

**HOMELESS SERVICES OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
 HSOC HOUSING COMMITTEE
 January 19, 2015, 2015, 3:00-5:00pm
 Department of Social Services
 3433 S. Higuera St, San Luis Obispo
 Room 101**

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF & GUESTS	
Tim Waag John Ashbaugh Marty Meltz Anne Wyatt Dee Torres Jim Patterson Bob Kelley	Theresa Scott Marianne Kennedy Shirley Wright	Laurel Weir Jessica Lorange Sue Warren Joanna Balsamo-Lilien Mark Lamore Judie Najarian Tephiny Jones	
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	Anne Wyatt shared with the group that the Morro Bay seniors and EVAC are sponsoring a housing sharing presentation on Saturday January 30 th . Lunch will be provided. At the community Center 101 Kennedy Way in Morro Bay. 12pm-2pm. No RSVP needed. There will be a dinner as well in Cambria with a smaller informal group. Please RSVP to Anne Wyatt. John Ashbaugh informed the group that on February 6 th at 5:30pm at the Vets Hall there is a fundraiser for the Friends of Prado Day Center. Tickets are currently being sold.		
ACTION/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION			
3. Review and Approval of Minutes			Anne Wyatt moved to approve the minutes, Jim Patterson seconded, all were in favor.

<p>4.1 Discussion-Follow up from Continuum of Care application</p> <p>4.1. A. HUD Orders of priority for permanent supportive housing</p> <p>4.1.B. Federal timelines for addressing chronic. Families and youth homelessness</p> <p>4.2 Shelter Crisis Declarations</p>	<p>Laurel explained that at the November HSOC meeting there was a discussion about the HUD recommended orders of priorities for placing people into housing, which was part of the CoC application. HUD is asking communities to adopt these priorities. HSOC has not yet voted to adopt the criteria but CoC provider agencies have agreed in concept. The criteria would be to prioritize the most vulnerable, as assessed by the VI-SPDAT v. 2.0 who have been homeless the longest period of time. This would also be used to prioritize people for 50 Now beds that become available in the future.</p> <p>With regard to another request HUD made in the application, the HSOC did agree to adopt federal timelines for addressing youth and family homelessness and chronic homelessness.</p> <p>The federal goal for families and youth is to reach functional zero by 2020 and for chronically homeless persons by the end of 2017. Laurel explained that committees will be formed around subpopulations to determine housing target numbers. Dee Torres and Anne Wyatt indicated interest in being part of the committee.</p> <p>Tephiny informed the group about LA and Oakland areas Youth program Covenant House and the success that they have had with similar issues in their area. Currently functioning in 27 different countries.</p> <p>Laurel shared with the group about the government code that permits local governments to declare a shelter crisis in order to protect those without shelter. This helps government buildings be made available as shelters and allows the agencies to waive certain</p>		
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<p>4.2A Action Item: Vote to recommend local jurisdictions consider declaring a shelter crisis for purposes of making government owned buildings available for use as Warming Centers</p>	<p>liabilities while buildings are in use. Several other communities in California have made such a declaration. LA County also has declared a state of emergency under their own ordinances.</p> <p>How the shelter crisis declaration has been implemented has varied by jurisdiction. Some jurisdictions have identified specific government buildings to be made available and others have made a declaration without specifying buildings that would be made available.</p> <p>Each community declaring a crisis will need to make some kind of determination who would operate the facilities and what agreement they would like to make with the community. In one community, they passed an ordinance to waive certain permit requirements for religious institutions to open up their facilities for use as Warming Centers.</p> <p>Most jurisdictions have given a time limit for the duration of the shelter crisis. Bob recommended that the shelters set up a temperature limitation indicating when the opening of the shelters should happen. Jim expressed concern about the length of time that will be needed to move forward on these shelters. Jim also suggested giving the current warming shelters the most support to get the most immediate impact in helping as many people as possible.</p> <p>Marty asked that HSOC request the community to have their shelter crisis plan in place now. Marty recommended that the volunteers in the shelters be in twos and that one of the volunteers be a professional or have had the experience with homeless in the community.</p> <p>Marty passed along the information from Betsy Ehler about requesting that the county point out an area that homeless persons are permitted to set up camp.</p>	<p>Anne Wyatt: Made a motion to recommend San Luis Obispo County and local jurisdictions declare a shelter crisis, pursuant to government code section 86988698.2 and consider making designated public and private facilities buildings available for use as warming centers allowing persons unable to find such facilities to occupy such facilities for the duration of the state of emergency. Seconded by Marty Meltz. All in favor.</p>	
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<p>4.3 Discussion – Possible tour of Sunny Acres</p>	<p>Judie shared there that Sunny Acres has been having to turn people away this winter.</p> <p>Judie said they would offer an open house at Sunny Acres for anyone interested in coming to see the property. Monday January 25, 2016 at 10am.</p>		
<p>5. Future Discussion/Report Items:</p>	<p>Marty asked the group to begin a discussion on how begin use of the government code section to help with future permanent housing. Dee recommended that we invite someone from the planning department in order to better move forward on some of the housing ideas.</p> <p>Anne Wyatt suggested that the committee focus on helping Sunny Acres as well as Sue Warren’s project at North County Connections.</p>		
<p>6. Next Meeting Date:</p>	<p>February 16, 2015: 3:00-4:30pm</p>		
<p>7. Adjournment</p>	<p>Jim Patterson adjourned the meeting at 4:55pm for John Ashbaugh.</p>		