

LCCoC Monthly Meeting
3 December 2020

Attendees

- Ana Santana, *Lake County Office of Education*
- Angela Curry, *Lake County Department of Social Services*
- Annie Barnes, *Sunrise Special Services Foundation*
- Cindy Storrs, *North Coast Opportunities*
- Chris Taliaferro, *Employment Development Department*
- Doreen Gilmore, *Lake County Office of Education*
- Gary Deas, *Elijah House*
- Gina Hutchins, *County of Lake Housing Coordinator*
- Jolene Treadaway, *Redwood Community Services*
- Justin Ammon, *Elijah House*
- Kelli Page, *Lake County Department of Social Services*
- Melissa Kopf, *Lake County Department of Behavioral Health*
- Michele Dibble, *Lake County Department of Social Services*
- Patty Bruder, *North Coast Opportunities*
- Rachel Miles, *Hope Rising Lake County*
- Rachel Ralston, *ReCoverCA*
- Rachelle Damiata, *Adventist Health Clear Lake*
- Robyn Bera, *North Coast Opportunities*
- Ronni Duncan, *Adventist Health Clear Lake*
- Rev. Shannon Kimbell-Auth, *Adventist Health & Hope Center*
- Sandra Stolfi, *Department of Veterans Affairs*
- Sheryl Almon, *Community Member*
- Sofia Ramos, *Sunrise Special Services Foundation*
- Tina Scott, *Board of Supervisors*
- Todd Metcalf, *Lake County Department of Behavioral Health*

Call to Order – 3:00 P.M.

New Membership

Elijah House

- John Mitchell, Director, has prepared a presentation regarding Elijah House and makes their case to join the Lake County Continuum of Care
 - Incorporated in 2016, specializing in helping people overcome barriers through substance use and mental health treatment, as well as housing and employment development programs
 - Main area is residential treatment, as well as MAT and co-occurring disorder treatment, for about 90 days
 - Several alcohol and drug-free housing facilities with 24/7 managers and audio/video surveillance, as well as offering services off-site
 - Provide outpatient treatment with facilities in Orrville, Butte County, as well as 6 other sites in Sacramento and Bay areas
 - Work with justice-involved populations
 - Back-to-Work program is partnership through Butte County Office of Education and Cal Trans, receiving hands-on training as well as services
 - Through partnerships, offer a variety of training to help them further their careers, as well as educational opportunities
 - All clients privy to wrap-around services and counseling, as well as job placement assistance through partners and with help of a full-time staff member
 - In Lake County, has been running the COVID-19 shelter using grant opportunities; many of the staff including Gary and Justin have been working with Hope Harbor and doing this work for a long time
 - Through this, have been providing case management to all individuals staying there, as well as employment development opportunities
 - Partners include Sutter Health, Adventist Health, Worldwide Healing Hands, Jesus Center, Sierra Health and Wellness Centers, Recovery Happens Counseling Services, and New Start Recovery solutions
 - Goal is not to provide services that are already provided, but to fill in gaps; see potential in SUD and MH treatment, rapid rehousing and permanent supportive housing, detox and MAT services, community service, housing navigation, and establishment of a long-term emergency center
 - Utilize a whole-person model and try to meet each individual's totality of needs
 - John currently very involved in the Butte County CoC and have a lot of experience, know that the Lake County CoC is relatively new but is hopeful to provide support and see where they might fit

Sunrise Special Services Foundation

- Annie Barnes, cofounder, has prepared a presentation regarding Elijah House and makes their case to join the Lake County Continuum of Care
 - Sunrise is a grassroots organization founded on February 14, 2000
 - Mission is to improve the quality of life for those with special needs including the elderly, minority populations, and challenged rural areas

