



**TEHAMA COUNTY
CONTINUUM of CARE**

Tehama County Continuum of Care
Executive Council Meeting
MINUTES

September 22, 2021 at 10:00 AM
Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

IN ATTENDANCE:

Andrea C. Curry, Empower Tehama, CoC & HMIS Coordinator
Johnna Jones, Red Bluff City Council
Travis Lyon, MHSA Coordinator
Tara Loucks-Shepherd, Tehama County Department of Social Services
Gail Locke, Continuum of Care Chairperson

Excused:
Jayme Bottke, Tehama County Health Services Agency
David Madrigal, Tehama County Community Action Agency
Steve Chamblin, Tehama County Board of Supervisors
E.C. Ross, Poor and the Homeless Tehama County Coalition
Jim Southwick, Tehama County Department of Education

Notes by: Heather Henderson

<i>Topic</i>	<i>Discussion</i>
Discussion of minutes & agenda from previous Executive Council Meeting	The minutes and agenda from the Executive Council meeting held on August 25, 2021 were made available prior to this meeting for review. Due to not having a quorum today, the adoption of the August minutes will be added to next month's agenda for approval.
Stakeholders' Collaborative Update	<i>Discussion</i> PATH Plaza - Clay reported that he had talked with a new Union Pacific representative from the Midwest and another in Sacramento that may be more open to talk about donating part of the land for community benefit. PATH needs a way to cross over Union Pacific's land for access to the land that PATH owns and would like the land closest to the railroad track if only part is donated to make the entrance further away from the neighborhood. We also had an update for Olive Grove, PATH Plaza fundraising and a presentation on CalAIM from Shannon Tolbert from Anthem. CalAIM is set to launch in two phases starting with January 2022 and then March 2022.
Capacity Building Andrea C. Curry	<i>Discussion</i> Tehama Emergency Solutions and Housing (TESH) Renewal Requests--In August the council discussed options for awarding up to \$200,000 in funds through the TESH and Youth Homeless Services (YHS) local funding programs for the 2021-22 fiscal year and determined that the projects currently operating using 2020 TESH and YHS awards should be given the opportunity to request renewal funds before the CoC considers releasing open RFPs to ensure that these projects can continue operating and expand, if warranted. Three existing subgrantees (Faith Works, First Christian Church Corning, and Children First FFA) were then asked to submit budgets and budget narratives for proposed 2021-22 activities, including any proposed expansions on or before September 17, 2021. One additional project, the PATH Day Center, was awarded TESH funds in 2020, however, the CoC has already authorized continued funding for that project through ESG-CV funding through at least July 2022, so they were not included in this invitation to request renewal funds through TESH. To date, two subgrantees have submitted the requested documentation and requested renewal funds: Faith Works (\$76,720) and First Christian Church Corning (\$14,950). Children First FFA has not yet submitted a request for renewal funds, however, Heather has spoken to them and anticipates that they will. Gail suggested that the R&R committee proceed with evaluating these requests then evaluate the third if and when it is received.

	<p>The Request for Project Overviews for the 2021 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Balance of State Program was released September 16, 2021. Project Overviews received by September 27th will be sent to the Rating and Ranking Committee for review. Local requests for applications of the 2021 HUD Continuum of Care Program will be released on or before September 24th. Last month the council approved using the previous local process, updated as needed to comply with this year's CoC NOFO. Applications received by October 15th will be sent to the Rating and Ranking Committee for review. Evaluations will determine which applications to include with our main CoC application, which is due November 16th. Request may be made of stakeholders to provide information to be included in responses to questions in the CoC application. Racial equity is the new topic that is put in the application. Andrea and Heather will send out drafts to the CoC to review and provide suggestions a week prior to the due date. We must post a draft of the application publicly by November 9th. The application will be sent to HUD a week later.</p>
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HMIS/Coordinated Entry	<p>CES Workgroup development is underway. Invitations have been sent to CES-participating agencies to designate representatives. The plan is to have the CES Workgroup update policies, review and evaluate the current system and update the prioritization system.</p>
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Covid -19 Emergency Interventions Update	<p>In the last 14 days, there have had 863 new COVID cases, an average of 62 per day which is an approximate increase of 43% from last month. There are 28 persons hospitalized with 6 people on ventilators, and the deaths due to COVID have reached a total of 88. Out of 58 counties in California, Tehama County now has the second highest COVID rate in the State, with only Shasta County to the north having a higher infection rate than Tehama. There are no beds available in our region and all elective surgeries have been cancelled.</p>

The next Executive Council Meeting is scheduled for **October 27, 2021** at 10:00 AM and will be held via Zoom.