



## **HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC) Executive Committee Meeting Agenda**

February 15, 2023, 1pm

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1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Public Comment
3. Consent: Approval of Minutes
4. Action/Information Discussion
  - 4.1. HSOC Administration
    - 4.1.1. Action Item: Vote to Approve Member Alternates
      - 4.1.1.1. Committee Questions
      - 4.1.1.2. Public Comment
      - 4.1.1.3. Committee Discussion and Vote
    - 4.1.2. Discussion Item: Appoint Committee Vice Chairs?
      - 4.1.2.1. Committee Questions
      - 4.1.2.2. Public Comment



- 4.1.2.3. Committee Discussion
- 4.1.3. Discussion Item: Assembly Bill 2449 (AB2449) and Brown Act Requirements Regarding Public Meetings
  - 4.1.3.1. Committee Questions
  - 4.1.3.2. Public Comment
  - 4.1.3.3. Committee Discussion
- 4.1.4. Discussion Item: Encampment Clearance Discussions at Committee Level
  - 4.1.4.1. Committee Questions
  - 4.1.4.2. Public Comment
  - 4.1.4.3. Committee Discussion
- 4.2. Discussion Item: Report from County Staff on County Initiatives
  - 4.2.1. Committee Questions
  - 4.2.2. Public Comment
  - 4.2.3. Committee Discussion
- 4.3. Implementing Five-Year Plan Line of Effort 1 - Create Affordable and Appropriately Designed Housing Opportunities and Shelter Options for Underserved Populations
  - 4.3.1. Discussion Item: Oversight Reallocation to Services Coordinating Committee
    - 4.3.1.1. Committee Questions
    - 4.3.1.2. Public Comment
    - 4.3.1.3. Committee Discussion



- 4.4. Implementing Five-Year Plan Line of Effort 4 – Create, Identify, and Streamline Funding and Resources
  - 4.4.1. Action Item: Vote to Approve the Revised Goal for the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 3 (HHAP 3) Measure 1B
    - 4.4.1.1. Committee Questions
    - 4.4.1.2. Public Comment
    - 4.4.1.3. Committee Discussion and Vote
- 4.5. Discussion Item: Committee Reports
  - 4.5.1. Discussion Item: Action Items for Executive Committee and Full HSOC
    - 4.5.1.1. Discussion Item: Action Plan Grants at Full HSOC
    - 4.5.1.2. Discussion Item: HMIS (Homeless Management Information System) Update at Full HSOC
  - 4.5.2. Discussion Item: Learnings, Trends and Concerns, Future Issues and Next Steps
  - 4.5.3. Committee Questions
  - 4.5.4. Public Comment
  - 4.5.5. Committee Discussion
- 4.6. Discussion Item: Addressing Public Comment
- 5. Future Discussion/Report Items
- 6. Next Regular Meeting: April 12, 2023 at 1pm
- 7. Adjournment



The full agenda packet for this meeting is available on the SLO County HSOC web page:

[https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Social-Services/Homeless-Services/Homeless-Services-Oversight-Council-\(HSOC\).aspx](https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Social-Services/Homeless-Services/Homeless-Services-Oversight-Council-(HSOC).aspx)

**HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC)  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Date**

December 14, 2022

**Time**

1pm-3pm

**Location**

Zoom

**Members Present**

Mark Lamore

Scott Smith

Susan Funk

**Members Absent**

Devin Drake

Kristen Barneich

**Staff and Guests**

Christy Nichols

Dawn Ortiz-Legg

George Solis

Jack Lahey

Janna Nichols

Jeff Al-Mashat

Joe Dzvonik

Merlie Livermore

Russ Francis

Skylar Caldwell

Stefanie Hernandez

Yael Korin

## **1. Call to Order and Introductions**

Susan called the meeting to order at 1pm.

## **2. Public Comment**

None.

## **3. Consent: Approval of Minutes**

Not reviewed.

## **4. Action/Information/Discussion**

### **4.1 HSOC Administration**

#### **4.1.1 Discussion Item: Process for Approval of Member Alternates**

Russ provided the update that the Board of Supervisors approved the change to the HSOC by-laws allowing for members to appoint alternates anytime. Once alternates are chosen by their respective members, the by-laws state that Executive Committee must review and approve the alternates. The Committee agreed to review a list of proposed alternates rather than a more formal process.

