



Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention Committee

April 10, 2024

1:30-3:00 PM

Minutes

[Link to Zoom Meeting](#)

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Meeting ID: 83085774509

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.

Helpful Links

- **Google drive folder** for the Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention Committee: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1zPoP9Q_HT-Q9rCaXvKazzlURH-vfndxt?usp=drive_link
- **Website page** (on EveryOne Home website) for the Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention Committee: <https://everyonehome.org/about/committees/housing-stability-and-homelessness-prevention-committee/>
- **Acronyms and Glossary:** https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1I8hFMAU2IE-FqYmK8TZ9Hp40vmS1zRck9EBEbPIbwy8/edit?usp=drive_link

Committee Purpose

The purpose of the Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention Committee is to develop strategies and collaborations to prevent new homelessness, including for formerly homeless people who have moved into housing. Learn more about the Committee's purpose [here](#).

Meeting Summary

The Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention Committee received and discussed three presentations: (1) a presentation on the Racial Equity Framework and how to use it, (2) a presentation on the Alameda County OHCC's homelessness prevention framework, and (3) a presentation on the City of Oakland's Keep Oakland Housed initiative.

Action Items

None

Agenda/Minutes

<p>1. Welcome/Introductions (Jason Earl, Co-Chair)</p> <p>a. Ground Rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. The Committee requested clarification on the rules for unattended AI bots, such as OtterPilot.b. Homepage clarified that, initially, there wasn't a CoC-wide rule on unattended AI bots and it was by each Committee. Then it was taken up by the Leadership Board, where it was discussed in detail. The Leadership Board decided on an interim policy where unattended AI bots would be allowed into meetings when it is connected to a person recognized by the Committee. AI bots can be used to record meetings and make notes, but the notes should not be shared with other people because the minutes are the official record of the meeting. <p>b. The Committee approved minutes from the March 13, 2024 meeting.</p>	1:30-1:35
<p>2. Public Comment (Jason Earl, Co-Chair)</p> <p>a. Regina Cannon, a member of the public, gave a public comment. She shared that, on March 20th, she attended a meeting in at the City of Alameda public library addressing the affordable housing crisis. The meeting was hosted by Lina Tam, a member of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors representing District 3, Michelle Starratt, Director of Alameda County Housing and Community Development, and the City of Alameda Mayor Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft. At the meeting, they discussed the Regional Bond that would provide funding for affordable housing. Regina encouraged the Committee to advocate for it because it will get a lot of people off the streets and is a brilliant plan. She also shared that her son is experiencing homelessness and when she shared that at the meeting they said they'd contact her but it's been 2 or 3 weeks and no one has contacted her.</p>	1:35-1:40
<p>3. Announcements (Jason Earl, Co-Chair)</p> <p>a. Spring Community Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Wednesday, April 24th from 8:30am to 4:00pm at Cal Endowment. Meeting Information including agenda is available here.ii. Please register to let us know if you will be attending in-person or virtually by April 10, 2024. Registration link is available here. <p>b. Luke Barnesmoore shared Front Porch's Home Match Program has recently won Leading Age CA's best practice/ innovation of the</p>	1:40-1:45

<p>year award for their application of shared housing as a homelessness prevention strategy for older adults.</p> <p>c. Kelly Hoffman shared that there are upcoming community meetings on the Regional Bond. For more information, visit the website: Upcoming community meetings on the regional bond https://www.oaklandca.gov/resources/bahfa-bond/</p>	
<p>4. Racial Equity Framework Presentation (Chloe Greene)</p> <p>a. The Racial Equity Framework presentation can be viewed on the EveryOne Home website here.</p> <p>b. Purpose of Racial Equity Framework:</p> <p>i. Intended to serve as a guide to approach the CoC Committee work. CoC membership and the Committees should use this framework to: (1) Support them in developing and implementing policies and practices that are grounded in racial equity and justice, and (2) advance the CoC’s efforts to address structural inequities and build a homeless system response that supports everyone in resolving their homelessness quickly, justly, and with dignity</p> <p>c. How to Use:</p> <p>i. The framework and accompanying support tools should be used during all phases of CoC Committee Work (planning, implementation, and evaluation) to help CoC members and Committees to: (1) Embed the CoC’s racial equity principles in CoC work and, (2) Evaluate whether the work is furthering the CoC’s racial equity priorities.</p> <p>d. Guiding Principles:</p> <p>i. Principles are not intended to be linear or a step by step process, but as interconnected components to be considered and used in all aspects of the CoC’s work.</p> <p>ii. Individual CoC members are also encouraged to use the framework principles to reflect on your personal racial equity journey.</p> <p>iii. Principles: (1) Lead with Equity Design, (2) Dismantle White Supremacy, (3) Honor the Journey to Racial Equity, Justice, and Healing, (4) Decenter Whiteness, (5) Ground the Work in Data, (6) Conduct Root Cause Analyses, (7) Be Accountable to BIPOC, (8) Acknowledge and Address Governmental Harm, (9) Check Implicit Bias, and (10) Lead with Equity Design.</p> <p>e. Questions for Deeper Reflection:</p> <p>i. What do you appreciate about the framework?</p> <p>ii. What do you feel is missing from the framework?</p> <p>iii. How do you see the racial equity framework impacting your work?</p> <p>iv. What support is needed to help CoC members use the framework?</p> <p>f. The Racial Equity Guiding Framework can be viewed here.</p>	<p>1:45-2:00</p>

