



HUD CoC Committee Agenda
Tuesday, September 21, 2021
2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

HUD CoC Members (present): C'Mone Falls (City of Oakland), Riley Wilkerson (Alameda County Housing and Community Development), Marnelle Timson (Consumer Member), Tunisia Owens (Family Violence Law Center), Wendy Jackson (East Oakland Community Project)

HUD CoC Members (absent): Josh Jacobs (City of Berkeley), Paulette Franklin (Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services), Paul Berry (Youth Action Board), Lara Tannenbaum (City of Oakland)

Everyone Home Team: Chelsea Andrews (Executive Director), Katie Martin (Systems Planning Coordinator), Katie Haverly (Director of Research and Data Analytics), Tirza White (Senior Director of Performance Improvement and Data Analytics)

Members of the Public: Natasha Paddock (HCD), Patrick Crosby (Alameda County Housing and Community Development), Chrissie Love (City of Oakland), Nick Musni (Alameda County Community Food Bank), Tony Pizano (Youth Action Board), Angelica Patrick (City of Oakland), Hannah Moore (All In Alameda County)

1. **Welcome (C'Mone Falls, HUD CoC Chair)**
2. **HUD CoC Public Comment**
 - a. *None*
3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes, #7- 8.17.21**
 - a. C'Mone F. made a motion to approve the August meeting minutes. Marnelle T. seconded.
 - i. C'Mone – Yes
 - ii. Marnelle – Yes
 - iii. Tunisia – Yes
 - iv. Riley – Yes
 - v. Wendy – Yes
 - b. Motion passed
4. **Homeless System Updates (All)**
 - a. Natasha Paddock (HCD) shared that HCD is in the process of getting the winter shelters operable. Historically they go up in October. They are working with cities to get those up quickly and explore alternatives such as utilizing vouchers.
 - b. C'Mone F. noted Alameda County is now a recipient of the YHDP grant.

- c. Marnelle T. shared that the First Presbyterian South Hayward Shelter is reopening on October 1st.

5. Youth Action Board (Hannah)

- a. Hannah provided update on Alameda County winning the YHDP grant. This morning was the first technical assistance meeting with HUD. There is currently work underway related to an additional planning grant, the deadline for which is tonight.
- b. Tony P. shared that they're going to have follow-up meetings on a weekly basis, Mondays at 1pm. HUD sent out a pre-assessment for YAB members and allies to fill out to expedite the planning funding grant application process. Other YAB members will likely have a role in the planning grant application process.
- c. Hannah added that there will be a lot of collaborative work between YAB and the CoC Committee soon as the Community Implementation Plan planning gets underway.
- d. Chelsea A. (Executive Director) commended the work of YAB and Hannah's leadership, and noted that next steps include creating an intentional framework that empowers youth to oversee the long-term implementation of the NOFO-like process involving these funds. Recommendations about how to facilitate that will be forthcoming.

6. Governance Update (Chelsea)

- a. Chelsea presented an overview of updates to EveryOne Home's Governance structure, following a meeting of the Leadership Board on September 17th where several key decisions were made. These decisions will need to be approved by the general community membership at the upcoming Community Meeting.
 - i. Committees now reflect the various functions of each component of the CoC
 - 1. Outreach, Access and Connections
 - 2. Housing Capacity – a new initiative to bring together stakeholders to determine how to expand the housing portfolio in the community
 - 3. Housing Stability & Homelessness Prevention – a new group of stakeholders focused on prevention
 - 4. CoC Standards, Compliance, and Funding – this committee will help with HUD CoC compliance requirements and bring decisions to the Leadership Board for a vote
 - 5. System Impact – provides oversight for HMIS and annual gap analysis
 - ii. These have been vetted by the Leadership Board as of Friday. The average size will be 11-13 people. Discussion was had about recommended types of partners for each committee. Each committee will have people with lived expertise as 1/3rd of its membership
 - iii. A Nomination Committee will be formed, comprised of nine members from the Leadership Board that provide holistic representative of stakeholders.
 - iv. A Racial Equity Workgroup will ensure racial equity is centered across the homelessness response system. Envisioned as a short-term workgroup lasting a few years, but may become permanent.

- b. Next steps will include another Leadership Board meeting, at least a month of community engagement, and bringing this to the Community Meeting for a vote.

7. 2021 NOFO (Chelsea)

- a. The NOFO has kicked off; application is due October 8th.
- b. Some new things include a focus on lived expertise and racial equity, as well as leveraging other resources and lifting up organizations that partner with health providers.
- c. This year there is an automated application process, thanks to our consultants at Homebase. There is a Technical Assistance Drop-In on the 23rd.
- d. A Beginner's NOFO Orientation was held this week; close to forty individuals attended.
- e. The FAQ period ends this Friday. Answers are being updated on the EOH NOFO site.

8. HMIS Oversight Update (Patrick)

- a. Patrick reported that the HMIS Oversight Committee is working on a workplan for the coming year. Outreach to the community is happening to improve data quality heading into the fall for system performance measures, housing inventory county, and NOFO applications.
- b. Work is underway related to privacy and security documentation and training.