Susan suggested that for the Executive Committee members need to think alternates differently. For this Committee there is the chair, vice chair and committee chairs. It would be good for alternates for Executive committee to be other people from the committee and who are informed on what is happening at their committees, not necessarily their main HSOC alternate.

#### **4.1.2 Discussion Item: HSOC Committee Roles and Leadership**

Mark was happy to continue in his role as Finance & Data Committee Chair.

Scott recommended Elaine Archer for the Housing Authority seat on the full HSOC and as Housing Committee Chair. Susan also mentioned that there is a need for a new vice chair, and she suggested Supervisor Dawn Ortiz-Legg.

Supervisor Dawn Ortiz -Legg said there will be a new Board and they will be assigned roles for different committees.

### **4.2 Implementing Five-Year Plan Line of Effort 1 - Create Affordable and Appropriately Designed Housing Opportunities and Shelter Options for Underserved Populations**

#### **4.2.1 Discussion Item: Housing Committee Report**

Scott reported two main discussion items which were Anne Wyatt's presentation on alternative types of housing, and returning to discussion around encampment. The City of SLO were anxious about the item and didn't want it discussed. So, the discussion instead was broadened to include other jurisdictions around encampments, and the alternatives to encampments group which produced recommendations.

Janna shared that the Cabins for Change Open House is taking place on the same day as the meeting at 3pm.

Scott mentioned challenges over replicability of Cabins for Change. Supervisor Dawn Ortiz-Legg agreed. Cabins for Change project came about partly due to long and involved process working with many departments and offices, including waiving of certain requirements.

The Executive Committee asked that the Housing Committee do a debrief of the process needed to figure out how to have requirements waived like Los Angeles which recently declared a State of Emergency, then come back to full HSOC with recommendations.

#### **4.2.2 Discussion item: Structuring Discussions on Policy Topics That May Elicit Feedback About Policies or Performance of Specific Organizations or Jurisdictions**

Scott reported that there was a very aggressive push back from SLO City regarding discussing the encampments and Martin v Boise issues. He felt there was a free speech issue here, in a jurisdiction attempting to control what HSOC could talk about.

Joe reiterated that the purpose of HSOC having elected officials and community leaders is to generate political will to make changes to meet the need of homelessness. This was exactly the kind of discussion HSOC should have been having.

#### **4.2.3 Discussion item: Warming Shelter Capacity**

5CHC (5Cities Homeless Coalition) and CAPSLO's (Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo) warming shelters open from December 14. The Committee discussed capacity and available funding for this purpose. Jack referred to problem of recruiting volunteers in warming centers. The main problem is resources for staffing and services.

#### **4.3 Implementing Five-Year Plan Line of Effort 2: Reduce or Eliminate Barriers to Housing Stability**

##### **4.3.1 Discussion Item: Services Coordinating Committee Report**

No update; report included with agenda packet.

#### **4.4 Implementing Five-Year Plan Line of Effort 3 – Improve and Expand Data Management Efforts Through HMIS (Homeless Management Information System) and Coordinated Entry System to Strengthen Data-Driven Operational Guidance and Strategic Oversight**

##### **4.4.1 Discussion Item: HMIS Business Case**

Not discussed.

#### **4.5 Implementing Five-Year Plan Line of Effort 4 – Create, Identify, and Streamline Funding and Resources**

##### **4.5.1 Discussion Item: Homeless Services Funding and Contract Delays**

George mentioned that the grants team has been working to move along the backlog.

##### **4.5.2 Discussion Item: HHAP 2 (Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 2) Funding Priorities**

George reported HHAP 2 funding must be obligated by May 31, 2023. Expenditure deadline is June 30, 2026. HSOC voted on priorities in 2021: Permanent Supportive Housing, Case management, operating subsidies, street outreach, and emergency shelter. Eight percent of the funding is set aside for youth population. An RFP (Request for Proposals) is to be released in January.

Susan recommended to accelerate rapid rehousing and shelter operating subsidies as priorities for HHAP 2 funding.

#### **4.6 Implementing Five-Year Plan Line of Effort 5 – Strengthen Regional Collaboration and Line of Effort 6 – Public Engagement Through Information-Sharing and Partnership**

##### **4.6.1 Discussion Item: Review of Additional Comments on Five-Year Plan**

Tabled.

