

**HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL**  
**Executive Committee**  
**Date, 8:00-10:00**  
**County Government Center**  
**1055 Monterey Street**  
**4<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Conference Room**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>MEMBERS ABSENT</b>	<b>STAFF &amp; OTHERS</b>	
Debbie Arnold Patty Beck John Ashbaugh Tracy Schiro	Christine Johnson	Laurel Weir Jessica Lorange	
<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>		<b>CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS</b>	<b>FOLLOW UP</b>
1. Call to Order and Introductions of Guests	Supervisor Arnold welcomed the group		
2. Public Comment	Martin Meltz sent his note with Laurel as he was unable to attend this meeting: Martin urged the committee to discuss new terminology for individuals living on the street. It was suggested that there may be need for an ADHOC committee to discuss this change. -Suggestion to be brought up to Homeless Services Committee.  It was also noted that there was a motel in San Luis Obispo that was for sale that perhaps could be used for housing. John Ashbaugh offered to inform HASLO about the motel.		
<b>3. ACTION/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION</b>			
3.1 Action Item: Vote to recommend removal of full HSOC members who miss more than half of the full HSOC meetings in a year	Laurel Weir stated that attendance is an issue due to quorums that need to happen to make decisions. One member has missed more than half of the meetings. Her alternate stated she wished to resign. Committee agreed to contact the member directly to see if she would like to resign.		
3.2 Point in Time Count Update 2015	Laurel Weir stated that the 2015 data has not yet been received from ASR. The data is expected to be ready in May. The draft report will be looked at by the board to check for accuracy. This time there was a youth count as well. The youth were surveyed. When the report from ASR is received, an Ad Hoc Committee will be convene to review the report for accuracy and to consider data from HMIS, which provides a report over a longer period of time and may be useful for tracking certain subpopulation trends but which does not		

	include persons who do not access homeless services at HMIS participating programs.		
<p>3.3 Update on Rapid Rehousing Programs including Supportive Services for Veteran Families, CalWORKs Housing Support Program, the Emergency Solutions Grant Rapid Rehousing Program, and the Klaproad funded program</p>	<p>Laurel Weir stated that the new rapid re-housing programs have begun. HSP program has housed 53 families and several more are currently in process. HSP is serving more than 200 families. Participants are taking part in workshops that on issues that affect housing success such as budgeting. The case management happens through DSS and CAPSLO. Welfare to Work participants are helped with employment search and in some cases may be eligible for subsidized employment. Transportation and child care are provided for those who qualify. When the program started DSS was putting participants in motels during the winter, but families not in the motels were more successful in locating housing. Of the 53 households housed to date, only 11 were ever put up in motels.</p> <p>Patty Beck stated that it would be good to have an update about the program at the full HSOC meeting.</p> <p>Tracy Schiro also reported that DSS would soon be taking a proposal to the Board of Supervisors to help Family Care Network purchase nine apartments in Atascadero to be used for permanent housing for participants.</p> <p>Laurel Weir reported the SSVF programs had recently held a landlord outreach event. Several clients shared their stories and at least one landlord took a W-9 form, indicating he may be interested in participating.</p> <p>Laurel also reported that Klaproad program is fully staffed and up and running.</p>		
<p>3.4 Update on Permanent Housing Programs, including 50 Now, US Department of Housing and Urban Development-US Department of Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) program, and the Continuum of Care program</p>	<p>Laurel Weir stated that the 50 Now program was approaching the nine month mark and would make its first required update (the 9 month update) to the Board on May 5, 2015. 50 Now is on target to meet the benchmarks that were proposed to and approved by the Board last year. Additionally, the 50 Now list refresh will begin happening in May. In addition to surveying people for the 50 Now list, surveyors will be asking respondents who identify themselves as veterans if they</p>		

	<p>would consent for an SSVF outreach worker to contact them to see if they would be eligible for SSVF. If veterans are found to be eligible for 50 Now, TMHA will work with HUD VASH to determine which program should serve them and work the VA to coordinate assistance.</p> <p>Laurel reported 35 additional HUD VASH vouchers have been given to HASLO by the VA. That will bring the total number of HUD VASH vouchers in the County up to 185. Currently, the HUD VASH program is the only source of new Housing Choice Vouchers (Non-veteran specific vouchers that are made available to people on the HASLO waiting list only become available when someone returns an existing voucher).</p>		
<p>3.5 Update regarding collection of Housing Choice Voucher utilization information for Board</p>	<p>Laurel reported HASLO had begun surveying. One early finding is that even Landlords who accept vouchers may have some units priced above HASLO's payment standards. Some landlords did not respond to emails or phone calls and did not have voicemails. The survey was also being used as an outreach opportunity to educate landlords who don't currently participate about the changes HASLO has made to improve the program for landlords. The survey will be discussed at the May HSOC Housing committee meeting. HASLO may do some additional follow up with some of the nonparticipating landlords.</p>		
<p>4. Future Discussion/Report Items:</p>	<p>John Ashbaugh stated that more consistent updates of current projects from the Housing committee would be good to have. He also informed the group that the landlord survey results would be looked at during the next Housing committee meeting and Full HSOC committee meeting.</p> <p>Patty Beck stated that HSCC had held it's first meeting as a joint meeting with the CAPSLO Homeless Services Advisory Committee. When the HSCC was first conceived, she noted that the intention had been in part for it to be a forum for homeless services agencies to come together. She noted that regional groups had sprung up in the interim and so the focus of HSCC may be shifting away from that and more towards sharing information and identifying unmet needs in each part of the county. They will report back by the end of the year.</p>		
<p>5. Next Meeting Date:</p>	<p>June 4, 2015</p>		

6. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 3:05pm by Supervisor Arnold		
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