



ARIZONA BALANCE OF STATE CONTINUUM OF CARE

VETERANS WORKING GROUP MEETING

1110 WEST WASHINGTON, PHOENIX, Suite 280

11/05/2024—10:30 am – 12:00 am

TOPIC	TOPICS/OUTCOME	
Call to Order Introductions/Ice Breaker	ADOH- Cristina Benitez AHC- George Campbell AZDVS- Nisha Dorsey Catholic Charities- Autumn Miller Community Bridges- <i>absent</i> Fishermen for Veterans- Marty Jarvey Gila County- Hannah Lynch, Carmen Miranda HOHP- <i>absent</i> JAVC- Pat Farrell, Heather Young	Nation’s Finest- Raymond White NAVAHCS- <i>absent</i> NCHP- Miguel Villalpando, LeRaya Wilson Phoenix VA- Michael Leon Primavera Foundation- Josefina Torres RCFBH- Jessica Martin, Jorge Herrera SAVAHCS- Jocelyn Muzzin Solari- Curtis Hahn, Michael Sheriff US Vets- Justin Price
Action Items from Last meeting	Not discussed	
Minutes approval	Motion to approve June meeting minutes made by Pat Farrell; seconded by Hannah Lynch; motion passed with no abstentions or nays	
Tableau Dashboard Review HMIS GPD updates	System Flow Dashboard: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pulls data directly from by-name list monthly • Features: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shows active homeless veterans ○ Tracks inflow/outflow trends ○ Can be filtered by county and population ○ Shows data reliability metrics ○ Updated monthly (15th-20th) • Key Observations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Historical trend shows gradual increase since 2019 ○ Inflow consistently higher than outflow ○ Dashboard can track returns from housing and inactive status Veterans Dashboard Updates Needed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Corrections Required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HUD-VASH needs to be moved from non-veteran to veteran-specific programs ○ GPD bed counts need updating: ○ US Vets actual capacity: 90 beds ○ Current dashboard numbers incorrect • Data Entry Challenges: 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cost prohibitive to import HOMES data into HMIS ○ Working on alternative solutions with PHAs ○ Only Mohave VA currently entering VASH data in HMIS <p>JAVC's program transitioning from GPD to low-demand safe haven</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Current capacity: 30 beds ● Will increase to 40 beds by May 2024 ● Average length of stay: 90 days <p>US Vets GPD Programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Total capacity: 90 beds ● Multiple programs operating ● HMIS administrator to submit updated numbers
41k Initiative	<p>National Goal: 41,000 veterans housed; exceeded goal by 19%</p> <p>Northern Arizona: Exceeded goal (housed over 45 veterans)</p> <p>Strong SSVF rapid rehousing performance</p> <p>Southern Arizona: 98.7% of goal achieved</p> <p>Challenges included PHA voucher shortfall</p> <p>SSVF provider service interruption in final month</p>
SSVF updates	<p>NCHP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yuma office fully staffed ● Shallow subsidy capacity available ● New fiscal year funding available <p>Primavera:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New co-director: Josefina Torres ● New resource specialist hired ● Increased referrals after moving to Warrior Healing Center ● Exploring shallow subsidy due to voucher limitations <p>Nations Finest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Confirmed coverage of Gila County ● Will provide contact for local LCEH coordination
ADOH Updates	<p>NOFO Submission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Multiple renewal applications ● 3 bonus projects for permanent supportive housing ● Located in Yuma, Mohave, and Yavapai ● 2 DV rapid rehousing bonus projects ● For Coconino County and Prescott

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	<p>Key Focus Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthcare partnerships • Domestic violence services • Native American population needs • ACCESS/Medicaid integration <p>New Initiatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic Charities onboarding in Flagstaff • H2 Healthcare initiative implementation • Working on supportive services expansion
Agency Updates	<p>Regional Center for Border Health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new veteran resource center opened in La Paz County • Services: computers, meeting rooms, job search assistance • Available for agency use by reservation • Tiny Homes Program launched: • 8 units available • 6-month substance abuse treatment program • Serves Yuma, La Paz, and Mohave Counties • Upcoming Stand Downs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 15th: Bullhead City ○ March 16th: Parker ○ May 2nd: Kingman ○ January 25th: Wickenburg (non-AVSA)
Action Items:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Submit HMIS ticket for GPD bed count updates 2. Add new dashboard link to future agendas 3. Follow up with PHAs regarding HUD-VASH data entry 4. Review HMIS numbers for long-term shelter residents 5. Email HMIS numbers to Pat and Justin for verification
Next Meeting	January 2 nd , 2025, 10:30a-12:00p; starting in March the regular schedule will resume every 3 rd Thursday
Important Links	<p>Tableau Dashboard</p> <p>BOS Veteran Dashboard Tableau Public</p> <p>Meeting Minutes and Agendas: https://housing.az.gov/documents-links/forms/special-needs-continuum</p>

The mission of the BOS Veteran's Workgroup is to provide guidance and leadership in ending veteran homelessness in the Arizona Balance of State. We encourage participation and collaboration of individuals and groups across the Balance of state that are working to end Veteran homelessness.

The purpose of our workgroup is to focus community planning, data analysis, strengthening stakeholder partnerships, and policy/project development. The BOS Veteran's Workgroup is dedicated to coordinating statewide efforts to enhance veteran housing resources and to assist veteran provider agencies in networking all available veteran programs and Services.