HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC)  
Executive Committee Meeting Agenda  
February 16, 2022, 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 Discussion Item: Point in Time (PIT) Count 2022  
      4.1.1 Discussion Item: 2022 San Luis Obispo County Housing Survey
   4.2 Discussion Item: Ten-Year Plan Information Update
   4.3 Discussion Item: HSOC & Committees
      4.3.1 Discussion Item: Roles of HSOC
      4.3.2 Discussion Item: Roles of Committees
      4.3.3 Discussion Item: Agenda-Setting Logistics and Preferences
      4.3.4 Discussion Item: Committee Membership
      4.3.5 Discussion Item: Rescheduling Committee Meetings to Comply with Assembly Bill (AB) 361
      4.3.6 Discussion Item: Committee Updates
4.3.7 Discussion Item: Update from County Administrative Office
4.3.8 Discussion Item: March Full HSOC Meeting Agenda

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: COVID-19 Update
  4.5.1 Discussion Item: COVID-19 Grant Updates
  4.5.2 Discussion Item: Situational Update from Members

5. Future Discussion/Report Items

6. Next Meeting Date: April 20, 2022

7. Adjournment
MEMBERS PRESENT | MEMBERS ABSENT | STAFF & GUESTS
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Devin Drake  
Janna Nichols  
Scott Smith  
Susan Funk | Kristen Barneich | George Solis  
Jack Lahey  
Jessica Lorance  
Leon Shordon  
Lisa Howe  
Russ Francis

**AGENDA ITEM** | **CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS**
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1. Call to Order and Introductions  
Susan called the meeting to order at 1:05pm. |  

2. Public Comment  
Scott commented that HASLO (Housing Authority of San Luis Obispo) are partnering with People's Self Help Housing for a 53 unit affordable housing project in Grover Beach that has just been approved. |  

3. Consent: Approval of Minutes | Janna 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: Ten-Year  
Susan reported that the Ten-Year Plan steering committee next |
Plan Update

Plan Update meets on December 16th. There has been much discussion so far on the data that HomeBase (contractors for the Ten-Year Plan) initially pulled from HMIS (Homeless Management Information System) and the accuracy and reliability of this data. George reported that HomeBase and DSS (Department of Social Services) staff have been meeting weekly to review the data and improve its accuracy. Susan reported that the data now being looked at is more detailed and particular. The Committee will particularly be looking at how people are moving through the system, which services they are accessing, and how this breaks down by demographics. George added that HomeBase are also carrying out a racial equity analysis for the CoC (Continuum of Care). The Committee also discussed the importance of education, particularly in regards to the vast majority of homeless people in SLO county being from the county and not from outside.

Devin shared that there will be an update on homelessness during public comment at one of the Board of Supervisors meetings in January. County staff will give a presentation on homelessness in the county to the Board in March.

4.2. Discussion Item: Candidates for HSOC Chair, HSOC Vice Chair, and HSOC Committee Chairs in 2022

The Committee discussed leadership roles for 2022. All were in favor of Susan continuing as Chair. All Committee Chairs stated they were happy to serve another year. The Committee also discussed the benefits and drawbacks of a Supervisor taking on the Chair or Vice Chair role, but ultimately decided against this, as in the past a Supervisor has brought a motion to the Board as Chair of HSOC, only to vote against it as Supervisor, which was put both the Supervisor and HSOC members in a difficult position.

The Committee also discussed defining the objectives of the sub committees, and the reporting process back to the full HSOC.
The vision for each of the committees and what they should accomplish is part of the workplan for the new Ten-Year Plan. Janna suggested a brief written summary by each chair, of what their committee has been working on, could be included in the agenda packet for each full HSOC meeting.

4.3. Discussion Item: Plan for Coordinated Entry Educational Item
George reported that a presentation by Coordinated Entry agencies, to educate HSOC on what its purpose is, was requested at the last full HSOC meeting. County staff wanted to consult the Executive Committee for guidance on what this presentation should look like. Scott suggested explaining what Coordinated Entry is and why it is needed, as well as discussing the challenges with access to information and questions of how well it is working currently. The Committee agreed the presentation should focus on the basic details of why Coordinated Entry is necessary, who is participating, and should allow the HSOC to give comments and questions which could then be reviewed at the committee level. The Committee considered deferring the item until March, but agreed a high level presentation should be prepared for the January meeting of the full HSOC.

