



ARIZONA BALANCE OF STATE CONTINUUM OF CARE
AZBOSCOC Governance Advisory Board

November 24, 2020, 9:00 am -11:00 am

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<p>Approval of the Minutes from the 10/27/2020 meeting</p>	<p>Terrance moved to approve the minutes of 10/27/20, Maria-Elena seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.</p>																
<p>Discussion Items to be added from Members</p>	<p>Update on GAB meeting dates—due to last-minute changes the already scheduled upcoming GAB meetings will need to be switched from the 3rd Thursday to the 2nd Thursday for the next 6 months; an updated calendar invitation will be sent.</p> <p>There were no additions to the agenda.</p>																
<p>ADOH updates</p>	<p>Ryan provided updates as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kinari Patel, the ADOH Special Needs Administrator, resigned November 2nd. The position is posted and interviews are taking place. • The annual Sub-recipient meeting is scheduled for December 9th. • ADOH held a public hearing on 11/19/20 to discuss the CARES Act which was well attended. Arizona received ESG and CDBG. ESG Round 2 allocations will be encumbered by the 1st of the year. 50% of this round –about \$8 million will go to RRH. Betsy indicated with the rise in cases—shelter is still critical. As a result, priorities may shift to meet the need. • The three CoCs (Maricopa County/Pima County/AZBOSCOC), DES, AHCCCS, and the HUD TA provider are having discussions related to data collection, data storage, and using data to drive policy decisions. DES was tasked to provide a series of metrics to the Governor’s Office around the CARES funding. There was a need to consolidate data from the CoCs- it presented an opportunity to look at this in terms of a statewide database. CRN is looking at Robert Wood Johnson Foundation funds to develop a long-term statewide approach for funds. Letters of 																

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	<p>support are needed from the CoCs and the state agencies. The plan is to do a joint letter from ADOH and the AZBOSCOC. The Housing Coalition has agreed to be the applicant for the grant.</p> <p>Denise asked about the purpose of the grant. Ryan indicated that the purpose is to broaden cross sector approaches. Betsy indicated that it is difficult to get a statewide picture –the data warehouse that would be developed would provide a statewide perspective. The deadline for the application is December 16th.</p>
NOFA update	<p>Ryan indicated that there is no definitive information about the NOFA—it seems it will be either a substantially scaled back NOFA or a normal NOFA. It is anticipated that additional information will be available the 1st week in December.</p>
PIT Count Guidance from HUD	<p>Ryan reviewed the guidance from HUD.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camie asked if the guidance will apply to the entire BOS as a whole, or can the individual communities pick and choose what suits their population the best. • Terrance feels that the guidance should be uniform across all of the LCEHs. Jessi agreed. <p>After a lengthy discussion, ideas are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terrance suggested doing an exception request. • Ross suggested doing a complete count. Joanna agreed. • Candee suggested taking multiple approaches by doing observational counts and basic surveying of natural gathering places. Data from HMIS/BNL can be used as well. • Ryan indicated that Ruby Dhillon-Williams, the ADOH Assistant Deputy Director- Programs had indicated that the Arizona Governor’s Office might impose additional expectations. • Camie suggested that we wait until we get further guidance to make decisions. • Terrance suggested observation only if we have to do something. • Jessi indicated that no one should be put at risk. • Ricardo suggested we do some minimal planning and suggest only put one person in a car. • Ryan summarized that safety is and will be the number one priority in conducting the count both for individuals experiencing homelessness and staff.
COVID 19 Survey Results	<p>The discussion was tabled and will review when convenient.</p>
Update on Planning Grant Activities and Expenditure-Discussion of Work Group	<p>Ryan gave a brief outline of how he sees the planning grant process proceeding in the next year- we would like payment based on deliverables rather than time/travel. Ryan asked for volunteers for a 2021 CoC Planning workgroup</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camie and Cristina volunteered to be part of the workgroup. Invitations will be sent out
GAB Workgroup on Social Justice and Racial Equity-Update	<p>Ryan will be sending out to the LCEH Leads the Social Justice/Racial Equity work plan, with the first benchmark/deliverable due in March.</p> <p>Workgroup Members Support to LCEHs:</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Denise- Apache/Navajo, Coconino, Mohave• Joanna- Cochise, La Paz, Yavapai• Maria-Elena- Gila, Pinal, Yuma
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Action Item: Ryan and Candee will put together an outline of the methodology that was discussed today for the PIT, for planning and for training prior to the actual count.

