



## Yolo County Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition (HPAC)

### January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Meeting Minutes

**LOCATION:** Woodland – Yolo County Health and Human Services, Bauer Building, Thomson Room

#### MEETING ATTENDEES

1. **Alysa Meyer, Legal Services of Northern California\***
2. Aurora William, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
3. **Bill Pride, Davis Community Meals and Housing\***
4. **Dan Maguire, City of Winters\***
5. **Dan Sokolow, City of Woodland\***
6. Emily Meza, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
7. James McLeod, Yolo Community Care Continuum\*\*
8. **Janis Holt, Yolo Housing\***
9. **Jeneba Lahai, Yolo County Children's Alliance\***
10. **Joan Planell, City of Davis\***
11. Kathy Trott, Woodland Opportunity Village
12. Katy Zane, Short Term Emergency Aid Committee (STEAC)\*
13. **Koy Saechao, Turning Point Community Programs\***
14. Linda M. Scott, Interfaith Rotating Winter Shelter (IRWS) of Davis
15. Marissa Ness, Volunteers of America (VOA) – Veterans
16. Mark Fink, Yolo County Library
17. Mark Sawyer, City of West Sacramento
18. **Martha Teeter, Davis Opportunity Village\***
19. Michael Tovar, Shores of Hope
20. **Michele Kellogg, Yolo Community Care Continuum\***
21. Nadia Waggener, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
22. **Niomi Michel, Empower Yolo\*\***
23. Scott Love, Yolo County Library
24. Tracey Dickinson, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency

*\*Indicates a primary voting designee*

*\*\*Indicates a secondary voting designee*

***Bold-type indicates Voting Board Member***

#### 1. REVIEW AND APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

HPAC unanimously approved the agenda with no amendments.

- **Motion:** Janis Holt
- **Second:** Dan Maguire
- **Abstentions:** None



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#### 2. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FROM 11.29.17

HPAC unanimously approved the meeting minutes with 2 amendments: (1) Item 3 – Change Robin Frank’s association from Yolo Community Care Continuum to Yolo County Children’s Alliance; (2) Item 8 – Correct the spelling of Doug Zeck’s name.

- **Motion:** Michele Kellogg
- **Second:** Martha Teeter
- **Abstentions:** None

#### 3. INTRODUCTIONS AND PROGRAM UPDATES

- Tracey Dickinson introduced Aurora William as the new Homeless Services Manager. Aurora will be assuming Tracey’s duties immediately as Tracey transitions to a new role with the Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency.
- Aurora William expressed her excitement to work with everyone.
- Joan Planell announced that she was recently hired as a Homeless Consultant for the City of Woodland. She also serves as a Social Services Consultant for the City of Davis.
- Mark Sawyer announced that 81 people that came into his walk-in office hours in West Sacramento, are no longer homeless.
- Jeneba Lahai from Yolo County Children’s Alliance announced that as a new recipient of Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds, the organization will have a Housing Navigator based out of their West Sacramento office.
- Michele Kellogg requested electronic calendar invites be sent to all of HPAC for all General and Subcommittee meetings.
- Martha Teeter announced a new project with Davis Community Meals and Housing, Paul’s Place.
- Bill Pride described the Paul’s Place project, expected to open in 2020, which will include remodeling of the 1111 H Street location in Davis to increase shared housing units, and expand services available to the public.

#### 4. COORDINATED ENTRY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Tracey Dickinson led the group in a discussion of the HPAC Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures to be voted on. During the discussion, it was noted that the issue of Language Access, HPAC written material specifically, needed to be addressed by HPAC at a later date. The Policies and Procedures were unanimously adopted with 1 amendment.

- **Motion:** Alysa Meyer
  - › **Amendment:** Correct two agency names in the info-graphic on pages 9 and 10
    - Yolo County Housing Authority → Yolo County Housing
    - Yolo County Libraries → Yolo County Library
- **Second:** Dan Sokolow
- **Abstentions:** None
- **Unanimous Approval**



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#### **5. COORDINATED ENTRY IMPLEMENTATION AND NEXT STEPS**

Tracey Dickinson provided HPAC with draft communications materials: one Coordinated Entry Overview, and a Client Flyer. Mark Sawyer and Jeneba Lahai expressed that a West Sacramento location needs to be added to the Client Flyer, staff will work with them to add the pertinent details. HPAC discussed the need for a Memorandum of Understanding or similar agreement between providers participating in the Case Conferences, this agreement will be developed in the Technical Subcommittee. Also, an Evaluation Plan will be created. The

#### **6. 2017 COC FUNDING UPDATE**

Tracey Dickinson gave the group an update on the funding awards. There was discussion as to how to utilize the 2017 CoC Planning Grant on support for providers.

#### **7. 2018 SHELTERED COUNT UPDATE**

Emily Meza gave a timeline of the Housing Inventory and Point-in-Time counts. HPAC discussed completing the Unsheltered count every year, rather than bi-annually.

#### **8. EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT UPDATE**

Aurora William walked the group through the proposed changes to how the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds will be distributed by HUD this year.

#### **9. VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) EMERGENCY TRANSFER**

Nadia Waggener gave a presentation on the new VAWA Emergency Transfer requirements to protect victims of domestic violence from losing their housing. It was decided that further discussion of how to roll this out with providers was needed, and it would be addressed in the Technical Subcommittee.

#### **10. HOUSING SUMMIT**

Bill Pride led the group in a discussion about the Housing Summit planned for April or May. A subcommittee would be formed. Topics to be addressed will include: how to maximize funding, coordinate housing in community, fees and future development, building affordable housing, and advocacy.

#### **11. 2016 COC PLANNING GRANT – Tabled for 3/28/2018 meeting**

#### **12. MEETING EVALUATION AND FUTURE TOPICS**

Alysa Meyer from Legal Services of Northern California spoke about proposed policies and ordinances in Davis and Woodland regarding panhandling and affordable housing development, and suggested that local policy be put on the agenda for HPAC to get more involved and be advocates for local policy.