<p>g. The survey where feedback can be provided on the Framework is here.</p>	
<p>5. Presentation Re: OHCC Prevention Framework (Jeannette Rodriguez and Jennifer Lucky, OHCC)</p> <p>a. The OHCC Prevention Framework presentation can be viewed on the EveryOne Home website here.</p> <p>b. Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Luke Barnesmoore shared a resource that provides an overview of risk factors for homelessness among older adults, which is available here. ii. Michai Freeman shared that she knows a woman with two disabled children who is currently living in her car. She went through BACS but still remains unhoused. She asked for contact information and resources that are available in alternative formats for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Logan McDonnell offered to assist and shared his contact information. 2. Jeanette Rodriguez also shared the link to the Housing Resource Center. iii. Michai Freeman also shared there is a need for providers and resources to be accessible to people with disabilities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Logan McDonnell agreed and shared that Alameda County wants to create ABA accessibility and so works with a lot of different providers to help people complete applications in the way they need, including over the phone and through home visits. iv. Dylan Sweeney asked about data to demonstrate the cost-effectiveness of prevention interventions that prevent people from entering homelessness. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kelly Hoffman shared they are working with All Home to calculate the overall need and scale. She has seen various calculations on the costs saved through prevention interventions, such as the costs associated with being unsheltered. But they do not have one that is specific to Oakland or Alameda County yet. But they do have various things they can put together to get close to that. v. Regina Cannon shared that her son, who is experiencing homelessness, went through a program with a scoring system for people experiencing homelessness but felt it wasn't fair. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kelly Hoffman said we don't have nearly enough resources to meet the need of everyone experiencing homelessness. The goal of prioritization is to figure out who is most at risk, but it is leaving out people who are not accessing the resources. vi. Richard Nudelman stated there is a need to work from the ground up on government-assisted housing projects, including 	<p>2:00-2:30</p>

<p>pop-up shelters and tiny homes. If they are maintained, then they can work better from the ground up.</p>	
<p>6. Presentation Re: Keep Oakland Housed_(Kelly Hoffman, City of Oakland and Logan McDonnell, BACS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The Keep Oakland Housed presentation can be viewed on the EveryOne Home website here. b. Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Michai Freeman asked about whether disability was part of process. Disability must be included in the design, planning, and implementation. Living disability experience can create person-centered supportive plans and networks. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Logan McDonnell confirmed that disabling conditions are considered in the prioritization process. 2. Jeanette Rodriguez shared that it is included in the components of a coordinated prevention response. Providers are connected to mainstream systems that work with at risk households, including healthcare, criminal/legal employment, education, child-welfare, aging, disability, and veteran services system. ii. Christoverre Kohler noted that racial proportions of low-income and severely low-income households does not match the proportions of those experiencing homelessness countywide. He asked if the specific causes of homelessness were being addressed and why those at risk of homelessness are being prioritized over people who are currently experiencing homelessness. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Logan McDonnell explained that the homelessness prevention programs are for those who are housed and at risk of falling into homelessness. There is a smaller pot of funding available for those at risk of homelessness because they don't need as much support as someone who is currently experiencing homelessness. If someone is currently experiencing homelessness, they should enroll in coordinated entry. There is a system with large amounts of funding and resources for that. iii. Marcie Johnson shared that local control programs is great because knowing what people need on a personal level makes the work more effective. iv. Kelly Hoffman asked about potential funding for prevention. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jonathan Russell explained that Measure W would be a potential resource if it becomes available. There are also incoming resources that have potential prevention uses. But a big resource to leverage for prevention is philanthropic funding. Prevention is a great opportunity for philanthropic investment. 	<p>2:30-2:58</p>

7. Next Meeting is May 8 from 1:30-3:00 (Jason Earl, Co-Chair)	2:58-3:00
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Committee Members Attendance

Name	Attendance
Dot Theodore	Present
Dylan Sweeney	Present
Eleni Spiru	Absent
Feroz Anir	Absent
Kelly Hoffman	Present
Kendy Mendoza	Absent
Jake Medcalf	Absent
Jason Earl	Present
Jeanette Rodriguez	Present
Logan McDonnell	Present
Luke Barnesmoore	Present
Marcie Soslau Johnson	Present
Monisha Bardell	Absent
Ms. Shelley Gonzalez	Present
Paris Davis	Absent
Richard Nudelman	Present

Public Attendance

- Chloe Greene
- Jonathan Russell
- Regina Cannon
- Christoverre Kohler
- Michai Freeman