

HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC)
Services Coordinating Committee Meeting Agenda

January 12, 2026, 10:30 am

Committee members must participate in person (except for just cause reasons, or for emergency reasons approved by HSOC):

Room 358, County of San Luis Obispo Department of Social Services
3433 South Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo

Members with approved just cause reasons and the public may participate by Zoom video:

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1. Call to Order and Introductions (2 minutes*)
2. Public Comment (5 minutes*)
3. Consent: Approval of Minutes (1 minutes*)
4. Action/Information/Discussion
 - 4.1. Committee Updates
 - 4.1.1. Information Item: Upcoming changes to public benefit programs, including eligibility, application, and recertification requirements
 - 4.1.1.1. Information Item: MediCal (35 minutes*)
 - 4.1.1.2. Information Item: CalFresh (35 minutes*)
 - 4.1.2. Information Item: 2026 Homeless Point in Time Count (10 minutes*)
 - 4.1.3. Discussion Item: Committee Planning Process for 2026 (25 minutes*)
 - 4.1.4. Discussion Item: Possible February Meeting (5 minutes*)
 5. Future Discussion/Report Items (2 minutes*)
 6. Next Regular Meeting: April 13, 2026

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-division/homeless-services-oversight-council>

*All times are estimates and subject to change.

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

Date

September 8, 2025

Time

10:05 am-12:06 pm

Location

Room 358, Department of Social Services
3433 S. Higuera, San Luis Obispo, CA 93403

Members Present

Abby Lassen
Amelia Grover
Devin Drake
Jack Lahey
Jane Renahan
Michael Azevedo
Wendy Lewis

Members Absent

Chris Stanley

Staff & Guests

Dawn Boulanger
Diana Marin
Erica Jaramillo
Kari Howell
Katlynn Beatty
Laurel Weir
Marie Bolin
Merlie Livermore
Sarah Cooper

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Wendy called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. Introductions were made by those new at the meeting.

2. Public Comment

Abby Lassen shared that the newly revised Community Resource brochure now also has a Spanish language version. The brochures contain contact information for organizations that offer homeless services, medical services, legal assistance, etc. These may be ordered by contacting Burdine Printing at (805) 489-4910.

Jack Lahey from CAPSLO reported that they are about weeks away from opening their safe parking program. They are just finalizing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the sites right now. There will be six rotation sites holding 12 parking spots each. This is in addition to the parking spots at the Prado location, bringing in a total of 24 available active safe parking spaces at one time in the SLO County. They are also working with an external group to do an on-going evaluation of the safe parking program, incorporating feedback from community members. Jack hopes to put together a safe parking resource manual to serve as a guide for other organizations who are interested in implementing a safe parking program site.

Wendy mentioned that El Camino Homeless Organization (ECHO) will have its Long Walk Home fundraiser in Atascadero on Sept 20th. She also shared that the groundbreaking for the Balay Ko Family Resource Center is scheduled for October 6th at 1 pm.

3. Consent: Approval of Minutes

Abby moved the motion to approve the minutes. Michael seconded. Voice vote was taken; Devin abstained. Minutes from the last meeting were approved.

4. Action/Information/Discussion

4.1. Committee Updates

4.1.1. Information Item: 2026 Homeless Point in Time Count

Kari from the County's Homeless Services Division shared the bi-annual Point in Time Count which is coming up in January 2026. The count is required every two years as a condition of the federal Continuum of Care grant. It is used by HUD and the state to evaluate our community's performance in addressing homelessness and affects our funding. She spoke about how to get involved and participate in the event.

