

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 selfsufficiency, and the opportunity to be productive and participating members of our community

## HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC) Housing Committee Meeting Agenda

October 6, 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: Project Homekey
  - 4.2 Discussion Item: Paso Robles Encampment Update
  - 4.3 Discussion Item: Coordinated Entry Workgroup
  - 4.4 Discussion Item: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), County General Fund Support (GFS), Title 29 Affordable Housing Fund (T-29), Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA), and Emergency Solution Grant COVID-19 (ESG-CV).
- 5. Next Meeting Date: November 3, 2020
- 6. Adjournment

## HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL HSOC HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> 2020, 2pm-3:30pm Zoom Call

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF & GUESTS	
Anne Robin	Joanna Balsamo-Lillien	Amelia Grover	
Anne Wyatt	Kathy McClenathen	Elizabeth Snyder	
Cara Vereschagin		Jessica Thomas	
Ken Triguero		Laurel Weir	
Marianne Kennedy		Leon Shordon	
Mark Lamore		Lucy Sue	
Scott Smith		Matt Leal	
		Nicole Bennett	
		Russ Francis	
		Shay Stewart	
		Susan Warren	
		Tom Sherman	
		Wendy Lewis	
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AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION		CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS
1. Call to Order and Introductions of	Scott called the meeting to order at 2pm.		
Guests			
2. Public Comment	Susan Warren gave a brief summary of a HUD (Department of Housing		County staff to forward
	& Urban Development) document on Recovery Housing Policy.		this document to
			Committee email list.
3. Consent: Approval of Minutes	Marianne made a correction – her comments in the August 4 minutes		Anne Robin made a
	were in reference to HomeShareSLO, not the Women's Shelter.		motion to approve the
			minutes, with the above
			correction, seconded by
			Mark Lamore. The
			minutes were approved,

		with none against and no abstentions.
4. Action/Information/Discussion		
4.1 Discussion Item: Project Homekey	Scott provided background on Project Homekey, a state program to house homeless people through the purchase and rehabilitation of housing, including hotels, motels and vacant apartment buildings. HASLO (Housing Authority of San Luis Obispo) submitted an application in partnership with PSHH (People's Self Help Housing) and ECHO (El Camino Homeless Organization). This application is for the purchase of the Motel 6 in Paso Robles. If successful, this will provide around 120 rooms. ECHO will manage and oversee interim housing, while HASLO and PSHH will operate the permanent housing. The State has confirmed that they have reserved funds for this project, though have clarified this does not mean the funding has been awarded. Wendy shared that the State has been very positive about this application, as they are focusing on funding non-congregate settings. There is still some construction work to be done, including creating interior hallways for staff and volunteers to monitor individual rooms.	
4.2 Discussion Item: County Action Plan – Planning & Building		
4.2.1 Discussion Item: 2021 Action Plan	Matt Leal from the Department of Planning & Building (Planning) shared information about the 2021 Action Plan. Planning has much more grant funding available this year (\$10.6 million) compared to the previous year (\$4 million). This is mostly due to the additional money made available	
4.2.2 Discussion Item: Action Plan NOFA	via the CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security) Act, which provides \$6.2 million through the second tranche of the ESG-CV (Emergency Solutions Grant – Coronavirus) program. Funding sources for the HUD grants are around the same as in previous years - \$1.8 million is expected for the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) program, \$154,000 for the Federal ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant)	

	program, and \$950,000 for the HOME program. General Fund Support includes \$253,000 for homeless services, and Title 29 funding will provide \$278,000. This is slightly lower than usual, due to the Board of Supervisors having pre-allocated \$100,000 to the Housing Trust Fund.	
4.2.3 Discussion Item: Identifying Community Needs	<ul> <li>Planning are hosting two virtual workshops on September 16, at 10am and 5pm. This is an outreach opportunity to identify community needs and help Planning to use funding to address local needs. Applications will be due on October 23 at 5pm, through the Zoom Grants system. Recommendations will then go to the Board of Supervisors on November 17.</li> <li>Matt took questions on the Action Plan and confirmed: <ul> <li>Title 29 funds are broken out across four different areas of the County. The Action Plan NOFA details how much funding is available to each area.</li> <li>The \$100,000 set aside through the Housing Trust Fund is not restricted to any of the four areas.</li> <li>The State wants some of the PLHA allocation to go towards home ownership (\$87,250 for the first year, and it is assumed 10% of the annual allocation over 5 years will go towards this).</li> <li>Planning will be working more closely with the Housing Trust Fund in the coming year.</li> <li>For 2020 Action Plan funded projects, Planning only recently received agreements from HUD, and so will be reaching out to successful applicants soon to begin developing agreements.</li> <li>While there is an ongoing general need for homeless services, the CARES Act funding is specifically for COVID-related</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
4.3 Discussion Item: Paso Robles Encampment Update	challenges, and can be used to retroactively reimburse agencies Wendy reported that the City of Paso Robles sees the alternative encampment site as a temporary measure. Very few people from the riverbed are now staying at the alternate site. Feedback from outreach	
	teams is that clients do not feel the alternate site is welcoming. The recent heatwave was particularly painful as there was not adequate	

		shade at the alternate site. Wendy thanked HSOC for guiding CESH priorities and making the decision to put more into case management, as this is where funding is needed.	
5.	Next Meeting Date: October 6, 2020	Future discussion item: Cara to discuss SLO City's Housing Element	
6.	Adjournment	Scott adjourned the meeting at 3:05pm.	