9. 2021 NOFO Committee (Chelsea)

- a. The NOFO Committee has lost its alternate, Gloria Warton (also known as Divine Glori).
- b. A request was put out for applications and interest; there is one application.
 - i. Arlene Hipp also serves on the 2026 Home Together Strategic Planning Committee and is a member of the 2021 Leadership Academy.
 - 1. Tunisia O. asked for clarification that Arlene is not conflicted; she is not.
 - 2. It was noted that Arlene, like Divine Glori, is a Black woman with lived expertise.
 - 3. Tunisia O. made a motion to confirm Arlene Hipp as an alternate for the HUD NOFO Committee. Marnelle T. seconded the motion.
 - a. C'Mone – Yes
 - b. Marnelle – Yes
 - c. Tunisia – Yes
 - d. Riley – Yes
 - e. Wendy – Yes
 - 4. Motion passed.

10. Community Meeting (Chelsea)

- a. The first of two Community Meetings will occur September 30th. A second will occur before the end of the year.
- b. Turnout looks to be very good.
- c. There are numerous projects to update the community about; input is being solicited about projects to focus on, as well as areas and initiatives to spotlight.
 - i. Wendy J. suggested focusing on how many new units of permanent and temporary housing have been added, due to initiatives like Project Roomkey. It

illustrates the achievements that have resulted due to collaborations between service providers, community, and government.

- ii. Tunisia O. suggested citing data that address equity, such as a presentation on where we were before and where we are now in the CoC. Also, any wins we can highlight that illustrate success in the face of the Covid pandemic.
- d. Chelsea encouraged follow up if any other ideas or projects come to mind.

11. Practitioner's Report Card – Quarter 3 (Katie H.) [51:22]

- a. Katie H. presented findings from the 2021 Practitioner's Scorecard. It is updated quarterly by the EOH data team using HMIS data and PIT count data, when available.
- b. See meeting materials for key findings.

12. Emergency Housing Vouchers (Colleen)

- a. Colleen B. presented on the EHV program.
 - i. Alameda County now has 875 vouchers total.
 - ii. A total of 706 individuals matched to EHV, a significant development since last report to this committee.
 - iii. 226 applications have been submitted to PHAs.
 - iv. 59 vouchers have been issued; 3 have been leased up.
 - 1. To ensure two subsidies didn't pay for the same unit at the same time, it was determined that EHV subsidies would begin after October 1st.
 - 2. It is expected to see the lease up number jump October 1st.
 - v. A kick-off meeting with the TAY community occurred on September 9th. Work is underway to connect EHV's with TAY individuals.
 - vi. Work is underway with the gender-based violence community to create an access point for EHV referrals without compromising the anonymity and safety of those individuals.
 - vii. There has been interest in tracking the utilization of EHV's in HMIS; Bit Focus, the vendor for HMIS in this community, is in the process of creating this.
 - 1. This will look like a CE event in the form of a referral to EHV.
- b. Tirza W. (EOH) asked how this tracking ensure equitable distribution regarding DV and TAY regarding demographics.
 - i. There have been set-asides for those referrals, so DV, TAY, and other referrals are being tracked separately.
- c. Chelsea A. (Executive Director) asked about whether demographic specificity can be provided.
 - i. The new HMIS feature will allow for this; it's expected to be rolled out in October. It is unclear at this point if it will be possible to use this new HMIS mechanism to process that data retroactively and look at how this has been implemented across demographics prior to that point.
 - ii. Chelsea A. recommended keeping this as an agenda item moving forward to keep everyone apprised of this.

- d. It was noted that the planned data mechanism cannot be utilized in real time as referrals are made, to ensure they are equitable; is there an existing metric to address that?
 - i. There currently is not; it is acknowledged as a limitation that reflects the nature of it being a Covid response.

13. Coordinated Entry Refresh (Colleen)

- a. Colleen announced the first CE training video has been completed; will be posted to HCD HMIS website this week. More will be added on an ongoing basis as they are completed.
- b. An update was provided on HPS enrollments and CE enrollments. See meeting materials for details.

14. HHAP Round 3 Funding (Suzanne)

- a. Base allocation for Oakland, Berkeley/Alameda County CoC is \$12,006,459, in addition to allocations for some cities and the county.
 - i. There is a required minimum 10% set-aside for youth experiencing or at risk of homelessness
 - 1. Priority for the initial funds will be systems improvement
 - 2. Capacity building and workforce development for jurisdiction's administering staff and providers
 - 3. Funding existing evidence-based programs
 - 4. Invest in data systems to strengthen HMIS
 - 5. Improving PIT counts
 - 6. Improving CE systems to eliminate racial bias and potentially create a youth-specific CE system
 - ii. Other priorities will relate to the Hone Together 2026 plan and objectives from the Centering Race Equity report.
- b. A question was raised about strategy for implementation based on the rollout of HHAP Round 2 funding.
 - i. Need for more efficiency in contracts and projects; it has been very complicated coordinating small allocations to so many different contractors.
 - ii. Finding ways to allow for maximum flexibility and allow for pivoting in the future would be beneficial.

15. Announcements and Next Meeting/Agenda

- a. Next meeting Tuesday, October 19th, 2-4:30pm