4.1.2. Information Item: Federal Updates

Laurel presented a summary document from the Department of Social Services regarding Upcoming State/Federal Changes from January 2026-October 2028, which included: Medi-Cal Asset Limit Changes, Medi-Cal Enrollment Freeze for Undocumented Participants 19+, CalFresh Able-Bodied Adult Without Dependent's (ABAWD) Waiver Expiration and new ABAWD requirements, Medi-Cal Dental Coverage Changes, Amended Definition of "Qualified Non-Citizen" that will affect Medi-Cal and CalFresh, Medi-Cal Work Requirements, Limits to Retro-Active Medi-Cal, Medi-Cal 6-month Eligibility Redeterminations (Res), Medi-Cal Monthly Premiums, Medi-Cal Co-Pays. The state is still working through the details of how the changes will be implemented. More information should be available in January. DSS representatives from the units who oversee MediCal and CalFresh will be invited to attend the January meeting of the Services Coordinating Committee and to provide updates on implementation.

4.1.3. Information Item: Presentation from SLO Cal Careers on Resources to Help Clients with Obtaining and Maintaining Employment

Dawn Boulanger shared information about the Workforce Development Board of San Luis Obispo County and the employment & training programs operated locally through SLO Cal Careers. She also presented a State of the Workforce Infographic that included a summary of labor market information driving the strategies of our public workforce system. Dawn also included a flyer for SLO Cal Careers programs. A free training on how to use the CalJobs database and other SLO Cal Careers resources to help people to look for employment will be offered to homeless services

providers in November. Notices will be sent out to the HSOC email list to invite service providers to the training.

4.1.4. Information Item: Update from Committee members on programs, collaboration opportunities, and learnings

Abby asked for an update on outreach for the Welcome Home Village project. Kari shared that Good Samaritan is currently not conducting any outreach at this time due to some delays in the construction that will impact the project start date.

Jack shared that there has been confusion from his staff regarding the use of 815 release form. Kari shared that 815 form is an agency -specific release, in addition to the HMIS release. She also encouraged Jack and his staff to reach out to HMIS support for information; look at HMIS newsletter article regarding the difference between DSS 815 form and HMIS ROI. This topic is to be discussed further with the Data and Performance Committee meeting.

Laurel mentioned that staff have received feedback from service providers that the current committee meeting start time conflicts with the meeting time of the Supportive Housing Coalition. To allow those who come from the Supportive Housing Consortium meetings to also attend this meeting on time, Laurel gathered some feedback regarding moving this committee's meeting to 10:30 am. It was agreed that the meeting will be moved to 10:30am lasting until 12:30 pm. She also asked about the possibility of holding a special meeting in the fall, but Wendy and Jack shared that it is a busy time for non-profits working on fundraising events. If a special meeting were to be held, among the topics suggested included an update on the encampments, warming center changes, changes and entitlements information.

5. Future Discussion /Report Items

None presented due to time limitation.

6. Next Regular Meeting: December 8, 2025

7. Adjournment

Wendy adjourned the meeting at 12:06 pm

2026 SLO COUNTY POINT-IN-TIME COUNT

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



JOIN US

SCAN TO VOLUNTEER



LEARN MORE AT
slocounty.gov/pitcount

Come join us on **Tuesday, January 27** to count every person experiencing homelessness.

- Volunteers should be 18+
- Training is provided
- Volunteers will be sent in groups based on location
- We need you!

COUNTING EVERY PERSON BECAUSE EVERY PERSON COUNTS

2026 CONDADO DE SLO POINT-IN-TIME COUNT

SE NECESITAN VOLUNTARIOS



Únete a nosotros

ESCANEAR
PARA VOLUNTARIAR



APRENDE MÁS EN
slocounty.gov/pitcount

Únase a nosotros **el martes 27 de enero** para contar a todas las personas sin hogar.

- Los voluntarios deben ser mayores de 18 años
- Se proporciona formación
- Los voluntarios serán enviados en grupos según la ubicación
- ¡Te necesitamos!

