



MEETING MINUTES

IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL

October 10, 2019

8:30 – 10:00 am

Location: DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES,
2895 SOUTH 4TH STREET, CLASSROOM A, EL CENTRO, CA

IVCCC MISSION

TO ENGAGE INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS OF IMPERIAL VALLEY IN A COMMUNITY-BASED PROCESS THAT WORKS TO ERADICATE HOMELESSNESS IN THE REGION, ADDRESSES THE UNDERLYING CAUSES OF HOMELESSNESS, AND LESSENS THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF HOMELESSNESS ON INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITY.

- I. **Welcome, Pledge and Invocation: Lee Quarcelino (Pledge) Ken Wuytens (Invocation)**
- II. **Introductions:**
- III. **Approval of the agenda: Ken Wuytens (Motion) Lee Quarcelino (2nd)**
- IV. **Approval of Minutes for July 11, 2019: Teri Nava (Motion) Lupe Ponce (2nd)**
- V. **Public Comments:** Terri Gonzalez (ICBHS) announced an event on 10/11/19 in support of Mental Health Day at IVC from 8am- 3pm. Gina Vargas announced DV Awareness month. Mickey Castro shared an experience of a man who needs help with leveling his trailer. They're disabled and aren't asking for money. Terri Gonzalez (ICBHS) identified an agency and person (Anita Ayala) who could help the man. SURE helpline is having an event.
- VI. **Presentation(s):** None
- VII. **Reports/Discussion/Action Items**
 - A. CoC Standing Committee Reports
 1. CoC Evaluation and Resources –Susan Chasang - She's been researching other CoCs to help identify the standards. She explained to us what are some of the expected duties and mission of the committees. She tried to recruit new members for evaluation committee. Rosyo Ramirez touched on the importance of CES and how agencies will be required to use with HMIS, when CES gets implemented. She gave an overview of how the CES works.
 2. Veterans Services – Lee Quarcelino announced that they didn't meet yesterday because he had to meet with an official.
 3. Youth Services – Luis Torres - Shared flyer about free training "Trauma Informed Practices" on November 15 at IVC. Susan asked if there's a difference between the training in November and the one in May. Luis responded May training focused on impact of Trauma and November will focus on best practices for staff in addressing people who experience Trauma. He also shared that a student who is working and going to school needs help paying for furniture.
 4. Point in Time –Anna Garcia and Isaen Equihua gave an update. - Isaen informed them that they will meet after this IVCCC meeting. Anna shared that HUD recently released the final draft of the PIT Count's volunteer training PowerPoint and other tools. These are general templates from HUD, that may be tailored by every CoC to fit their needs and be utilized for their trainings with volunteers.
 5. Victim Services- Gina announced that they are continuing their efforts on the formation of the committee and sending invites.
 6. Coordinated Entry System
 - a. Diversity and Inclusion – No Report

- b. Education, Training and Employment – Katherine Grijalva – Met last time after the IVCCC meeting. NAU students will be revising/creating the resource list that Orlando Johnson had updated recently. Katherine and the committee will follow with the students later this month. Diana from Molina Health asked Katherine for the number of homeless kids. Katherine responded: “We have 11 schools”. She doesn’t have a total number. They normally have the total numbers at the end of year. Katherine does not recall last year’s. Katherine asked for Diana’s card so she can provide her the number of kids homeless at a later time. Katherine explained how they identify kids as homeless.
 - c. Mainstream Resources – No Report
 - d. Outreach and Recruitment – No Report
- B. Executive Board Report: No report
- C. IVCCC Administrative Entity Report:
- 1. Grant Updates – Isaen Equihua and Paula Llanas provided an update on the CESH, HEAP, and CoC grants. Isaen announced that they’ve been meeting with awarded applicants for HEAP and CESH funds, in order to discuss what finalized documents County Counsel requires in order to proceed with their contracts. There’s been a lot of back and forth communication involved for Paula, Rosyo and Isaen with the awarded applicants and with County Counsel. Additional updates were provided regarding the CoC grant.
Rosyo Ramirez passed out an information sheet of the HHAP. She gave an overview of the HHAP funding coming in. HHAP will be a \$650 million dollar one time block grant coming from “California Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council”. They will release NOFA at the end of this month or beginning of November. Applications are due February 15, 2020. Mickey Castro stated she would send out the HHAP information to IVCCC list as there were not enough copies to go around.
 - 2. HMIS Update – No update

VIII. Roundtable

- a. Gina Vargas announced October is Domestic Violence Awareness month. Theme: “A little abuse is abuse”. The 5th Annual Mariposa Award Gala will be at IV Expo on October 11th. Award is presented to a survivor of domestic violence who has transformed their life. Wear purple October 24th to raise awareness.
- b. New member Kitty Gay from Health Department asked “what are we doing for the homeless?” Stated that we could collect and distribute covers for the rainy season. She has gone herself to stores to request to give to homeless.
- c. Katherine shared that Spread The Love Charity provides food, clothing, and other support services.
- d. Anna Garcia explained the outreach that she and Sergeant Thompson have been doing with homeless, connecting them with agencies.
- e. Sarah Enz shared other services that Spread The Love Charity provides. She is on their board. She also shared the services that Public Admin/AAA offers to homeless.

IX. **Meeting Adjourned** at 10:05 am - Next meeting: Thursday, November 14, 2019 from 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.