HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC)
Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
April 12, 2022, 1pm

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San Luis Obispo Countywide 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness

We envision a future in which the housing and comprehensive services necessary to remain housed are available for all, affording everyone maximum self-sufficiency, and the opportunity to be productive and participating members of our community

1. Call to Order and Introductions

2. Public Comment

3. Consent: Approval of Minutes

4. Action/Information/Discussion

   4.1   Action Item: Approve Alternates for New Members

   4.2   Discussion Item: Strategic Plan Committee Information Update

        4.2.1   Discussion Item: Board of Supervisors Presentation

        4.2.2   Discussion Item: Goals, Strategy and Status

        4.2.3   Discussion Item: HSOC Roles in Strategic Plan

   4.3   Discussion Item: Special Full Meeting in June

   4.4   Discussion Item: State and Federal Homeless Assistance Grants

        4.4.1   Discussion Item: Current Grants

        4.4.2   Discussion Item: Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) Round 3 Funding

   4.5   Discussion Item: Committee Reports

        4.5.1   Discussion Item: Action Items for Executive Committee and Full HSOC

HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
HSOC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
February 16th 2022   1:00-3:00pm
Zoom Call

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF & GUESTS
Devin Drake Kristen Barneich Mark Lamore Susan Funk	Scott Smith	Dawn Ortiz-Legg Dee Torres George Solis Jack Lahey Janna Nichols Jeff Al-Mashat Jessica Lorance Joe Dzvonik Laurel Weir Leon Shordon Molly Kern Russ Francis Yael Korin

AGENDA ITEM		CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS
1. Call to Order and Introductions	Susan called the meeting to order at 1pm.	
2. Public Comment		
3. Consent: Approval of Minutes		Mark made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Devin. The motion passed with all in favor, none opposed and

		no abstentions.
4. Action/Information/Discussion		
4.1. Discussion Item: Point in Time (PIT) Count 2022	George reported that County staff are working with agencies and the contractor ASR (Applied Survey Research) to assign volunteers to different areas of the county for the 2022 PIT (Point in Time) Count. This should be complete, with tract maps sent to volunteers, by Friday 18th. In March, peer guides with outreach staff will carry out the survey, which will collect more specific demographic information.	
4.1.1. Discussion Item: 2022 San Luis Obispo County Housing Survey	George shared the 2022 San Luis Obispo County Housing Survey, which has been reviewed and approved by the Finance & Data Committee. Much of the information to be recorded is required by HUD (US Department of Housing and Urban Development). The Committee recommended breaking out the 'unincorporated' location into North, South and Coast. George will take this feedback to ASR. George reported that the data is due to HUD at the beginning of May, which is earlier than in previous years. While there may be an opportunity to look at preliminary data, there is a risk this may be inaccurate prior to data checking and deduplication.	
4.2. Discussion Item: Ten-Year Plan Information Update	Susan reported that the steering committee is now looking at a five or three year plan, as HUD is not requiring a new ten year plan. The steering committee is looking for the plan to be driven by data, which has been a challenge with the limited data available. Susan shared a document showing the difference between sheltering capacity pre-pandemic, currently, and anticipated changes post-pandemic, and showed data from	

	racial equity surveys. The housing survey that will be conducted post-PIT Count will be an important source of data for inclusion.	
4.3. Discussion Item: HSOC & Committees		
4.3.1. Discussion Item: Roles of HSOC	Susan led discussion on the roles that the HSOC should play. The HSOC must meet certain requirements from HUD in order to secure the funding for ongoing services within the county. HSOC also exists as an advisory body to the Board of Supervisors, although it has little authority itself beyond directing money and the informal capacity to share information to support collaboration. What the HSOC can do is use the tools at its disposal to be a catalyst for change at the strategic level. This can include advocacy to a point, but ultimately the Board of Supervisors is the authority, to which the HSOC makes recommendations and provides information.	
4.3.2. Discussion Item: Roles of Committees	The committee discussed the roles of the HSOC committees. The full HSOC is too large for some of the discussions that need to take place, so some of the work needs to be done more proactively by the committees. Susan expressed that she sees a bigger role for the committees going forward.	
4.3.3. Discussion Item: Agenda-Setting Logistics and Preferences	Laurel shared that County staff will meet with committee chairs prior to committee meetings to drive what is on committee agendas, allowing chairs to review draft agendas and minutes and provide feedback.	
4.3.4. Discussion Item:	Laurel clarified the rules around appointing new committee	