- History goes back to Annie's mother in 1965 when they were in San Francisco and with the initiation of the International Hotel saga, advocating to save a building that housed many elderly Asian citizens
- After moving into Lake County and becoming a formal nonprofit with a board, began providing services
 - Housing Stability
 - Bridging Victim Services
 - Capacity Building
 - RU Hunger Project with Yvonne Cox the Snake Lady
 - Reachout
- Begin Housing Stability in 2009; Catholic Charities received a rapid rehousing grant and SSSF was a sub-grantee
 - Many people impacted by this and who were provided housing now work in housing themselves
- Homeless Mobile Outreach – LC COC/CESH Grant
 - The services that Housing Outreach provides (working with RCS and NCO):
 - Homeless intake/assessment (three areas – Lucerne, Lakeport, Clearlake)
 - Links towards health, social services, housing, and resources
 - Case management towards permanent housing stability
 - Matching the tenants' needs to prospective property
 - Tenant has at least 2 property options
 - A monthly check-in and rent collection
 - Attending to special housing needs
- Bridging Victim Services
 - SSSF, through the Scotts Valley Band of Pomo Indians, began the “Pathways” program for crime victims and is working to bridge Tribal services, Tribal members, County governments, and local service providers for the common goal of providing adequate and culturally competent services to Native American victims of crime
 - Working with tribal communities and Lake County Victim Services, there is now a component under victim compensation that recognizes culturally needs of Native individuals, including specialized counseling, burial, and other services
- Reach Out
 - The REACH OUT mission is federally-funded and provides advocacy, social services, referrals, and referrals to health care providers for underserved families with chronic disease
 - The intent of this Promotoras Model project is to teach positive lifestyle habits to families and children to help prevent obesity and complications of Type II diabetes
 - During three-year grant period, worked with different communities such as Latinx, Black, tribal, and elderly to serve individuals with diabetes

- In the past, has hosted ASA-certified softball tournaments in the tri-county; has been taken over by tribal health and schools and programming has become integrated into community
- Partnerships
 - SSSF partners with schools, health clinics, churches, and community organizations and leaders
 - Praises of Zion and other churches have been integral to REACH OUT
 - Has not had funding for these programs for 17 years, but some classes are still being taught and moved online
 - Seeking to grow; received national recognition as Best Practice Promotoras Model and since has been replicated in three rural sites in Florida, New York, and Arizona
 - Have recently been working in collaboration with EPIC: North Coast Opportunities & LISTOS California to provide bagged lunches with Yvonne Cox
 - Funding has recently started again and added Sofia Ramos to team, website will be under development

Motions

November Meeting Minutes

- Cindy has requested that her November report be incorporated into the meeting minutes

New Membership

- Elijah House
 - Scott Abbott / Todd Metcalf
 - Yes
 - Rachelle Damiata
 - Yes
 - Ronni Duncan
 - Yes
 - Delores Farrell
 - Absent
 - Deanna Fernweh
 - Absent
 - Doreen Gilmore / Ana Santana
 - Yes
 - Kim Guerra
 - Absent
 - Kelli Page / Melinda Lahr
 - Yes
 - Tina Scott
 - Yes
 - Sandra Stolfi
 - Yes
 - Cindy Storrs
 - Yes
 - Chris Taliaferro

- Yes
- Sunrise Special Services Foundation (SSSF)
 - Scott Abbott
 - Yes
 - Rachelle Damiata
 - Yes
 - Ronni Duncan
 - Yes
 - Deanna Fernweh
 - Absent
 - Doreen Gilmore / Ana Santana
 - Unclear
 - Kim Guerra
 - Absent
 - Kelli Page / Melinda Lahr
 - Yes
 - Tina Scott
 - Yes
 - Sandra Stolfi
 - Yes
 - Cindy Storrs
 - Yes
 - Chris Taliaferro

New Member Applications

- Joyce Adams
 - Not present, will push to January meeting

CoC Committee Updates

Cindy Storrs, HMIS and Coordinated Entry

- Committee did not meet, but still conducted business
 - “HMIS/CES December 2020 Report to the LCCoC
 - **HMIS:** We have 25 licenses with our Apricot HMIS System. The HMIS Committee is working to update this list and the process by which user licenses are issued. We are very close to the allotted 25. Requests for an HMIS license are directed to the HMIS Committee Chair and the process for issuing a license is determined by the HMIS Committee (To Do: determine the criteria for granting an HMIS license.) Consultant Teddie Pierce and BH Analyst Melissa Kopf are working to enroll and train new license holders. HEAP Data reports are due December 15th and that is the current focus of their work.
 - **CES working group:** The 6-month trial of the CES is ready to launch. NCO will manage this process for the first six months. Agencies who need to have their participants enrolled in the CES for grant satisfying purposes should contact cestorrs@ncoinc.org. The CES process includes an appropriate VISPDAT and an additional assessment set of questions. The score of both

of these are added together and they generate the client's position on the By Name list.

