HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC)
Finance and Data Committee Agenda
December 17, 2020, 2 p.m.

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1. Call to Order and Introductions

2. Public Comment

3. Consent: Approval of Minutes

4. Action/Information/Discussion

    4.1   Discussion Item: 2021 Homeless Point in Time (PIT) Count

        4.1.1   Action Item: Vote to approve January 25th, 2021 as the date of
                the sheltered Point in Time Count

        4.1.2   Discussion Item: HUD (Department of Housing & Urban
                Development) Exception Request for Not Conducting Full
                2021 Unsheltered Point in Time Count

        4.1.3   Discussion Item: Other Efforts the CoC Is Taking to
                Understand the Needs of People Experiencing Unsheltered
                Homelessness in Our Community

    4.2   Discussion Item: HUD-VASH (Department of Housing & Urban
          Development – Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing) HMIS
          (Homeless Management Information System) Data

    4.3   Discussion Item: Annual Reporting on the HEAP (Homeless
          Emergency Aid Program), HHAP (Homeless Housing, Assistance and
          Prevention) and COVID-19 Emergency Funding Programs

    4.4   Discussion Item: Coordinated Entry & HMIS (Homeless Management
          Information System) Zip Code Data

5. Future Discussion/Report Items

6. Next Meeting Date: January 27, 2021

7. Adjournment

HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
HSOC FINANCE AND DATA COMMITTEE MEETING
November 30 2020, 1pm-2:30pm

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF & GUESTS
Andrea Montes Alvarado Elaine Mansoor Janna Nichols Jeff Al-Mashat Jessica Thomas Riley Smith Shay Stewart Sstoz Tes		George Solis James Connery Jan Maitzen Laurel Weir Leon Shordon Peter Connery Russ Francis

AGENDA ITEM		CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS
1. Call to Order and Introductions	Janna called the meeting to order at 1pm. Peter Connery and James Connery from ASR (Applied Survey Research) introduced themselves.	
2. Public Comment	None.	
3. Consent: Approval of Minutes		Shay made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Riley. The minutes were approved, with none opposed and no abstentions.
4. Action/Information/Discussion		
4.1 Discussion Item: Homeless Point in Time Count (PIT)		
4.1.1 Discussion Item: Update on 2021 Point in Time Count and	George gave some background on the PIT (Point in Time) Count. HUD (Department of Housing & Urban Development) requires a biannual count of the sheltered and unsheltered homeless population. The SLO	

| Survey | County CoC (Continuum of Care) does a sheltered count every year and the unsheltered count every other year. The last unsheltered count took place in 2019. HUD has taken time to consider whether they will require a PIT Count for 2021, given the pandemic, but have now decided they do require an unsheltered PIT Count. HUD recognizes that the 2021 PIT Count will be different and not directly comparable to previous years, but they want to get a sense of what has changed due to COVID. HUD is allowing some flexibility in how CoCs carry out the count, e.g. conducting an observation only count, or counts with very short surveys. They have extended the time in which the count may be carried out from 7 to 14 days. HUD are also encouraging the work to be done remotely, insofar as this is possible. County staff met with James and Peter from ASR to talk through possibilities for the 2021 PIT Count. HUD is strongly recommending CoCs carry out the count in some form so there is some data available, even if this is partial and inconsistent with previous years. PIT Count data will factor into the HUD CoC funding program, which is competitive. State funded programs such as HEAP (Homeless Emergency Aid Program), HHAP (Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention), and CESH (California Emergency Solutions & Housing) also take PIT Count data into consideration, so SLO County CoC could be at a disadvantage if it does not conduct its count. There has been no guidance from the State on this. | |
| | Peter clarified that HUD is very much focused on homelessness on the West Coast, and is looking to stay on the same reporting timeline for HDX (Homelessness Data Exchange) data as in previous years. ASR's plan for SLO County's PIT Count would involve asking volunteers to volunteer in teams consisting of their own household or social pod, and avoiding the use of traditional deployment centers, relying instead on virtual deployment as much as possible. As volunteer recruitment has historically been a challenge in SLO County, ASR plans to take advantage of the multiple day exception HUD has offered, and to divide the County into regions with a core volunteer group to cover these regions over multiple days. | |

		The Committee discussed possibilities around the 2021 PIT Count and the following concerns were raised:	
		- The difficulty of recruiting volunteers. This has been a challenge traditionally in SLO County anyway, and with the pandemic, volunteers have been more difficult to recruit and retain for existing programs. Staff are already spread thin and having to do the work that volunteers would normally do - Risks to volunteers, who are often from populations vulnerable to medical complications due to COVID - Whether a sampling approach will provide any relevant information on the effects of COVID - The possibility of a count not being carried out in a comparable way to previous years, and then inaccurately showing a decrease in numbers, which could result in a decrease in funding - Holding the count the week before the State lifts its eviction moratorium will give an incomplete picture of the problem As HUD's notice provides an exception for not doing the count at all, and given the concerns above, the Committee decided to ask County staff to seek this exception from HUD. This involves submitting a request to HUD explaining the CoC's reasoning and contingency plans. If HUD does not grant an exception, the Committee asked for a change of date to the Count so that it occurs after the eviction moratorium is lifted. ASR confirmed that the Count could be delayed until the end of February.	
4.1.2	Action Item: Vote to approve PIT count methodology and PIT count date	The vote was not taken following the above discussion.	
4.1.3	Discussion Item: 2021 Point in Time Count Volunteer	This item was not discussed following the above discussion.	

