

**HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
FINANCE AND DATA COMMITTEE
June 2, 2014, 1:00-3:00pm
Department of Social Services
3433 S. Higuera, San Luis Obispo
Room 356**

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF & GUESTS	
Lee Collins Martin Meltz	Dee Torres	Laurel Weir Nikki Streegan	Terri Medzyk
AGENDA ITEM		CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS	FOLLOW UP
1. Call to Order and Introductions of Guests	Lee Collins welcomed members and guests.		
Public Comment	Martin Meltz requested each committee look at items in the restructuring plan to add more specific information and an outline for the year. Terri Medzyk stated that new HMIS data standards are coming out which will go into effect on October 1.		
ACTION/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION			
2. 2015 Homeless Point in Time Count: Discussion and Update	Nikki Streegan stated that County Planning is currently working on the RFP and are hoping to release it this month. She stated that the contractor will be the lead but will sub-contract with a local non-profit. Laurel Weir stated that she attended a conference on the Youth PIT count and she will discuss implementation of this with the Ad Hoc Youth Committee. The survey may be conducted through events that would bring the youth in as counts do not always accurately reflect this population. She has discovered that there is \$1500 of grant money available for the Youth PIT count and announced they plan to apply for it and it should be incorporated into the RFP.		

	<p>Martin Meltz mentioned that progress reports are not mentioned and thinks they should be included.</p>		
<p>3. HSOC Website Update</p>	<p>Lee Collins announced that the website had been sent out. No feedback has been received as yet.</p> <p>Martin Meltz suggested asking agencies that work directly with homeless to provide feedback on it and to help in distributing it to their members.</p> <p>Laurel Weir thanked Ed Clerkin from the DSS IT Dept. who developed the website and provided invaluable expertise and assistance during all phases of the project.</p>		
<p>4. ACTION Folio on Homelessness</p>	<p>Laurel Weir announced that the Community Foundation produces a series of short "ACTION Folios" on community indicators every couple of years. Homelessness has been chosen as one of the indicators for the next series that will be published this Fall. The ACTION Folio committee has invited our homeless agencies and HSOC to participate in developing and writing the Homeless Folio. She asked for input on topics and the following were suggested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued community support for case management and housing recommendations, including mini houses. • Utilizing small home plans which have already been pre-approved and which can expedite the housing process • looking at reasonable and creative ways to increase housing stock and reduce cost • looking at the following sub-populations: families, Veterans, Youth and Latino agricultural families • looking at the gap between the # of homeless families vs. # of homeless families utilizing services through the shelters • the use of designated lockers, and bicycle racks for the homeless 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • advocating for a Detox facility • preventing the needy from becoming homeless • employment for homeless who are housed 		
<p>5. Interim Performance Report on Key CoC Objectives</p>	<p>Laurel Weir stated that the HEARTH Act requires the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to evaluate performance of those bodies which receive CoC funding and to take performance into consideration when providing funding. The implementing regulations for the HEARTH Act change will go into effect this year. In preparation, HUD has established performance measures that it will use to evaluate CoCs. Some of these measures will use Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) data to measure data.</p> <p>In SLO County, the programs receiving CoC funding are CAPSLO and T-MHA's permanent supportive housing (PSH) programs, transitional housing programs, and CAPSLO's Supportive Services Only (SSO) program. The largest number of clients are participating in the SSO program. T-MHA has 50 transitional housing beds. Clients in the SSO program may or may not be chronically homeless, whereas the clients in permanent or transitional housing most likely will be chronically homeless.</p> <p>According to the HUD standards, we are meeting or exceeding outcome goals in several categories, including maintaining 80% or more of clients in the PSH programs in permanent housing for at least six months. However, our CoC is still below HUD's outcomes goal in 2 categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From October 1, 2013 to April 30, April 2014, 10.06% of clients who exited CoC programs had increased income from employment. This is up from 8% of participants who experienced an increase in employment 	<p>Motion: Martin Meltz Second: Lee Collins Motion Approved</p>	

	<p>income at some point between October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013. HUD wants at least 20% of clients to have an increase in employment income from the time they entered a CoC program to the time they exited. This data does not take into consideration the percentage of clients still participating in the program who experienced an increase in income from entry to the current time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> From October 1, 2013 to April 30, April 2014, 18.87% of clients who exited had increased income from non-employment sources which is down 28% from 2012. HUD has set a goal of 54% of clients experiencing an increase in non-employment income from entry to exit. Non-employment income includes CalWorks or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) cash benefits. This data does not take into consideration the percentage of clients still participating in the program who experienced an increase in income from entry to the current time. 		
6. Grants and Funding Round Table	<p>Laurel Weir stated that one of the new responsibilities of this committee under the proposed HSOC restructuring would be to provide a place to report on grants, including what is available and what agencies are working on. The Community Foundation is putting out an RFP for Klapproad funding for rapid re-housing. There is also the SSVF grant for Veterans services and more info should be available at the end of the summer.</p> <p>Lee Collins stated that this should be a regular agenda item for this meeting.</p>		
7. Next Meeting Date	July 7, 2014, 1-3pm		