



**TEHAMA COUNTY
CONTINUUM of CARE**

Tehama County Continuum of Care
Executive Council Meeting

MINUTES

October 27, 2021 at 10:00 AM
Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jayne Bottke, Tehama County Health Services Agency
 Andrea C. Curry, Empower Tehama, CoC & HMIS Coordinator
 Johnna Jones, Red Bluff City Council
 Gail Locke, Continuum of Care Chairperson
 Tara Loucks-Shepherd, Tehama County Department of Social Services
 Travis Lyon, MHSA Coordinator
 David Madrigal, Tehama County Community Action Agency
 E.C. Ross, Poor and the Homeless Tehama County Coalition
 Jim Southwick, Tehama County Department of Education

Excused:
 Steve Chamblin, Tehama County Board of Supervisors

Notes by: Heather Henderson

<i>Topic</i>	<i>Discussion</i>
<p>Discussion of minutes & agenda from previous Executive Council Meeting</p>	<p>The minutes and agenda from the Executive Council meeting held on August 25, 2021 were made available prior to this meeting for review, as a quorum was not present at the September 22, 2021 meeting to approve them. There were no corrections to the minutes and were accepted as emailed.</p>
<p>Stakeholders' Collaborative Update</p>	<p>Path Plaza is still in talks with Union Pacific on where and how much the easement will cost. A resolution is hoped to be reached soon. Housing Tools will be hosting two or three of our 2022 Stakeholder's meetings to get feedback and input for the Gaps Analysis and Racial Disparity Assessment. They will be highlighting the great progress we've made and outline the next steps we need to take. A list of Stakeholder's names and their contact information are being provided to Housing Tools so they can conduct individual interviews with several stakeholders for additional input. We also saw progress photos of the Olive Grove project that were shared by Debbie Villasenor and then had a presentation on LIFT by Gail Locke.</p>
<p>Capacity Building Andrea C. Curry</p>	<p>HHAP Round 3 – Joint applications between overlapping jurisdictions are being encouraged for this round of HHAP. Andrea submitted the “Standard Agreement to Apply” indicating that the CoC and the County of Tehama will submit joint application was submitted to BCSH on October 1. The next step is to execute an MOU between Empower Tehama and the County. Andrea is waiting for guidance or templates to become available and will draft the MOU. The County and the Executive Council will review the MOU once it's drafted. HHAP funds for both recipients will be combined to support to ongoing local programs and operations at the Navigation Center once it is in service. Applying jointly will reduce the administrative work needed to administer the funds locally and will make us eligible for additional benefits, the first of which is that we can draw down 25% of the allocation initially, while single applicants can only receive 20% of their allocation in advance.</p> <p>ESG Balance of State Program – Only one CoC Recommendation Application was submitted on 10/14/21 and was based on what the Rating & Ranking Committee scored.</p> <p>HUD Continuum of Care Program Application – One Renewal Application was received and sent to the Rating & Ranking Committee. PATH did not submit this year. The CoC Application will be submitted with just this application for 2021 if the Rating & Ranking Committee approves. The 2021 CoC Application response development is currently underway; drafts will be posted 11/9/21.</p>

	<p>Youth Homelessness Services (YHS) Renewal Requests – We have not received a renewal request from Children First. At this time, it is unclear whether they wish to continue operating the Youth Service Hub that the previous YHS funding was supporting. In some of our communication with them it sounds like they aren't interested in renewing their funding. The funds the CoC currently has to provide subgrants has a spending deadline of mid-2026. To make sure that we prioritize that unaccompanied homeless youth are being served, the topic should be included in the Housing Tools assessment. It was suggested that we make it clear if and when we need to release an RFP to recruit a different youth provider that funds for serving homeless youth will continue to be available for at least the next few years to encourage prospective youth providers to plan for multiple years of operation.</p>
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HMIS/Coordinated Entry	<p>Andrea reported that the turnout for the first CES Workgroup session on October 15, 2021 was good. The Executive Council can expect to see the workgroup's suggestions for the modification of CES policy and procedures for their review in December.</p>
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Covid -19 Emergency Interventions Update	<p>Tehama County currently has a 12.9% test positivity rate which is an improvement from September's near 19% positivity rate. On average there are 44.4 new cases per day. Family gatherings will start to be indoors as the weather gets colder and will likely contribute to an increase. We are 3rd highest in the state for unvaccinated persons. Covid vaccines are offered at the Community Center on Wednesdays for Pfizer and Thursdays for Moderna. Additional clinics have been scheduled. There is one at Evergreen Middle School today from 3:30 pm – 6:00 pm and is open to everyone. Public Health has the J&J vaccine available at today's clinic and will also have it at the Gerber Elementary clinic scheduled for November 3rd from 1:30 pm – 5:30 pm. More information is now available on booster doses. Pfizer or Moderna boosters can be given six months after the initial series and those that received the J&J vaccine are eligible for a booster two months after their initial dose. People with underlying conditions or that work in high-risk settings can receive their boosters now. A booster is recommended for all three brands of vaccines and individuals can choose any vaccine for their booster. A person is considered fully vaccinated after a full course of shots which does not include the booster shot. PSAs are coming out this week and in the news for the booster shots. Public Health is working on some testimonials to reach out to certain underrepresented populations that have yet to choose to be vaccinated on how covid touches their lives.</p>
Additional Agenda Items	<p>The start time of this meeting will be changed to 9:30 a.m. going forward and the meetings for November and December will be combined into one to be held on December 8, 2021. All in attendance approved these changes.</p>

The next Executive Council Meeting is scheduled for **December 8, 2021** at 9:30 AM. The meeting will be held via Zoom.