Joint Leadership Board - HUD CoC Committee Agenda

Monday, August 22, 2022
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

HUD CoC Committee: C'Mone Falls (Chair, City of Oakland), Tunisia Owens (Family Law Violence Center), Riley Wilkerson (Alameda County Housing and Community Development), Paul Berry (Youth Action Board Member), Marnelle Timson (Consumer)

Leadership Board: Moe Wright (Chair, BBI Construction), Vivian Wan (Abode Services), Liz Varela (Building Futures with Women and Children), Kimberly White (Community Member), Tracy Nails-Bell (Diamond in the Ruff), Brenda Wadsworth (Community Member), John Jones (Community Member), Frank Rogers (Community Member), Natasha Paddock (Alameda County Housing and Community Development), Josh Thurman (City of Livermore), Kerry Abbott (Alameda County Health Care Services Agency), Susan Shelton (Citizen), Laurie Flores (City of Fremont), Julian Leiserson (Abode Services), Doug Biggs (Alameda Point Collaborative), Shauna Conner (Alameda County Probation), Mike Keller (East Oakland Community Project), Vivian Wan (Abode Services), Nic Ming (Social Impact Wheel), Shelley Gonzalez (Community Member), Kate Hart (Save Alternatives for Violent Environments), Christine Ma (UCSF's Benioff Children’s Hospital Oakland)

Public: Ruth Watson (Alameda Alliance for Health), Tami Lewis (Alameda Alliance for Health), Colleen Budenholzer (Alameda County Health Care Services Agency), Suzanne Warner (Alameda County Health Care Services Agency)

EOH Staff: Katie Haverly (Acting Executive Director), Rachel Rios-Richardson (Data and Performance Analyst), Dorcas Chang (Operations Manager)

Meetings are public. Alameda County residents with lived experience of homelessness are encouraged to attend. Public Comment will be taken at the beginning of each meeting and is limited to 2 minutes per person. Click here to learn more about the public participation policy.

1. Welcome (C'Mone Falls, HUD CoC Chair) 1:00-1:05pm
2. HUD CoC Public Comment (C'Mone Falls) 1:05-1:15pm
   a. No public comment
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes, #7 – 06.27.22 (C'Mone Falls) 1:15-1:30pm
   Action Item
   a. Tunisia Owens (FVLC) made the motion to approve the June 27th minutes. C'mone Falls (City of Oakland) seconded.
      a. Roll Call Vote
         i. C'Mone Falls –yes
         ii. Tunisia Owens –yes
         iii. Riley Wilkerson –yes
iv. Paul Berry –yes
v. Marnelle Timson –yes

b. Motion Passed

4. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes, #8 – 08.05.22 (C'Mone Falls)
   a. Tunisia Owens (FVLC) made the motion to approve the August 5th Leadership Board/HUD CoC
      Committee special meeting minutes. C'Mone Falls (City of Oakland) seconded.
      a. Roll Call Vote
         ▪ C'Mone Falls –yes
         ▪ Tunisia Owens –yes
         ▪ Riley Wilkerson –yes
         ▪ Paul Berry –yes
         ▪ Marnelle Timson –yes
   b. Motion passed

5. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes, #9 – 08.09.22 (C'Mone Falls)
   a. Tunisia Owens (FVLC) made the motion to approve the August 9th HUD CoC Special meeting
      minutes. C'Mone Falls (City of Oakland) seconded.
   b. Roll Call Vote
      ▪ C'Mone Falls –yes
      ▪ Tunisia Owens –yes
      ▪ Riley Wilkerson –yes
      ▪ Paul Berry –yes
      ▪ Marnelle Timson –yes
   c. Motion passed

6. Homeless System Updates (All) 1:30-1:35pm
   Update – No Updates.

7. Coordinated Entry / Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Update 1:35-1:50pm
   a. Colleen Budenholzer (HCSA) gave a presentation on the Coordinated Entry and Emergency Housing
      Voucher (EHV) Update.
   b. During the discussion, Colleen Budenholzer provided more details and clarity on EHV.
      a. Livermore Housing Authority is not a Public Housing Authority included for the EHV.
      b. There is a process to request an extension for the voucher based on Housing Authorities’
         guidelines. If people are actively in a housing search, they are typically supported with an
         extension.
      c. Once people move in, the EHV do not expire, it is permanent.
      d. EHV is unique because it is a vanishing voucher. In 2023 if the voucher is not actively being
         used, the system will lose it.
      e. Members discussed the reasons for the extension, how to help ensure people find housing,
         and what the barriers are.
      f. Colleen Budenholzer (HCSA) clarified that Family Front Door is one of 12 Housing Resource
Centers, so they are a primary access point for families in Oakland.