##### **4.6.2 Discussion Item: Lived Experience Committee**

Tabled.



**4.7 Discussion Item: Action Items for Executive Committee and Full HSOC**

County staff will take prioritization on HHAP 2 funding back to the full HSOC for review.

**4.8 Discussion Item: Learnings, Trends and Concerns, Future Issues and Next Steps**

Yael wanted to follow up on lived experience committee.

**5. Future Discussion/Report Items**

None.

**6. Next Regular Meeting: February 15, 2023**

**7. Adjournment**

Susan adjourned the meeting at 3:07pm.

Agenda Item 4.1.1

**HSOC Executive Committee**  
**February 15 2023**  
**List of Proposed Member Alternates**

<b>HSOC Member</b>	<b>Seat</b>	<b>Proposed Alternate</b>	<b>Proposed Alternate's Title &amp; Agency</b>
Devin Drake	County Government Service Providers	Joe Dzvonik	Homeless Services Division Manager, County of San Luis Obispo
Kathy McClenathen	Advocates	Jeff Eckles	Chief Executive Officer, San Luis Obispo County Housing Trust
Rick Gulino	Affordable Housing Developers	Catherine Manning	Bilingual Clinical Supervisor, People's Self Help Housing
Bettina Swigger	Businesses	Shannon DalPorto	Operations and Public Space Manager, Downtown SLO
Jessica Thomas	County Office of Education	Daniela Garcia	Coordinator with the Homeless and Foster Youth Services Program at SLO County Office of Education
Nicole Bennett	Other Community Organizations	Christy Nichols	Community Relations Specialist, CenCal Health
Rick Scott	Public Safety Organizations	Brian Amoroso	Police Captain, City of San Luis Obispo Police Department
Wendy Blacker	Currently or Formerly Homeless Persons	Jason Holland	Homeless Services Case Manager, City of Morro Bay
Allison Brandum	County Government Service Providers*	Sarah Reinhart	Program Manager, Health Agency, County of San Luis Obispo
Elaine Archer	Housing Authority	Scott Collins	Executive Director, Housing Authority of the City of San Luis Obispo

**HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
ACTION ITEM  
February 15, 2023**

**AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 4.4.1**

**ITEM:** Vote to approve revised Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 3 (HHAP-3) Outcome Goal 1b – Reducing the number of persons experiencing homelessness on a daily basis as required by Cal ICH for the HHAP-4 application.

**ACTION REQUIRED:** Vote to approve revised Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 3 (HHAP-3) Outcome Goal 1b – Reducing the number of persons experiencing homelessness on a daily basis.

**SUMMARY NARRATIVE:** On June 30, 2022, The County submitted an application for the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Round 3 grant program.

As part of the application process, applicants were required to set draft goals and submit to Cal ICH for review by June 30 to ensure goals were sufficiently ambitious. While Cal ICH set the direction of the change it was requesting (either an increase or decrease), CoCs were allowed to use data to show projected trajectory and propose instead to “bend the curve” when factors beyond the CoC’s control would affect overall direction of change.

Cal ICH was required to respond to CoCs with comments or requested changes to initial goals within 30 days of the initial application by the CoC. Once comments were sent to CoCs, CoCs were given 30 days to respond and provide final recommendations, including any changes to the initial application goals that the CoCs approved.

On June 2, 2022, the HSOC reviewed draft goals to be submitted to Cal ICH as part of the initial application to Cal ICH and forwarded the recommendations on to the County Board of Supervisors. On June 21, 2022, a public hearing was held at the County Board of Supervisors meeting to solicit public input on the goals and strategies.

At the end of June, the County submitted the initial application to the state for review of the draft goals. On July 29, 2022, the state responded to the County regarding the goals and provided additional detail on August 3. The state had accepted draft Goals 1-3 and 5-6 and has requested clarifying comments for Goal 4 but did not request a change in the actual goal.

As part of the HHAP-4 application process, applicants were required to:

1. Establish outcome goals for 1B that result in a reduction in unsheltered homelessness and agree to adjust our existing HHAP-3 outcome goal for 1B to

achieve a reduction in unsheltered homelessness pursuant to Health and Safety Code §50220.7.

