

**HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL  
 HSOC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
 April 12<sup>th</sup> 2022 1:00-3:00pm  
 Zoom Call**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>		<b>MEMBERS ABSENT</b>	<b>STAFF &amp; GUESTS</b>
Devin Drake Kristen Barneich Mark Lamore Scott Smith Susan Funk			Allison Brandum Dawn Ortiz-Legg George Solis Jack Lahey Jessica Lorance Joe Dzvonic Laurel Weir Leon Shordon Russ Francis Sarah Montes Reinhart
<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>			<b>CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS</b>
1. Call to Order and Introductions	Susan called the meeting to order at 1pm.		
2. Public Comment	Devin commented that Susan and Joe will be giving an update on the new Strategic Plan to the Board of Supervisors next week. This will include a proposal to create a new Homeless Services Division within the Department of Social Services.		
3. Consent: Approval of Minutes			Devin made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mark. The motion passed with all in

		favor, none opposed and no abstentions.
4. Action/Information/Discussion		
4.1. Action Item: Approve Alternates for New Members	<p>At the last full HSOC meeting, the HSOC approved four membership applications. Per the HSOC bylaws, new members must put forward alternates to the Executive Committee for approval. The following members put forward the following alternates:</p> <p>Allison Brandum – Michelle Shoresman  Garret Olson – Suzie Freeman  Jack Lahey – Lawren Ramos  Jim Dantona – Molly Kern</p> <p>Susan asked that County staff check if there would be a Brown Act violation if both Allison and Michelle are County employees, and bring this back to the next Executive Committee meeting.</p>	Susan made a motion to approve the alternates for Garret Olson (Suzie Freeman), Jack Lahey (Lawren Ramos) and Jim Dantona (Molly Kern), seconded by Scott. The motion passed with all in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.
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:	<p>Susan reported on the upcoming Board of Supervisors presentation on homelessness on April 19th. The staff report should be public by April 13th.</p> <p>The goal that will be proposed is to reduce the number of homeless people within the county to 50% of the current level in 5 years. The Steering Committee will produce a full draft plan showing how to reach this goal, and this will then be opened to public comment and stakeholder input, including all City councils and other community organizations, and will then go to the HSOC as a proposed final version.</p>	

<p>HSOC Roles in Strategic Plan</p>		
<p>4.3. Discussion Item: Special Full Meeting in June</p>	<p>Laurel reported that County staff will be sending out a Doodle poll to arrange a Special meeting of the full HSOC in June, which is likely to be an in person meeting. This meeting will be needed to approve the new strategic plan in time for Board of Supervisors approval in July.</p>	
<p>4.4. Discussion Item: State and Federal Homeless Assistance Grants</p>		
<p>4.4.1. Discussion Item: Current Grants</p>	<p>Laurel reported that the State has allowed an extension of the expenditure deadline for the California ESG-CV (Emergency Solutions Grant – Coronavirus) grant program. The expenditure deadline is now September. County staff are working with subrecipients to prepare for reallocation of funding that would not otherwise be spent before the expenditure deadline.</p> <p>Scott raised concerns that more funding processes create barriers in terms of local implementation, for example Federal Environmental Reviews, which can make the contracting process take months or even years. Agencies can receive final contracts a long time after the NOFA (Notice of Funding Availability) is released, and then have to manage short expenditure deadlines.</p>	
<p>4.4.2. Discussion Item: Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program</p>	<p>Laurel presented an overview of the HHAP (Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program) Round 3 funding program. The County and CoC (Continuum of Care) are applying jointly. HHAP 3 is a two year funding program, for which total funding</p>	

<p>(HHAP) Round 3 Funding</p>	<p>will be around \$4.3 million. Approximately 10% of the total funding will be set aside for youth services, and 7% will be set aside for grant administration. A further \$1 million will be prioritized for systems improvements – this represents the funding made available in the first tranche. The HHAP 3 program will be performance based, requiring quantitative goals on System Performance Measures. An 18% bonus will be available for grantees that meet their goals. Applicants also need to develop strategies to use to achieve these goals. These will be aligned with recommendations from the Steering Committee. The State will be using HMIS (Homeless Management Information System) data from 2020, which presents a challenge as the 2020 data was anomalous due to the impact of COVID, which artificially decreased the number of people experiencing homelessness for the first time. Applicants are required to publicly notice goals and strategy, which can be in the form of an initial draft, and seek public input. Public hearing time has been scheduled at the Board of Supervisors meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup>.</p>	
<p>4.5. Discussion Item: Committee Reports</p> <p>4.5.1. Discussion Item: Action Items for Executive Committee and Full HSOC</p> <p>4.5.2. Discussion Item: Learnings</p>	<p>Committee Chairs provided updates.</p> <p>Mark reported that the Finance &amp; Data Committee has an upcoming action item on revising the HMIS Release of Information forms to allow other agencies to have visual access. The Committee will also be looking into integrating HMIS with the Octavia system as a step towards moving to a more open HMIS.</p> <p>Scott reported that the Housing Committee met and heard a</p>	<p>Services Coordinating Committee to discuss Tiny House Villages.</p>

<p>4.5.3. Discussion Item: Trends and Concerns</p> <p>4.5.4. Discussion Item: Future Issues and Next Steps</p>	<p>presentation on Tiny House Villages, but there are significant barriers to replicating this model in SLO County, e.g. zoning and building codes.</p> <p>Devin reported that the Services Coordinating Committee met and discussed staff shortages among nonprofit agencies and County departments, and the challenges of filling gaps with interns and volunteers. The Committee also discussed safe parking and sanctioned encampments, and the importance of defining sites to avoid setting expectations. The upcoming Services Coordinating Committee will discuss a proposed Tiny Homes concept from Hope’s Village.</p>	
<p>4.6. Discussion Item: Report from County Staff</p> <p>4.6.1. Discussion Item: Safe Parking Update</p> <p>4.6.2. Discussion Item: Administrative Office Update</p>	<p>Covered in the above items; nothing further to report.</p>	
<p>4.7. Discussion Item: COVID-19 Update</p> <p>4.7.1. Discussion Item: COVID-19 Grant</p>	<p>Nothing further to report on grant updates. County staff at the Administrative Office are working to keep the FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) trailers available for outbreak contingency planning. Contingency planning will be added to the next Services Coordinating Committee agenda.</p>	<p>Services Coordinating Committee to discuss COVID-19 Contingency Planning.</p>

<p>Updates</p> <p>4.7.2. Discussion Item: Outbreak Contingency Planning</p> <p>4.7.3. Discussion Item: Situational Update from Members</p>		
<p>5. Future Discussion/Report Items</p>	<p>None.</p>	
<p>6. Next Regular Meeting Date: June 15, 2022</p>		
<p>7. Adjournment</p>	<p>Susan adjourned the meeting at 3pm.</p>	