



**TEHAMA COUNTY
CONTINUUM of CARE**

Tehama County Continuum of Care
Executive Council Meeting

MINUTES

January 25, 2017 at 3:00 PM

Held at Tehama County Department of Social Services

IN ATTENDANCE:

Gail Locke, Tehama County Continuum of Care
Valerie Lucero, Tehama County Health Services Agency
Lisa Kassik, Veteran's Rep. , Formerly Homeless Rep.
David Madrigal, Tehama County Community Action Agency
Jennifer Ragsdale, P.A.T.H

Jeanne Spurr, Alternatives to Violence
Sherry Wehbey, Tehama County Department of Social Services
Excused: Allene Dering, Tara Loucks-Shepherd
Notes by: Andrea Curry

<i>Topic</i>	<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Action</i>
Discussion of minutes from previous Executive Council Meetings	Minutes from meetings held November 30, 2016 and December 28, 2016 were made available to committee for review prior to the beginning of this meeting. Review took place regarding the CoC funding items on the past meetings' minutes (details in next topic description).	

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Funding CoC activities	A discussion took place regarding the CoC's need for future funding of CoC planning and coordination activities. Jeanne reviewed the history of the CoC for the group, as many current members of this council were not yet involved with the CoC at that time. She stated that Assumptions and projections made at time of leaving Dos Rios took for granted that there would be funding available from HUD through the CoC Program for new projects from admin funds could be allocated for general CoC activities such as planning and coordination. There have been no funds available for new projects since that time (February 2015), hence there have been no admin funds to be had through the expected process. The CoC has been awarded planning funds through the CoC program competition; approximately \$6,000 in the 2015 competition (although those funds have just now gone into contract) and approximately \$5,500 in the 2016 competition. It is expected that those funds will not be available for several months. Jeanne estimated, based on funds expended between February 2015 and present, that approximately \$11,000 above and beyond the Planning Grant funds will be needed annually to continue CoC coordination. The additional funds for FY2015-16 and FY2016-17 have been provided through a contract with TCDSS, but that funding will no longer be available after September 2017. Val suggested that a presentation be put together to bring to the Board of Supervisors meeting that includes details on what the CoC has accomplished in the time since becoming a CoC as well as clearly defined goals and some education on housing that could clear up some of the confusion that those not involved with the CoC might have. She suggested that the information be provided to the supervisors well in advance of the presentation so that they might have time to develop questions and get a good understanding of the accomplishments and the need for future funding.	

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Approval of minutes from previous Executive Council Meetings	No revisions were requested following the discussion on funding. Val moved to accept the minutes from the November 30 meeting. Lisa seconded. Motion carried. Lisa moved to accept the minutes from the December 28 meeting. Val seconded. Motion carried.	

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PIT Count Recap	The 2015 Point in Time Count, including both sheltered and unsheltered individuals took place on January 24. David reported that it was very muddy out from recent storms, and that many of the usual encampment areas were flooded. It's unknown how many unsheltered individuals might have been missed due to being forced out of their regular locations. Andrea reported that one of the surveyors from PATH had mentioned that his team did not make it too far back into Dog Island Park due to mud and slippery conditions. Gail reported that many surveys were completed at the Lord's Table lunch, and that she and Allene finished up Winter Shelter to catch any individuals that had been missed during the day's count. Andrea reported that Sgt. Lewis at the county jail had offered to have inmates who were homeless upon entering the jail complete surveys. Andrea reported that at least preliminary data from the count could be available by the next meeting.	
General Collaborative Report	Jennifer reported that she will be heading up the effort to start a Case Managers meeting for direct services staff at member organizations as previously discussed, and will report on progress as the meeting gets established. Andrea reported that she is working on a Housing Matrix to be used by Case Managers, initially as hard copy with plans for an online tool in the future.	
Housing Meeting Report	Gail reported that the CoC Housing meeting and the Elder Services Housing meeting have agreed to merge to prevent duplication of work. They will be testing out meeting times to see what works best for all involved. The Public Guardian's office is currently attempting to get information on how the county might retain use of some houses that were originally purchased through CDBG funds. There were originally 4 houses, one is still occupied, the others went to public admin, one was sold and the \$\$ had to go back to the state. Discussion is ongoing at that meeting.	
Project Updates	<p>PATH: Jennifer reported that PATH now has a lease on the former Bondage Breakers house and will be housing up to 6 men in that project. They are working on getting a use permit that will allow them to house up to 12 men there. A partnership with BCBC that allows them to fund housing for some parolees will be helping that project stay solvent. PATH is also still looking for a building to house a permanent emergency shelter.</p> <p>ATV: Andrea reported that on-site transitional housing for victims should be ready in April, contingent on weather permitting PG&E to turn on main power to new structures. Jeanne provided details on ATV's Step Up program in which women being discharged from treatment or jail and motivated to make a change can receive support in shelter through collaboration between ATV shelter staff and relevant agency staff, i.e. probation officers, mental health providers</p> <p>TCHSA: Val provided details on the Healthy Families Tehama Program offered by TCHSA for families with young children. Enrollment must take place during pregnancy or very soon after to be eligible. This program includes nurse home visitation and connection to community resources. This program could provide eligible newly housed families with supports they and their children need to succeed.</p>	
Vets@Home TA Update	Gail reported that she and Andrea took a suggestion to the Public Housing Authority during the Board of Supervisors meeting earlier in January and suggested, during Public Comment, that the PHA consider looking in to a VASH voucher program for veterans in Tehama County. They were interested and would like to get more information and have it put on the agenda at a later meeting.	
Entire Membership Meeting	Discussion took place regarding the goals and objectives of the Entire Membership meeting. Originally, its objective was to perform a gaps analysis of services in the area. Mike Baldwin from CAA was coordinating this part of the planning while Gail, Lisa and Allene were taking care of the logistics. Now that Mike is no longer at CAA, this needs to be re-addressed. It was suggested at the previous Executive Council meeting that the meeting might be a good way to develop a housing plan. More discussion is needed on this topic.	This topic will be added to the agenda for February.

Next Executive Council Meeting scheduled for February 22, 2017 at 9AM Tehama County Department of Social Services.