

Housing First Solano  
Vallejo-Solano County Continuum of Care  
Board Meeting Minutes  
January 27, 2016  
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Board members present: Tranine Chisom (Chair), Kari Rader (alternate for Ron Marlette), Anne Putney, Daniel Del Monte (alternate for Ron Grassi), Kathy Lawton, Scott Przekurat, Norma Ramos, Tamara Colden (alternate for Emily Cantu), Scott Mulvey, Ruth Matz, Janice Lewis, Dan Marshall, Dawn La Bar, John Evalle

Other attendees: Nicole Holloway, City of Fairfield; Sumera Arshad, Solano County; Shontay Rand, Veterans Resource Center; Mary Moore, Berkeley Food & Housing Project; Carrie Sager & Lila Abdul-Rahim, HomeBase

1. Tranine Chisom called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m.
2. There was a quorum of Board members present.
3. There were no presentations.
4. Public Comment: Norma Ramos noted that Christian Help Center has reopened after its renovations.
5. There were no additions to or deletions from the agenda.
6. Scott Mulvey moved to approve the agenda. John Evalle seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition or abstentions.
- 7.1. Staff noted one typo in the minutes of the October 28, 2015 meeting. Kari Rader moved to approve the minutes with the correction. John Evalle seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition or abstentions.
- 7.2. Norma Ramos moved to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2015 meeting. Kari Rader seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition or abstentions.
8. Old Business
  - 8.1 Staff summarized the results of a feedback survey about the 2015 NOFA. For the most part, responses were positive. There were some complaints about the location of TA Workshop; next year, Staff will find a better location, and will also make the workshop longer. Two of the six respondents felt they did not have an adequate opportunity to appeal, which Staff and the Review & Rank panel can investigate. There is currently no information on NOFA results.
9. New Business
  - 9.1. Review and Approve 2016 Schedule.

Staff presented a proposed calendar for 2016. The calendar proposed alternating CoC General Membership and Board meetings monthly. Staff noted that additional Board and General Membership meetings may need to be scheduled to finalize documents for the NOFA.

For committee meetings, Staff proposed using the 1-3 p.m. slot on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month, which had been used for Governance and Performance

& Evaluation Committee meetings, for Coordinated Entry and Performance & Evaluation Committee meetings. Governance Committee meetings were not on the calendar and will be scheduled on an as-needed basis. Strategic Planning Committee meetings were on hold pending more information on the Regional Strategic Plan under consideration by the Board of City Managers and the County.

Ruth Matz moved to approve the proposed calendar. Daniel Del Monte seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition or abstentions.

#### 9.2. Set 2016 CoC Priorities

Staff noted that several trainings were promised in the most recent NOFA: a community training on youth trafficking, training to identify homeless families and children, and training on McKinney-Vento education policies. Staff asked for additional feedback on other priorities, for example, discharge policies.

Dawn La Bar, Dan Marshall, and Daniel Del Monte expressed support for a community-wide youth trafficking presentation open to the public.

Kari Rader, John Evalle, and Ruth Matz commented on the existing difficulties of hospital and jail discharge.

John Evalle suggested the CoC prioritize creation of a by-name list.

Kari Rader and Norma Ramos commented on the lack of youth-specific projects. Daniel Del Monte noted that Alameda is developing a center for commercially exploited children that could be a source of ideas for Solano.

Staff clarified that this was a discussion and did not have to be formalized with a vote.

#### 9.3 Housing Inventory Count/Point-In-Time (PIT) Count Update

Staff noted that the current day was the date for the sheltered PIT count, and that this year only a sheltered PIT was required. All housing providers should have received a survey from HomeBase.

### 10. Comments from the Board

Kari Rader noted that Mission Solano is working with A Better Way to provide a cold-weather shelter during El Nino. They are sheltering 20-40 people each night in different churches.

Anne Putney announced that the previous night the Vallejo City Council had approved a program providing 12 months of rental assistance for people in Vallejo who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

### 11. Staff Report

#### 11.1 Committee Updates

There are currently three committees meeting: the Coordinated Entry Committee, the Performance & Evaluation Committee, and an ad hoc Veterans Committee that met regarding the creation of a by-name list for Veterans. Staff summarized the January meetings of these committees.

11.2 Funding Opportunities.

Staff presented funding opportunities, which were also available as a handout.

12. Daniel Del Monte moved to adjourn. Ruth Matz seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition or abstentions. The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.