



AZ Balance of State Continuum of Care

Local Coalitions to End Homelessness (LCEH), Quarterly Meeting

The focus of this meeting is how LCEHs are ending homelessness in their community. Discussion is focused on system process not individual agency functioning.

January 31, 2023, 10:00am -11:30pm, Virtual

Agenda Item	Notes
<p>Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>MEMBERSHIP</p> <p><i>Apache/Navajo County</i> Marilyn Johnson (OCCAC), Allison Hephner (CPMSAZ), Tia Evans (ReCenter)</p> <p><i>Cochise County</i> Terrance Watkins, Helen Sanchez and Cynthia Ortiz (CPIH/CPSA)</p> <p><i>Coconino County</i> Camie Rasband (CCCS), Ross Schaefer (FSS)</p> <p><i>Gila County</i> Allison Torres (Gila County), Charles Proudfoot</p> <p><i>Graham/Greenlee Counties- IN PROCESS</i></p> <p><i>La Paz County</i> Evelyn Ruiz (RCBH)</p> <p><i>Mohave County</i> Nay Rush, Kelly Williams (Mohave County)</p> <p><i>Pinal County</i> Staci Parisi (Pinal County)</p> <p><i>Santa Cruz County</i> Terrance Watkins (CPSA), Yara Castro (Mariposa)</p> <p><i>Yavapai County</i> Anthony Cruz (CCCS)</p>

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	<p>Yuma County Lucia Wilson (Achieve), Mia Armenta (WACOG), Donna Montgomery (CBI)</p> <p>David Bridge, Cristina Benitez (ADOH)</p> <p>OTHER NON-VOTING ATTENDEES/GUESTS Jowan Thornton (DES) Joselyn Wilkinson (AHC) Stephanie Crum (Solari) Connie Howell, Shannon Haines (ADOH) Candee Stanton - Independent Contractor</p>
Approve minutes for 11.2.2022	Cristina asked if there were any changes. Allison made a motion to approve the minutes. Camie seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.
System Performance Measures Review	<p>David made a presentation about the System Performance Measures and using them effectively in planning and implementing strategies. He indicated that the LCEH planning applications included 10 to 15 additional navigators/case managers.</p> <p>Slides will be shared with everyone.</p> <p>David suggested looking at the Balance of State –Ohio related to how one CoC provides access to system performance measures information. https://cohho.org/boscoc/</p>
2023 LCEH Planning Contract update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timing for Advances • Contract Execution • Quarterly Report 	Cristina indicated that there will be two contracts related to the Lead Agency activities--a planning contract and a capacity development grant. Request for Payment (RFP) due date may be extended until the 25 th . Contracts will be retroactive to January 1 st . Meetings will be scheduled with LCEH Lead Agency to finalize the contracts if that meeting hasn't yet occurred. LCEHs will have the option to request payment on a monthly or quarterly basis.
Point In Time Count Debrief	<p>Gila indicated that they were able to count at additional places where they hadn't met before.</p> <p>Yavapai—had some challenges with weather—with many individuals being housed that night.</p> <p>Coconino—had great volunteers—challenges to get to individuals because of the weather.</p> <p>CPIH/CPSA provided support with several counties in the southeast part of the state.</p> <p>Terrance indicated that the count in Graham was coordinated with the cities, sheriff, and others—They will be working with Graham/Greenlee to establish the LCEH.</p> <p>Yara indicated that weather was okay in Santa Cruz. Count went well.</p> <p>Pinal County—counted throughout the time period. Several volunteers were involved.</p> <p>Allison indicated—that some individuals did get sheltered. Partnered with Hope Inc. to help with the count.</p> <p>Some of the counties had challenges with law enforcement sweeps of campgrounds and full closure of camping areas.</p>