Registration Form		
4.2 Discussion Item: California Emergency Solutions Grant – Coronavirus (Round 2) NOFA	George reminded the Committee that there are two RFPs (Requests for Proposals) currently out for Round 2 of the ESG-CV (Emergency Solutions Grant – Coronavirus) grant. The State grant is administered by the Department of Social Services, and the Federal grant is administered by the Department of Planning & Building (Planning). The RFP for CDBG-CV (Community Development Block Grant – Coronavirus) Round 3 has also been released through Planning.	
4.3 Discussion Item: HMIS Participating Agency Agreement and HMIS User Agreements – Annual agreements	George reported that HUD now requires CoCs to get their new HMIS agreements signed annually, so he will be sending these out to agencies for any new users or users who have not signed so far this year. Janna reported that 5CHC (5Cities Homeless Coalition) are drafting Spanish language copies of their Privacy Notice and Privacy Policy, and will send these onto DSS once they are complete.	
5. Future Discussion/Report Items		
6. Next Meeting Date: December 23, 2020	The Committee discussed the date of the next meeting and decided to meet earlier in December. Russ to send out a poll asking for people's availability between the 7th and 18th of December.	Russ to send out poll.
7. Adjournment	Janna adjourned the meeting at 2:30pm.	

HMIS Data
All Projects
By Zip Code - Summary
Reporting Period: 07/01/2019-06/30/2020

City	Zip Code	Total Clients	Total Adults	Total Children	Total Head of Households	Total Non Head of Households	Total Households (Intakes)	Households with Children	Households without Children	Households with Only Children	Chronically Homeless	Mental Health Problem at Entry	Chronically Homeless at Entry
Arroyo Grande	93420	97	80	17	69	28	71	12	58	1	15	29	29
Arroyo Grande	93421	3	2	1	2	1	3	0	2	1	0	1	2
Atascadero	93422	180	159	21	150	30	157	13	141	3	48	63	81
Atascadero	93423	5	3	2	3	2	3	1	2	0	3	1	0
Bradley	93426	6	5	1	3	3	3	1	2	0	3	2	3
Cambria	93428	12	12	0	10	2	12	0	12	0	4	5	7
Cayucos	93430	11	11	0	11	0	11	0	11	0	4	6	6
Creston	93432	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	1	1	1
Grover Beach	93433	138	111	27	95	43	99	19	80	0	26	39	42
Grover Beach	93483	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	1
Lompoc	93436	6	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	3	1	2
Los Osos	93402	46	43	3	41	5	43	1	42	0	14	20	26
Morro Bay	93442	56	49	7	46	10	47	3	44	0	18	26	22
Morro Bay	93443	9	8	1	8	1	9	1	8	0	4	2	2
Nipomo	93444	43	38	5	36	7	37	2	34	1	13	18	22
Oceano	93445	66	51	15	45	21	47	7	39	1	18	23	19
Paso Robles	93446	162	139	23	131	31	132	16	116	0	31	48	59
Paso Robles	93447	6	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	3	4	1
San Luis Obispo	93401	304	296	8	289	15	299	4	293	2	98	108	153
San Luis Obispo	93403	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	2	0
San Luis Obispo	93405	12	12	0	12	0	12	0	12	0	3	4	6
San Luis Obispo	93406	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	1	0
San Miguel	93451	13	12	1	11	2	12	1	11	0	2	3	4
San Simeon	93452	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Sandon	93461	3	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	0	1	0	3
Santa Barbara	93101	15	15	0	15	0	15	0	15	0	3	6	4
Santa Margarita	93453	8	8	0	8	0	8	0	8	0	0	2	5
Santa Maria	93454	35	31	4	31	4	31	2	29	0	8	11	15
Santa Maria	93455	8	8	0	8	0	8	0	8	0	0	3	3
Santa Maria	93457	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	1
Santa Maria	93458	21	16	5	14	7	14	1	13	0	3	5	3
Shell Beach	93448	8	8	0	8	0	8	0	8	0	4	4	6
Shell Beach	93449	9	9	0	9	0	9	0	9	0	5	2	5
Templeton	93465	10	10	0	10	0	10	1	9	0	0	4	4

Coordinated Entry

Date Range: 7/1/19 - 6/30/20
City where client's reported last residence prior to entry

City	Households without children	Households with children
5 Cities	4	3
Arroyo Grande	65	14
Atascadero	99	11
Avila Beach	1	0
Cambria	10	1
Cayucos	6	0
Creston	1	0
Fresno	7	0
Goleta	1	0
Grover Beach	76	27
Guadalupe	1	1
Lompoc	4	0
Los Osos	22	1
Morro Bay	26	1
Nipomo	27	15
Oceano	42	8
Orcutt	2	0
Paso Robles	88	14
Pismo Beach	13	4
Rocky Point	1	0
San Luis Obispio	146	12
San Miguel	4	0
Santa Barbara	8	1
Santa Margarita	8	1
Santa Maria	45	5
Shandon	4	0
Shell Beach	3	0
Templeton	5	2