

# **Lake County Continuum of Care**

August 2019 Meeting
Lake County Office of Education
1152 S Main St Lakeport, CA 95453
Thursday, August 1st, 2019
3:00pm-4:20pm

Chair: Chris Taliaferro Vice Chair: Delores Farrell Secretary: Kimbralee Guerra Facilitating: Chris and Delores

Attending: Ana Santana, Patty Bruder, Robin Berra, Cyndy Storrs, Kelli Page, Melinda Lahr, Melissa Hurley, Scott Abbott, Janet Taylor, Chris Taliaferro, Delores Farrell, Kimbralee Guerra, Megan Morgan, Sheila Rockwell, Charles Lance, Morgan Hunter, Brock Falkenberg, Teresa Wold, Ronni Duncan, Michele Dibble, Sherri Forman, Sandra Stolfi, Will VanSant, Pat Tompkins, Joran O'Halloran, Tawny Bailey, Tenderly Logan

**Meeting Called to Order**: 3:07PM

# **Introductions/Vision Statement**

#### **Motions**:

- Approval of June Meeting Minutes:
  - Adjustment to be made to Michelle Dibble as an Alternate to represent DSS-Melinda Lahr will be primary voting member
  - o 1st Sheila Rockwell
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> Ana Santana
    - Minutes approved with edit

### **Member Applications**

• Blank Membership Apps available

### **By Laws:**

- By Laws Updated and signed by Executive Committee members- Living document; Chair invited other to review and suggest edits or changes
- Committee Descriptions are located on Pg. 9 of By Laws

Subcommittee Re-Organization: (See By-Laws for descriptions).

Sign-Up sheet sent around to have members volunteer to be a part of a committee- do not have to be a CoC Member to volunteer on a committee of COC

### **Web Page Update:**



- Web page is done! Not live yet- must be sent to HUD for approval. Timeline for this is unclear
- Action Item: Morgan or Chris will send out email when webpage becomes live to receive feedback

# **Grant Updates**

- CESH moneys should be arriving this month according to Marianne Taylor
  - o Grant put out by CA Dept of Housing and Comm Development- 2-year process
    - Non-competitive- first year approved and moving towards phase 2
      - Orgs can apply for funding wen available
- ESG: Emergency Shelter
  - NCO Put in application for this
- HUD COC Grant-Planning Grant- New grant opportunity open today-, which can be used to bolster COC's- shows HUD that we are serious and more likely to receive funding.
  - Technical Assistance from HUD regarding our COC- Hud has higher standards for grant applicants
  - o HMIS, Coordinated Entry- Anything that will make our current COC stronger and better; can pay for staff as an administrator- smaller amount
  - o IS Competitive- Deadline is September
    - Scott will share details of this in next meeting but will send out details of the grant ahead of the next meeting
- Motion to move forward with HUD COC Planning Grant
  - o 1st Sheila Rockwell motions to move forward
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> Cyndy Storrs
    - Committee voted; all in favor, no abstentions
- <u>Action Items:</u> Scott will share details of this in next meeting but will send out details of the grant ahead of the next meeting

## **Program Coordinating Committee Updates:**

- PIT: No recent meetings or significant updates;
  - Communicating with HUD regarding the results from the PIT count because numbers were much lower this year- Should be settled
  - o Megan is resigning as Chair of the PIT Committee- can support this transition until she moves and will continue to be available to support even remotely

#### • HMIS Committee:

- June Meeting- members voted to change our HMIS System to Pathways from Clarity due to the various functions of the software and how we felt like it met the needs of different projects and organizations. 2 different Pathways software system
  - Ideal Pathways software was bought out by another organization (Service Point).
  - This Pathways system doesn't do HMIS as needed for the COC



- HUD Contractor: Implied strongly that we don't change our current HMIS system- we should submit an RFP for a different HMIS system if we want to change
  - HMIS Expert- Teddy Peirce- not of HUD- explained that CA will most likely create their own HMIS system and mandate that all COC's use the same system
    - Suggested to stick with Clarity until the state mandates change
    - NCO No longer has license to use Clarity after Tim Williams leftwere waiting for new system
    - North Bay Veterans Resource Center is currently using Clarity
  - Currently do not have an administrator- Scott Proposes that LCBH take this over and continue to use Clarity until mandates change
    - Suggests that organizations get on board and then hire an administrator to provide training (DSS was Clarity Administrator)
    - There is a (regional or national) training for administrators (or leads) in October
    - Anyone receiving grant funding will need to use HMIS system
- Motion to stay with Clarity as the HMIS system and train an administrator with LCBH and then train others as we are currently out of compliance
  - 1st Sheila Rockwell with amendment to find interim administrator
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Ana Santana with amendment to record the training to be used a refresher
    - Motion passes- all in favor; no abstentions
- o Demo for Pathways will be held next week at the Lucerne Office

## • Strategic Planning:

- o Latoya Fortino has had to resign as Chair of this committee- open
- Performance Review: (communications)- Sheila
  - Has not met yet

#### • Interfaith Committee:

- o Have been working on identifying sites for the pop-up shower trailer
  - Big Oak Peer Support Center is one site in the Oaks
- o Shannon is working on getting schedule set up

### • Grants Committee:

- Need a chair-person- would be letting the group know what funding opportunities are out there and updates
- o If organizations are applying for grants outside of the COC COC can write a letter of support
  - Bring information to the COC and share out so that committee can vote on
  - Need to add to By Laws the process for requesting support from the COC

### **New Business/Member Announcements**



- Patty Bruder: NCO- any homeless victims of fire should be referred to NCO New Digs (Cyndy Storrs); funds provide rental assistance to families displaced
- If they have children send them to Cal Works
- Please do not tell people they will help pay rent up to a year
- Will VanSant- 707-815-4308: Homeless Veterans Resources
- LFRC Is offering DV Trafficking Training starting weekly on 8/22-65 hours Running creek 6-9pm two days per week and Saturdays-
- Broke ground on North Bay veterans housing project in Windsor
- NEST Has openings- will attach referrals and info sheets for those who

Program Coordinating Committee Updates:

NO updates

Motion to Adjourn: 4:20