2. Submit and implement a Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) between relevant city, county and CoC, as applicable, outlining efforts you will undertake to increase regional coordination. This MOU should clearly describe and delineate jurisdictional roles and responsibilities, joint coordination and collaborative funding efforts to achieve greater alignment.

On 1/18/23, Cal ICH notified the County that it will be required to submit revised 1B goal to the state by 2/18/23 to satisfy the HHAP-3 commitments.

HHAP-3 goal 1B.

- Reducing the number of persons experiencing homelessness on a daily basis, as measured by the number of unsheltered homeless persons counted in the January 2024 Homeless Point in Time Count (compared to the January 2019 Point in Time Count).

**Original HHAP-3 1B goal submitted on 6/30/22.**

<b>Outcome Goal #1b: Reducing the number of persons experiencing homelessness on a daily basis</b>		
<b>Baseline Data: Daily Estimate of # of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness</b>	<b>Outcome Goals July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024</b>	
	<b>Increase <del>Reduction</del> in # of People</b>	<b>Increase <del>Reduction</del> as % Change from Baseline</b>
1172	623 (increase)	53% (increase)
<b>Optional Comments</b>		
<p><b>We are not proposing a reduction but are proposing to "bend the curve." HMIS data suggests homelessness may have been increasing since 2020, along with increases in rental housing costs. Economists are also predicting the strong possibility of a recession, which would be expected to lead to significant increases in homelessness. In the previous recession, there were 1,951 unsheltered persons counted in the PIT count. Using that number (1,951), we propose to reduce the projected increase by 20% from 779 additional persons to an increase of 623, which would be a 53% increase over 2020 levels. Thus our goal would be to have 1,795 persons or less experiencing unsheltered homelessness on a daily basis as measured by the 2024 Homeless Point in Time Count.</b></p>		

**Recommended revised HHAP-3 1B goal.**

<b>Outcome Goal #1b: Reducing the number of persons experiencing homelessness on a daily basis</b>		
<b>Baseline Data: Daily Estimate of # of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness</b>	<b>Outcome Goals July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024</b>	
	<b>Increase Reduction in # of People</b>	<b>Increase Reduction as % Change from Baseline</b>
1172	117 (decrease)	10% (decrease)
<b>Optional Comments</b>		
As part of the recently adopted San Luis Obispo Countywide Plan to Address Homelessness (2022-2027), we have a goal of increasing non-congregate/ interim housing capacity by an additional 300 units over the next three years which will assist in reducing the unsheltered population by 10% in 2024. This is an aggressive goal as the HHAP-3 goal setting tool projected a 60% increase by 2024.		

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The HHAP-4 grant will provide \$3,730,682.80 in funding, beginning in County Fiscal Year 2023-2024, to prevent and address homelessness.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**

Submitting revised HHAP-3 1B goals to the state by 2/18/23 will satisfy the County's requirement to achieve a reduction in unsheltered homelessness pursuant to Health and Safety Code §50220.7 as required per the HHAP-4 application process.

**Homeless Services Oversight Council**  
**Executive Committee Meeting – February 9 2023**  
**Committee Reports**

**Services Coordinating Committee – February 6**

- CenCal Health Update – CenCal Health provided an update on their new programs.
- Emergency Situations – agencies discussed recent flooding and how this impacted service provision.
- Reporting of Deaths of People Experiencing Homelessness – the committee discussed this request from the full HSOC. It was agreed to follow up on this item in conjunction with an End of Life Protocol task force report at the next meeting.

**Housing Committee – February 7**

- Increasing non-congregate shelter – the Committee discussed policies and barriers to Tiny Homes, including Tiny Homes on Wheels within the county. 5Cities Homeless Coalition provided an update on their Cabins for Change pallet shelter program.
- Encampment Committee Recommendations – the Committee discussed the recommendations made by the ad hoc Encampment Committee from January 2021, including sanctioned encampments and Tiny Home villages.
- Federal and State Grants – County staff provided an update on HHAP (Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program) funding.
- Housing Developers Roundtable – updates were provided by developers in attendance.

**Finance & Data Committee – February 7**

- Update on HHIP (Homeless and Housing Incentive Program) Funding Allocations and Reporting Measures – CenCal Health provided an update on the program and reporting measures.
- HHAP 3 (Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 3) Outcome Data – County staff provided updated data for Calendar Year 2022 and from July 2021-December 2022