

Evidence-Based Solutions Committee

Agenda

November 13, 2025

11:00am – 1:00pm

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. Written comments can also be submitted in advance of the meeting to alameda@homebaseccc.org.

Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 816 4917 6975
+1 669 900 6833

Helpful links:

- **Google Drive folder** for the Evidence-Based Solutions Committee:
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ZG59MFs7BkWc77cwPJfO_wnaTXDjNjOI?usp=sharing
- **Website page** (on EveryOne Home website) for the ESC:
<https://everyonehome.org/about/committees/evidence-based-solutions-committee/>
- **Acronyms and Glossary:** <https://everyonehome.org/main/continuum-of-care/coc-member-resources/>

Committee Purpose

The primary purpose of the Evidence-Based Solutions Committee is to ensure that the Continuum of Care (CoC) centers and integrates evidence-based data and practices to effectively identify, prioritize and provide solutions to serve the people and populations who are most vulnerable to and disproportionately impacted by homelessness across Alameda County.

The Evidence-Based Solutions Committee plays a key role within the CoC's collective impact model. It fosters collaboration and ensures accountability for all CoC committees and workgroups, including the Leadership Board. The Committee provides oversight to implement and integrate measures, goals, metrics, outcomes, policies, and practices aimed at addressing the systemic and structural root causes of housing disparities. This work focuses on reducing disproportionalities in homelessness response systems that affect the communities most at risk.

Committee Shared Agreements:

OAKLAND, BERKELEY / ALAMEDA COUNTY CoC

- 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.

Agenda

1) Welcome / Introductions (Lynette Ward, co-chair)	11:00am – 11:07am
2) Approval of November 13th minutes (Lynette Ward)	11:07am – 11:10am
3) Public Comment (Lynette Ward) a) Anyone is welcome to give a comment during this period of the meeting. Comments will be limited to 2 minutes per person. You can also submit a comment in writing to alameda@homebaseccc.org .	11:10am – 11:12am
4) Community Building Activity (Lynette Ward)	11:12am – 11:22am
5) Announcements (All) a) All Committee members are welcome to share announcements for the group at this time. We will also hear from Homebase for CoC-wide updates. i) ESC announcement: The ESC planning group is looking for a few more volunteers to help lead the Committee by attending planning meetings, reviewing agendas, and more. The current planning group can share more about the duties involved and the time commitment.	11:22am- 11:30am

Action Items

<p>6) Vote on 2026 Workplan (Lynette Ward, Tunisia Owens, co-chairs; Morgan Bernados, Mark Mora, Homepage)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The planning team, Homepage, and Committee members have been working on ideas for the ESC 2026 Workplan over the last few months. Homepage, at the direction of the planning group, has developed a working draft workplan for the Committee to organize its work. This workplan can be updated throughout the year and will serve as an anchor for the Committee’s activities and duties. b) Link to workplan here. c) Action: The Committee will vote to approve the 2026 workplan as a working draft. 	<p>11:30am-11:40am</p>
<p>7) CoC-Wide Survey (Lynette Ward, Tunisia Owens, co-chairs; Morgan Bernados, Mark Mora, Homepage)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The ESC has identified a need to develop a CoC-wide survey to gather regular feedback on how Committees and individuals are feeling about the CoC. The co-chairs directed Homepage to draft a survey for the Committee to review and provide input on. b) Link to draft survey here c) Action: The Committee may vote to approve the CoC-wide survey. 	<p>11:40am-11:55pm</p>
<p>Discussion Items</p>	
<p>8) Planning for Learning Community Quarter 1 (Nic Ming, Social Impact Wheel)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Committee will discuss and plan the topics and activities for the Learning Community, at least through the first 3 months of 2026. 	<p>11:55am-12:10pm</p>
<p>9) 2026 Project: Rolling out the ESC Framework (Lynette Ward, Tunisia Owens, co-chairs, Nic Ming, Social Impact Wheel)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) One project for the ESC in 2026 will be continuing to roll out the Evidence-Based Framework and deepening the CoC’s engagement with the material. The Committee will start developing ideas and a plan for moving that engagement forward. 	<p>12:10pm-12:30pm</p>
<p>10) 2026 Project: Developing an “Evidence-Based Metrics Dashboard” (Lynette Ward, Tunisia Owens, co-chairs, Nic Ming, Social Impact Wheel)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) One proposed project for the ESC in 2026 is developing an “Evidence-Based Metrics Dashboard” to help communicate, understand, and propose/take action for continued system growth and impact. The Committee will begin sketching out a plan for this project and think through the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) What are existing data sources for this data? How could HMIS be involved? What would be the process to develop the 	<p>12:30pm-12:50pm</p>

dashboard once we have data sets? What subpopulations would this Committee like to make sure are included in the dashboard? What is the best structure (e.g., form a task group) to move this project forward?	
11) Closing a) Requests for future agenda items can be sent to alameda@homebaseccc.org . b) The next Evidence-Based Solutions Committee meeting will be Thursday, February 12 th .	12:50pm-1:00pm

Resources:

- *Evidence-Based Solutions Framework*
- *REC CoC Capacity Building Plan (Draft)*
- *Centering Racial Equity Training (Foundational Training for Committee Members)*