

Health and Human Services Agency

Community Services Action Board

Agenda

Date & Time:	August 8, 2017 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.
Location:	Yolo County Library, Blanchard Room 315 East 14 th Street Davis, CA
Organizer:	Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
Contact:	Tracey Dickinson: (530) 650-5870

1)	Pledge of Allegiance: Sally Madden 5 Minutes
2)	Introductions: Sally Madden 5 Minutes
3)	Public Comments: Sally Madden 5 Minutes
4)	Approval of 8/8/17 Agenda: Sally Madden 2 Minutes
	ACTION REQUIRED: Approve Agenda
5)	Approval of 4/11/17, 5/9/17, and 6/13/17 Minutes: Sally Madden 3 Minutes
	ACTION REQUIRED: Approve Minutes
6)	Substance Use Disorder Services Presentation: Ian Evans
7)	Election: Tracey Dickinson 5 Minutes
	ACTION REQUIRED: Approve New Chair
8)	Community Action Plan Update: Tracey Dickinson
9)	Quarter 2 Performance Report Review: Ginger Hashimoto

12) Adjourn

Next Meeting

Date & Time:	September 12, 2017 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.
Location:	Yolo County HHSA, Bauer Building, Thomson Room 137 N Cottonwood Street Woodland, CA
Organizer:	Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency



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Community Services Action Board Roster

Jim Provenza, BOS Representative | Tracey Dickinson, HHSA Staff Representative

Name	Address	Email	Phone	District	Date Appointed	Expiration of Term
1. Isaac Blackstock	N/A	iblackst@spu.edu	W (530) 666-7798	1	1/24/2017	12/31/2020
2. Justin Cox	207 Abbey St Winters, CA 95694	justincox22@gmail.com	H (530) 219-5227	2	4/4/2017	12/31/2019
3. Regan Overholt	1521 Saratoga Dr Woodland, CA 95695	roversat@earthlink.net	H (530) 668-9619 W (530) 867-1426	3	11/17/2015	12/31/2019
4. Sally Madden VICE CHAIR	221 Tern Pl Davis, CA 95616	sallymadden@gmail.com	H (530) 219-6827	4	1/24/2017	12/31/2020
5. Greta Eoff	37495 County Rd 29 Davis, CA 95616	greta.eoff@sbcglobal.net	H (530) 902-1935	5	5/23/2017	12/31/2018
6. Bill Pride	PO Box 72463 Davis, CA 95616	billpride-dcm@sbcglobal.net	W (530) 756-4008	*	10/11/2016	12/31/2020
7. Henry Valle	2707 Feather Pl Davis, CA 95616	henry.j.valle@gmail.com	H (408) 807-1030 W (916) 322-4650	*	4/4/2017	12/31/2019
8. Elizabeth Mosley	1111 J St, Apt 99 Davis, CA 95616	emosley1@gmail.com	H (530) 908-3382 W (530) 754-4824	*	7/18/2017	12/31/2018
9. Fran Maguire	1124 Bucknell Dr Davis, CA 95616	Franmaguire1@gmail.com	H (530) 756-2437 W (530) 220-3871	*	12/2/2014	12/31/2018
10. Maria Elena Alvillar	320 W Court St #105 Woodland, CA 95695	N/A	H (530) 668-8696	*	1/12/2016	12/31/2019
11. Vacant since 12/31/16				**		
12. Roz Stone	606 Buena Tierra Dr Woodland, CA 95695	N/A	H (530) 402-1682 C (530) 383-4383	**	1/12/2016	12/31/2019
13. Jennifer Wienecke- Friedman	2444 Moore Blvd Apt 105, Davis, CA 95618	Jacobsmamababa@yahoo.com	H (530) 757-9297 C (707) 738-6310	**	11/22/2016	12/31/2020
14. Vincent Olvera	1045 Powers Circle Woodland, CA 95776	vincentolvera@sbcglobal.net	H (530) 668-4517 C (530) 867-1543	**	1/12/2016	12/31/2019
15. Pamela Byrd-Dunn	1300 Adams Ct Woodland, CA 95776	WellDunnNursing@gmail.com	H (530) 666-3680 C (530) 908-3809	**	11/22/2016	12/31/2020

* Bylaws section 3b(ii) states 5 members shall consist of representatives of low-income persons who reside in Yolo County and are appointed by the BOS.

** Bylaws section 3b(iii) states 5 members shall be representative of private social service agencies, private educational institutions, business, industry, labor or religious organizations who are nominated by their organization that operate in Yolo County and appointed by BOS.



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Minutes

Date & Time:	April 11, 2017 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.
Location:	Yolo County HHSA, A Building, River City Room 500 Jefferson Boulevard West Sacramento, CA
Organizer:	Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
Members Present:	Maria Elena Alvillar, Isaac Blackstock, Justin Cox, Pamela Byrd-Dunn, Sally Madden, Fran Maguire, Regan Overholt, Bill Pride, Roz Stone, Henry Valle, and Jennifer Wienecke-Friedman
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Member(s) Excused:	Greta Eoff, Vincent Olvera, and Helen Voss

Meeting brought to order by Tracey Dickinson at 4:40 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Tracey Dickinson led members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Introductions

The board welcomed two new members: (1) Justin Cox and (2) Henry Valle.

3. Public Comments

No public comments.

4. Approval of 4/11/17 Agenda

Motion: Bill Pride Second: Jennifer Wienecke-Friedman

5. Approval of 2/14/17 and 3/14/17 Minutes

2/14/17 Motion: Sally Madden 2/14/17 Second: Isaac Blackstock 3/14/17 Motion: Bill Pride 3/14/17 Second: Sally Madden 3/14/17 Abstention: Isaac Blackstock

6. Summary of Survey Results and Public Forum Input

Tracey Dickinson provided an overview of the process thus far and reminded the board of its responsibilities to assist with the Community Action Plan (CAP). The board began by reviewing the survey results. The board suggested that next time the survey include a question about "city where you live."

