



Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention Committee
August 14, 2024
1:30-3:00 PM
Minutes

[Link to Zoom Meeting](#)
Phone: [1 386-347-5053](tel:13863475053)
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 primary purpose of the meeting was to receive a presentation from Safe Passages on their prevention efforts. The Committee discussed their progress on the prevention landscape research, including how they would like to organize this information and potential deliverable goals.

Action Items

None

Agenda/Minutes

<p>1. Welcome/Introductions (Jason Earl, Co-Chair)</p> <p>a. Ground Rules</p>	<p>1:30-1:35</p>
<p>2. Public Comment (Jason Earl, Co-Chair)</p> <p>a. No public comments.</p>	<p>1:35-1:36</p>
<p>3. Announcements (Kris Maun, Homebase)</p> <p>a. HCD is accepting public comment on their Draft 10-Year Housing Plan (2025-2035) at: https://www.achcd.org/reports/</p> <p>b. Home Together Year 2 Update was released and is available on the H&H website at: https://homelessness.acgov.org/home-together.page?</p> <p>c. The Regional Bond was voted down at a meeting this morning and will no longer be on the November. They're hoping to renew it in 2026.</p> <p>d. The 2024 NOFO has been released, deadline of October 30, more information on the Everyone Home website at: https://everyonehome.org/main/continuum-of-care/hud-coc-nofa/</p>	<p>1:36-1:38</p>
<p>4. Racial Equity Committee Report Out (Kelly Hoffman and Ms. Shelley Gonzalez, Racial Equity Liaison)</p> <p>a. The Racial Equity Committee is beginning to review committee work across the CoC to identify opportunities to provide expertise.</p> <p>b. The Racial Equity Liaisons from the CoC Standards, Compliance and Funding Committee, Ms. Shelley Gonzalez and Sunita Garrett, developed a slideshow which provides an overview of the Racial Equity Committee and how they're trying to integrate their framework into other committees work. You can view that slideshow here on slides 8-14.</p>	<p>1:38-1:50</p>
<p>5. Safe Passages Presentation (Alicia Perez and Josefina Alvarado Mena, Safe Passages)</p> <p>a. Safe Passages has over 28 years of experience working with cross-jurisdictional agencies to disrupt the cycle of poverty. The provided an overview of their work:</p> <p>i. They deliver services to over 6,000 families, youth and children across 3 school district and 20 schools, and serve families from birth to adulthood including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Early childhood development and literacy 2. Family stabilization 3. Health 4. School enrichment 5. Youth development 	<p>1:50-2:45</p>

<p>6. Workforce development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. They were established to implement new strategies to improve health and safety of children in urban cities and bring them to scale. <p>b. The speakers discussed the different programs at Safe Passages, how they evolved and how they were funded.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Safe Passages was developed to serve families from birth to adulthood and provided early childhood support, middle school strategies and juvenile justice initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Funding sources: police department, voter approved measures, school district, general funds, school site budgets, LEA MediCal, Federal funds, philanthropy 2. Outcomes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. School received \$10 million in untapped Medicaid funds b. Diversion program for repeat youth offenders c. Middle school students received comprehensive services d. School suspensions for violent offences dropped ii. Thereafter, Safe passages was chosen by Atlantic Philanthropies to develop Full-Service Community Schools to build 5 Oakland community Middle Schools, each with a school health center and family resource center incorporated. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It took 1.5 years to get Joint Powers Authority passed, then developed Safe Passages 2. Braided city, school district, county, private philanthropy, state funds and federal funds to create sustainable public investment iii. Affordable Housing Initiatives and Programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Uses the <u>BIG MOVES</u> framing and combines with the lessons they've learned over the past 28 years: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. "Family stabilization is housing stabilization" b. Important to balance prevention with intervention efforts c. Consider mixed residential and coop models to build ownership over space d. Proximity to public transportation e. Spaces that are culturally accessible 2. Strategies cannot be standalone and siloed—embed services in Family Resource Centers that are culturally appropriate 3. Providing job training and supports for professional and living wage jobs <p>c. Lessons learned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Leverage resources to amplify impact ii. Coordination is key and must be resourced iii. It's impossible until it isn't iv. Shared goals, shared credit 	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> v. Leadership and middle management must be courageous vi. Implementation is everything, an idea must be operationalized to become reality <p>d. Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Encampment sweep strategy is an example of a one-pronged solution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prop 1 funding—if we continue funding the models we have that’s not going to work. We need to look at new models that address both the mental health and housing needs to move the needle. 2. Need to address drug awareness and education, people are downtrodden ii. If you’re in permanent housing and you lose your permanent housing how do you become unhoused—what are the precipitating events? What do we need to address first to get ahead of housing loss crisis? iii. Safe Passages isn’t marketed and promoted enough in the County 	
<p>6. Discussion of Prevention Landscape Progress Update on Grievance and Public Comment Processes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. There was a discussion about whether to hold the September meeting in person, and, if so, where? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Everyone agreed to in-person meeting in September- will determine location somewhere central and accessible by BART b. Committee has heard from a lot of providers about their efforts across the region—now what? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Identifying potential flexible funding ii. Prioritization system and adapting it regionally iii. Collaboration, advocacy, funding iv. Ask people with lived experience about where the breakdown is happening v. Talking points and messaging around why you would fund prevention over something else. vi. Being able to articulate which intervention for which system. 	2:45-2:58
<p>7. Next Meeting is September 11 from 1:30-3:00</p>	2:58-3:00

Committee Members Attendance

Name	Attendance
Dot Theodore	Absent
Dylan Sweeney	Present
Eleni Spiru	Absent
Feroz Anir	Absent

Kelly Hoffman	Present
Kendy Mendoza	Absent
Jake Medcalf	Absent
Jason Earl	Present
Jeanette Rodriguez	Absent
Logan McDonnell	Present
Luke Barnesmoore	Present
Grecia Mannah-Ayon	Present
Monisha Bardell	Absent
Ms.Shelley Gonzalez	Present
Paris Davis	Absent
Richard Nudelman	Present

Public Attendance

- Sky Mihaylo
- Jennifer Vasquez
- Alicia Perez
- Josefina Alvarado Mena