- If you are interested in seeing what the HMIS Committee is about, please join us for our meetings, scheduled for the 2nd Monday at 1:30, beginning January 11, 2021.”
- Shannon asked how she can access list of clients to look at to assess for services; Cindy has stated that NCO staff is doing the VISPDAT, adding to the by-name list
 - It is currently a big hole in the process regarding the best way to do this, will troubleshoot next week with Cindy, John, and Shannon
 - Do not currently know if the list will currently be opened up to all agencies, depends on whether or not CoC can hire a coordinator

Doreen Gilmore, Strategic Planning

- Committee is meeting at third Wednesday (December 13th at 3:00) to review governance charter and by-law document, and will be presenting the finalized version next month
- To strategic plan, has added much more information with regards to tribes, will also report-out in January

Rev. Shannon Kimbell-Auth, PIT Count and Interfaith Committee

- Has shared site map for locations, although Carrie Manning has not confirmed all of the information, after which the official flyers will be distributed
- Recruiting and finalized several site leaders
- HUD has said that VA and a few other agencies can conduct PIT over several days, and identify all people they've identified over the course of the year who identify as homeless, and do a phone interview with them
- Shannon has also requested that she would be replaced as the Lower Lake site leader such that she could have freedom to float and help as-needed the day of the count
 - Clearlake
 - La Voz: Edgar Onteveros, 707.994.4261
 - Senior Center: Ronni Duncan, 707.349.8346
 - VA Clinic: Will Van Sant
 - Lower Lake
 - United Methodist Church:
 - Middletown
 - United Methodist Church: Deanna Fernweh, 707.413.090, and Voris Brumfield, 707.295.7174
 - Kelseyville
 - Senior Center: Ana Santana, 707.342.9696, and Gillian Parillo, 916.747.4140
 - Lakeport
 - Harbor on Main: Kim Guerra, 707.272.0561
 - Upper Lake
 - Community Center: Doreen Gilmore, 707.245.8242

- Lucerne
 - Snake Lady's Restaurant: Annie Barnes, 707.472.7511, and Yvonne Cox, 707.349.5022
- Clearlake Oaks
 - Big Oak Peer Center: Dave Ables, 707.295.7529
- Have also decided on a digital PIT count and is currently waiting on the County to approve the contract with SimTech
 - Extra services they provide include disaster/wildfire response and the possibility to add other kinds of homeless counts into our system for the course of our year contract (e.g., if we decided to do a summer count, a youth count, incorporate all different definitions of homelessness, et cetera)
 - Can still be done on tablets and phones if there is no wi-fi available; data will be saved on the device and then be uploaded when internet is reconnected
 - Will get alerts if we are duplicating efforts and other real-time updates
 - Once contract is signed, all of the site leaders and anybody on the PIT count planning committee, and any volunteers already committed to assisting, will receive training
 - Site leaders will then be able to train volunteers on the day of the count and/or hold virtual training
- HUD has also stated that PIT count can occur over 4 days as long as we are absolutely certain that we are asking about the same day and clarifying that we need to know where participants slept on January 27; this affects the VA, LCOE, and any other agencies that have pre-existing case management for individuals experiencing homelessness (e.g., Tina does not need to complete HIC count all at once but can compile data after 4 days)
- Received \$2500 grant from Hunger Task Force for meals at all sites and \$1000 donation from NCO for masks and other supplies for incentive bags
- PIT Count Committee now meeting every Wednesday at 8:00 A.M.
- Ana has been translating flyers into Spanish
- Interfaith Committee has not been meeting because shower trailer has been being operated by Adventist Health
- Also looking at having a Warming Center this year separate from the Hope Center and Elijah House
 - Will occur when it is (1) below freezing and (2) there is a severe weather alert
- Committee has been meeting every Saturday and Ministers' Association has created a condensed 2-hour training video on the Warming Center Facebook page that includes trauma-informed care, de-escalation training, and other components that are generally important
- Will need more volunteers if it is going to be operational
- Have \$2500 for staff and just received another commitment of \$6000 from Sutter Lakeside when it does come time to rent a staff or pay individuals

Rachel Ralston, ReCoverCA

- 2017 CDBG-DR program
 - HUD provided \$162 million in CDBG-DR funds for recovery from the wildfire, debris flow, and mudslide events from Oct-Dec of 2017
 - Very behind, working to launch in early January
 - \$47 million specifically dedicated to Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Program (OOR)
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 - Grants up to \$150,000
 - Homeowners who owned and lived in the damaged single-family or mobile home
 - For unmet needs, a last resort of insurance, FEMA, lawsuit payout, and other resources are unable to fully cover the cost of rebuilding the home
 - Households chosen based on income, severity of damage, and location
 - HCD may apply for a HUD waiver if they cannot find enough eligible people, and they could apply for this waiver and get reimbursement
- Where is the funding spent?
 - 80% of funds must be spent in locations HUD has identified as Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) Areas
 - 70% of funds must be spent to benefit low- to moderate-income persons
 - Based on HUD limits (\$55,900 or less)
 - Sulphur Fire destroyed about 2200 acres and 140 homes near the city of Clearlake
 - Includes 95422 ZIP code, one of the MID areas