In terms of service categories, 57% of respondents rated housing/homeless services as the most pressing need, followed by emergency assistance (14%) and employment assistance (10%).

The board discussed the inherent conflict between funding prevention services and meeting the immediate needs of persons in crisis. The board agreed that emergency assistance may need to be prioritized over prevention at this time. The board also discussed whether the funding would have a greater impact by focusing on a less pervasive and more solvable issue. Another notion explored was leveraging as the board acknowledged the flexibility of CSBG funds.

After much conversation, Bill Pride made a motion that the 2018-19 CAP prioritize the categories identified by survey respondents in the following order: (1) housing/homeless services; (2) emergency assistance; and (3) employment.

Motion: Bill Pride Second: Sally Madden Abstention: Henry Valle

7. Community Action Plan Next Steps

Tracey Dickinson explained that County staff will incorporate these recommendations as they begin writing the CAP. At the next meeting in May, the board will host a public hearing and invite community members to comment on the plan.

8. Adjourn

Next Meeting

Date & Time: May 9, 2017 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Location:Yolo County Library, Blanchard Room315 East 14th Street

Davis, CA

Organizer: Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency



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Minutes

Date & Time:	May 9, 2017 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.
Location:	Yolo County Library, Blanchard Room 315 East 14 th Street Davis, CA
Organizer:	Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
Members Present:	Maria Elena Alvillar, Isaac Blackstock, Justin Cox, Greta Eoff, Fran Maguire, Vincent Olvera, Regan Overholt, Roz Stone, and Henry Valle
Member(s) Excused:	Pamela Byrd-Dunn, Sally Madden, Bill Pride, and Jennifer Wienecke- Friedman
Staff Present:	Tracey Dickinson and Ginger Hashimoto

Meeting brought to order by Tracey Dickinson at 4:49 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Since both the Chair and Vice Chair were not in attendance, the board asked Tracey Dickinson to facilitate the meeting. As such, Tracey led members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Introductions

The board welcomed the community members attending as part of the public hearing.

3. Approval of 5/9/17 Agenda

Tracey Dickinson noted that staff amended the agenda by adding an election item after staff received Helen Voss' resignation.

Motion: Greta Eoff Second: Regan Overholt Abstentions: None

4. Approval of 4/11/17 Minutes

Tracey Dickinson apologized as staff sent the April 11 minutes via email, but did not bring hard copies to the meeting. The board decided to postpone the approval until the June meeting.

5. Public Hearing

Tracey Dickinson provided an overview of the Community Services Block Grant and the development of the 2018-19 Community Action Plan thus far.

Tracey reminded attendees that based off the survey results and input received during its six previous public forums, the board prioritized funding homeless services, emergency assistance, and employment assistance. Tracey then opened the meeting for public testimony.

Henry Valle asked about how staff advertised the survey, forums, and the public hearing. He expressed his concern about the County not promoting the opportunities enough, and therefore not receiving feedback that is representative of the entire community. The board agreed that it should strive to better engage the public, particularly on social media platforms.

A community member voiced her frustration over the public school system. In particular, she suggested providing assistance for parents/guardians in how to navigate the public school system. The community member also expressed the need for more afterschool youth programming and senior center services that are culturally competent.

6. Election

Tracey Dickinson explained that the current chair, Helen Voss, resigned due to health reasons. The board must elect a new chair. Since the bylaws do not specify a detailed protocol, the board accepted self-nominations. Isaac Blackstock and Bill Pride both expressed interested. However, due to a potential conflict of interest, the Board agreed to postpone the decision until the June meeting. Staff agreed to further discuss the issues with the potential candidates and consult with County Counsel prior to the June meeting.

Motion: Vince Olvera Second: Roz Stone Abstentions: None

7. Approval of 2018-19 Community Action Plan

Tracey Dickinson asked the board for any final recommendations regarding the Community Action Plan. Overall members endorsed the plan with a few amendments including bolstering the youth services mentioned and adding more detail about poverty in Yolo County.

Motion: Isaac Blackstock Second: Henry Valle Abstentions: None

8. Review Quarter 1 Subcontractor Summary

Tracey Dickinson reviewed quarter 1 subcontractor summary. The board liked the simplified format; however, the board asked for information about each subcontractor's projected target/goal. The board also asked for a brief description about each program as well.

9. Adjourn

Next Meeting

Date & Time: June 13, 2017 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

- Location: Yolo County HHSA, Bauer Building, Thomson Room 137 N Cottonwood Street Woodland, CA
- **Organizer:** Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency



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Minutes

Date & Time:	June 13, 2017 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.
Location:	Yolo County HHSA, Bauer Building, Thomson Room 137 N Cottonwood Street Woodland, CA
Organizer:	Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency
Members Present:	Maria Elena Alvillar, Isaac Blackstock, Justin Cox, Sally Madden, Bill Pride, Regan Overholt, and Roz Stone
Member(s) Excused:	Pamela Byrd-Dunn, Greta Eoff, Fran Maguire, Vincent Olvera, Regan Overholt, Henry Valle, and Jennifer Wienecke-Friedman
Staff Present:	Ginger Hashimoto

Meeting brought to order by Sally Madden at 4:30 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Sally Madden led members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Introductions

Sally Madden led members in introductions. The board welcomed the meeting's presenter, Jennie Pettet, Child, Youth, and Family Branch Director.

3. Public Comments

4. Approval of 5/9/17 Agenda

As there was not a quorum, the board did not approve the agenda.