	Committee Membership	members: committee chairs should email the HSOC Chair and also copy Russ in. Committee members are appointed to three year terms which can be renewed. County staff will be reaching out to committee chairs with lists of committee members and their term expiration dates. In some cases there have been issues with meeting a quorum, so County staff will also be identifying where people are on a membership list but have not attended meetings in a long time. In these cases, committee chairs can decide to revoke membership, or County staff can reach out to people to see if they have an interest in returning to the committee.	
4.3.5.	Discussion Item: Rescheduling Committee Meetings to Comply with Assembly Bill (AB) 361	Laurel reported that, due to State legislation passed that amends the Brown Act, HSOC committees can only meet remotely within 30 days of the full HSOC passing a resolution. Committees are not able to pass their own resolutions to continue meeting remotely. As the HSOC only holds regular meetings every two months, this means committees must be held in the 30 days following the full HSOC meetings. The options are for the Finance & Data and Housing committees, which meet monthly, to meet once every two months, or for these committees to meet twice within the 30 day window following a full HSOC meeting. The Services Coordinating committee already meets bimonthly, but its scheduled meeting dates fall outside of the 30 day windows; County staff are in the process of rescheduling. Two scheduled Executive Committee meetings will fall outside of the 30 day windows as well, so County staff will check availability and reschedule. Laurel will confer with County Counsel on whether the power to pass the resolution can be delegated to the Executive	

	Committee, which meets on alternate months than the full HSOC.	
4.3.6. Discussion Item: Committee Updates	Devin reported that the Homeless Services Coordinating Committee discussed concerns over isolation capacity for COVID-positive homeless people, the reallocation of HUD Emergency Housing Vouchers which will not take place until 2023, the availability of housing for medically fragile homeless people, and an end of life protocol. Mark reported that he has been involved in HMIS (Homeless Management Information System) since its inception in the county, and that there is greater potential for how data can be used, so this will be a priority for the Finance & Data Committee going forward. Janna reported that the last Finance & Data Committee meeting involved discussions on the PIT Count and survey, and release of client information forms.	
4.3.7. Discussion Item: Update from County Administrative Office	Joe reported that the County Administrative Office is working on developing a strategy for the County's approach to homelessness, and has reached out to agencies to discuss capacity and needs. Joe emphasized the need for all parties to move forward in a unified way, and the importance of public education and outreach, and of an approach involving all possible solutions, i.e. tiny houses, pallet shelters, safe parking sites, etc. Jeff reported that, following the tragedy in which a vehicle caught fire and one person lost their life at the Kansas Avenue safe parking site, the County and agencies were able to provide counselling to those on site. The County is providing more heavy	

	duty fire extinguishers, ensuring fire lanes are kept clear, and is looking into providing fire education courses for people at the site. Intake has been halted while the County looks at providing increased spacing between vehicles.	
4.3.8. Discussion Item: March Full HSOC Meeting Agenda	• Presentation on Coordinated Entry to be deferred due to new staff at CAPSLO (Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo) and changes to Coordinated Entry currently being made. This will now be in the purview of the Finance & Data Committee. • Visual representation of homeless services grants (County staff). • Update on Kansas Avenue safe parking site, particularly in regard to fire safety. • Discussion on how HSOC communicates data and information to the public and to the Board of Supervisors.	
4.4. Discussion Item: State and Federal Homeless Assistance Grants		
4.4.1. Discussion Item: Current Grants		
4.4.2. Discussion Item: Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) Round 3 Funding	Laurel reported that the County will be eligible for $4.3 million under Round 3 of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP). Eligible activities are similar to those in prior HHAP rounds. The application to the State is due June 30th. Applicants are required to set goals using HUD's System Performance Measures, e.g. length of time people remain homeless, the extent to which people exit homelessness	