- Who is eligible?
 - Owner-occupied home at the time of the fires
 - House still has outstanding repairs
 - Located in an eligible county
 - Owner eligible for federal benefits
 - Current on property taxes, on approved payment plan, or exempt
 - Correct permitting
 - Owner must intend to continue to live there for two years

- Eligible uses for funding
 - Only rehabilitation and reconstruction
 - Funding cannot be used for:
 - Mortgage payoffs
 - SBA home/business loan payoffs
 - Funding for detached accessory dwelling units
 - Funding for portions of property designated as a rental unit
 - Funding for second homes
 - Compensation payments
- Program Construction Solutions
 - The program has two solutions for applicants:
 - Program-managed rehabilitation or reconstruction (complete oversight)
 - Homeowner-managed rehabilitation or reconstruction (still have to have scope of work approved and then funds are transferred to homeowner to pay the contractor they already have in place)
 - Applicants are tiered according to income, severity of damage, and location
 - Applicants will be assisted in order of priority, starting with Tier 1, until funding runs out

APPLICANT PRIORITIZATION TIERS						
	Owner-Occupant Household Income		Severity of Damage		Geography	
	LMI Only	Income above low-to-moderate	Major or Severe Damage	NOT Major or Severe Damage	7 Most Impacted Counties & Zip Codes Only	All Areas That Received a Federal Disaster Declaration
Tier 1	X		X		X	
Tier 2	X		X			X
Tier 3	X			X	X	
Tier 4	X			X		X
Tier 5		X	X		X	
Tier 6		X	X			X
Tier 7		X		X	X	
Tier 8		X		X		X



- Applicant outreach and survey can be found at www.ReCoverCa.org

Scott Abbott, Performance Review and Current Grants

- Grants Committee meeting this past week
- ESG-CV Round 1 and CESH 2019 are both very close to having agreements with the state completed

CESH 2019

Funds must be expended within 5 years

Activity	Estimated amount for eligible activity	Activity as a % of Allocation amount requested	Describe Activity and prior AE experience administering Activity
Activity #1	\$415,170	74.1%	Rental Assistance, Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services: CESH Funds will be used (2) as yet undetermined community subrecipient determined by the CoC for: rental assistance, relocation, and stabilization services; operating subsidies; or flexible housing subsidy funds criteria of the CESH, no more than 40 percent of CESH funds allocated shall be used for for emergency housing interventions.
Activity #3	\$28,011	5.0%	Flexible Housing Subsidy Funds: Operating support will go for administrative costs for implementation grant, and for the CoC to hire staff to implement outreach, navigation center and support functions.
Activity #4	\$5,000	0.9%	Funds to support active Outreach efforts through the CoC's Point in Time committee. Although administered through the AE, the Point in Time committee will determine how to use funds under the supervision of the CoC board
Activity #5	\$112,046	20.0%	Systems Support: Expand HMIS within CoC member agencies, make available to all agencies, get HMIS adopted by county so all on same system. Support 1 HMIS administrator and 1 data entry person/support to meet with agencies, train staff, ensure compliance, and submit required state and HUD reporting.
Total: \$560,227			

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ESG-CV (Round 1)

Funds must be expended by August 31, 2022

Activity	Estimated amount for eligible activity	Activity as a % of Allocation amount requested	Goals	
Activity #1	Emergency Shelter	\$300,000.00	45%	Number of Bed Capacity: 30; Number of Beds: 30; Number of Cribs: 2; Number of Households Served: 50; Number of Persons Sheltered: 100
Activity #2	Street Outreach	\$5,000.00	1%	Number of Households Served: 30; Number of Person Served: 50
Activity #3	Homeless Prevention	\$30,000.00	4%	Number of Households Served: 50; Number of Persons Served: 100
Activity #4	Rapid Re-Housing	\$300,000.00	45%	Number of Households Served: 75; Number of Persons Served: 200
Activity #5	HMIS	\$0.00		
Activity #6	Administration	\$35,300.00	5%	
Total:		\$670,300.00		

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Adjourn – 4:20 P.M.