5. Approval of 4/11/17 and 5/9/17 Minutes

As there was not a quorum, the board did not approve minutes.

6. Child, Youth, and Family Branch Director Update

Jennie Pettet provided an overview of the Child, Youth, and Family Branch. She explained that while the branch offers a myriad of services, the branch's primary function is to oversee the child welfare services division. The division is responsible for investigating all allegations of child abuse and neglect, removing children from unsafe situations (if substantiated), and establishing a plan for permanency, which includes possible foster care placements. The board asked about the intersection of poverty and child welfare services-involved families. Jennie explained that many

families who enter the system are low-income and experiencing homelessness. To assist families in becoming more self-sufficient, Jennie described a grant, called Bringing Families Home, which aims to eliminate housing instability among such families. The board also inquired about how to advocate for children and how to become foster parents.

7. Community Action Plan Update

Ginger Hashimoto shared that the Community Action Plan appeared before the Board of Supervisors on June 6. The Board of Supervisors approved the Plan via the consent agenda.

Ginger explained the next step is for staff to obtain Supervisor Chamberlain's signature and submit the Plan to the State by June 30. Thereafter, staff will begin writing the request for proposal based on the priority areas of (1) housing/homeless services, (2) emergency assistance, and (3) employment assistance. Staff will then seek member approval of the request for proposal at its September 12 meeting. In late September, the County will release the request for proposal to the community and seek approval member approval of the recommended vendors at the November 14 meeting. In December, staff will obtain Board of Supervisor approval, before awarding contracts with a start date of January 1, 2018.

The board asked how staff would advertise the request for proposal. Ginger answered that staff will utilize its general and targeted distribution lists. She explained that while there are regulations prohibiting favoritism, the County tries to publicize the request as widely as possible.

8. Quarter 1 Financial Update

Ginger Hashimoto reviewed a financial report reflecting expended funds and current balances as of April 30, 2017. While two months behind, all subcontractors are on track to fully expend. Ginger clarified that while the County's administrative salary and wage balances look low, it is due to an internal time study lag.

A member asked for more information about the County's "direct to client services" line item. Ginger responded that she would investigate and report at a future meeting.

9. Adjourn

Next Meeting

Date & Time:	August 8, 2017 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.
Location:	Yolo County Library, Blanchard Room 315 East 14 th Street Davis, CA

Organizer: Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency

Tentative Timelines and Tasks for the 2018-2019 CSBG Community Action Plan (CAP)

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Quarter 2 Performance Report Summary

Davis Community Meals and Housing

<u>Vision</u>: To provide persons experiencing homelessness with a safe and nurturing living environment as they search for permanent housing

Goals:

- To provide 90 individuals with emergency shelter and/or transitional housing per year
- To provide 10 families with emergency shelter and/or transitional housing per year
- To assist 34 individuals in securing permanent housing per year
- To assist 37 individual in securing/retaining employment and/or public assistance benefits per year
- To provide 800 individuals with day shelter resources

Outcomes:

	Quarter 1 Jan-Mar	Quarter 2 Apr-June	Quarter 3 Jul-Sept	Quarter 4 Oct-Dec
Individuals Served in Quarter	19	19		
Individuals Served to Date	19	38		
% of Goal	21%	42%		
Families Served in Quarter	6	1		
Families Served to Date	6	7		
% of Goal	60%	70%		
Individuals Secured Housing in Quarter	1	5		
Individuals Secured Housing to Date	1	6		
% of Goal	3%	18%		
Individuals Secured Employment/Benefits in Quarter	17	2		
Individuals Secured Employment/Benefits to Date	17	19		
% of Goal	46%	51%		
Individuals Visited Day Shelter in Quarter	335	167		
Individuals Visited Day Shelter to Date	335	502		
% of Goal	42%	63%		

Food Bank

<u>Vision</u>: To have fewer people in Yolo County experience hunger and food insecurity <u>Goals</u>:

- To distribute at least 218,400 pounds of food per year
- To serve as least 1,610 individuals per year

Outcomes:

	Quarter 1 Jan-Mar	Quarter 2 Apr-June	Quarter 3 Jul-Sept	Quarter 4 Oct-Dec
Pounds Distributed in Quarter	44,850	53,400		
Pounds Distributed to Date	44,850	98,250		
% of Goal	21%	45%		
Individuals Served in Quarter	4,186	4,984		
Individuals Served to Date	4,186	9,170		
% of Goal	22%	47%		

Fourth and Hope

<u>Vision</u>: To provide persons experiencing homelessness with a safe and nurturing living environment as they search for permanent housing

Goals:

- To provide 400 individuals with emergency shelter per year
- To assist 120 individuals in securing permanent housing per year
- To assist 40 individual in securing/retaining employment per year
- To assist 48 individuals in securing/retaining public assistance benefits per year

Outcomes:

	Quarter 1 Jan-Mar	Quarter 2 Apr-June	Quarter 3 Jul-Sept	Quarter 4 Oct-Dec
Individuals Served in Quarter	109	123		
Individuals Served to Date	109	232		
% of Goal	27%	56%		
Individuals Secured Housing in Quarter	24	25		
Individuals Secured Housing to Date	24	49		
% of Goal	20%	41%		
Individuals Secured Employment in Quarter	9	12		
Individuals Secured Employment to Date	9	21		
% of Goal	23%	53%		
Individuals Secured Benefits in Quarter	35	43		
Individuals Secured Benefits to Date	35	78		
% of Goal	73%	163%		

Meals on Wheels

$\underline{\text{Vision:}}$ To have fewer seniors in Yolo County experience food insecurity

Goals:

- To serve at least 150 seniors per quarter
- To deliver at least 20,000 meals per quarter
- To improve the nutritional intake of at least 50% of seniors receiving meal boxes

Outcomes:

	Quarter 1 Jan-Mar	Quarter 2 Apr-June	Quarter 3 Jul-Sept	Quarter 4 Oct-Dec
Individuals Served in Quarter	315	336		
% of Goal	210%	224%		
Meals Delivered in Quarter	14,731	14,879		
% of Goal	74%	74%		
Improved Nutritional Intake in Quarter	73	57		
% of Goal	46%	34%		

YOLO COUNTY HOMELESS SERVICES UPDATE FY 16/17 FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 YEAR END REPORT

Homelessness is a significant issue in Yolo County, with the most recent homeless census (conducted in January 2017) identifying 459 people experiencing homelessness in Yolo on a single night. The Homeless Services staff within the Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), in partnership with the many local jurisdictions and homeless service providers, focus on accomplishing four key goals, including:

- <u>Goal 1:</u> Grow funding for homeless services in Yolo County.
- <u>Goal 2:</u> Develop a robust Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and coordinated entry system.
- <u>Goal 3:</u> Establish a full continuum of housing and services for people experiencing homelessness.
- <u>Goal 4:</u> Provide coordination for the overall homeless system in Yolo County.

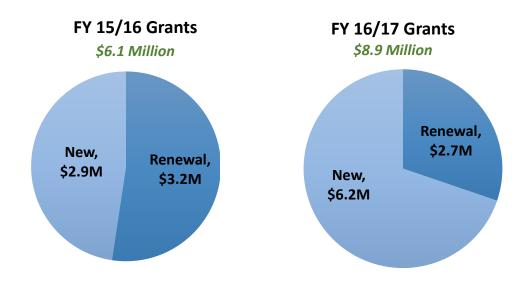
The following report provides a year end status update on progress made towards each of these goals during FY 16/17. Please note that this report could not possibly capture all of the work that is completed in the local system to address homelessness. This report is meant to capture new and evolving efforts that the County is involved in, but please let us know if we are missing anything that we should consider including in a future report!

GOAL 1: GROW FUNDING FOR HOMELESS SERVICES

Currently there is not sufficient funding for homeless services in Yolo County. A significant portion of HHSA homeless staff time is dedicated to pursuing new funding opportunities (and maintaining existing funding sources) to address this issue. The table below provides a log of the grants coordinated and/or authored by the HHSA staff during FY 16/17:

	FY 16/17 Gr	rant Log		
Grant	Role	Туре	Applied For	Received
Bringing Families Home Grant	Co-Author	New	\$225,000 (2.25-Year Period)	\$225,000
CalWORKs Housing Support Program	Author	Renewal	\$2,200,000 (1-year period)	\$1,800,000
Community Services Block Grant	Author	Renewal	\$293,147 (1-year period)	\$293,147 (1-year period)
Cooperative Agreements to Benefit Homeless Individuals (CABHI) *Application submitted in FY 15/16, awarded in 16/17	Author	New	\$2,399,328.57 (3-Year Period)	\$2,399,328.57
2016 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) *Application submitted in FY 15/16, awarded in 16/17	Coordinator, Author	Renewal	\$454,396 (2-Year Period)	\$454,396

2016 Continuum of Care (CoC)	Coordinator, Author	Renewal	\$495,065.52 (1-Year Period)	\$474,575
Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP)	Coordinator	Renewal	\$112,157	\$112,157
No Place Like Home Technical Assistance	Author	New	\$100,000	TBD
Proposition 47 Grant	Co-Author and Coordinator	New	\$5,962,139 (38-Month Period)	\$5,962,139



List of Funding Opportunities

In January of 2017, staff finalized and publicly shared a comprehensive list of opportunities to fund homeless services. The list includes detailed information about each recurring grant opportunity, such as due date, funder, eligible entities, match requirements, and purpose. Staff will update the list as needed to ensure the list remains current.

Proposition 47 Grant

In February 2017, HHSA staff worked in collaboration with the District Attorney's Office, Probation Department, and Public Defender's Office to submit an application to the Board of State and Community Corrections for Proposition 47 grant funds. In June 2017, staff learned that of 58 applicants, Yolo was among 23 selected for funding. The proposed project, called Steps to Success, will use \$6M over a 38-month period to provide wraparound services for individuals who are eligible for a criminal justice diversion program, but unlikely to succeed without supports due to their history of mental health issues and/or substance use disorders. Proposed supports include intensive case management, employment assistance, civil legal assistance, and permanent housing assistance.

Bringing Families Home Grant

In April 2017, staff worked with Yolo County Child Welfare Services on submitting a grant application to the California Department of Social Services for Bringing Families Home funding. In May 2017, staff

received notification that the application was funded in the amount of \$112,500. The County will provide matching funds of \$112,500, bringing the total funding for the project to \$225,000 over a two-year period. The proposed project will use Bringing Families Home funding to provide housing supports to families experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness who are involved in the Yolo County Child Welfare system. The project will provide families with rental subsidies, deposit assistance and eviction prevention assistance when homelessness is the primary barrier to family reunification, and all other safety concerns have been addressed.

No Place Like Home Technical Assistance

In May 2017, staff submitted an application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for No Place Like Home Technical Assistance funds in the amount of \$100,000. The funds may be used to fund a range of activities that support the planning, design and implementation of coordinated entry systems, permanent supportive housing and the accompanying supportive services for individuals with serious mental illness. The County will not develop a concrete plan for use of the funds until after they are received, as allowed by the funding application. If funding is approved, the County expects to receive notification in July or August of 2017.

GOAL 2: DEVELOP A ROBUST HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS) AND COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM

HMIS Policies and Procedures Manual

HPAC formally adopted an HMIS Policies and Procedure Manual during a meeting of the full membership in August 2016. HPAC did not previously have a HMIS Policies and Procedures Manual, which made the community less competitive for federal funding. The Manual was developed by the HPAC Data Subcommittee, with support from the County's Homeless Analyst.

Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR)

In December 2016, staff submitted local data for the federal government's Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR). Presented to the U.S. Congress, the AHAR provides national estimates of homelessness, including information about the demographic characteristics of homeless persons, service use patterns, and the capacity to house homeless persons.

Since the AHAR relies primarily on information from HMIS, communities must meet high data quality standards in order to have their local data incorporated into the report. This year marked Yolo County's first time participating in the AHAR. Out of 14 categories, the federal government used 8 of Yolo County's reports in its national projections.

HUD System Performance Report

In August 2016, staff successfully submitted Yolo County's first Systems Performance Measures Report (which included baseline data for 2015) to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The report is a new requirement that will be submitted on an annual basis, and contains seven metrics pulled directly from the local HMIS meant to quantify the overall impact of the region's homeless services system. In May 2017, staff had the opportunity to re-submit baseline data for 2015 (with some data quality improvements), as well as submitting the data for 2016.

Metrics on the report include:

- 1. The length of time individuals and families remain homeless
- 2. The extent to which individuals and families who exit homelessness return to homelessness

- 3. The overall reduction in the number of homeless individuals and families
- 4. Jobs and income growth for homeless individuals and families
- 5. Success at reducing the number of individuals and families who become homeless
- 6. Successful placement from street outreach
- 7. Successful housing placement to or retention in a permanent housing destination

The report is consistent with HUD's recent policy shift of viewing the local homeless response as a coordinated system rather than individual programs. While the baseline data did affect FY 2016 funding from the federal government, federal statute requires that HUD incorporate the system performance measure data as part of its selection criteria for future Continuum of Care (CoC) Program grants. Thus, this report will serve as a critical roadmap for future system goals and priorities.

Coordinated Entry

Coordinated entry is a system of accessing housing dedicated to homeless individuals that features several key components, including:

- Streamlined access and referral
- Fair and equal access
- Standardized tools and practices
- A Housing First approach
- Prioritization of those most in need of assistance

Coordinated entry is intended to maximize homeless resources by matching the highest need client with the most intensive resources. In 2016, the federal government published guidance that requires all local communities have a fully operational coordinated entry system established by January 23, 2018, as well as providing significant guidance on how the system must be structured.

In order to assist Yolo in developing and implementing a coordinated entry system that meets the federal requirements, the Yolo County Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition (HPAC) applied for and received a \$15,752 planning grant in the 2015 Continuum of Care (CoC) competition. The funds were used to hire HomeBase, a nonprofit consulting company, to facilitate an initial half-day planning session followed by two 2-hour sessions and ongoing technical assistance over a 3-month period. The initial half-day planning session occurred in May 2017. At that time, HPAC established a monthly Subcommittee meeting to continue the work of designing a local coordinated entry.

Vulnerability Index and Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT)

One of the initial steps towards developing a successful coordinated entry system involved selecting a universal assessment tool that will be administered on all people experiencing homelessness in a community to determine their vulnerability and need for services. Several local programs began piloting use of the Vulnerability Index and Services Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT) in July 2016. The VI-SPDAT is an evidence informed tool that combines both medical and social science research to quantify the vulnerability of people experiencing homelessness with a numeric score. The score allows workers to link clients with appropriate services and housing, and also assists with prioritization of limited homeless resources based upon the acuity of a person's needs.

The ultimate goal is to have all people experiencing homelessness in Yolo County assessed and scored using the VI-SPDAT. In FY 16/17, staff set a goal of completing 200 VI-SPDATs on Yolo County residents experiencing homelessness. Over the course of the year, staff and providers in Yolo County completed 477 assessments, including 411 individuals and 66 families. This exceeds our goal of 200 assessments by 239 percent.

GOAL 3: DEVELOP A FULL CONTINUUM OF HOUSING AND SERVICES

Bridge to Health and Housing

In December 2015, Yolo HHSA submitted a proposal for a social innovation grant from Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC) to improve the health and well-being of medically vulnerable people experiencing homelessness through the Bridge to Health and Housing Project (B2HH). The proposal involved a collaboration of Fourth and Hope, Sutter Davis Hospital, Yolo Community Care Continuum, Yolo County HHSA and Woodland Memorial Hospital that aims to improve the well-being of medically vulnerable people experiencing homelessness in Yolo County. In March 2016 Yolo HHSA was awarded \$499,125 to fund the two-year project, and operations began in July 2016. The project includes three components aimed at better serving the medically vulnerable including (1) identification, assessment and triage, (2) case management, and (3) housing navigation. Staff continued to monitor the program during its first year, and the program is currently fully operational.

During its first year, the project enrolled 40 individuals, and secured permanent housing for 16 individuals (40%). The project successfully enrolled 100% of its participants in Medi-Cal (or another form of health insurance), and reduced the frequency of emergency room visits by 10.29% (from an average of 2.615 visits in the past 6 months, to 2.346).

CalWORKs Housing Support Program

The California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Housing Support Program works to secure permanent housing for homeless families. Between July 2016 and May 2017, the program provided specialty case management services to an average of 96 families per month; provided temporary housing to an average of 31 families per month; assisted 124 adults in securing employment; and successfully secured permanent housing placements for 86 new families.

Davis Pathways

Many partners within the City of Davis have been working collaboratively to develop a range of homeless services called Davis Pathways, which includes the following components:

• New Pathways Short-Term Supported Housing: New Pathways is a partnership of the City of Davis, County of Yolo, Davis Community Meals and Housing (DCMH), Yolo Community Care Continuum (YCCC) and Yolo Housing to provide short-term housing and intensive services. The project aims to permanently house the most vulnerable individuals experiencing chronic homelessness in Davis, as well as to improve their physical and behavioral health, increase income, and reduce involvement with the criminal justice and emergency healthcare systems. The partners began working to develop the project in fall 2015, and funding for the project was approved by the City and County in December 2015. The project began operating in February 2016 and was approved for continued funding in FYs 16/17 and 17/18.

