California Behavioral Health Planning Council Housing and Homelessness Committee Agenda

Thursday, June 16, 2022 8:30 am to 12:00 pm The Mission Inn 3649 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501 Santa Barbara Room

- 8:30 am Welcome and Introductions Monica Caffey, Chairperson
- 8:35 amApprove April 2022 Meeting MinutesTab 1Monica Caffey, Chairperson and All Committee Members
- 8:45 am Community Care Expansion Program Update Tab 2 Julie McQuitty, Housing and Homelessness Branch Manager, DSS Nija Fountano, CCE Program Manager, DSS (Invited)
- 9:25 am Public Comment
- 9:30 amRiverside County Continuum of Care OverviewTab 3Riverside County Office of Supportive Housing (Invited)
- 10:10 am Public Comment
- 10:15 am Break
- 10:30 amCommunity Listening Session PlanningTab 4Monica Caffey, Chairperson and All Committee Members
- 11:50 am Public Comment
- 11:55 am Wrap Up/Next Steps
- 12:00 pm Adjourn

The scheduled times on the agenda are estimates and subject to change.

Officers: Monica Caffey, Chairperson Lorraine Flores, Chair-Elect **Committee Members:** Barbara Mitchell, John Black, Arden Tucker, Darlene Prettyman, Deborah Starkey, Vera Calloway, Angelina Woodberry, Hector Ramirez, Christine Frey

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Agenda Item: Approve April 2022 Meeting Minutes

Enclosures: Draft Minutes for April 2022 HHC Meeting

Background/Description:

The Committee members are to discuss any necessary edits and vote on the acceptance of the draft minutes presented for the April 2022 meeting.

Motion: Accept and approve the April 2022 Housing and Homelessness Committee Minutes.

Thursday, April 21, 2022 8:30 am to 12:00 pm Sonesta Silicon Valley 1820 Barber Lane, Milpitas, CA 95035 Cypress I Room

Members Present:

Monica Caffey, ChairpersonBarbara MitchellDeborah StarkeyJohn BlackVera CallowayChristine FreyHector Ramirez

Angelina Woodberry Arden Tucker

Meeting Commenced at 8:30 am

Item #1 Approve January 2022 Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the January 2022 Housing and Homelessness Committee minutes was made by Barbara Mitchell and seconded by Vera Calloway. Christine Frey abstained. The motion passed.

Item #2 Adult Residential Facility Advocacy Update

Jane Adcock provided an update on the Council's advocacy efforts for ARF funding. She informed the committee that staff has had a difficult time finding owner/operators to share their budgets. CBHPC staff worked to put together budgets for small, medium and large facilities and an example with "ideal" numbers. The budgets that staff put together did not seem to match the dollar amount we have been told is needed to sustain the facilities and thus, wouldn't appropriately support our advocacy efforts. It was decided that more work needs to be done before sample budgets can be presented to the Governor's office and we will explore other ways to present the information.

Item #3 CHCF and Corporation for Supportive Housing Overview

Michelle Schneidermann, California Health Care Foundation (CHCF), People-Centered Care Director, presented on their housing and homelessness related work. In 2020 CHCF launched work on health care for people experiencing homelessness. The early projects and publications focused on the pandemic and subsequent projects tackled data exchange, research and listening work. In the fall of 2020, they convened partners

from across the state in a Health Care and Homelessness Learning Community to address the challenges in meeting health care needs while experiencing homelessness. Two cohorts were hosted, delivery system partners/associations and managed care plans. Michelle also discussed a number of new projects to support CalAIM implementation and improve care for people experiencing homelessness including a current partnership with the Corporation for Supportive Housing. The goal of the partnership is to equip managed care plans (MCPs) and homeless service providers with the information and confidence to form critical partnerships and scale the health and housing supports that persons experiencing homelessness in California need to thrive. One of the activities to achieve this is to develop and deliver a Medi-Cal Academy for up to 30 homeless service providers who want to contract with MCPs as providers of housing supports.

Additionally, CHCF is currently exploring: supporting implementation of the Housing and Homeless Incentive Program; addressing needs at the intersection of the justice, health, and housing systems to help people successfully transition out of the justice system; and supporting leadership and development training. Michelle also indicated that CHCF is open to other suggestions for areas they should be exploring.

Item #4 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Item #5 Steinberg Institute Update

Karen Larsen, CEO of the Steinberg Institute (SI) provided an update on their current work. The Steinberg Institute is currently working on an omnibus workforce-focused bill, which is being worked on by over 50 organizations. The bill is in its final stages of development and focuses on all aspects of the behavioral health workforce from peers to psychiatrists. The SI continues to focus on supporting the implementation 988, which is expected to go live July 1, 2022. Lastly, the SI is sponsoring SB 970, which is the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) refresh bill that aims to create a statewide dashboard for outcomes tied to the MHSA Phase 1 of the bill would be the UC Systems looking at the data that is available and pullout meaningful data points and make recommendations to an advisory group that will develop the metrics for the dashboard. Once there is agreement on the metrics that will be on the dashboard, counties will expected to do a county assessment and identify areas where improvements are needed and develop a plan and direct resources in that area. SI does not have any bills or projects directly related to housing this year.

