

# San Mateo County – Continuum of Care Steering Committee - CoC Special NOFO Meeting

7.28.22

## Minutes

**Present:** Melissa Platte (CoC Chair and Mental Health Association representative), Melissa Wagner (Sheriff’s Office), Teri Chin (Fair Oaks Community Center), Laura Escobar (United Way), Mariana Rocha (Behavioral Health), Maria Magallanes (VA Palo Alto), Lynn Schuette (CORA), Nicky Vu (City of San Mateo), Rob Babiera (Housing Authority), Steve Carey (LifeMoves), Joy Dardenelle (County Office of Education), Jamie Nugent (San Francisco VA Health Care System), Judith Guerrero (Coastside Hope), Mike Stancil (DC Partnership), Neil Fong (Nation’s Finest), Jeremiah Williams (Abode Services), Halley Crumb (Retraining the Village)

**Guests:** Jacob Stone, Vanessa Fenley, Hana Gossett, Alma Valencia, Julie Gardner, Lauren Heminez, Nicole Hayes

**Staff/Committee Support:** Khalia Parish, Brooke Lewellyn, Jenny Valencia, Jessica Silverberg, Marianne Tessier, Tammie Sweetser, Matthew Hayes, Lilian Henriquez, Ana Morales

Topic	Discussion
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Melissa Platte	Melissa Platte called meeting to order at 9:00AM
<b>Special CoC NOFO to Address Unsheltered Homelessness</b> Jessica Silverberg (HSA), Ana Morales (HSA), Hana Gossett (Focus Strategies), Vanessa Fenley (Focus Strategies)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ First of its kind</li> <li>○ Highly competitive, bonus points to CoCs with more unsheltered people in 2019</li> <li>○ HUD will fund communities to implement coordinated approaches, grounded in Housing First and public health principles, to reduce unsheltered homelessness and improve services, health outcomes, and housing stability among highly vulnerable unsheltered individuals and families</li> <li>○ Applications due to HUD Oct 20, 2022                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ If awarded, \$3 million in funding is available for 3 years (and expected to be renewable after initial 3-year term)</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ HUD policy priorities                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Unsheltered homelessness</li> <li>▪ Unsheltered homelessness and individuals and families experiencing homelessness with severe services needs in rural areas</li> <li>▪ Providing assistance on tribal lands</li> <li>▪ Involving a broad array of stakeholders in CoC efforts</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Healthcare leverage                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A portion of points for application is dedicated to having healthcare commitments to contribute to the projects funded through this NOFO</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Application process                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Required to follow similar structure to Annual CoC NOFO – including local competition and consolidated application   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish review and ranking policy</li> <li>• Establish local deadlines for project applications</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Additional component: CoC plan to address unsheltered homelessness</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Funding only available for NEW project applications; cannot expand existing projects with this funding</li> <li>○ Weighted points for specific project types <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Permanent supportive housing – 20pts</li> <li>▪ Rapid rehousing – 10pts</li> <li>▪ Other – 0pts</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Timeline <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 6/22 NOFO released by HUD</li> <li>○ 7/28 CoC Steering Committee meeting to approve Project Review and Ranking Process</li> <li>○ 8/15 informational meeting for applicants</li> <li>○ 9/2 project applications due to Center on Homelessness</li> <li>○ 9/28-30 review panel meeting to rank projects</li> <li>○ 10/20 HUD deadline</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Review and vote on Draft 2022 Special CoC Competition Project Review and Ranking Process</b></p>	<p><b>Review and vote on Draft 2022 Special CoC Competition Project Review and Ranking Process</b>  Steve Carey made a motion to approve the draft. Laura Escobar seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.</p> <p><b>Yes</b>  Jacob Stone (proxy for Brian Greenberg)  Melissa Platte (Mental Health Association)  Teri Chin (Fair Oaks Community Center)  Mariana Rocha (Behavioral Health)  Melissa Wagner (Sheriff's Office)  Maria Magallanes (VA Palo Alto)  Lauren Heminez (proxy for Michelle Mayes)  Lynn Schuette (CORA)  Nicky Vu (City of San Mateo)  Ron Babiera (Housing Authority)  Joy Dardenelle (County Office of Education)  Jamie Nugent (San Francisco VA Health Care System)  Halley Crumb (Retraining the Village)  Judith Guerrero (Coastside Hope)  Mike Stancil (DC Partnership)  Jeremiah Williams (Adobe Services)  Neil Fong (Nation's Finest)</p>
<p><b>Lived Experience Engagement Updates</b>  Jessica Silverberg, Khalia Parish</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Center on Homelessness plans to hire a Lived Experience Fellow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ To help research and implement structures/options for integrating voices of people with lived experience into our homeless system work, working closely with many partners including homeless service providers</li> <li>○ Keep an eye out for this posting, and please share with anyone who might be interested.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Planning preliminary workgroup or committee of people with lived experience to help advise while the Fellow and COH and partners work on designing and establishing ongoing processes and structures</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Provide input for decision points coming up</li> <li>○ Recruitment for this group coming soon, COH will be reaching out to providers and other partners</li> </ul>
<b>Adjournment</b> Melissa Platte	Melissa adjourned the meeting at 9:36AM

Next meeting: Next CoC Steering Committee meeting: **October 14, 10:30AM-12PM**, Virtual Via Zoom, but additional meetings may be needed based on NOFOs