



Minutes for County of Riverside Continuum of Care Board of Governance (BoG) Special Meeting

Tuesday, October 26, 2021
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
WebEx Conference

TOPIC	PRESENTER	ACTION/ OUTCOME
<p><u>1.0 Call to Order:</u> Welcome & Introductions</p> <p>1.1 Roll Call</p>	Leticia DeLara	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was called to order at 1:07 p.m. A roll call of the BoG members; quorum established.
<p><u>2.0 Consent Items</u></p> <p>2.1 Approve and Adopt Resolution # 2021-01 for Teleconferencing</p> <p>2.2 Minutes Approval</p>	Leticia DeLara	<p>Approve and adopt Resolution No. 2021-01 allowing the Board of Governance to utilize teleconferencing for meetings held within the next 30 days</p> <p><i>Motion was made by Nicole Dailey and seconded by Angelina Coe to approve Resolution No. 2021-01.</i> Vote: Yay – 10; Nay – 0 Abstention –0. Motion carried.</p> <p>Minutes Approval for August 3, 2021 Board of Governance (BoG) Special Meeting.</p> <p><i>Motion was made by Greg Rodriguez and seconded by Nicole Dailey to approve the August 3rd BoG Meeting Minutes.</i> Vote: Yay – 9; Nay – 0 Abstention –0. Motion carried.</p>
2.3 CoC Staff Report	Tanya Torno	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive and File
<u>3.0 Public Comment</u>		<p>Public Comment on Any Item Not Listed on Agenda: Members of the public were encouraged to address the Board on any item not listed on the agenda. Each public comment request email would be read aloud.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No public comments received under 3.0. It was mentioned that Michael Wash would speak on item 4.1.
4.0 NEW BUSINESS	PRESENTER	ACTION/ OUTCOME
4.1 Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 2	Tanya Torno, Deputy Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Background: On June 4th, 2021, the Riverside County Continuum of Care (CoC) received official notification that it's application for \$1,566,822 in HHAP Round 2 Funding had been approved by the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (BCSH). During its regular Board of Governance meeting on January 14th the Board of Governance provided the Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions Department (HHPWS) with approval to submit the HHAP Round 2 Application with the following eligible uses and allocation amounts. Staff is now ready to work with the CoC in identifying eligible subrecipients to assist with carrying out each of the activities below and recommends the following strategies to support the creation of new permanent supportive housing

units, increase access and exits into permanent housing, and support coordination efforts county-wide to end senior and youth homelessness.

HHAP Round 2 Application

Eligible Uses Recommended by Staff	Total Allocation	Project
Delivery of permanent housing and innovative solutions such as hotel and motel conversions (65%)	\$1,018,434.30	Development/acquisition/rehab towards affordable housing or permanent supportive housing projects targeting homeless individuals
Rapid rehousing, including rental subsidies and incentives to landlords, such as security deposits and holding fees (15%)	\$235,023.30	Rehousing for Project Roomkey aging and medically vulnerable individuals; state priority.
Systems Support for activities necessary to create regional partnerships and maintain a homeless services and housing delivery system, particularly for vulnerable populations including families and homeless youth (5%)	\$78,341.10	Aging & medically vulnerable and Senior Homelessness Capacity Building Funds/Senior Liaison
Systems Support for activities necessary to create regional partnerships and maintain a homeless services and housing delivery system, particularly for vulnerable populations including families and homeless youth (8%)	\$125,345.76	Youth Capacity Building/Funds Youth Coordinator
Administrative Costs incurred by the CoC to administer the program allocations (7%)	\$109,677.54	
Total Allocation	\$1,566,822.00	

Recommended Motions: Approve the release of a Request for Proposals for each of the following activities:

1. Support projects applying for capital funding through the state’s No Place Like Home (NPLH) and Homekey Initiatives.
2. Revise the rapid rehousing scope to support all populations experiencing homelessness and still be inclusive of Project Roomkey.
3. Recruit a Senior Adult Homelessness Coordinator to support and oversee all planning and coordination efforts to address senior homelessness.

4. Approve the Youth Homelessness allocation of \$125,345.76 to the Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions.

Comments and questions regarding 4.1 recommended Motions:

Board member, Greg Rodriguez asked the following two questions. Deputy Director, Tanya Torno answered.

