



Yolo County Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition (HPAC)

June 27th, 2018 Meeting Minutes

LOCATION: Davis – Yolo County Library – Blanchard Room

MEETING ATTENDEES – QUOROM ESTABLISHED

1. **Alysa Meyer, Legal Services of Northern California***
2. Amara Pickens, Fourth and Hope
3. **Amber Whitaker, City of West Sacramento***
4. **Bill Pride, Davis Community Meals and Housing***
5. Carolyn Pierson, Mercy Coalition
6. Connie Casto, Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
7. Craig Seelig, Yolo County Probation
8. **Dan Sokolow, City of Woodland***
9. Derek Rurg, Community Member
10. **Doug Zeck, Fourth and Hope***
11. Emily Meza, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency – Homeless Services
12. **Erin McEwen, Yolo County Children’s Alliance****
13. James McLeod, Yolo Community Care Continuum
14. Jane Griblin, City of West Sacramento
15. **Janis Holt, Yolo County Housing***
16. Joan Planell, Consultant
17. **Koy Saechao, Turning Point Community Programs***
18. Liane Moody, Short Term Emergency Aid Committee (STEAC)
19. Lora Barrett, Yolo Conflict Resolution Center
20. **Lorena Sanchez, Shores of Hope***
21. **Lynnette Irlmeier, Empower Yolo***
22. **Michele Kellogg, Yolo Community Care Continuum***
23. Nadia Waggener, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency – Homeless Services
24. Niomi Michel, Empower Yolo
25. **Ryan Collins, City of Davis***
26. Sandra Sigrist, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency – Adult and Aging
27. Sean Schaer, Yolo County Probation
28. Silas Kirsch, Youth Leadership Davis
29. Veronica Williams, Volunteers of America (VOA) – Veterans

***Bold-type** indicates that the individual represented a Voting Board agency as either a primary (*) or secondary (**) voting designee*

1. REVIEW AND APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

HPAC unanimously approved the agenda with 1 amendment to replace Item 8 “Legislative Funding Overview” with a discussion of a new contract with Clarity, the vendor that provides the Homeless Management and Information System (HMIS) platform used in Yolo County.

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



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2. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FROM 3/28/18 & 5/23/18

HPAC unanimously approved the minutes from both meetings with no amendments

- **Motion:** Janis Holt
- **Second:** Doug Zeck
- **Abstentions:** None

3. INTRODUCTIONS AND PROGRAM UPDATES

- Ryan Collins announced that the City of Davis is developing a pocket-sized resource booklet. He also requested teachers/trainers for Davis community volunteers.
- Connie Casto from HUD expressed that she was attending as part of a review of the City of Woodland's programs.
- Representatives from Yolo County Probation spoke about the Steps to Success program which provides wraparound services to individuals that are eligible for a criminal charge diversion program, but are unlikely to succeed in the program without intensive supports due to their history and current issues with mental health and/or substance use disorders.
- Amber Whitaker introduced Jane Griblin, a new intern in their office, and announced that the City of West Sacramento has executed a contract with the Downtown Streets Team to operate a volunteer work-experience program for individuals who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless.
- Janis Holt announced that the house purchased with Intergovernmental Transfer funds would be full as of 6/28/18. Also, Yolo County Housing has hired a Lease/Rental Coordinator who will serve as a landlord liaison. She spoke regarding three voucher programs that Yolo County Housing runs and/or is applying for:
 - Veterans Administration Supportive Housing (VASH) Vouchers: YCH applied for additional vouchers to complement the 20 they currently have, they are hoping to receive 5-10 more
 - Mainstream Vouchers: YCH submitted an application on 6/15/18 requesting 10-40 vouchers. These vouchers are intended to serve non-elderly disabled individuals. A response from HUD is expected in 08/2018.
 - Family Unification Program (FUP): working on a Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) between Yolo County HHSA – Child Welfare Services, Yolo County Housing, and HPAC. Application due 7/26/2018.
- Sandra Sigrist announced that there was an info session on the expanded services for drug Medi-Cal scheduled for Friday, 6/29/2018.
- Dan Sokolow announced that recruitment for the City of Woodland's new Social Services Manager position was now open with applications due 7/2/2018. Also that with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds they were working with Fourth and Hope to improve the shelter's courtyard area to add a shower and laundry area, allowing Fourth and Hope to expand the day services already offered. Dan also thanked Connie Casto from HUD for her presence and assistance during the review of their programs.



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4. EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) UPDATE

Emily Meza presented the final 2018 Emergency Solutions Grant Applicant Ranking List for HPAC review and approval. Three project applications would be submitted:

- (1) Empower Yolo – Rapid Re-Housing: \$129,052
- (2) Fourth and Hope – Emergency Shelter: \$200,000
- (3) Fourth and Hope – Street Outreach: \$200,000

HPAC unanimously approved the project ranking list with no modifications.

- **Motion:** Michele Kellogg
- **Second:** Dan Sokolow
- **Abstentions:** None

5. CONTINUUM OF CARE (COC) GRANT UPDATE

Sandra Sigrist and Emily Meza reviewed the CoC grant application timeline and requested that HPAC choose a date between 8/22/18-8/31/18 to hold a Public Hearing and approved the final project list. After some discussion on the date, HPAC chose to move the already scheduled HPAC General Meeting from 8/22/2018 to 8/29/2018, to allow sufficient time for the CoC Project Selection Committee to meet. Emily Meza also asked for volunteers to participate on the Project Selection Committee from non-conflicted voting agencies and noted those who expressed interest.

6. VOTING MEMBER STATUS UPDATE

Emily Meza announced that agency attendance had been reviewed for eligibility for Voting Member Status during the 2018-2019 HPAC year (November 1, 2018 – October 31, 2019), as requested. HPAC unanimously agreed that Emily would send out individual attendance updates to each agency by email.

7. HOUSING SUMMIT UPDATE

Bill Pride announced that the Housing Summit previously scheduled for September, 2018, was currently on hold and updates would be provided at a future date.

8. CONTRACT WITH CLARITY – HMIS

Michele Kellogg announced that the HMIS vendor, Clarity, contacted her to execute an updated contract. She asked for HPAC's approval to move forward with developing the contract and to bring a draft at a later meeting.

9. NO PLACE LIKE HOME UPDATE

Sandra Sigrist provided an overview of the No Place Like Home grant and explained that HHS was searching for someone qualified to write an application as complex as this. High-level discussion of other



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new grants from the State of California followed. HHSA explained that as new information came available, HPAC would be informed accordingly.

10. MEETING EVALUATION & FUTURE TOPICS

Ryan Collins appreciated that the meeting stayed on schedule and welcomed the attendance of the Yolo County Probation department.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting unanimously adjourned:

- **Motion:** Michele Kellogg
- **Second:** Ryan Collins
- **Abstentions:** None