- Pathways to Employment Project: In March of 2017, the City of Davis, Davis Community Meals and Housing (DCMH), the local faith community, Davis businesses and HHSA launched the Pathways to Employment project. The project employs five (5) people experiencing homelessness to complete various jobs such as landscaping, sidewalk cleaning, trash removal, and other tasks related to beautification in downtown Davis. The project pays participants \$12 per hour and anticipates a workload of approximately 12 hours per week. DCMH employs a supervisor to provide guidance, teach job skills, and assist with establishing permanent employment opportunities for the project participants.
- *Getting to Zero Vouchers:* The City of Davis secured funding from Sutter Health to provide bridge housing subsidies to homeless residents while participants wait for a Housing Choice Voucher from the Housing Authority. The program will also offer robust case management for participants when they are placed in permanent housing. Yolo Housing has developed the infrastructure necessary to launch the program, which will begin operating in July.
- **Davis Homeless Coordinator:** The Davis City Council approved funding to hire a full time Homeless Coordinator housed in the police department, beginning in July 2017.

Extended Hope

In March 2016, Yolo County Health and Human Services (HHSA) submitted an application to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for a Cooperative Agreements to Benefit Homeless Individuals (CABHI) grant. The application proposed to provide intensive wraparound care to people experiencing homelessness with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders through the Extended Hope Project. In July 2016, staff received notification that the application was funded in the amount of \$2,399,328 over a three-year period (\$799,776 annually).

In February 2017, staff executed a three year contract with Fourth and Hope, to provide the service delivery components of the project. The key components include: (1) identification, assessment and triage, (2) intensive case management and treatment, and (3) housing navigation and permanent placement. Fourth and Hope officially began providing services to clients in April. During its first two months of operating, the program enrolled 32 individuals, of which 18 (56%) meet the federal definition of chronically homeless. All 32 participants have a mental health condition, while 16 (50%) also have a substance use disorder.

I SEE YOU Art Engagement

I SEE YOU is a partnership between Yolo HHSA, the Yolo County Library and YoloArts that provided experimental art classes to people experiencing homelessness in Yolo County. The James Irvine Foundation provided \$68,000 in funding for the project over a 24-month period, with YoloArts as the grant administrator. The Project conducted free weekly art workshops (over a 10-week period) for people experiencing homelessness in each of our major cities. The workshops were held in Davis, West Sacramento and Woodland over the past year, with evening I SEE YOU Art Exhibits hosted at the local libraries after each round of workshops.

GOAL 4: PROVIDE SYSTEM-WIDE COORDINATION

2017 Homeless Count and Housing Inventory Count

In January 2017, HPAC conducted its annual homeless count and housing inventory count. The count conducted this year required both a sheltered and unsheltered count. Staff convened five planning

meetings to establish an organizational structure, select a methodology, and develop a survey instrument. In addition, this year staff created an instructional guide meant to serve as a training resource. The guide featured messaging points for count organizers and step-by-step instructions for count enumerators. In April 2071, staff released a final report summarizing the homeless count data, which is posted on the County's Homeless Services webpage.

Sutter Health Getting to Zero Initiative

Between the months of February and May, the governing bodies for many local jurisdictions (including the Davis City Council, West Sacramento City Council, Woodland City Council and Yolo County Board of Supervisors) each passed a resolution in support of the Sutter Health Getting to Zero initiative. The initiative aims to align public, private, and philanthropic resources with the goal of attaining functional zero in Placer, Sacramento, and Yolo counties within the next three years. The initiative also embraces the principles of a Housing Crisis Resolution System that utilizes coordinated entry, low/no barrier housing, the Housing First model, a continuum of housing options, and supportive services.

HPAC Policies and Procedures Manual

This year staff continued its efforts to expand HPAC's Policies and Procedures Manual. In addition to being a helpful local resource, the manual satisfies numerous state and federal government mandates requiring written policies and procedures. Throughout the year, staff worked with HPAC Policies and Procedures Subcommittee to develop new sections pertaining to the HPAC election process and the federal government's final rule on gender identity.

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN FY 17/18?

The HHSA homeless services staff's intended next steps are outlined in the FY 17/18 Work Plan (Appendix C). Several of the highest priority activities for Quarter 1 will include:

- Coordinating several upcoming renewal funding competitions, including Continuum of Care, Emergency Solutions Grant and Mental Health Block Grant.
- Partnering with the local cities to apply for new funding from Partnership HealthPlan of California through their Housing Initiative.
- Continue development planning efforts for the local coordinated entry system.
- Recruit and hire a new Housing Coordinator at HHSA, whose roll will be to work on the following key activities in support of strengthening our system-wide homeless efforts:
 - o Landlord recruitment and engagement
 - o Rental unit procurement and assistance with leasing for clients
 - o Training on eviction prevention strategies for staff
 - Serving as a consultant on complicated housing cases
 - Coordinating and distributing routing housing inventory information (such as rental availabilities) countywide