- Recommended Motion Activity #1: Will we wait until HomeKey or No Place Like Home award is granted then do request for proposal?
If approval is obtained today CoC Staff will work on releasing RFP in next few weeks. We want to help strengthen project applications that are submitted towards these initiatives. If the final application does not get approved, we can reallocate through another agency.
- Recommended Motion Activity #3: Are we looking for an outside agency to provide a Senior Adult Homelessness Coordinator or would it be an internal county position?
The RFP will be open for any agency to apply. Any nonprofit or government agency would be strongly encouraged to submit an application.

Board Member, Sabby Jonathan asked the following three questions. Deputy Director, Tanya Torno answers. Additional commentary from Greg Rodriguez is provided on the last question.

- Recommended Motion Activity #1 and #2: Is there a documented shortage of available housing? If we fund these two programs, do we know for sure there is a shortage of available housing?
Yes, by reviewing the homeless by name list we have over 705 individuals who are still waiting for linkage to housing subsidy or housing unit.
- Will there be wrap around services provided in conjunction with the housing efforts?
Yes, both initiatives focus on the housing first principal and provides incentives to applicants with strong wrap around services.
- Recommended Motion Activity #3 and #4: When we prioritize specific populations, we are deprioritizing others. How did we arrive at these two population priorities? Was there a documented need?
Our last Point-In-Time Count demonstrated a significant rise in vulnerability for both populations. The CoC is focused on ensuring policy and increased housing access to all special populations, including LGBTQ and people of color. While there are investments in targeting seniors and youth, our local prioritization allows for anyone to be directly linked to a housing unit based on their vulnerability.

		<p>We are not deprioritizing any group. Previous funding done through CoC demonstrates callouts for racial equity and other target populations. In the last few years, we determined that youth and senior populations have been underserved.</p> <p><i>A motion was made by Sabby Jonathan and seconded by Greg Rodriguez to approve the release of a Request for Proposals for the following activities listed above.</i></p> <p><u>Public Comment for this item only.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public comment from Michael Walsh on agenda item 4.1. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We have 8 projects that are currently funded and 5 more projects for the upcoming January round. We are interested in hearing ideas for HomeKey projects. One of the HomeKey projects funded in the last round, TrueEvolution, is specifically targeting LGBTQ populations and transition-age youths in the City of Riverside. This project received financing from CoC. • Member of the Public, Joy Silver, asked if there are any veteran communities being targeted for this program. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Tanya Torno Response: CoC facilitates a Veterans meeting every week. There are a variety of different funding resources currently being used to provide supportive services and housing to that population. The first being VASH administered through the housing authority. The second, supportive services for veteran families program which provides rental assistance, case management funding, and street outreach. Every Tuesday we review the by-name-list of homeless Veterans engaged by street outreach teams and facilitate a match to permanent housing. ○ Oscar Ramirez: I'm happy to provide further information concerning Veteran housing services available for veterans in Riverside or SB county. Feel Free to contact me at 909-841-1633. • Nicole Dailey highly encourages funding to go towards wrap around services. <p>Motion Vote: Yay – 10 , Nay – 0, Abstention –0. Motion carried.</p>										
<p>4.2 United States Department of Housing and Urban Development FY2021 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program</p>	<p>Joe Colletti, Urban Initiatives</p>	<p>Tanya Torno introduced the speaker on this matter, Joe Colletti from Urban Initiatives and mentioned that this was the largest allocation the CoC receives to administer permanent supportive housing, rapid rehousing, street outreach, and planning initiatives that help us make an impact.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="879 1365 1740 1515"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Funding Available</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Total Available Nation-wide</td> <td>\$2,656,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)</td> <td>\$2,429,755,532</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Domestic Violence Bonus</td> <td>\$102,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>New Balance:</td> <td>\$124,244,468</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Funding Available		Total Available Nation-wide	\$2,656,000,000	Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)	\$2,429,755,532	Domestic Violence Bonus	\$102,000,000	New Balance:	\$124,244,468
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Available for non-competitive Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program	\$77,000,000
Available for Planning Grants	\$73,000,000
New Balance:	-\$25,755,532
Allocated Amount for CoC Bonus Projects	\$135,161,706

- It was mentioned that HUD could carry over money from previous years although numbers showed a significant negative value. That generally took care of the shortfall stated above.

In 2021, Tier 1 is equal to 100 percent of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)
 In 2019, Tier 1 was equal to 94 percent of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)

- Everything in Tier 1 would typically get funded

- Continuum of Care Component Types
- Permanent Supportive Housing
 - Rapid Rehousing
 - Supportive Services Only – CE
 - Planning
 - Homeless Management Information System

Note: HMIS and CES ranked at the top because they are required from HUD.

