



MEETING Minutes
IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL
February 13, 2020
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 Sergeant Thompson (Pledge) Lee Quarcelino (Invocation)**
- II. **Introductions: (Name & Agency)**
- III. **Discussion/Approval of agenda for Thursday, February 13, 2020 Terri Gonzales (motion) Diana Peacher (2nd)**
- IV. **Approval of Minutes for December 12, 2019: Terri Gonzalez (Motion) Diana Peacher (2nd)**
- V. **Public Comments:** Camilo Garcia, Imperial County Workforce and Economic Development - shared his positive experience in the 2020 PIT Count. States it was very organized, participated in Calipatria and Slab City.
Suggestion: Use social media to engage people, especially youth.

Public Comment is limited to items NOT listed on agenda. This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the council on any subject matter within the council's jurisdiction. Any action taken as a result of public comment shall be limited to direction to staff. Individuals will be given three (3) minutes to address the council; Groups or topics will be given a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes. Public comments will be limited to a maximum of 30 minutes. If additional time is required for public comments, they will be heard at the end of the meeting.

VI. **Presentation(s): N/A**

VII. **Reports/Discussion/Action Items:**

A. CoC Standing Committee Reports:

1. CoC Evaluation and Resources – Susan Chasang – had a meeting yesterday 2/12/20 with Ray Roben. The committee is building up but slowly. She shared surveys with IVCCC members, so everyone can provide their responses. From now on, they will be having short 15 minute meetings after the IVCCC meeting, aside from their regular meeting. They will be doing a presentation next month. She announced that they recruited an additional member, Chris Westlake. Their purpose will be to evaluate everything within the CoC, such as the subcommittees and the awarded applicants of funds that are administered through the IVCCC. She will collect the surveys at the end of the IVCCC meeting.
2. Veterans Services – Lee Quarcelino: Spoke with Army Lieutenant in Sacramento, to find out about acquiring the armory storage building. It's an ideal place because it has a kitchen. Sergeant Thompson asked Lee how many beds he's looking for. Lee said at least 30 beds. There were additional suggestions of abandoned buildings (such as hotel) to utilize for placing beds for homeless. Mickey reported the Governor announced that State owned vacated buildings and properties were going to be available as a resource for the homeless.
3. Youth Services – No report.
4. Point In Time – Anna and Isaen provided an update about the turnout and success for the 2020 PIT Count and thanked sponsors and volunteers.
5. Victim Services – No report.
6. Coordinated Entry System:
 - a. Diversity and Inclusion – No report.
 - b. Education, Training and Employment – No report.
 - c. Mainstream Resources – No report.

d. Outreach and Recruitment – No report.

A. Executive Board Report: Isaen provided an update.... The executive board decided for the administrative entity to apply to the HHAP application as one, combining the County and CoC allocations. Total of approximately 3.2 million, CoC 1.6 million and County 1.5 million, includes \$257,000 for Youth and \$225,000 for Administrative costs.

1. Next Executive Board Meeting: March 4, 2020.

B. IVCCC Administrative Entity Report: Isaen Equihua

1. Grant Updates –

A. Homeless Emergency Aid Program (**HEAP**) – Isaen Equihua informed everyone that DSS continues to work on all HEAP projects, by communicating back and forth with awarded agencies, as well as internally with County Counsel.

B. California Emergency Solutions Housing (**CESH**) 2018 & 2019 – Isaen Equihua informed everyone that they are still working on all 2018 CESH projects, by communicating back and forth with awarded agencies, as well as internally with County Counsel. They have not yet released an RFP for 2019 CESH. They will finish the 2018 CESH first, before addressing 2019 CESH.

C. HHAP – Isaen Equihua announced that DSS is working on the HHAP application and should be submitting it soon to the State. As the deadline for it is on February 15, 2020.

2. Homeless Plan – Isaen shared that Rosyo and him will be providing two (2) Homeless forums on Tuesday February 18, 2020. These forums are to gather additional input about homelessness from service providers and the community, ultimately to help create Imperial County's homeless plan.

VIII. Roundtable - Agency announcement/reports/services, etc.

- Anna Garcia announced that there will be training on Hoarding on March 4, 2020, Mickey will send out flyer.
- Stacy Caro announced invitation to the Night of the Races event, on 3/14/20, Mickey will send out flyer.
- Carleton Bradley announced there will be a Stand Up event on February 21 for homeless Veteran at Slab City. He will provide additional info.
- Alejandra Rodriguez, Public Health – passed out information on a program for Pregnant and Parenting teens
- Susan Chasang – Announced Free Computer literacy classes in Spanish for 10 weeks, through IVC at SEMC.

IX. Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 a.m. Next Meeting: Thursday, March 12, 2020 from 8:30-10:00 a.m.