

Behavioral Health Services Housing Council Minutes

September 2, 2021 | 11:30-1:00pm

Zoom Meeting

Attending member: Renee Cookson (NAMI), Vianey Del Real Ochoa (MHS), Lisa Huff (Wakeland), Izabela Karmach (HHSa), Elizabeth Kruidenier, Jeffrey Najarian (Wakeland), Laura Nunn (SDHF), Megan O'Dowd (HHSa), Angela Rowe (Vista Hill), Nancy Vera (Access to Independence), Jon Walters (HIP), Whitney Wilson (JFS), Dwain Woodley (DAs) **Attending non-members:** Jackie Aguila, Ran Brito, Martin Dare (BHS), Debbie Fountain (CSH), Piedad Garcia (BHS), Michael Haigis (HIP), Deme Hill (HHSa), Jackie Hurtado (BHS), Chris Khabbaz (LASSD), Shewa Legesse (BHS), Marcus McGuire, Bernie Miles (CSH), Jason Miller (BHS), Donna Moore (BHS), Megan Patrick-Thompson (Exodus), John Ponzo, Cynthia Robles (BHS), Simonne Ruff (CSH), Tia Seals, Heather Summers (HHSa), Mary Woods (telecare), Jana Zawadzki (CHW)

| ITEM | SUMMARY | ACTION ITEM |
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| 1. Welcome and Introductions <i>Lisa Huff and Renee Cookson (Co-Chairs)</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Called to order 11:33 | |
| 2. Review and Approval of July 2021 Minutes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> July minutes approved | <i>Edit to the MCRT section</i> |
| 3. Public Input | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Angela Rowe with Vista Hill: Appreciation for the county and San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC) working together to get vouchers for the homeless and would appreciate more vouchers | |
| 4. Co-Chair Updates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No co-chair update | |
| 5. Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) <i>Megan Patrick- Thompson, Exodus Recovery, Inc.</i> <i>Mary Wood, Telecare Corp.</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation | <i>PowerPoint available upon request</i> |
| 6. BHS Director's Update <i>Piedad Garcia</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)- Providers have an opportunity to look at caseload to see who is eligible. 70 referrals made so far Multiple other initiatives to identify housing opportunities (harm reduction approach) In midst of opening Crisis Stabilization Units in Oceanside and Vista Continue working on Continuum of Care hub in the central region San Diego County Psychiatric Hospital- Pilot for enhanced care coordination Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) today | |
| 7. Membership | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No membership update | |

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| <p>8. MHSA Update <i>Martin Dare</i></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link for MHSA Annual Update: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/hlsa/programs/bhs/documents/NOC/MHSA/MHSA%20FY%202021-22%20Annual%20Update.pdf • Link for the BHAB Public Hearing Agenda: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/hlsa/programs/bhs/documents/NOC/bhab/September%20,%202021%20BHAB%20Agenda_REVISED.pdf • Link for public comment: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hlsa/programs/bhs/BHABcontact-us.html | |
| <p>9. Stakeholder Updates MHSA Housing Program <i>Debbie Fountain</i> Housing and Community Development Services (HCDS) <i>Tina Cobarrubias</i> Board and Care <i>Whitney Wilson</i> Employment Update <i>Vianey del Real Ochoa</i></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pipeline report for MHSA and No Place Like Home (NPLH) units provided • HCDS has an open NOFA for development funds and project-based vouchers. NOFA will close 11/12/21 • NPLH is still accepting applications over the counter • Request for developers to submit information for potential HomeKey developments; will close 9/15/21 • Board of Supervisors (BoS) approved additional \$20 million for Innovative Housing Trust Fund (IHTF) • No Board & Care update • Work Well meetings cancelled until further notice • Virtual Symposium: Working Recovery: Why Employment is Pivotal to Sustained Addiction Recovery (attendify.co) • Work Virtual Career Fair: Employers are Hiring Attend a Career Fair in September - Ticket to Work - Social Security (ssa.gov) | |
| <p>10. BHS Housing Council Workgroup <i>Debbie Fountain</i></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Rental Assistance Program update • Moratorium on evictions discussed • BoS provided direction to amend Zoning Ordinance to help with citing emergency shelters and supportive housing • San Diego Housing Federation (SDHF) Roundtable Series- San Diego Supportive/Affordable Housing Financing is on 9/29/21 at 9AM: SDHF Roundtable Series Presents: San Diego Supportive/Affordable Housing Financing — San Diego Housing Federation (housingsandiego.org) | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SDHF Annual Conference 2021: Annual Conference and Institutes 2021 — San Diego Housing Federation (housingsandiego.org)• Healthy San Diego- CalAIM kickoff event: 10/22/21 | |
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Next Meeting: Thursday, October 7, 2021- Zoom