Action Item: Ryan/Candee will send out individual county COVID-19 reports in the next few weeks.

	01/14/2020	04/21-23/20	06/18/20	09/29/20	10/27/20	11/24/20
Adriane Clarke (<i>City of Surprise</i>)	X	Canceled	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Betsy Long (<i>DES</i>)	X		X	X		X
Denise Cox (<i>Health Choice</i>)	X		X	X	X	X
Camie Rasband (<i>Catholic Charities</i>)	X		X		X	X
Carole Benedict (<i>US Vets</i>)	X		X	N/A	N/A	N/A
Cristina Benitez (<i>AZCH</i>)	X		X	X	X	X
Jessi Hans (<i>CCJ</i>)	X		X	X	X	X
Joanna Carr (<i>AHC</i>)	N/A		N/A	X	X	X
Karia Basta (<i>ADOH</i>)	X		X	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kinari Patel or Ryan Vernick (<i>ADOH</i>)	N/A		N/A	X	X	X
Maria-Elena Ochoa (<i>Against Abuse</i>)	N/A		N/A	X	X	X
Nay Covington (<i>Mohave County</i>)	X		X	X	X	X
Ricardo Fernando (<i>DHS</i>)	X		X	X	X	X
Ross Altenbaugh (<i>Flagstaff Shelter Services</i>)	X		X	X	X	X
Silvia Chavez (<i>AZDE</i>)			X	X	X	
Terrance Watkins (<i>Community Partners</i>)	X	X	X	X	X	

Commonly used acronyms:

Achieve= ACHIEVE Human Services, Inc.
 ADOH= Arizona Department of Housing
 AHC= Arizona Housing Coalition
 AHCCCS= Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System
 AZBOSCO= Arizona Balance of State Continuum of Care
 AZCH= Arizona Complete Health
 AZDE= Arizona Department of Education
 AZDHS= Arizona Department of Health Services
 BNL= By-Name List
 BFZ= Built for Zero
 BOS= Balance of State
 CAHRA= Community Action Human Resources Agency
 CCCS= Catholic Charities Community Services
 CCJ= Coalition for Compassion and Justice
 CE= Coordinated Entry
 CRN= Crises Response Network (HMIS Managers)
 DES= Arizona Department of Economic Security
 DV= Domestic Violence

ESG= Emergency Solutions Grant
 GAB= Governance Advisory Board
 HMIS= Homeless Management Information System
 HUD= U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
 JAVC= Jerry Ambrose Veterans Council
 NAVAHCS= Northern Arizona VA Health Care System
 NOFA= Notice of Funding Available from HUD
 OAT= Online Application Tracking (part of SOAR)
 OCCAC= Old Concho Community Assistance Center
 PIT= Point-in-Time Count
 Primavera Foundation
 PSH= Permanent Supportive Housing
 RBHA= Regional Behavioral Health Authority
 RFI= Request for Information
 RFP= Request for Proposal
 ROI= Release of Information
 RRH= Rapid Rehousing
 SAMHSA= Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services

SAVAHCS= Southern Arizona VA Health Care System
 SOAR= SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery
 SOW= Scope of Work
 SSVF= Supportive Services for Veterans Families
 SPM= System Performance Measures
 TA= Technical Assistance
 UFA= Unified Funding Agency
 US Vets= U. S. Veterans Initiative
 VA= U.S. Department Veterans Affairs
 VAWA= The Violence Against Women Act of 1994
 VI-SPDAT= Vulnerability Index- Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool
 VOCA= Victims of Crime Act
 WACOG= Western Arizona Council of Governments