APPENDIX A

Public Presentations and Networking Meetings Log								
Meeting	Date/Frequency	Purpose						
One-Time Meetings/Presentations								
West Sacramento City Council- Homeless Coordination Contract	8/19/15	Present						
Meet-and-Greet with West Sacramento Mercy Coalition	7/14/16	Present						
Meet-and-Greet with Davis Interfaith Group	7/19/16	Present						
Advocacy Meeting with Congressmember Doris Matsui	7/26/16	Present						
Advocacy Meeting with Congressmember John Garamendi	7/27/16	Present						
I SEE You Art Exhibition- Davis	9/9/16	Participate						
Yolo County Board of Supervisor Homeless Update	9/13/16	Present						
10-Year Plan Executive Commission	9/14/16	Present						
SACOG Government Affairs Working Group- Homelessness	9/28/16	Participate						
Board of Supervisors Strategic Planning Session- Homeless Update	10/4/16	Present						
Commission on Aging Presentation	10/19/16	Present						
HPAC Homeless Count Subcommittee	10/19/16	Coordinate						
Sacramento Region Homeless Coordinators Meeting	10/21/16	Participate						
City of Woodland Homeless Subcommittee Meeting	10/25/16	Participate						
Getting to Zero Initiative Meeting	11/1/16	Participate						
Davis City Council/Board of Supervisors 2x2	11/4/16	Present						
Partnership HealthPlan Social Determinants of Health Webinar	11/8/16	Present						
Proposition 47 Stakeholder Input Meetings	11/14 & 11/18/16	Coordinate						
Yolo County Provider Stakeholder Workgroup	11/17/16	Present						
HPAC Policies and Procedures Subcommittee Meeting	11/17/16	Coordinate						
HPAC Homeless Count Subcommittee	11/17/16	Coordinate						
City of West Sacramento Motel Survey Meeting	11/18/16	Participate						
Meet-and-Greet with Catholic Charities	11/18/16	Participate						
Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance Collaboration Committee Meeting	11/28/16	Present						
SACOG Government Affairs Working Group Meeting	11/30/16	Participate						
Sutter Health Getting to Zero Initiative Meeting	12/7/16	Present						
Sutter Davis Coordination Meeting	12/15/16	Participate						
Homeless Count Subcommittee Meeting	12/15/16	Coordinate						
Whole Person Care Webinar	1/27/2017	Participate						
Whole Person Care Learning Collaborative Call	1/31/2017	Participate						
Cal Humanities Grant Kick Off Meeting	1/31/2017	Participate						
Yolo County Board of Supervisors- Adoption of Getting to Zero	2/21/2017	Present						
Resolution								
Sutter Health Getting to Zero Initiative- Data and Outcomes Tracking	3/1/3017	Participate						
Homeless Discussion with Congressman Garamendi's Office	3/17/2017	Participate						
Davis Social Services Strategic Plan Community Meeting	3/27/2017	Participate						
Community Services Block Grant Public Forums	4/3 - 4/7/2017	Coordinate						
Woodland 2x2	4/4/2017	Present						
Homeless Count Subcommittee	4/5/2017	Coordinate						
10-Year Plan to End Homelessness Executive Commission	4/19/2017	Present						
Davis Chamber of Commerce Lunch and Learn	4/26/2017	Present						

Weedland Interfaith Council	Г/2/2017	Dracont
Woodland Interfaith Council	5/2/2017	Present
HUD Technical Assistance- On Site Visit	5/9/2017	Coordinate
West Sacramento City Council	5/10/2017	Attend
Health Council	5/11/2017	Present
Coordinated Entry Kick Off Session	5/30/2017	Coordinate
Binning's Community Listening Session	6/7/2017	Present
HPAC 10-Year Plan Subcommittee	6/7,6/14,6/21	Coordinate
Housing First Workshop	6/27/2017	Coordinate
HUD Technical Assistance- On-Site Visit	6/27/2017	Coordinate
Davis Social Services Strategic Plan Report Out Meeting	6/29/2017	Participate
Recurring Meetings/Presentations		
Community Services Action Board (CSAB)	Monthly	Coordinate
Regional Homeless Coordinators Gathering	Quarterly	Participate
Northern California Valley Regional Homeless Roundtable	Quarterly	Participate
Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition	Monthly	Coordinate
HPAC Technical Subcommittee	Quarterly	Coordinate
HPAC Data Subcommittee	Quarterly	Coordinate
No Place Like Home Technical Subcommittee Conference Calls	Monthly	Participate

Training and Conference Log	
Торіс	Host Agency
National Alliance to End Homelessness Annual Conference-	National Alliance to End
Washington D.C.	Homelessness (NAEH)
EDGE Issue Immersion Day: Homelessness in Sacramento – EDGEucate	Metro EDGE, Sacramento
Yourself	Metro Chamber
Social Determinants of Health Conference — Improving the Health and	Partnership HealthPlan of
Homeless Populations Through Innovation and Collaboration	California
Coordinated Entry System Planning Workshop	California Department of Housing and Community Development