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Funding Opportunities	<p>David indicated in talking with agencies around the state, several indicated that they would like information about funding opportunities. Jocelyn from the AZ Housing Coalition indicated that \$1.8 million—for bridging or temporary housing will be available in the next few weeks.</p> <p>https://www.azhousingcoalition.org/fundingopportunities.html</p> <p>David asked if the Coalition was looking to fund on big proposal or multiple proposals—decisions are still being made related to the \$1.8 million. The goal is to reach 200 families. No limitations on what type of organization can apply.</p> <p>Someone from DES will present at the next meeting for ESG Request for Proposal that will be coming out. Funding can be used to expand shelter in some communities that do not have shelter.</p>
2022 and 2023 NOFO Status Update	There is no update on the 2022 NOFO awards. The process has started for the 2023 NOFO registration.
LCEH Committee Representation on the Governance Advisory Board Discussion.	<p>David indicated that recruitment is taking place for the Governance Advisory Board. The application was sent out to the LCEH Leads. Applications are due February 11th.</p> <p>David also indicated that the Governance Advisory Board is in the process of reviewing membership composition. Staci asked how often does the Governance Advisory Board meet. Candee indicated it will probably be once a month. The meetings are virtual and usually are 1.5 hours.</p> <p>Charles indicated that he knows everyone is busy operating the LCEH. Camie indicated that there are many Board members that fill both roles. Candee indicated that a Governance Advisory Board agenda item can be put on the LCEH agendas going forward to formalize a communication process. There was general agreement to try that and revisit a LCEH specific representative if needed.</p>
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<p>Arizona Department of Housing Contact Information 1-Cristina Benitez Continuum of Care Coordinator Cristina.Benitez@azhousing.gov 602-771-1017</p> <p>2-David Bridge Special Needs Program Administrator David.Bridge@azhousing.gov (602) 309-6542</p> <p>3-Ruby Dhillon-Williams, J.D. Deputy Director ruby.dhillon@azhousing.gov 602-771-1010</p>	<p>Resources for Funding and information—many of them have list-serves so you will be updated on information:</p> <p>USICH resource tool for funding for Social and other related Services https://www.usich.gov/tools-for-action/federal-health-and-social-service-programs-that-support-people-experiencing-homelessness/</p> <p>AZ Housing Fund (Different from the Arizona Department of Housing Trust Fund) https://arizonahousingfund.org/</p> <p>National Alliance to End Homelessness https://endhomelessness.org/</p> <p>Funds available through Home-American Rescue Plan Program https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/home-arp</p> <p>All things HUD</p>
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<p>Link to ADOH Bulletin List Serve https://visitor.r20.constantcontact.com/manage/optin?v=001jarSHX2McaSRycGIQd2zdIkxkSWYEQC-MuzYbNIJBZGWeXqaUpUTOPciYTxRW_hI0MACBdDhOjfZuyjAeuNAu300I63kKkqAwNuJ9moVyXg10ivkFNKnG-4Zry2dA34qGqhDyXB26kVzRfREQ2MnZlDiLBNYUBlxMCNuqmUWdG-Ujg-KZQavPaZhbSziPBoCdh4zrG9EGas%3D</p> <p>ADOH website: https://housing.az.gov/documents-links/forms/special-needs-continuum Special Needs-Continuum -What you will find are updates regarding NOFO BOS COC Policies/guidelines/initiatives/Governance Charter, BOSCO annual meetings note; Coordinated Entry Committee; Governance Advisory Board agenda's/notes; HMIS committee/</p> <p>System Performance Measure Link https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/hmisaz/viz/BOS-SystemPerformanceMeasures/CountyComparison https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/hmisaz</p>	<p>https://www.hudexchange.info/</p> <p>United States Interagency Council on Homelessness https://endhomelessness.org/ending-homelessness/policy/united-states-interagency-council-homelessness/</p> <p>Housing Assistance Council—focus on rural areas https://ruralhome.org/</p> <p>Local First Arizona –Rural Development https://localfirstaz.com/rural-development</p>
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COALITION	2023.01-31			
Apache	X			
Navajo	X			
Cochise	X			
Coconino	X			
Gila	X			
Graham	IN PROCESS			
Greenlee	IN PROCESS			
La Paz	X			
Mohave	X			
Pinal	X			
Santa Cruz	X			
Yavapai	X			
Yuma	X			