4.4. Discussion Item: State and Federal Homeless Assistance Grants
George provided some background on the upcoming 2022 PIT (Point in Time) Count, a requirement for certain grants. So far 14 volunteer teams have signed up. George confirmed that HUD (US Department of Housing & Urban Development) has recommended all volunteers be vaccinated.

4.4.1. Discussion Item: Current Grants
Russ shared the first draft of a spreadsheet showing the different homeless services grants administered by DSS and the Department of Planning and Building (Planning), with information for each grant including the local application
| 4.4.2. Discussion Item: HHAP Round 2 Funding | George shared that the County has secured funding for Round 2 of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP). This funding needs to be obligated by May 2023, and must be fully expended by June 2026. 8% of the total is set aside for youth projects. This funding is in two allocations, one for the CoC worth $826,000, of which $58,000 is reserved for administration, and one for the County worth $739,000, of which $52,000 is reserved for administration. |

| 4.5. Discussion Item: COVID-19 Update | George shared that the Board of Supervisors approved reallocating some of 5CHC’s (5Cities Homeless Coalition) funding for pallet shelter, and additional funding to CAPSLO (Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo) for Kansas Avenue Safe Parking. Janna shared that 5CHC’s cabin program did not anticipate the pre-site development expenses, and so some Homeless Prevention money has been reallocated to cover these additional costs. Around $156,000 has been reallocated from the Federal ESG-CV (Emergency Solutions Grant – |

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| 4.5.2. Discussion Item: Rental Relief Program | Janna raised concerns that 5CHC has homelessness prevention funding they have been told not to spend until all California COVID-19 Rental Relief Program money has been expended, but they are now seeing clients who do not qualify for CCRRP and 5CHC are unable to assist them with other funding. |
| 4.5.3. Discussion Item: Situational Update from Members | Janna reported that 5CHC’s South County warming center, CAPSLO’s 40 Prado warming center, and ECHO’s North County warming center are all now open. Attendance is steadily increasing with the rain. Numbers are around average for this time of year. |
| 4.6. Discussion Item: Committee Updates | Janna reported that the Finance & Data Committee are working on data to be shared with full HSOC. |
| 5. Future Discussion/Report Items | • Ten-Year Plan: information sharing with the Executive Committee as a standing item  
• Update from the County on what is happening with Safe Parking programs – for next full HSOC |
| 6. Next Regular Meeting Date: February 16, 2021 |  |
| 7. Adjournment | Susan adjourned the meeting at 3pm. |
Section A: Demographics

1. What are your initials? [ ] First [ ] Middle [ ] Last

2. What is your birth date? [ ] Month [ ] Day [ ] Year

3. What gender do you identify with? [ ] Male [ ] Female [ ] Transgender [ ] A gender not singularly female or male*

4. What ethnicity do you identify with? [ ] White [ ] Black, African American, or African [ ] Asian or Asian American [ ] American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous [ ] Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander [ ] Don't know [ ] Refuse

5. What race or races do you identify with? (Shade all that apply) [ ] White [ ] Black, African American, or African [ ] Asian or Asian American [ ] American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous [ ] Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander [ ] Other: __________ [ ] Other non-family member

6. Do you consider yourself...? [ ] Straight [ ] Lesbian [ ] Gay [ ] Queer [ ] Other: ________ [ ] Don't know [ ] Refuse

7. Are you currently pregnant? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Don't know [ ] Refuse

8. Have you ever been in foster care? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Don't know [ ] Refuse

9. Do you have a pet (currently living with you)? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Refuse

Section B: Veteran Status

1. Have you served in the U.S. Armed Forces? (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard) [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Don't know [ ] Refuse

2. Were you ever called into active duty as a member of the National Guard or as a Reservist? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Don't know [ ] Refuse

