
Path to a Home



HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (HSOC)
Housing Committee Meeting Agenda
November 17, 2015, 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Department of Social Services
3433 S. Higuera, Room 356
San Luis Obispo, CA

***San Luis Obispo
Countywide 10 Year
Plan to End
Homelessness***

We envision a future in which the housing and comprehensive services necessary to remain housed are available for all, affording everyone maximum self-sufficiency, and the opportunity to be productive and participating members of our community

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Public Comment
3. Review and Approval of Minutes
4. Action/Information/Discussion:
 - 4.1 Discussion –Presentation by Sunny Acres
 - 4.2 Discussion –Presentation by Hope’s Village
 - 4.3 HUD Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Availability – Discussion of CoC application new requirements and implications
5. Future Discussion/Report Items:
6. Next Meeting Date: TBD
7. Adjournment

**HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
 HSOC HOUSING COMMITTEE
 September 15, 2015, 3:00-4:30pm
 Department of Social Services
 3433 S. Higuera St, San Luis Obispo
 Room 356**

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF & GUESTS	
Marty Meltz Mark Lamoore Anne Wyatt John Ashbaugh Theresa Scott	Dee Torres Tim Waag Dana Cummings Steve Martin Elaine Archer Bob Kelley Marianne Kennedy Jerry Rioux Shirley Wright Jim Patterson	Laurel Weir Jessica Lorange Ivana Yeung Suzan Ediaeh Sue Warren	
AGENDA ITEM	CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS		
1. Call to Order and Introductions of Guests	John Ashbaugh welcomed the group and introductions were made.		
2. Public Comment	<p>Suzan shared with the group that the 2016 action plan has started. Sloplanning.org. There is a public workshop being held in Nipomo today. Applications are due October 23rd. This is to determine the allocation of 2 million dollars of federal funding.</p> <p>Shirley shared with the group National recovery month: behavioral health. The need for behavioral health resources is increasing. A statistic shared by Shirley: by 2020 mental illness and substance use disorders will surpass all physical diseases as a major cause of disability worldwide. Support system makes a difference.</p> <p>Marty shared information about an article. The article talks about a church with a model in construction set up as a home unit. The construction costs were between 12,000 and 20,000 dollars. The unit would</p>		

	<p>be attached to the church's utilities. The unit was built by local college students. Marty recommended that HSOC speak with the faith community in terms of advocating this type of construction to happen. The unit would be for homeless families or possibly recovering individuals or single individuals since these would be smaller units. Churches may also have property available for building. Please let the committee consider the idea.</p>		
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ACTION/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

<p>3. 1 Approval of Minutes</p>	<p>No quorum available to vote on minutes. A vote will take place to approve August and September's minutes.</p>		
<p>4.1 Discussion-List of affordable housing alternatives presentation by Anne Wyatt</p>	<p>Anne shared the presentation with the group. The presentation had been edited to reflect the committee's suggestions from August's meeting. Laurel let the group know that the reason this presentation has been created is to educate the community about creative solutions for housing in our county. Anne gave the group her presentation. The group shared their opinion and ideas: John suggested putting definitions at the end of the presentation instead of having them in the middle of the presentation. Marty recommended changing institutional and social barriers since they are two different things.</p>		

4.2 Report on Housing Choice Voucher Pre-Application Period	Discussion to be tabled until next meeting		
5. Future Discussion/Report Items:	The group discussed looking at the final draft of the presentation next month.		
6. Next Meeting Date:	October 20, 2015: 3-4:30pm		
7. Adjournment	John Ashbaugh left early so meeting was adjourned by Anne Wyatt at 4:30pm		

**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>Sue Warren stated that North County Connection was recommended by Supervisor Arnold to get \$20,000 in General Funds for remodeling of their property to create a housing unit. They did not receive the funds and were seeking information about what had happened.</p> <p>John discussed with the group the importance of attendance at the meeting regardless of conflict of interest in order to have a quorum. Those who have conflict of interest will be asked to abstain from discussion of issues when there is a conflict.</p>		
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ACTION/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

<p>3. Review and Approval of Minutes</p> <p>4.1 Discussion-List of affordable housing alternatives presentation by Anne Wyatt</p> <p>Attachment 4.1A-Presentation on Affordable Housing Alternatives</p>	<p>Anne covered the updated version of the housing diversity presentation which can be found on the HSOC website. All of the groups' suggestions have been incorporated into this version of the presentation. It was recommended to change the number of homeless persons in San Luis Obispo County to reflect the number on the Point in Time Count for 2015.</p> <p>The plan would be for HSOC members to share the presentation with planning departments and local government agencies, to help educate them about types of affordable housing models that may work for their communities but with which they are not familiar. Anne recommended the group also think about other groups to whom to make the</p>	<p>No vote taken due to the lack of a quorum.</p> <p>A consensus has been made to bring the presentation to the full HSOC meeting or possibly the Executive Committee.</p>	
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<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>		