funding source is identified, a consultant can be sought out to establish a plan of execution, and the CoC will vote for implementation

VI. Committee Reporting

- a. Maryn is in the process of writing scopes for five CoC committees; committees will be presented in November and sign-up sheets will be made available for membership



VII. General Membership Announcements

- i. Linda Murphy-Julien has vetted Greg Meritt, an applicant for the BIPOC member position; the board will be asked to vote in Greg as a board member in November
- ii. Hannah Brad announced that the Senior Advocacy Network will be hosting a webinar October 24 at 10 am on source of income discrimination
- iii. Edgar Garcia thanked the board for the allocation of funding to submit a Homekey application for the Travelers Motel Project; the project was awarded \$16-million in partnership with Center for Human Services, Behavioral Health Recovery Services, the project will serve 38 youth and 17 general homeless populations. Will break ground early in 2024, finishing construction in October and finish occupancy in November/December

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 16, 2023 from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
**Location: Harvest Hall Rooms A, B & C at the Agricultural Commissioner
3800 Cornucopia Way, Modesto CA 95358**



ATTACHMENT A - ROLL CALL - CSOC COUNCIL
Thursday, October 19, 2023

Attendance

FUNDERS	1	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Modesto	Edgar Garcia	P
	2	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Turlock	Bill Fagan	P
	3	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Riverbank	Marisela Garcia	A
HOUSING/SERVICES PROVIDERS	4	Permanent Supportive Housing Provider	VACANT	
	5	Transitional/Rapid-Rehousing Provider	Esther Rosas	A
	6	Emergency Shelter Provider	Major Darren Stratton	P
	7	Youth Services Provider	Emily Webster	P
	8	Victims Services Provider	Melanie Gentry	A
	9	Housing Authority of Stanislaus County	Kimberly Ryan	P
	10	Veterans Services	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	A
	20	Neighborhood Representative- South	Maryn Pitt	P
	21	Neighborhood Representative- North	Monica Vergara	A
	22	Neighborhood Representative- East	VACANT	
	23	Neighborhood Representative- West	Margie Johnson	P
	24	Education Community Representative	Fred Berry	A
	25	Business Community Representative	Steve Madison	P
	26	Philanthropy Representative	VACANT	
	27	Law Enforcement Representative	VACANT	

A – Absent
P – Present