



Youth Committee

March 11, 2025

2:30 – 4:30pm

Minutes

Link to Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 896 7043 6125

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 Youth Committee:
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1nba_vF_vhpoybIRfSnAzw11UsmwYXXLz?usp=s_haring
- **Website page** (on EveryOne Home website) for the Youth Committee:
<https://everyonehome.org/about/committees/youth-committee/>
- **Acronyms and Glossary:** https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1I8hFMAU2IE-FqYmK8TZ9Hp40vmS1zRck9EBEbPIbwy8/edit?usp=drive_link

Committee Purpose

The purpose of the Youth Committee is to align goals and develop shared strategies and collaborative practices across systems, agencies, programming, and funding streams that work to prevent and end youth homelessness. The committee will act as a collaborative table bringing together transitional age youth with lived experience of homelessness, youth service providers, county and city government representatives, and other stakeholders to build a coordinated response to youth homelessness. Learn more about the Committee's purpose [here](#).

Meeting Purpose / Overview

The purpose of this month's meeting was for the Youth Committee members to: (1) receive reports from the Racial Equity Committee and Youth Advisory Board (YAB) and (2) discuss the Transition Age Youth (TAY) Engagement Chart target audiences and formats.

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1) Welcome and Warm-Up Activity (Delilah Aviles, Youth Spirit Artworks)

- a) Delilah led the group in a warm-up activity. Annie volunteered to lead the warm-up in April.

2) Ground Rules/Approval of February 11th, 2025 Minutes (Youth Committee Co-Chairs)

- a) Minutes from February 11th, 2025 approved.

3) Announcements/Public Comment (Kris Maun, Homebase)

- a) The Harvard Kennedy School Government Performance Lab (GPL) invites you to join our Data-Driven Decision-Making Training series. These trainings are virtual and open to anyone working in and around homelessness prevention and response work in Alameda County. The intended audience is those new to data.
 - i) Please register for the training here: bit.ly/gpltraining.
 - ii) Unpack & Interpret Data I Friday, March 14 at 10 am - 12 noon: Learn strategies for disaggregating data to better understand what your data is telling you.
 - iii) Communicate with Data I Friday, April 11 at 10 am - 12 noon: Bring all your learnings from previous sessions together and focus on how to present data to support action-oriented meetings and conversations.
 - iv) Please reach out to Sky Mihaylo (skymihaylo@hks.harvard.edu) if you have any questions.
- b) Acronym Glossary Project
 - i) EveryOne Home, the Oakland, Berkeley/Alameda County Continuum of Care (CoC), is updating the Acronym Glossary. We aim to create more inclusive, equitable, and collaborative environments for committee spaces. This glossary will increase shared understanding for all partners. [You can view the current Acronym Glossary here.](#)
 - (1) Your feedback is essential to this process! You can provide feedback through the [Acronym Glossary Feedback Form](#) or by attending a virtual Acronym Glossary Focus Group on March 25, 2025 from 9:00am to 10:00am. The Zoom information for the Acronym Glossary Focus Group is included below.
 - (a) Acronym Glossary Focus Group
 - (b) Tuesday, March 25, 2025, 9:00am to 10:00am
 - (c) [Zoom Link](#), Meeting ID: 816 0763 5572
 - c) Committees Now Recruiting for more Voting Members! Applications will be open until March 14th, 2025, see [application link](#) for more information.
 - d) No public comment.

4) Racial Equity Committee Report Out (Sabrina Abong, Racial Equity Liaison)

- a) Due to time, the Committee did not get to this item.

5) Youth Advisory Board (YAB) Report Out (Marisol Rodriguez-Sanchez, Alameda County Health, Housing and Homelessness Services)

- a) Last week the YAB went to a conference in Sacramento and advocated to add Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Funding to Governor Newsom's budget and increase the youth set-aside. Also advocated for three other bills.
- b) The Continuous Quality Improvement team for Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) is a group of YHDP partners including YAB, Alameda County Health, Housing and Homelessness Services, and representatives from YHDP-funded projects. They have been meeting and working reviewing and evaluating the Transition Age Youth (TAY) coordinated entry access points and youth HMIS data. YAB has been part of developing a Results-Based Accountability (RBA) framework and performance metrics for these programs. YAB has been developing focus groups and surveys and is holding a focus group at Covenant House for youth coordinated entry.
- c) YAB has completed feedback on the Joint Component Program Policies and Procedures Manual. The Joint Component Program includes Transitional Housing from Covenant House and Rapid Rehousing from Covenant House and Larkin Street. YAB also reviewed the Welcome Packet to ensure accessibility and readability and that all the necessary information is included.
- d) The next project will be reviewing the Peer Navigation welcome packet, materials, and funding.
- e) Hoping for and expecting more youth involvement in the Home Together refresh, will likely bring that work to Youth Committee.
- f) Trying to get ahead of the 2026 Point-in-Time count and review past youth Point-in-Time data.
- g) Onboarding three new YAB members this week and two new core team members.