3. Is anyone else in your household a Veteran? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Don't know [ ] Refuse

4. Are you a non-binary, gender fluid, agender, culturally specific gender? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Don't know [ ] Refuse

Section C: Accommodation

1. Where were you staying on the night of Wednesday, February 23rd? (Shade 1)

   - Backyard or storage structure
   - Motel/hotel paid for by a voucher/agency
   - A place in a house not normally used for sleeping (kitchen, foyer, hallway) or unconverted garage
   - Emergency shelter
   - Transitional housing
   - Public facility (train station, transit center, bus depot, park)
   - Outdoor/open streets/parks
   - Van
   - Automobile/car
   - Camper/RV
   - Abandoned building/squat
   - Tent
   - Encampment
   - Other: __________

2. How many people are in your household, including yourself? [ ] None [ ] Some [ ] Most [ ] All

3. Are any of your children under 18 currently living with you? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Refuse

4. How old are they? [ ] Under 18 [ ] 18-24 [ ] 25 or older

5. How many different times have you been homeless in the past 3 years, including this current time? (Shade 1)

   - 0-17 years
   - 18-24 years
   - 25 or older

6. How long would you say you have been in these kinds of places (total) in the past year? [ ] Days______ Weeks_____ Months_______ Years_______

7. How many times have you been in a tent, car, van, or RV/camper? # people

8. What are their initials? [ ] First [ ] Middle [ ] Last

9. What gender do they identify with? (Shade all that apply)

   - Male
   - Female
   - Transgender
   - A gender not singularly female or male*

10. What race or races do they identify with? (Shade all that apply)

    - White
    - Black, African American, or African
    - Asian or Asian American
    - American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous
    - Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

11. What ethnicity do they identify with? (Shade all that apply)

    - Hispanic/Latinx(a)(o)(x)
    - Non-Hispanic/Non-Latinx(a)(o)(x)

12. Are they currently pregnant? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Refuse

Section D: Household Members

1. How many people are in your household, including yourself? [ ] None [ ] Some [ ] Most [ ] All

2. Do you have any children under age 18? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Don't know [ ] Refuse

3. Are any of your children under 18 currently living with you? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Refuse

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   - Transgender
   - A gender not singularly female or male*

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    - White
    - Black, African American, or African
    - Asian or Asian American
    - American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous
    - Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

11. Are they currently pregnant? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Refuse

12. What are their initials? [ ] First [ ] Middle [ ] Last

13. What gender do they identify with? (Shade all that apply)

    - Male
    - Female
    - Transgender
    - A gender not singularly female or male*

14. What race or races do they identify with? (Shade all that apply)

    - White
    - Black, African American, or African
    - Asian or Asian American
    - American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous
    - Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

15. Are you currently pregnant? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Refuse

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17. How many times have you been in a tent, car, van, or RV/camper? # people

18. What are their initials? [ ] First [ ] Middle [ ] Last

19. What gender do they identify with? (Shade all that apply)

    - Male
    - Female
    - Transgender
    - A gender not singularly female or male*

20. What race or races do they identify with? (Shade all that apply)

    - White
    - Black, African American, or African
    - Asian or Asian American
    - American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous
    - Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

21. Are you currently pregnant? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Refuse
**Section E: Residency**

1. Immediately before you became homeless, what type of place were you living in? (Shade 1)
   - A home owned or rented by you or your partner
   - A home owned or rented by friends/relatives
   - Hospital or treatment facility
   - Subsidized housing or permanent supportive housing

2. How long have you lived in San Luis Obispo County? (Shade 1)
   - Less than 6 months
   - 6 months to 1 year
   - 1-4 years
   - 5-9 years
   - 10+ years

3. Which city in San Luis Obispo County were you living in when you went homeless? (Shade 1)
   - Arroyo Grande
   - Atascadero
   - Grover Beach
   - Grover Beach
   - Morro Bay
   - Pismo Beach
   - San Luis Obispo
   - Unincorporated area