8. Governance and Staffing Update (Katie) 1:25-1:35pm

Update

a. Staffing Updates
   a. All hiring has been paused due to RFQ process because of outstanding appeal.

b. Governance Update
   a. The Transition Committee has been working on the implementation of the new Board Charter.
      There will be two new proposed committees at the Leadership Board meeting on Thursday, August 25th.
   b. There will be recruitment for the racial equity workgroup that will help support the full COC and the nomination committee. There is support from Abts to support this workgroup.
   c. Katie Haverly (Acting Director) shared a proposed revised governance timeline that will go to the Leadership Board for a vote. The timeline includes Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) deadlines to show how the timeline is being impacted.

c. Memo to LB and CoC
   a. Moe Wright (Chair, Leadership Board) provided an update on the status on the RFQ for the CoC Operations support.

b. Discussion:
   i. Members expressed that they are stunned by the status. One member shared that they are feeling triggered as a person with lived experience because of the thought of destabilization.
   ii. Moe Wright (Chair, Leadership Board) shared that Homebase was ranked 1 in the procurement process and EveryOne Home was ranked 2. The recommendation is to sign a contract with Homebase as the staffing organization for the Continuum of Care (CoC). There is an appeal to Alameda County Housing and Community Development (HCD) for that decision that is under consideration.
   iii. Members expressed that they want more context of the situation to make good decisions and have alignment.
   iv. Tunisia Owens (FVLC) asked if there is a nonconflicted legal party that can explain where authority comes from.
      1. C’Mone Falls (Chair, HUD CoC Committee) shared that we’ve reached out to HUD for clarification and have not heard back.
   v. Natasha Paddock (HCD) encouraged everyone to look into the HUD interim rule and shared that this appeal does not end with HCD. There is an opportunity for a second level of appeal. She provided more details on the procurement process.
   vi. Members wanted to know the main reason for the County to not wanting to continue with EOH and what established their authority to make that decision.
1. Kerry Abbott (HCSA) explained that the Board of Supervisors (BOS) wants contracts to be procured fairly to bring in more vendors. Some members of the Board of Supervisors are not satisfied with Tides Center and it not being local. They wanted to know if there were other options. She also shared none of the applicants of the RFQ were local.

vii. C'Mone Falls (Chair, HUD CoC Committee) encouraged the Leadership Board to continue this conversation. From the perspective of the HUD CoC, one major concern is the lack of transparency and collaboration in the process. HUD CoC was not included or informed that this was taking place and wants to ensure that HUD CoC will be included in the process moving forward.

viii. Members are still not clear what gives the County and the Board of Supervisors (BOS) the authority to make the decision and expressed that this feels inappropriate and illegal.

9. FY 2022 NOFO update (Kate Bristol/Katie Haverly) 2:10-2:35pm

Updates on 2022 General and Supplemental NOFO Application

a. Kate Bristol (Consultant) gave an update on process and steps.
   a. For the regular NOFO, the competition has opened and there was a Bidders Conference last week. The regular local applications are due August 30th. The NOFO Committee will meet on September 14th to do the rating and ranking.
   b. For the unsheltered NOFO process, the Bidders conference is tomorrow at 12pm. The supplemental local applications are due September 20th and the NOFO Committee is meeting on October 4th for the rating and ranking. A workgroup is convened and seated and had its first meeting.

b. NOFO Committee – Updates to roster
   a. Recruited 2 people with lived experience
      i. Katie Barnett and Frank Rogers have joined the NOFO committee

   c. Timeline – upcoming CoC Vote

d. NOFA Appeal Board – unconflicted members
   i. Leadership Board Member (pending)
   b. NOFO Committee Member (pending)
   c. HUD CoC Board Member (pending)
      i. Katie Haverly (Acting Executive Director) asked if any unconflicted HUD CoC Committee members would like to be on the appeals panel
      ii. Marnelle Timson (Consumer representative) and Paul Berry (YAB) would be willing if needed.
         1. EOH will follow up with Paul for more details.
10. HMIS Update (Katie/Mike/Nic) 2:35- 2:50pm
   a. HMIS workgroup meeting
      a. Katie Haverly (Acting Executive Director) provided update on workgroup.
         i. Accomplishments include completing data quality action plan, created a new funder liaison role, that will be integral to data quality process, created new agency onboarding and policy and questionnaire, and created and adopted a new HMIS latent ticket policy.
      b. HMIS Oversight is requesting HMIS to be a standalone committee in the new governance charter
      c. The Next agenda item is lead monitoring of HMIS lead which will include looking at categories we didn’t get to look at in monitoring and doing more robust monitoring to make sure we are in compliance. The committee is looking to recruit for the funder liaison role.
      d. In the last few months, the committee made lots of strides and workgroup yielded robust results.

11. HHIP Funding Update (Suzanne Warner) 2:50-3:15 pm
     Update
     a. Suzanne Warner (HCSA) gave a presentation on a new funding opportunity, the Housing and Homeless Incentive Program (HHIP).
        a. Today is the initial conversation to capture initial thoughts. They want to have a discussion here and continue providing feedback to the plans. Feedback can be provided to HCSA until September 30th.
        b. Ruth Watson (AAH) shared that this is something new and recognized that Alameda Alliance Health is new to the table and wants to tap into what is working.
        c. Suzanne Warner (HCSA) suggested bringing back this topic to the agenda in September to see where AAH and Anthem landed.
        d. EveryOne Home can send invite out for listening sessions. Board members recommended that this go out beyond the CoC.

12. HUD CoC Committee Upcoming Events 3:25-3:30pm
     a. Leadership Board meeting – August 25, 2022
     b. HUD CoC Committee meeting – September 26, 2022