



ARIZONA BALANCE OF STATE CONTINUUM OF CARE

VETERANS WORKING GROUP MEETING

1110 WEST WASHINGTON, PHOENIX, Suite 280

September 16, 2020—10:00 am – 12:00 pm

(Rescheduled from August 26, 2020)

TOPIC	TOPICS/OUTCOME
Call to Order/ Introductions	ADOH- Ryan Vernick AHC- Joanna Carr, Shane Groen Catholic Charities- Darrel Reynolds Community Bridges- Rocky Coronado CRN- Hillary Evans JAVC- Casey Farrell, Pat Farrell Nation’s Finest- Nick Wood NAVAHCS- Brandi Sonderegger NCHP- Miguel Villalpando, Tianna Cann SAVAHCS- Jocelyn Muzzin VA- Becca Ligor, Jason Ramos, Megan Studer
Minutes approval from 06/24/2020	A motion was made by Shane to approve the minutes. Miguel seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
Welcome to the New BOS Veterans Committee Chair and Co-chair	Ryan welcomed Jocelyn as the chair and Joanna as the co-chair; voting was unanimous for those who voted.
Agency Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Catholic Charities</u>: recently assisted with the Coconino Stand Down in Williams, Lake Havasu City Stand Down is coming up (10/17/20); hired a new Case Manager • <u>NCHP</u>: there are plans to open an office in the Phoenix area for the SSVF program • <u>AHC</u>: also participated at the Coconino Stand Down; upcoming Stand Downs in addition to Lake Havasu City are Sierra Vista (10/23/20), Prescott (11/12-14/20), Pinal County (11/14/20), and potentially Quartzsite (11/21/20); AHC is pushing for the VA to offer flu shots at all Stand Down events; contact Joanna if there are questions around race equity On the Eviction Prevention Moratoriums: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The National Low Income Housing Coalition has released an FAQ for renters on the new eviction moratorium called “National Eviction Moratorium: FAQ for Renters”. This document is also available in Spanish. https://nlihc.org/sites/default/files/National-Eviction-Moratorium_FAQ-for-Renters.pdf?utm_source=NLIHC+All+Subscribers&utm_campaign=01127abfb9-cta_090420&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_e090383b5e-01127abfb9-291742481&ct=t(cta_090420) ○ NLIHC has also released sample declarative statements that renters can provide to their landlords, available in English, Spanish, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Tagalog, Vietnamese, and Arabic.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CLS Eviction moratorium resources at https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1HgiMZ5_NvfEA2wS2U6quNwJ1287dK2zx ○ Moratorium declaration generator for tenants: https://community.lawyer/cl/kyequaljustice/cdc-eviction-declaration ○ List of known rental assistance programs statewide: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1nl6IpMBiDOZ2DWNXzNW9Z-ryKkFa2qAvYH337h3_1qs/edit ○ The coalition has compiled the Arizona CARES Act Allocations for Housing & Homelessness resource; a document that tracks the dollar amount and specific allocations to municipalities in Arizona: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1col5D6FT-8n_pV7HTWMWCJfwf8lqDAj1jWHK0if7yCs/edit#gid=1873795459 ● <u>NAVAHCS</u>: awarded additional GPD beds and are expanding into Kingman; Prescott will have a Service Center added ● <u>Nations Finest</u>: SSVF providers can help veterans with financial assistance- a lot of the rules that restricted things have been lessened due to the COVID-19 crisis
Local Workgroup Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>SAVAHCS</u>: Pinal County- had to reschedule; Cochise County- nothing has been scheduled yet ● <u>JAVC</u>: Mohave County- have partnered with VFW to take over the Bullhead City Stand Down; working on other organizations to take a more active role <p>Volunteers still needed for Coconino, Apache/Navajo, Gila, and Yuma Counties</p>
By Name List Discussion-USICH Criteria and Benchmarks	<p>One of the main challenges is that not all Veteran assistance organizations are inputting into HMIS</p> <p>Another challenge is not all HUD-defined veterans are eligible for assistance, and are therefore in a gray area where they are not on either the veteran list or the non-veteran list</p>

Action Item: Jocelyn, Joanna, and Ryan will develop a draft Purpose/Mission Statement for the group at their next pre-meeting conference

Topics for Next Meeting (10/28/20):

- Decide on Data Points to focus on to help with improving accuracy
- BNL quality and coming up with a list of ways to improve the quality and different things to look at to keep the quality high
- Jocelyn will continue to bring the BNL numbers so can get a broad picture if the numbers are generally accurate
- Eligibility of Funding Sources

	2020.01-22	2020.02-26	2020.04.29	2020.06-24	2020.09-16 <small>(rescheduled from 08/26/20)</small>
AZDVS			X	X	
AZHC	X	X	X	X	X
Catholic Charities	X	X	X	X	X
Community Bridges			X	X	X
CRN	X	X	X		X
JAVC	N/A	N/A	N/A	X	X
NCHP	X	X	X	X	X
NAVAHCS	X	X	X	X	X
Primavera	X				
SAVAHCS	X	X	X	X	X
US Vets		X	X		
VA	X	X	X	X	X
VRCA/America's Finest	X		X		X

Commonly used acronyms:

ADOH= Arizona Department of Housing
 AHC= Arizona Housing Coalition
 ALIP= Arizona Landlord Incentive Program
 AZBoSCoC= Arizona Balance of State Continuum of Care
 AZDVS= Arizona Department of Veterans' Services
 BFZ= Built For Zero
 BNL= By-Name List
 Catholic Charities Community Services
 CE= Coordinated Entry
 CoC= Continuum of Care
 CRN= Crisis Response Network
 CRRC= Community Resource Referral Center
 DV= Domestic Violence
 GAB= Governance Advisory Board
 GEO= Geographic
 GPD= Grant and Per Diem
 HMIS= Homeless Management Information System
 HUD= U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

JAVC= Jerry Ambrose Veterans Council
 LCEH= Local Coalition to End Homelessness
 LIHTC= Low Income Housing Tax Credit
 MAG= Maricopa Association of Governments
 MFRF= Military Family Relief Fund
 NCHP= National Community Health Partners
 NAVAHCS= Northern Arizona VA Health Care System
 NOFA= Notice of Funding Available
 OVC= O'odham Veterans Celebration
 PHA= Public Housing Authority
 PIT= Point-in-Time Count
 Primavera Foundation
 PSH= Permanent Supportive Housing
 RFP= Request for Proposals
 ROI= Release of Information
 RRH= Rapid Rehousing
 SAVAHCS= Southern Arizona VA Health Care System
 SMI= Serious Mental Illness

SPDAT= Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool
 SPM= System Performance Measures
 SSA= Social Security Administration
 SSDI= Social Security Disability Income
 SSI= Social Security Income
 SSVF= Supportive Services for Veterans Families
 TA= Technical Assistance
 TH= Transitional Housing
 TIP= Transition in Place
 US Vets= U. S. Veterans Initiative
 VA= U.S. Department Veterans Affairs
 VASH= Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing
 VBC= Veteran Benefits Counseling
 VFW= Veterans of Foreign Wars
 VISN= Veterans Integrated Service Networks
 VI-SPDAT= Vulnerability Index- Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool
 VOCA= Victims of Crime Act
 VRCA= Veterans Resource Centers of America