

**Evidence-Based Solutions Committee**

**Agenda**

**April 10, 2025**

**11:00am – 1:00pm**

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Join Zoom Meeting

<https://homebaseccc.zoom.us/j/81649176975>

Meeting ID: 816 4917 6975  
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Helpful links:

- **Google Drive folder** for the Evidence-Based Solutions Committee:  
[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ZG59MFs7BkWc77cwPJfO\\_wnaTXDjNjOI](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ZG59MFs7BkWc77cwPJfO_wnaTXDjNjOI)
- **Website page** (on EveryOne Home website) for the ESC:  
<https://everyonehome.org/about/racial-equity-committee/>
- **Acronyms and Glossary:** [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/118hFMAU2IE-FqYmK8TZ9Hp40vmS1zRck9EBEbPIbwy8/edit?usp=drive\\_link](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/118hFMAU2IE-FqYmK8TZ9Hp40vmS1zRck9EBEbPIbwy8/edit?usp=drive_link)

Committee Purpose

The purpose of the Evidence-Based Solutions Committee is to ensure that racial equity is centered across the homelessness response system and that racially disparate outcomes around homelessness and housing are addressed and eliminated. The committee will advise and hold accountable all other boards, committees, and workgroups, including the Leadership Board on racial equity goals, metrics, and outcomes. The overarching goal is that the work of racial equity is woven throughout all boards, committees, workgroups, and system activities.

**Committee Shared Agreements:**

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- Have sensitivity and respect for each other's experiences.
  - Agree to show up and engage. When meeting virtually, this includes having the camera on when possible and safe, while recognizing there are many valid reasons not to have cameras on.
  - When making decisions, prioritize the best interests of the homelessness response system and people experiencing homelessness above the interests of the individual board member/organization.
  - Commit to racial equity and justice in decision-making. Participate in training and create space and time for this practice.
  - Function as peers instead of a hierarchy of persons with lived experience and others.
  - Be constructive, not obstructive; try to offer solutions along with barriers.
  - One voice at a time, no interruptions.
  - Give people the chance to speak once before you speak twice.
  - Share and review the materials in the packet in advance of meetings.
  - Prioritize action items near top of agenda to help with time management in meetings.
  - Give people the opportunity to process, ask questions, and understand before voting.
  - If we stray from these agreements, we agree to pause, breathe, and reset.
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Agenda

<p><b>1) Welcome / Introductions</b> (Lynette Ward, co-chair)</p>	<p>11:00am – 11:10am</p>
<p><b>2) Approval of February 13<sup>th</sup> minutes</b> (Lynette Ward)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The approval of the February minutes was deferred to April to allow Committee members to review.</li> <li>b) All March meetings were closed sessions and thus minutes will not be publicly available.</li> </ul>	<p>11:10am – 11:15am</p>
<p><b>3) Homeless System Updates</b> (All)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Community members are encouraged to share announcements or other brief informational items with the group.</li> </ul>	<p>11:15am – 11:20am</p>
<p><b>4) Community Building Activity</b> (Committee Member to be confirmed)</p>	<p>11:20am – 11:30am</p>
<p><b>Action Item</b></p>	
<p><b>5) Discussion and vote of proposal to update Committee purpose and description.</b> (Tunisia Owens, co-chair)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The Committee will discuss updates to the Committee purpose and description. Members will vote to approve these revisions.</li> </ul>	<p>11:30am – 11:55pm</p>
<p><b>Discussion Items</b></p>	
<p><b>6) Discussion of Feedback for Leadership Board and CoC</b> (Morgan Bernados, Homebase)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) At the request of the Leadership Board, the Committee will discuss two questions to then share a response back to the Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) After working with the board and committee structure for the last two years, are there suggestions you have to improve or streamline your committee process, including relationship to the Leadership Board and staffing?</li> <li>ii) What should the major emphasis be for your Committee and the Continuum of Care for the next few years?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>11:55pm – 12:15pm</p>

<p><b>7) Planning for Community Meeting: Committee Table Fair</b> (Morgan Bernados, Homepage)</p> <p>a) At the May 6<sup>th</sup> Community Meeting, there will be a Committee Table Fair. The Committee will work on planning the logistics of this event: finding volunteers to be at the Committee table and planning what will be showcased at the table. The Committee will also work to fill out a one-pager, template provided by Homepage.</p>	<p>12:15pm – 12:35pm</p>
<p><b>8) Planning for Community Meeting: ESC Breakfast Conversation</b> (Tunisia Owens)</p> <p>a) On the morning of the May 6<sup>th</sup> Community Meeting, the ESC will host a breakfast conversation centered on homelessness data. The Committee will use this time to plan who will be attending and how the breakfast time will be used.</p>	<p>12:35pm – 12:45pm</p>
<p><b>9) Liaison Description Next Steps</b> (Tunisia Owens)</p> <p>a) The Committee will discuss next steps on updating the language that outlines the liaison’s purpose and role in the CoC.</p>	<p>12:45pm – 12:55pm</p>
<p><b>10) Closing</b> (Lynette Ward)</p> <p>a) Discussion of upcoming agenda items for next meeting. Requests for future agenda items are also welcome at this time or via email to: <a href="mailto:alameda@homebaseccc.org">alameda@homebaseccc.org</a></p> <p>Next committee meeting will be held <b>May 8th, 2025</b>.</p>	<p>12:55pm – 1:00pm</p>

Resources:

- *[Racial Equity Guiding Framework \(DRAFT\)](#)*
- *[REC CoC Capacity Building Plan \(Draft\)](#)*
- *[Centering Racial Equity Training \(Foundational Training for Committee Members\)](#)*
- *[CoC 101 Training \(Foundational Training for Committee Members\)](#)*
- *[Everyone Home 101 Training \(Foundational Training for Committee Members\)](#)*