



MINUTES

Thursday, April 18, 2024

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 2:35 p.m. Please see the attachment for roll call.
- II. **Public Comment Period**
 - a. There were no public comment requests
- III. **Action items**
 - a. March Minutes: Motion to approve minutes from Margie Johnson and second from Marisela Garcia
Approved (16 – Y, 0 – N, 0 – Abstain)
- IV. **Informational Items**
 - a. Lise Talbott, Health Services Agency (HSA) and Waterford City Councilmember, presented on the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP); the plan provides guidance to Public Health, partners and stakeholders for improving the health of Stanislaus County. The overall goal is to increase the availability of safe and affordable housing
 - Strategy 1 – accurately identify the homeless population and align existing housing and homeless outreach plans and strategies across Stanislaus County;
 - Strategy 2 – address early life factors that place youth at risk of homelessness in adulthood; as well as engage local systems in a shared approach to prevent youth from becoming homeless and;
 - Strategy 3 – expand and provide housing services and coordinated approaches to increase housing stability and prevent a return to homelessness
 - b. Ana San Nicolas, County Planning, presented on the County Annual Action Plan Process for FY 2024-2025. Seven of the nine cities in Stanislaus County, excluding Turlock and Modesto participate in Stanislaus Urban County. Urban County consists of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Consortium covers eight cities, including Turlock but excluding Modesto
 - The Fifth Program Year Annual Action Plan (2024-2025) are due to Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in May 2024 and allocates funds from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025
 - Consolidated Plan Priorities are: Infrastructure, Housing Programs, Homeless Services and Public Services
 - Projected Allocations CDBG \$2,335,030, ESG \$208,317, HOME \$1,708,364; total \$4,251,711
 - c. Blanca Ramirez, City of Modesto, presented on the City of Modesto’s Annual Action Plan for FY 2024-2025. The plan provides a concise summary of the actions,



activities, and the specific federal and non-federal resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified by the Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan assess affordable housing and community development needs and market conditions as well as serves as the framework for a community-wide dialogue to identify housing and community development priorities

- Projected Allocations CDBG \$1,800,00, ESG \$161,451 and HOME \$900,000; total \$2,861,451
 - 11 Service Providers and 13 applicants presented to the application review committee; until final allocations are provided by HUD, awarded amounts and who will be funded will not yet be announced
 - HOME & Home ARP Traveler's Motel Project will provide 55 Permanent Supportive Housing Units. The project is currently in permit review and is scheduled to break ground within 30 days
 - HOME & CDBG 7th Street Village Project will consist of 79 one, two and three bedroom units, commercial first floor that will include a head start program. The project is currently finalizing its application for Tax Credit funding
- d. Lynnell Fuller, HMIS Administrator presented on the 2024 Point-in-Time and Housing Inventory Count. There was a process change with HUD which inhibits the ability to manually enter data; data now must be uploaded from HMIS. The overall count for PIT 2024 came to 2,052; 52% (1,072) are Sheltered and 48% (980) unsheltered. Submission is due to HUD on April 30, 2024 at which time full infographics will be released
- e. Amy Wyatt, Thurmond Consulting provided an update on the Annual Continuum of Care Program Competition. The HUD debrief tool specific to each CoC and how they scored, was released. Stanislaus CSOC scored low compared to previous years based on the System Performance score and Rapid Rehousing
- Review the narrative portion to describe what is being done so that it reflects in the data
 - Coordinate with Federal, State and Local Organizations including Housing Authorities and Street Outreach
 - Coordinate with Housing and Healthcare
- f. Maryn Pitt updated on HHAP Round 6; The State is going through a budget process and so far HHAP Round 6 has not been confirmed or announced
- Nisha Williams with WestCare advised that San Joaquin Valley Veterans is expanding and is interested in providing Outreach in Stanislaus, Merced and San Joaquin Counties

V. Policy Issues, Concerns, Actions

- a. One focus for the CoC is Data Quality Standards; review internal processes and policies regarding Data Standards; not only will the CoC be affected, it will also affect Entitlement Jurisdictions (CDBG, ESG, HOME)

VI. Committee Reporting

- a. Maryn Pitt drafted a new committee structure for the CoC, downgrading from 13 Committees down to 5 and 3 collaborative workgroups
- Executive Committee



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- Grants/Funding Committee
 - Youth Advisory Committee
 - Data/Outcomes Committee
 - Vulnerable and Special Populations Committee

Collaborative Work Groups:

- PIT Working Group
- Shelter Working Group
- Regional Coordination and Housing Development Group

VII. General Membership Announcements

- Kevin Smith was introduced by Fred Berry as an applicant for CSOC
- Maryn Pitt – New Bills have been introduced AB2520 Funding Youth Homelessness, AB2479 and AB2893 have to do with recovery housing and housing for people in recovery; SB1438 is adding exceptions to prohibitions to evictions and permanent supportive housing and people who may be suffering from substance abuse with children in the household
- Amy Wyatt – Thurmond has met with the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). Homekey is likely to release in November, 2024; projects will not be required to partner with jurisdiction however, if partnership is made, funding will be considered a grant, if it's through a non-profit or developer, it will be considered a loan. Half of the funding for Proposition 1 through HCD will target Veteran Housing Mechanism; Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) will now be under HCD with an approximate \$160 million available solely for the development of affordable housing development. Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) will be administering Prop 1 under the program, round 6 will be rolled into round 7, timing can be up to one year.
- Marisela Garcia – Remodel of Sierra House is complete; Ribbon Cutting ceremony will be announced at a later date
- Jose Ortega – Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for a new VA clinic opening in San Joaquin County on April 25th at 10 am, those interested can e-mail Jose; October 18th near the EDD Office in Modesto will have a Stand-Down to share resources for veterans

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Next Meeting:

May 16, 2024 from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location:

Harvest Hall Rooms D & E at the Agricultural Commissioner's Office
3800 Cornucopia Way, Modesto CA 95358



ATTACHMENT A - ROLL CALL - CSOC COUNCIL
Thursday, April 18, 2024

Attendance

FUNDERS	1	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Modesto	Edgar Garcia	P
	2	Entitlement Jurisdiction: Turlock	Jennifer Figueroa	P
	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	Major Darren Stratton	P
	7	Youth Services Provider	Emily Webster	P
	8	Victims Services Provider	Melanie Gallagher	P
	9	Housing Authority of Stanislaus County	Marissa Black	P
	10	Veterans Services	Jose Ortega	P
	11	Healthcare Provider	Lakin Ambriz	P
	12	Senior Service Provider - Stanislaus County of Aging & Veterans Services	Hannah Brady	P
BROADER COMMUNITY	13	BIPOC Advocate	Greg Merritt	P
	14	LGBTQ Advocate	Mindy Harrod	P
	15	Lived Experience 1	Miguel Donoso	A
	16	Lived Experience 2	Carrie Turnquist	A
	17	Lived Experience 3	Wanda Jones	A
	18	Homeless Advocate	VACANT	
	19	Faith Sector Representative	Jason Conway	P
	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	P
	25	Business Community Representative	Steve Madison	A
	26	Philanthropy Representative	VACANT	
	27	Law Enforcement Representative	VACANT	

A – Absent
P – Present