**Section F: Prevention**

1. What is the primary event or events that led to you currently being homeless? (Shade all that apply)
   - Eviction/Foreclosure/Rent increase
   - Loss of subsidy or other housing financial support
   - Family/domestic violence
   - Divorce/Separation/Break-up
   - Job loss
   - Other: __________

2. Was the primary cause of homelessness (identified in the prior question) related to the COVID-19 pandemic or a California Wildfire? (Shade 1)
   - COVID-19
   - CA Wildfire
   - Neither
   - Refuse

3. What could have prevented you from experiencing homelessness? (Shade all that apply)
   - Mental health services
   - Employment assistance
   - Transportation assistance
   - Alcohol/drug counseling
   - Rent assistance
   - Family counseling
   - Food assistance
   - Benefits/income
   - Conflict resolution with roommates
   - Adequate retirement income
   - Help paying health care bills/insurance
   - Legal assistance
   - Help obtaining resources after leaving hospital/jail/prison/juvenile justice facility
   - Landlord mediation

**Section G: Income and Employment**

1. What is your current employment status? (Shade all that apply)
   - Not employed – full time
   - Not employed – part time
   - Employed full time – full year
   - Employed part time – full year

2. If you are not employed, what is keeping you from employment? (Shade all that apply)
   - Age
   - Disability
   - Criminal record
   - Mental health needs
   - Lack of education/training
   - No transportation
   - Fear of losing personal belongings

**Section H: Health and Housing**

1. Have you received a COVID-19 vaccine? (Shade all that apply)
   - Yes
   - No
   - Don't know

2. Do you experience any of the following?
   - A chronic health problem or medical condition (diabetes, cancer)
   - PTSD
   - Other: __________

3. Does it keep you from holding a job, living in stable housing or taking care of yourself? (Shade all that apply)
   - Not Applicable
   - Psychiatric or emotional condition
   - Chronic health problem
   - Drug or alcohol abuse
   - PTSD

5. Are you currently being abused or hurt by someone you know? That includes being kicked, hit, shoved, or beat up, threatened with a knife or gun, forced to have sex or being stalked. (Shade all that apply)
   - Yes
   - No
   - Refuse

6. Were you ever, either as a child or adult, abused or hurt by someone you knew? That includes being kicked, hit, shoved, or beat up, threatened with a knife or gun, or forced to have sex. (Shade all that apply)
   - Yes
   - No
   - Refuse

**Section I: Criminal Justice**

1. Have you had interactions with the criminal justice system in the past year including probation, parole, court appearances, arrests, tickets, etc.? (Shade all that apply)
   - Yes
   - No
   - Don't know
   - Refuse

**Section J: Services and Assistance**

1. Are you currently receiving (or have you received in the last year) any of the following forms of income or benefits? (Shade all that apply)
   - Child support
   - Employment assistance
   - Education assistance
   - Substance use
   - HIV/AIDS
   - PTSD
   - Other: __________

2. What barriers, if any, prevent you from using shelter services? (Shade all that apply)
   - Refuse

3. Do you receive any of the following?
   - Full time earned income/paycheck
   - Part time earned income/paycheck
   - COVID-19 related assistance including increased unemployment insurance, stimulus checks or rental assistance
   - General Assistance (GA)
   - CalWORKs/TANF
   - Food Stamps/SNAP/MC CalFresh
   - Social Security
   - SS/Eld/Disability
   - Other: __________

4. Are you currently receiving (or have you received in the last year) any of the following forms of income or benefits? (Shade all that apply)
   - Child support
   - Substance use
   - HIV/AIDS
   - PTSD
   - Other: __________

5. What barriers, if any, prevent you from using shelter services? (Shade all that apply)
   - Refuse

6. Do you receive any of the following?
   - Child support
   - Substance use
   - HIV/AIDS
   - PTSD
   - Other: __________

7. Are you currently receiving (or have you received in the last year) any of the following forms of income or benefits? (Shade all that apply)
   - Child support
   - Substance use
   - HIV/AIDS
   - PTSD
   - Other: __________

8. What barriers, if any, prevent you from using shelter services? (Shade all that apply)
   - Refuse

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