CONTANDO A CADA PERSONA PORQUE CADA PERSONA CUENTA



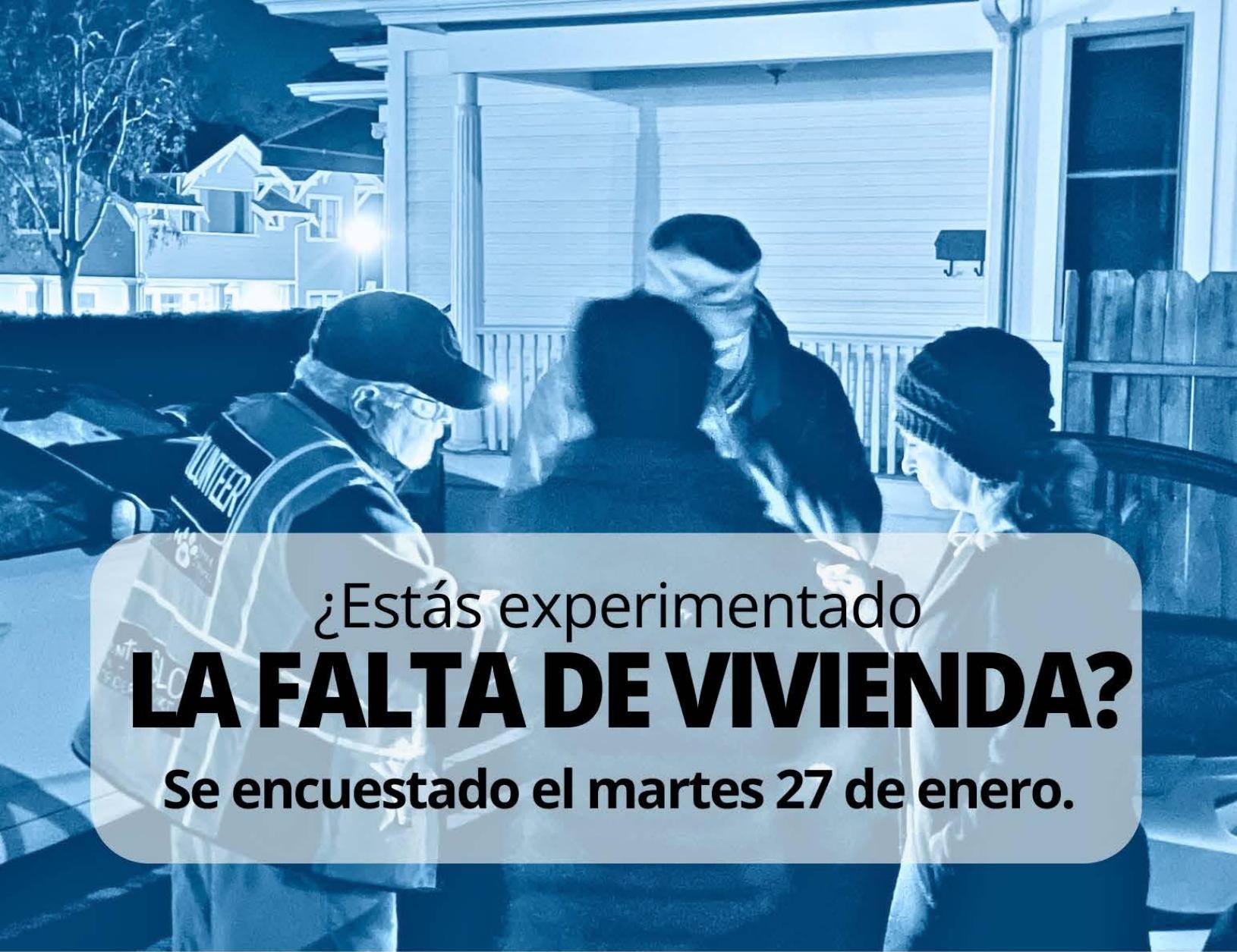
Are you experiencing
HOMELESSNESS?

Get counted on Tuesday, January 27th

Participants get a **gift card** after
answering questions



- The interview only takes 5 to 10 minutes.
- Your answers will stay anonymous and your location will not be shared after the survey.



¿Estás experimentando
LA FALTA DE VIVIENDA?

Se encuestado el martes 27 de enero.

Obtén una **tarjeta de regalo** después
de responder preguntas

- La entrevista sólo durara de 5 a 10 minutos.
- Sus respuestas permanecerán anónimas
y su ubicación no se compartirá después
de la encuesta.