Local Available Funding for Riverside

Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) Funding	\$10,730,655
Planning Funding	\$406,804
CoC Bonus	\$678,006
DV Bonus	\$2,043,019
Total Available	\$13,858,494

Natalis Ng, CoC Unit

Existing Recipients Selecting not to Renew Projects

No.	Subrecipient Name	Potential Projects to be Reallocated	Component Type	Districts	# Units	# Beds	Grant Amount
1.	The Housing Authority	Housing Authority PSH Consolidation	PSH	1,2,3,4,5	109	161	\$1,063,809
2.	Path of Life Ministries, Inc.	Path of Life Rapid Rehousing	RRH	1,2,3,4,5	13	38	\$354,225
3.	The Housing Authority	Shelter Plus Care Project Based w/OSH	PSH	1,2,3,4,5	13	13	\$75,755
4.	Social Work Action Group (SWAG)	Social Work Action Group DV RRH	RRH	1,3,5	26	50	\$718,951
5.	His Daughter's House	His Daughter's House DV RRH	RRH	2	20	34	\$292,647
Total							\$2,790,399

In preparation for Fiscal Year 2021 CoC Program competition, a new project Request For Proposals (RFP) was conducted as a local competition.

- 9 proposals were received under CoC Bonus category
- 3 proposals were under Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus category

All 12 Bidders and Proposals passed threshold score of 50 points and all became Qualified Bidders and Proposals Eligible for CoC Program funds if awarded by HUD. All 12 Bidders and Proposals were ranked based on the level of qualification to apply for and receive CoC Program funds if awarded by HUD.

Bidder	Rank	Question Weight Score
County of Riverside SSO-CE	1	87.2
Mercy House*	2	83.35
City of Riverside	3	81.975
LightHouse Social Service	4	78.845
Valley Restart Shelter	5	77.875
Jewish Family Service San Diego	6	77.595
Transgender Health	7	77.456
Queer Works PSH	8	73.535
Step Up On Second Street	9	69.19
County of Riverside PSH	10	67.51
Alternatives to Domestic Violence	11	51.844
Queer Works DV RRH	12	50.264

While the table and the scores above represented the results of the RFP, all qualified new project proposals were scored and ranked together with the renewal projects on the Priority Listing using the

Review and Rank Process, New Project Scorecard and Renewal Project Scorecard templates approved by the Board of Governance in June 2021 to ensure that all new projects and renewal projects were evaluated and ranked in the same manner providing equal opportunity for all new and renewal projects.

- Please click [here](#) to view the Final FY 2021 CoC Program Priority Listing. (Tier 1 ARA - \$10.7 mil)
 - Darker blue rows are new projects
 - Grey rows are renewal projects
- RUHS- Behavioral Health and County of Riverside HHPWS are not scored.
 - Coordinated Entry System and Homeless Management Information System are mandated by HUD, therefore those projects do not receive scoring.
- All renewal projects were recommended for renewal funding and were ranked under Tier 1
- Tier 2 included: DV Bonus for about \$2 million and CoC Bonus for about \$678 thousand.

Housing units being created with this funding:

- Permanent Supportive housing
 - 338 beds currently funded
 - 449 on by-name-list and need permanent supportive housing
 - 148 new beds will be created
- Rapid Rehousing
 - Currently not funding any new rapid rehousing beds
 - 256 individuals currently on by-name-list
 - 120 new beds will be created for those individuals

Questions and Comments for Item 4.2

Sabby Jonathan asked the following questions. Deputy Director, Tanya Torno responds.

