

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

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF & GUESTS	
Tracy Schiro Jessica Thomas	Martin Meltz	Laurel Weir Jessica Lorange	
AGENDA ITEM		CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS	FOLLOW UP
1. Call to Order and Introductions of Guests	Tracy called to order the meeting. The meeting began with introductions		
2. Public Comment	NA		
ACTION/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION			
3.1 2015 Homeless Point in Time Count update	<p>Laurel reported that we were waiting for the first draft of the Point In Time (PIT) Count report from Applied Survey Research (ASR), the vendor with whom the County has contracted for the count. She also noted that there will be city by city data available for the first time. PIT count data by city is more subject to daily variation than countywide, as sweeps of particular areas may drive people from one city into another or into the unincorporated county.</p> <p>Laurel reported that the count this year included a Youth Count for the first time. Jessica Thomas commented ASR seemed to have more issues this time around doing the PIT count.</p> <p>Laurel reported that a committee composed primarily of organizations involved in the January count will be reviewing the report when it is released.</p>		

<p>3.2 HUD Continuum of Care Application timing and process</p>	<p>The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) announcement is expected to come out in July. After HUD publishes the NOFA, the County will issue a Request for Proposals and solicit applications, including renewal applications. There will be an Ad Hoc Grant Review committee convened to review the applications and prioritize them for funding.</p> <p>Last year, the County was given approximately six weeks to complete the process. We are hoping HUD will lengthen the process to eight weeks.</p> <p>We anticipate there will be an opportunity to compete for bonus funding. This is a very competitive process. HUD funded over 8000 projects in the last round and only 25 projects were approved for bonus funding.</p> <p>For the non-bonus funding, HUD typically has given preference to renewal applications, although it has not always had enough funding to renew all applications.</p> <p>There will be new data required in this application, such as the length of time people have been homeless, as measured by HMIS information. HUD will be using this data to help measure community performance.</p>		
<p>3.3 Action Item: Vote to approve a written description of the Committee's areas of jurisdiction</p>	<p>The Committee discussed the proposed written description of the Committee's areas of jurisdiction. Tracy noted she agreed that the Committee should focus on utilizing and analyzing data that is already gathered, rather than trying to collect new data not already available.</p>	<p>Vote: Tracy made a motion, seconded by Jessica Thomas. The vote was approved unanimously.</p>	
<p>4. Future Discussion/Report Items</p>	<p>Jessica Thomas will provide school data to Laurel. Youth data and outreach issues will be added to a</p>		

	future agenda.		
5. Next Meeting Date	The Committee agreed not to meet in August. The next meeting will be October 5, 1-3pm		
6. Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned by Tracy at 2:05pm		