Committee members expressed concern about the SI's support of Care Court and the influence the SI has on lawmaking. Members also expressed a desire to partner together and Karen expressed her commitment to partnering with the Council to serve individuals with behavioral health conditions and communities of color.

Item #6 Public Comment

Barbara Wilson an advocate from LA County highlighted the need for restoration of HUD funding vouchers to address the housing crisis. There currently is not anything to offer older adults with serious mental illness especially if their only income is SSI/Social Security. Also, senior housing apartments require a deposit of double the rent amount which people on SSI/Social Security cannot afford, which also eliminates that housing option.

Steve McNally offered to Karen to organize attendance from LA County, San Bernardino, Orange County and Riverside, if she is willing to organize meetings to hear from these populations, which would be 45% of California.

Item #7 Santa Clara County Continuum of Care Overview

Kathryn Kaminski, Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing, provided an overview of the county's supportive housing system. The system includes a full spectrum of services designed to support people who are currently experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of homelessness, including: outreach, homeless prevention, emergency shelter, coordinated assessment system, permanent supportive housing, transitional housing and rapid rehousing. Their Supportive Housing System also includes affordable and supportive housing development. The office manages the implementation of the Measure A Affordable Housing bond which has supported the development of over 3,700 new apartments and the renovation of over 700 apartments in 41 housing developments. Kathryn highlighted their Lived Experience Leadership, Client Engagement Team, Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program, Coordinated Entry System Re-design, HMIS Customer Portal, Homeless Engagement and Access Team (HEAT), Hope Clinic and supportive services for residents of permanent supportive housing.

Item #8

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Item #9 Community Listening Session Planning

The committee discussed their desire to host listening sessions to hear what type of housing is preferred by consumers. The committee discussed hosting multiple sessions to focus on different populations, with one session dedicated to transition aged youth. Members feel the sessions would be most successful if hosted separate from the Council's Quarterly meetings and on Zoom to allow for more participation and to send out a survey for those individuals not able to attend. The committee will discuss the details and necessary planning further at the June 2022 meeting.

Item #10

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Meeting adjourned at 12:04 pm.

Agenda Item: Community Care Expansion Program Update

Enclosures: None

How This Agenda Item Relates to Council Mission

To review, evaluate and advocate for an accessible and effective behavioral health system.

This agenda item provides an opportunity for the committee to stay informed on how this initiative is helping address the current Adult Residential Facilities (ARFs) crisis and will assist the HHC in continuing to advocate for adequate funding.

Background/Information:

The Community Care Expansion (CCE) Program was included in Governor Newsom's Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget and authorized through Assembly Bill (AB) 172 (Chapter 20, Statutes 2021). The program is being administered by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) and provides \$805 million in funding for acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation to preserve and expand adult and senior care facilities that SSI/SSP and CAPI applicants and recipients, including those who are experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness. The CDSS informed the committee at the January 2022 meeting that applications will be accepted and awarded on a rolling basis.

Julie McQuitty, the Housing and Homelessness Branch Manager and Nija Fountano, the CCE Program Manager with the CDSS are invited to provide an update on the applications they have received and awards granted.

More information on the program can be found on the <u>CCE website</u>.

Agenda Item: Riverside County Continuum of Care

Enclosures: None

How This Agenda Item Relates to Council Mission

To review, evaluate and advocate for an accessible and effective behavioral health system.

This agenda will inform the committee's members of the housing options available in Riverside County. The background provided will assist with future advocacy for housing.

Background/Information:

Riverside County is invited to discuss the county's Continuum of Care (CoC). This presentation is intended to inform members of the committee on the array of housing options available in Riverside. The overview will also assist in preparing members for planning the Community Listening Session.

More information on Riverside County's CoC can be found on their website.

Agenda Item: Community Listening Session Planning

Enclosures: None

How This Agenda Item Relates to Council Mission

To review, evaluate and advocate for an accessible and effective behavioral health system.

The listening session being planned will inform the committee of the housing consumers prefer, which will guide future advocacy.

Background/Information:

At the January 2022 Housing and Homelessness meeting, members expressed an interest in hosting a Community Listening Session to provide consumers with an opportunity to express the housing options they prefer. At the April 2022 meeting the committee discussed having two sessions on Zoom, with one specifically targeted to hear from transitional age youth (TAY). Members also expressed an interest in developing a survey to send out to receive feedback from individuals that are not able to attend. During this agenda item, Chairperson of the Committee, Monica Caffey, will lead the members through a discussion to plan the details of these events. The following questions need to be answered through the discussion in order to move forward with hosting the events:

- Who is the target audience for the information being gathered through the events?
- How will the information gathered be delivered to the target audience and for what purpose/goal?
- When will be the Listening Sessions be held?

Additionally the group will need to:

- Create an invite list.
- Develop a list of organizations to contact to assist with reaching participants to invite for both populations.
- Develop 3-4 questions that will guide the discussion at the listening sessions to ensure the committee gathers the information they're seeking through the events.
- Develop questions for the survey individuals can fill out if they aren't able to attend.