6) Transition Age Youth (TAY) Engagement Chart: Target Audiences and Format (Kris Maun, Homebase and Annie Bailey, co-chair)

- a) The Committee reviewed and discussed the target audiences and format for the TAY Engagement Chart.
- b) Discussion on Target Audiences:
 - i) Kris asked the Committee if there were any audiences left out, such as Leadership Board. Ray Corona (YAB) offered that the Leadership Board could use the information gathered in the chart for planning community events and understanding the resources available.
 - ii) Tanya Carvajal (MISSEY): Related to funding and thinking about service duplication, might be a good opportunity to look at which providers are collaborating. We don't always know how many TAY service providers are working together. For example, if a youth goes to

Covenant House do they know that they would also get to other providers too?

- iii) Marisol: Encouragement with more TAY providers, use this as a tool to get them to connect. Ending Youth Homelessness Collaborative can be a space to share it and also get provider feedback on what they need to collaborate more.
- iv) Kris and Annie suggested the chart could be the foundation for a resource guide. The Committee decided they would like to develop a housing-specific resource guide and gather provider feedback on a final draft.

c) Discussion on Format:

- i) Annie: What resources do we have to package these materials effectively? Or to launch a public awareness campaign? If there are resources we don't have, would this be an advocacy opportunity for more resources to share this out? Overall asking about what we can do to make the roll out as successful as possible.
 - (1) Kris shared that EveryOne Home does not have a budget to bring in additional support for this project; it needs to be done in-house with work divided between Homebase, members of the Youth Committee, and YAB.
- ii) Marisol: In terms of labor and capacity, the Youth Advisory Board can support with some of the design pieces that align with the Coordinated Community Plan. Overall, don't have the capacity to create an entire resource guide or array of documents. Could make an infographic outlining the various systems and how youth navigate. Want to make sure it's aligned with what the YAB's goals are.
- iii) Morgan Bernados (Homebase) shared an example of the chart on the EveryOne Home website. The Committee decided some information didn't need to be on the website and narrowed it down to name, services, who is served, website, and contact information.
- iv) Marisol and Morgan discussed having YAB create a one-page infographic centered on funding sources for advisory boards and youth focus groups. Make the infographic centered on how to fund youth engagement.
- v) Morgan and Kris showed the Committee an example resource guide from Napa, developed by Homebase in collaboration with the community. Members overall expressed interest in modeling a housing-specific resource guide off of the Napa example. The Committee decided that important elements to include are: Name, website, services, who they serve, contact, and funding source. The final resource guide will be for all target audiences.
- vi) The Committee decided the following groups should weigh in on a final draft of the resource guide: TAY service providers, Leadership Board, providers at the Ending Youth Homelessness Collaborative in June

d) Next Steps:



- i) Kris and Morgan will work on a chart of what information would be in the resource guide based on the TAY Engagement Guide and the discussions in this meeting. They will bring that to the next Youth Committee Workgroup and regular Committee meeting.
 - ii) Morgan will clean up the online-version of the chart further and get the full chart formatted on the EveryOne Home website.
- 7) Agenda Items for Tuesday, April 8, 2025** (Kris Maun, Homebase)
- a) The Youth Committee Workgroup will meet on Wednesday, March 26, 2025 from 2pm to 3pm.
 - b) The next meeting of the Youth Committee will be Tuesday, April 8, 2025.
 - c) Morgan reminded the Committee they can send ideas to alameda@homebaseccc.org for the May 6th EveryOne Home Committee meeting by the end of this week.

Committee Attendance:

Name	Attendance
Annie Bailey	Present
Delilah Aviles	Present
Denah Nunes	Absent
Marisol Rodriguez-Sanchez	Present
Ray Corona	Present
Sabrina Abong	Present
Sahra Nawabi	Absent
Tammy Nguyen	Absent
Tanya Carvajal	Present

Public Attendance:

- Stephany Wilch, Life Learning Academy



- Andy Duong, Youth Advisory Board
- Amanda McKinney Miller, Alameda County Health Housing and Homelessness Services
- Kris Maun, Homebase
- Morgan Bernados, Homebase