Yolo County Homeless Services- FY 16/17 Work Plan																	
GOAL/ACTION		STATUS						TIME	LINE								
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Grow Funding	-									_		1					
Develop comprehensive list of homeless funding opportunities		COMPLETED												<u> </u>			
Coordinate Continuum of Care (CoC) Grant	-	COMPLETED												L			
Update Yolo County Homeless Spending Inventory	•	COMPLETED												<u> </u>			
Coordinate Proposition 47 Grant	•	COMPLETED															
Coordinate Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)- 1 Year Extension of Contracts	•	COMPLETED															
Coordinate Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Grant	•	COMPLETED															
Coordinate PATH Grant	0	IN PROGRESS															
Coordinate Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)	•	IN PROGRESS															
Apply for 3 new funding sources, totaling \$1M	•	COMPLETED															
Develop HMIS and Coordinated Entry																	
Submit first system performance measures report to HUD	•	COMPLETED															
Establish ongoing VI-SPDAT trainings for service providers on "as needed" basis	•	COMPLETED															
Develop HMIS policies and procedures manual for the Yolo HMIS system	•	COMPLETED															
Work with providers on improving HMIS data quality in preparation for AHAR	•	COMPLETED															
Submit first Yolo County Annual Housing Assessment Report (AHAR) to HUD	•	COMPLETED															
Establish contract with Sacramento Steps Forward for HMIS system-building (Using CABHI Gra	0	IN PROGRESS															
Convene coordinated entry system planning group and develop implementation plan	0	IN PROGRESS															
Implement use of HMIS and Coordinated Entry for internal County programs (CalWORKs)	0	IN PROGRESS															
Write use of HMIS and VI-SPDAT in all County homeless contracts at renewal	0	IN PROGRESS															
Continuum of Housing and Services																	
Work with Fourth and Hope/YCCC to implement Bridge to Health and Housing Project	•	COMPLETED															
Implement I SEE YOU Artist Engagement Project, Phase I, Davis	•	COMPLETED															
Conduct VI-SPDAT assessments on 200 homeless individuals in Yolo County	•	COMPLETED															
Implement I SEE YOU Artist Engagement Project, Phase II, West Sacramento	•	COMPLETED															
Establish employment specialist position for homeless population (Using CABHI Grant)	•	COMPLETED															
Develop Bridge to Housing 2.0 project in Woodland	0	IN PROGRESS															
Implement I SEE YOU Artist Engagement Project, Phase III, Woodland		COMPLETED															
Work with Fourth and Hope to implement Extended Hope Project (CABHI Grant)		COMPLETED															
Establish local outreach programs that cover all jurisdictions in Yolo County		COMPLETED															
Monitor New Pathways Supported Housing Project in Davis	+	COMPLETED															
Participate in Stepping Up Initiative to strengthen criminal justice interactions with homeles.	-	COMPLETED															
Convene workgroup to explore options for ensuring that free cell phone are accessible	-	OHHOLD															
Study case management to client ratio for homeless population and determine deficit		OHHOLD												<u> </u>			
Implement incentive program for engagement of homeless in system planning efforts		OHHOLD												<u> </u>			
Convene workgroup to identify options for reducing exclusionary screening among landlords		OHHOLD												<u> </u>			
System Coordination	1		J	J	J	J	L	L	L		J	.L	l	L			
Analyze compliance with CSBG Organizational Standards, and Report to State	•	COMPLETED															
Develop HPAC Policies and Procedures Manual	-	INPROGRESS															
Assist with revision of 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness		INPROGRESS											_				
Assist with revision of 10-rear Plan to End Homelessness Complete sheltered and unsheltered point-in-time count (PIT)		COMPLETED															
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Complete housing inventory count (HIC)	-																

APPENDIX B: COMPLETED FY 16/17 WORK PLAN

APPENDIX C: FY 17/18 WORK PLAN

ACTION		STATUS	JULY	AUG	SEPT	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE
Grow Funding														
Update Yolo County Homeless Spending Inventory	0	UPCOMING												
Coordinate Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG)	0	UPCOMING												
Coordinate Continuum of Care (CoC) Grant	0	UPCOMING												
Coordinate Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Grant	0	UPCOMING												L
Coordinate Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Provider Selection Process	_	UPCOMING												
Submit CABHI Renewal Application for FY 18-19		UPCOMING												
Provide training and support to providers on grant writing		UPCOMING												
Coordinate PATH Grant Coordinate Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)		UPCOMING UPCOMING												
Apply for new funding sources totaling \$1M	÷	UPCOMING												
Develop HMIS and Coordinated Entry	<u> </u>	or coming												
Establish contract with Sacramento Steps Forward for HMIS system-building (CABHI Grant)	0	IN PROGRESS												
Implement use of HMIS and Coordinated Entry for internal County programs (CalWORKs; BFH)		IN PROGRESS												
Develop and implement coordinated entry system	-	IN PROGRESS												
Submit 2016 Yolo County Annual Housing Assessment Report (AHAR) to HUD	0	UPCOMING												
Develop plan for routing data quality monitoring in HMIS	0	UPCOMING												
Develop plan for routing contract monitoring in homeless system	0	UPCOMING												
Develop/track unified performance measures for all HHSA housing and homeless programs	0	UPCOMING												
Submit 2017 system performance measures report to HUD	0	UPCOMING												
Write use of HMIS and VI-SPDAT in all County homeless contracts at renewal	0	IN PROGRESS												
Continuum of Housing and Services														
Establish Housing Coordinator position at HHSA		IN PROGRESS												L
Explore options for establishing homeless preference in multi-family housing projects	0	UPCOMING												
Master lease housing units to provide temporary housing for CalWORKs families	0	IN PROGRESS												
Study case management to client ratio for homeless population and determine deficit	0	UPCOMING												
Implement incentive program for engagement of homeless in system planning efforts	0	UPCOMING												
Convene group to identify PSH projects that would be eligible for No Place Like Home funding		UPCOMING												
Establish housing trust fund to provide landlord incentives	0	UPCOMING												
Re-establish multi-disciplinary homeless case coordination meetings in all jurisdictions	0	IN PROGRESS												
Develop Bridge to Housing 2.0 project in Woodland	0	IN PROGRESS												
Implement and monitor Bringing Families Home project	0	IN PROGRESS												
Monitor Fourth and Hope Extended Hope project	0	IN PROGRESS												
Monitor New Pathways Supported Housing Project in Davis	0	IN PROGRESS												
System Coordination												· · ·		
Analyze compliance with CSBG Organizational Standards, and Report to State		IN PROGRESS												
Develop HPAC Policies and Procedures Manual		IN PROGRESS												
Assist with revision of 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness	0	IN PROGRESS												
Complete sheltered point-in-time count (PIT)	0	UPCOMING												
Complete housing inventory count (HIC)	0	UPCOMING												
Develop FY 18/19 Work Plan	0	UPCOMING												