- 1) What are the intended uses for the \$406k set aside for planning efforts?
Those dollars are used by communities to support the Continuum of Care staff. Some uses include preparing for meetings, planning large projects such as the 2022 Homeless Point-In-Time Count, strategic planning, and homeless action plan.
- 2) We are seeing some communities engage in a policy shift to address homeless populations that need services but are avoiding or refusing services. As the state of the art is shifting can we encourage thinking outside the box for new solutions?
Yes, the time to begin doing that is now. Our BoG and CoC chairs will be meeting with LASAR consultants to begin planning retreat events. These events will focus on problem solving and brainstorming specific strategies to assist with the issues mentioned.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe Colletti emphasized planning funds could be and were encouraged by HUD to be innovative and address the situations just raised. The money was for innovation, not implementation. <p>Recommended Motion: Approve the RFP results and allocation of \$678,006 in CoC Bonus funds, \$2,043,019 in DV Bonus funds, and \$11,137,469 in ARD & Planning funds, for a total allocation of \$13,858,494 in FY2021 CoC Program Funding, amongst any of the proposed projects and subrecipients, as recommended by the Review-and-Rank Committee for the FY2021 CoC Program Priority Listing that includes New Projects and Renewal Projects in the order of Tier 1 and Tier 2.</p> <p><i>Motion was made by Greg Rodriguez and seconded by Sabby Jonathan to approve the RFP results and allocation of \$678,006 in CoC Bonus funds, \$2,043,019 in DV Bonus funds, and \$11,137,469 in ARD & Planning funds, for a total allocation of \$13,858,494.</i></p> <p>Vote: Yay – 7, Nay – 0, Abstention –3. Motion carried.</p> <p>Conflicted Individuals: Debbie rose, Matthew Chang, Susan Larkin</p>
5.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS	PRESENTER	ACTION/ OUTCOME
5.1 Chair elections	Tanya Torno	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CoC membership body would work with staff to develop new meeting schedule for 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft copy to be sent in a few weeks No scheduled meeting in November or December but a meeting in early December would likely be scheduled. New team member: Emma Singh – Administrative Services Manager, CoC It was announced that Tanya Torno would be on leave beginning Nov 8th and returning Jan 10th. Emma Perez-Singh will cover while Tanya is on leave. Email will be sent in a few weeks requesting nominations for BOG Chair in preparation for elections. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A formal vote will be held during the next BoG meeting <p>Angelina Coe (comments in the chat)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> October is Domestic Violence Awareness month. Would love if you all could join us on Purple Thursday (10/28/2021) to support survivors and remember/honor those lost due to DV. Wear your purple in support.
5.0 CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS	PRESENTER	
	Leticia DeLara	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> none
7.0 NEXT MEETING	PRESENTER	ACTION/ OUTCOME
Next meeting	Leticia DeLara	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next regularly scheduled BoG meeting will be announced prior to the end of the year. Until further notice, all meetings will require adoption of a resolution allowing for teleconference pursuant to AB 361 (effective September 16, 2021) TBD
Adjournment	Leticia DeLara	The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Total members present: 93

Adkins, Margaret
Andrew Lee
Angelina Coe
Anyse Smith
Becky Ruiz
Brad West, Assembly member Sabrina Cervantes (Guest)
Brian Ambrose
Bruce (Guest)
Carla Lopez
Carol Allbaugh (Guest)
Carrie harmon (Guest)
Casey Jackson
Cooper, Gabrielle M
Cordell Thomas - AXIS (Guest)
Dillard, Marcus
Gabrielle Adv (Guest)
Garces, Angelina
Garcia, Juan
Gibson, Jamie
Gonzales IV, Frank J
Gonzalez-Rivera, Laura
Gregory R. Coker
Guerra, Carlos
Guerra, Monique
Guitron, Catalina
Harmon, Carrie
HARP Outreach
Huecksteadt, Renee
Hulsey, Elizabeth
Jacob Rostovsky
JM Kennedy
Joe Colletti - Urban Initiatives

Jose FAP (Guest)
Judi Nightingale
Karyn Young-Lowe
Kimberly McKinney (Guest)
Larson, Alejandra
Laurence Hirsch
Lechuga, Johanna
Leonard Jarman
Leslie Evans (Guest)
Leticia De Lara
Linda Krupa
Madsen, Mary
Marcus Cannon
Maria De Los Santos
Marshall, Heidi
Matresa Lee W/ADV (Guest)
Matthew Chang
McLaughlin, Jeffery
Mike Phillips
Moore III, James C
NAKESHA HIGH H.E.D.C. (Guest)
Ng, Kin Tat Natalis
Nicole Dailey, MBA
Nicole Starks-Murray
Office 20
Ozzie V. (Guest)
Pat Leslie (Guest)
Perez-Singh, Emma
Portilla, Jacqueline
Rainbow Marler- OSH (Guest)
Ramirez, Julian
Ramirez, Oscar A.

Rastegar, Jonathan
Rodriguez, Greg L
Rose, Debbie
Sabby Jonathan (Guest)
Salas, Linda
Samaniego, Martha
Sampson, Sharry
Sanchez, Lisa
Sara Cortes-dePavon
Sayles, Sundae
Sayles, Terrell
Sisti, Lindsay

Stephan McPeace
Susan Larkin, Valley Restart (Guest)
Tomaszewski, Joshua
Torno, Tanya C
Trahan, Brandon
Varona-Doromal, Anna
Vicci Botich, Family Promise of Riverside (Guest)
Walker, Raushanah
Walker, Selam
Walsh, Michael
Wilson, Melanie