	to permanent housing, number of homeless people. This data will be sourced from HMIS and the PIT Count. HHAP Round 3 will be measured on system wide outcomes, rather than program outcomes. County staff will work with the Finance & Data Committee on initial outcome proposals, and also seek input from the steering committee.	
4.5. Discussion Item: COVID-19 Update		
4.5.1. Discussion Item: COVID-19 Grant Updates	George reported on the California ESG-CV (Emergency Solutions Grant – Coronavirus) program. Around $1.3 million has been expended so far of the $5.4 million grant. The expenditure deadline is June 30th. County staff are working with subrecipients to keep track of their expenditures.	
4.5.2. Discussion Item: Situational Update from Members	Janna reported that the South County warming center has been closed, but 5CHC (5Cities Homeless Coalition) are discussing opening it up again for more nights, not just because of bad weather. There has been an increase of people arriving in Ramona Park, possibly due to cleaning efforts in the Santa Maria riverbed and SLO City. ECHO (El Camino Homeless Organization) has also closed their winter shelter in Atascadero early for the season, due to staff being impacted by exposure to COVID.	
5. Future Discussion/Report Items	None.	
6. Next Regular Meeting Date:	To be rescheduled (see discussion item 4.3.5).	

April 20, 2021		
7. Adjournment	Susan adjourned the meeting at 3:05pm.	

HHAP-3 Overview

Presentation to the HSOC Executive Committee

April 12, 2022

Overview

- Joint funding to CoC/County
  - 10% set aside for Youth Services @ $429,000
  - 7% set aside for grant administration - @ $300,000
  - @ $3.56 million for all other eligible activities
    - @$1 million prioritized for systems improvements

Performance Based

- Requires quantitative goals on System Performance Measures (SPMs)
- Cal ICH evaluates performance on SPM goals in June 2024
- 18% bonus for grantees that meet their goals
- Bonus for communities that fail to meet goals is reallocated to other communities

Goals and Strategies

Baseline data set by Cal ICH

Strategies for HHAP3 must be tied to achieving goals for HH

Outcome Measurements

Outcome Goal #1a: Reducing the number of persons experiencing homelessness.

Outcome Goal #1b: Reducing the number of persons experiencing homelessness on a daily basis

Outcome Goal #2: Reducing the number of persons who become homeless for the first time.

Outcome Goal #3: Increasing the number of people exiting homelessness into permanent housing.

Outcome Goal #4: Reducing the length of time persons remain homeless.

Outcome Goal #5: Reducing the number of persons who return to homelessness after exiting homelessness to permanent housing.

Outcome Goal #6: Increasing successful placements from street outreach.

Eligible Activities

Rapid rehousing

Operating subsidies/operating reserves

Street outreach

Services coordination, which may include access to workforce, education, and training programs, or other services needed to promote housing stability in supportive housing

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

Delivery of permanent housing and innovative housing solutions, such as hotel and motel conversions

Prevention and shelter diversion to permanent housing, including rental subsidies

Interim sheltering, limited to newly developed clinically enhanced congregate shelters, new or existing non-congregate shelters, and operations of existing navigation centers and shelters based on demonstrated need.

- Any new interim sheltering funded by round 3 funds must be low barrier, comply with Housing First, and prioritize interventions other than congregate shelters

Improvements to existing emergency shelters to lower barriers and increase privacy

First Tranche

Approximately $1 million

Prioritized for:

- Homeless Plan updates
- Capacity building and workforce development for service providers, including removing barriers to contracting with culturally specific service providers and building capacity of providers to administer culturally specific services
- Funding existing evidence-based programs serving people experiencing homelessness
- Investing in data systems to meet reporting requirements or strengthen the recipient's Homeless Management Information System
- Improving homeless point-in-time counts
- Improving coordinated entry systems to eliminate racial bias or to create a youth-specific coordinated entry system

Required Public Input Process

Requires communities to publicly notice goals and strategy (can be inital drafts) and seek public input

Public hearing time scheduled at County BOS meeting on May 17 for HHAP3 input

Coordination with CenCal Health

- CA DHCS Homeless and Housing Incentive Program (HHIP) requires local Medi-Cal managed care agency (CenCal Health in SLO County) to coordinate with CoC on HHAP-3 goals and strategies

Proposed Plan for Developing Outcome Measures

Analyze	Analyze baseline measures and discuss with state – week of April 11
Obtain	Obtain input from HMIS participating agencies and Five Year Plan Update Steering Committee– April
Solicit	Solicit input from CenCal Health – April (initial) and May (after public hearing)
Bring	Bring staff recommendations to April HSOC Finance and Data Committee for initial review
Bring	Bring updated recommendations to Five-Year Plan Update Steering Committee
Bring	Bring draft recommendations to BOS Public Hearing on May 17
Adopt	Adopt final recommendations at HSOC and BOS in June