



Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention Committee

January 28, 2026

1:00-2:30 PM

Agenda

[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=sharing
- **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://everyonehome.org/main/continuum-of-care/coc-member-resources/>

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 Purpose / Overview

The purpose of this meeting will be to: (1) review Committee ground rules, (2) review a proposal from the Leadership Board, and (3) workplan for 2026.

Agenda Items

<p>1. Welcome/Introductions (Dylan Sweeney, HCD, Kelsey Knutson, BACS; Co-Chairs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Introductions b. Approval of November 26th, 2025 Minutes 	<p>1:00pm-1:05pm</p> <p><i>5 minutes</i></p>
<p>2. Public Comment (Dylan Sweeney, Co-Chair)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Public Comment will be taken at the beginning of each meeting and is limited to 2 minutes per person. If you would like to submit a comment in writing you can email alameda@homebaseccc.org. 	<p>1:05pm-1:10pm</p> <p><i>5 minutes</i></p>
<p>3. Announcements (All)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Open time for Committee members to share any announcements with each other. b. We are also happy to announce that the HSHP Prevention Dashboards are now live on the EveryOne Home website! 	<p>1:10pm-1:15pm</p> <p><i>5 minutes</i></p>
<p>4. Evidence-Based Solutions Committee (ESC) Report Out (Elsie Lee, Freeway, ESC Liaisons)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The liaisons from the Evidence-Based Solutions Committee will share any updates and resources. 	<p>1:15pm-1:20pm</p> <p><i>5 minutes</i></p>
<p>5. Annual Review Committee Ground Rules (Homebase, Co-Chairs, ESC Liaisons)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Per page 12 of the Policies and Procedures, Committees may establish their own sets of norms and should review/update them annually. This is an opportunity to reflect on how meetings have been going and if/how the current meeting norms are working for the group. <i>Current Committee ground rules are the bottom of this agenda document.</i> b. In addition to reviewing, we will also add (or begin discussing) a ground rule that defines what to do when an existing ground rule is broken. c. The guiding questions in the Evidence-Based Solutions Framework can help Committees as we think through new and existing meeting norms. d. Homebase has also been asked by some of our members to establish a timekeeping policy for Committee meetings as an additional ground rule. This can include things like a time 	<p>1:20pm-1:40pm</p> <p><i>20 minutes</i></p>

<p>limit for committee member comments, letting everyone speak once before you speak a second time, and naming who in the meeting is responsible for timekeeping (i.e. co-chairs, Homebase staff, a specific committee member).</p>	
<p>6. Review Leadership Board Proposal (Morgan Bernados, Homebase)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. At their January 15th meeting, the Leadership Board approved this proposal for forming a workgroup of the Board that will work on ideas for how to make the Leadership Board run more effectively. The Board co-chairs are requesting that all Committees review the proposal, so Homebase will walk through the proposal during the meeting. b. If you have ideas for this workgroup to consider about how to restructure the Board, or ideas for how the workgroup members should be selected, please share that feedback with your Homebase staff or leave comments directly on the document! 	<p>1:40pm-1:50pm</p> <p><i>10 minutes</i></p>
<p>7. 2026 Work planning (Kelsey Knutson, co-chair)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The Committee will discuss and brainstorm what they want to work on in 2026 now that the Government Performance Lab work and Prevention Dashboard work is complete. b. As a heads up, the Committee will be receiving an update on the Alameda County Prevention Framework in February. 	<p>1:50pm-2:25pm</p> <p><i>35 minutes</i></p>
<p>8. Closing (Dylan Sweeney and Kelsey Knutson, Co-Chairs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Next Meeting is Wednesday, February 25th, 2026 from 1:00pm to 2:30pm. b. The Committee members will review key takeaways and actions steps identified during the meeting. c. The Committee members will identify and discuss any agenda items for the next Committee meeting. You can also submit agenda ideas to alameda@homebaseccc.org. 	<p>2:25pm-2:30pm</p> <p><i>5 minutes</i></p>

Committee Members

Dylan Sweeney	Alameda County Housing and Community Development (HCD)
Eleni Spiru	Swords to Plowshares

Hugo Ramírez	City of Oakland
Myette Anderson	City of Berkeley
Jeannette Rodriguez	Alameda County Health, Housing and Homelessness Services (H&H)
Kelsey Knutson	Bay Area Community Services (BACS)
Luke Barnesmoore	Home Match—Front Porch
Hamilton Hunt	BOSS
Ms. Shelley Gonzalez	Oakland Unified School District (OUSD), Leadership Board
Richard Nudelman	Community Member
Freeway	Cadera Health
Elsie Lee	Sistas With Voices, Leadership Board
Michael Esparza	Tri-Valley Haven

Committee Ground Rules

1. When you first speak, state you name, your pronouns if you have a preference, where you live or work, and your agency or organization. Members are also asked to introduce themselves in the chat.
2. One person speaks at a time. Raised hands are not required unless the moderator decides they are necessary in the situation.
3. This is a public discussion, not a debate. The purpose is not to win an argument, but to hear many points of view and explore many options and solutions.
4. Everyone is encouraged to participate. You may be asked to share what you think, or we may ask for comments from those who haven't spoken. It is always OK to "pass" when you are asked to share a comment. People can participate via chat and are not obligated to come off mute or turn their camera on.
5. No one or two individuals should dominate a discussion. If you have already voiced your ideas, let others have an opportunity. When you speak, be brief and to the point.
6. Commit to racial justice and equity in decision making.

7. Do your best to understand the pros and cons of every option, not just those you prefer. Be as objective and fair-minded as you can be.
8. Seek first to understand, not to be understood. Ask questions to seek clarification when you don't understand the meaning of someone's comments.
9. Assume good intentions. Handle one another with grace.