

Arizona Balance of State  
Veterans Working Group Meeting Notes

February 26, 2020

*Members Present:*

Albert Moreno (NCHP)- phone	Karen Johnson (VA)- phone
Darrell Reynolds (Catholic Charities)- phone	Maribel Najjar (NCHP)- phone
Glorianna Vercruyssen (CRN)- phone	Miguel Villalpando (NCHP)- phone
Hillary Evans (CRN)- phone	Nancy Zatarain (NCHP)- phone
Jason Ducat (VA)- phone	Shane Groen (AHC)- phone
Jason Ramos (VA)- phone	Tianna Cann (NCHP)- phone
Joanna Carr (AHC)- phone	Tim Laskowski (US Vets)
Jocelyn Muzzin (SAVAHCS)- phone	

*Staff & Guests*

Melissa Swain (ADOH)

Everyone was welcomed, and the meeting started at 9:30 a.m. Introductions were performed. The minutes from the January 22, 2020 meeting were motioned for approval by Shane and seconded by Tianna, with unanimous approval.

All Action Items were completed except:

- Jason R. is still waiting to hear from Ryan Louis regarding where the survey process ended and if there were any results.

Updates

- CRN has a new Community Initiatives Coordinator, Hillary Evans; marketing materials for the CE Hotline have been developed and printed and will be distributed in the 4 counties the CE Hotline covers (Graham, Greenlee, Gila, and Santa Cruz Counties)
- US Vets has moved into their new location in Prescott, which includes their new administrative offices and 35 studio apartments
- AHC will be administering flex funds for Diversion activities resulting from the 4-county CE Hotline; AHC is also looking for a Communications Director experienced in graphic design and communications

### **Built for Zero**

Ryan and Jocelyn had a meeting with Melanie Lewis Dickerson regarding what the next steps should be to determine if moving forward with BFZ is feasible. It was suggested that BFZ be focused on the northern counties, since they have a high number of veterans and a CE process that is working well. It was decided to create a smaller sub-working group to identify the next steps, develop a proposal, and to get buy-in from the northern counties before approaching the GAB for approval. The members who volunteered are: Jocelyn, Jason R., Karen, Joanna, Ryan, and Jason D., with possibly two people from the Coconino VA office.

The sub-working group will meet in March, date/time to be determined.

### **Statewide Contact List**

Jocelyn emailed the out-of-date statewide contact list; please send Melissa any updates by March 6<sup>th</sup>.

*Action Item: Melissa will compile submitted updates by the next meeting.*

### **Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

The selecting of a co-chair was tabled until the next meeting, which will be on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Available PIT updates will be provided, if available, at the next meeting.

*Action Item: Shane will reach out to MAG to see what the Maricopa numbers are.*

With no further business, the meeting concluded at 10:05 a.m. on February 26, 2020.

STAKEHOLDERS	2020.01-22	2020.02-26
AZDVS		
AZHC	X	X
Catholic Charities	X	X
CRN	X	X
NCHP	X	X
NAVAHCS	X	
Primavera	X	
SAVAHCS	X	X
US Vets		X
VA	X	X
VRCA	X	

Commonly used acronyms:

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| ADOH= Arizona Department of Housing                   | PIT= Point-in-Time Count   |
| AHC= Arizona Housing Coalition                        | Primavera Foundation   |
| ALIP= Arizona Landlord Incentive Program              | PSH= Permanent Supportive Housing  |
| AZBoSCoC= Arizona Balance of State Continuum of Care  | RFP= Request for Proposals   |
| AZDVS= Arizona Department of Veterans' Services       | ROI= Release of Information  |
| BNL= By-Name List                                     | RRH= Rapid Rehousing   |
| Catholic Charities Community Services                 | SAVAHCS= Southern Arizona VA Health Care System                                |
| CE= Coordinated Entry                                 | SMI= Serious Mental Illness  |
| CoC= Continuum of Care                                | SPDAT= Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool                         |
| CRN= Crisis Response Network                          | SPM= System Performance Measures   |
| CRRC= Community Resource Referral Center              | SSA= Social Security Administration  |
| DV= Domestic Violence                                 | SSDI= Social Security Disability Income  |
| GAB= Governance Advisory Board                        | SSI= Social Security Income  |
| GEO= Geographic                                       | SSVF= Supportive Services for Veterans Families                                |
| GPD= Grant and Per Diem                               | TA= Technical Assistance   |
| HMS= Homeless Management Information System           | TH= Transitional Housing   |
| HUD= U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development | TIP= Transition in Place   |
| JAVC= Jerry Ambrose Veterans Council                  | US Vets= U. S. Veterans Initiative   |
| LCEH= Local Coalition to End Homelessness             | VA= U.S. Department Veterans Affairs   |
| LIHTC= Low Income Housing Tax Credit                  | VASH= Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing                                      |
| MAG= Maricopa Association of Governments              | VISN= Veterans Integrated Service Networks                                     |
| NCHP= National Community Health Partners              | VI-SPDAT= Vulnerability Index- Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool |
| NAVAHCS= Northern Arizona VA Health Care System       | VOCA= Victims of Crime Act   |
| NOFA= Notice of Funding Available                     | VRCA= Veterans Resource Centers of America                                     |
| OVC= O'odham Veterans Celebration                     |  |