

**HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
 HSOC HOUSING COMMITTEE
 October 20, 2015, 3:00-4:30pm
 Department of Social Services
 3433 S. Higuera St, San Luis Obispo
 Room 145**

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF & GUESTS	
Jerry Rioux Catherine Manning (Alt. for Rick Gulino) John Ashbaugh Anne Wyatt Scott Smith	Marty Meltz Jim Patterson Mark Lamore Theresa Scott Dee Torres Tim Waag Bob Kelley Marianne Kennedy Shirley Wright Dana Cummings	Laurel Weir Jessica Lorange Joanna Balsamo-Lilien Ivana Yeung Suzan Ehdiae Susan Warren	
AGENDA ITEM	CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS		FOLLOW UP
1. Call to Order and Introductions of Guests	John Ashbaugh welcomed the group and introductions were made.		
2. Public Comment	<p>Laurel Weir announced there will be a homeless outreach event at the Paso Robles Event Center on October 21 from 10am-2pm. Services being offered include pet vaccines, flu vaccines, haircuts, enrollment screenings for veterans housing programs, replacement IDs from the DMV, bike repair, lunch, applications for Medi-Cal and CalFresh and rapid rehousing programs for homeless families. Parking is right across the street. This event is modeled after project homeless connect that took place in San Francisco.</p> <p>Suzan reported to the group that the federal funds applications are due this Friday Oct 23. An Ad Hoc Grant Review Committee will be needed at a later date to make funding recommendations to the Full HSOC. The funding recommendations will be taken to the County Board of Supervisors in April 2016.</p>		

<p>4.2 Report on Housing Choice Voucher Pre-Application Period</p>	<p>presentation.</p> <p>Scott shared that the pre-application was open in Sept. and has been open for a 3 week period. The application period is in the works to possibly be open every year. The pre-applications go into a lottery. HUD has endorsed a lottery model as effective alternative to maintaining long wait lists that people remain on for years without getting housing.</p> <p>2014 was the first time that HASLO offered the pre-application lottery. In 2015, 2548 households submitted completed pre-applications. 77% were female headed households. 500 will be selected by lottery. He noted that 88% of the applicants were elderly or homeless individuals.</p> <p>About 2085 Housing Choice Vouchers are currently being used in San Luis Obispo County. HASLO is permitted to issue up to 2185 vouchers, however, there is not enough funding to cover 2185 vouchers. The average monthly rent for HASLO is \$700. Shared housing has helped with this issue. For example, the cost of the 50Now program, which has some shared housing, is less than the average cost so that has helped make more money available for other vouchers.</p>		
<p>4.3 HUD Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Availability-Discussion of CoC application and overview of next steps</p>	<p>Ivana reported that the deadline for submitting local applications for the Continuum of Care program was last Friday. An Ad Hoc Grant Review committee will review and score them and submit proposed rankings and a proposed bonus project to the HSOC. While we are eligible for bonus funding, we are not guaranteed bonus funding. Last year there were only 25 bonus projects funded in the entire nation, due to lack of funds. The reduction in our Point in Time Count numbers will help our competitiveness in the 2015</p>		

<p>4.4 Homeless Point in Time Count Report-update and discussion</p>	<p>competition.</p> <p>The majority of counties in our area have decreased in number. Jerry brought up the discussion of the increase in north county homeless. 466 in previous count and 629 in the 2015 count. The increase in North County is not thought to reflect a migration from South County.</p>		
<p>5. Future Discussion/Report Items:</p>	<p>John requested that representatives from Sunny Acres and Hope's Village be asked to present at a future meeting.</p> <p>Jerry would like 40 Prado to be put onto a future agenda.</p>		
<p>6. Next Meeting Date:</p>	<p>November 17, 2015: 3-4:30pm</p>		
<p>7. Adjournment</p>	<p>John Ashbaugh adjourned the meeting at 5:00pm</p>		