

**COMMISSION TO END HOMELESSNESS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

Friday, February 26, 2016 9:00 – 10:30 am

**United Way
18012 Mitchell South
Irvine, CA 92614**

Board Member Names and Appointing Bodies

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| Scott Larson, H&CD Commission | Chair of Executive Committee |
| Tom Burnham, Orange County Business Council | Vice-Chair of Executive Committee |
| Larry Haynes, HomeAid Orange County | Chair of Implementing Group #1 |
| Vacant | Chair of Implementing Group #2 |
| Dave Kiff, OC City Managers Association | Chair of Implementing Group #3 |
| Kim Goll, OC Funders Roundtable | Chair of Implementing Group #4 |

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: Scott Larson, Chair

Chair Larson called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Mr. Larson thanked everyone for attending, and for their flexibility in coming to the United Way building for this meeting.

ROLL CALL: Julia Bidwell

Present: Kim Goll, Larry Haynes, Dave Kiff and Scott Larson
Excused absence: Tom Burnham

CONSENT CALENDAR:

All matters are approved by one motion unless pulled by a Commissioner for discussion or separate action. At this time, any member of the public may ask the Commission to be heard on the following items on the Consent Calendar:

None

DISCUSSION CALENDAR:

- 1. Continuum of Care Ad Hoc Committee Update – Scott Larson/Kim Goll/Sister Regina Fox/Juanita Preciado**
 - 2016 Continuum of Care (CoC) Application:** Julia Bidwell filled in for Juanita Preciado with Scott Larson and Kim Goll supplementing. The exact date the 2016 application is not available yet. All upfront planning work is currently being done by the County in preparation for HUD to release the application.
 - CoC Ad Hoc Committee – March – 2016 CoC Meeting:** A special meeting will be held March 3, 2016, 9:30 to 11:00 a.m., Covenant Presbyterian Church, 1855 N. Orange Olive Road, Orange, CA. 92865. This will be a SWAP TOOL focused meeting (HUD's performance measures). Discussions will include the 2016 proposed process, requests for input from agencies and the public. Letter of Intent is estimated to be released in April.
 - Discuss Nomination/Appointment of additional CoC Ad Hoc Committee Members:** The CoC Ad Hoc Committee members/make up will be discussed at the March 3rd CoC Ad Hoc Committee meeting.
 - State Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Allocation to County:** The County is submitting to be the Administrative Entity for State ESG Grant funds, \$1.5 million this year.
- 2. Coordinated Entry System Update – Karen Williams/Juanita Preciado**

Karen Williams from 211OC shared a handout with the Executive Committee and meeting attendees listing Coordinated Entry statistics from August 2015 to February 22, 2016. The table outlines the breakdown of people assessed for housing since the beginning of the process. Karen highlighted the fact that we are at a point of being out of permanent supportive housing. It has been suggested that a steering committee be appointed. Interested parties are directed to contact Kristin Jefferson from 211OC at kjefferson@211oc.org.

3. Establishment of Veterans Subcommittee – Scott Larson/Juanita Preciado

Julia Bidwell reported for Juanita Preciado, to start the conversation about establishing a veteran's subcommittee. The concept was discussed in detail by the committee members. Some issues include, potential "fragmenting" of efforts, and should another entity such as a non-profit in the community spearhead this effort. Staff will provide a presentation at the next Commission meeting.

4. Implementing Group Items

- A. Vacant, Implementing Group #2 (Improve Emergency Shelter/Transitional Housing). Year Round Emergency Shelter Update – Karen Roper/Scott Larson
 - A. North County
 - i. **RFP Ad Hoc – Julia Bidwell is in the process of reviewing the RFP with various stakeholders in the community, and will bring it back to the Ad Hoc Committee.**
 - B. South County Roundtable
The next meeting is April 4, 2016 with the 5th District Chairwoman Supervisor Bartlett. Prop 47 and the impacts of Prop. 47 will be part of the discussion.
 - C. Temporary Emergency Shelter for El Nino/Other Emergencies
The Board of Supervisors signed the lease on the OCTA Bus Terminal Shelter in Santa Ana. Larry Haynes took a moment to address the public in support of the County of Orange and their extraordinary efforts.
 - i. RFP Update
 - ii. SATT Activations
 - D. Armory Program
The Armory Program will close March 25th based on funding; with additional funds the Armory Program could stay open through April 15, 2016.
- B. Tom Burnham, Advocacy/PR/ Fund Development Sub-Committee - Tom Burnham/Karen Roper
 - A. 2016 Action Plan
 - B. Next Steps

No Report

- C. Larry Haynes, Implementing Group #1 (Outreach to Homeless/At-Risk of Homelessness)
 - A. Prevention: **A prevention meeting is held quarterly.**
 - B. Outreach: **A meeting is being held March 22, 2016 to discuss outreach.**
- D. Kim Goll, Implementing Group #4 (Data/Social Policy/Systemic Change)
 - A. Update on HMIS Data Quality and Reporting:
Kim Goll thanked 211OC for providing historical data for the meeting that was held yesterday. The "Threshold" data is being finalized, and will be used as a performance indicator.
- E. Dave Kiff, Implementing Group #3 (Permanent Housing/Resources to Remain Housed):
The first meeting was held one week ago with 22 meeting participants. The main Items for action plan: Resources to remain housed/funding for non-casework, more sites/units, and regional advocacy.

5. United Way/UCI Homeless Cost Study- Scott Larson/Karen Roper

Brenyale from United Way gave an update. United Way and Jamboree Housing are working together to do a homeless cost study for Orange County in conjunction with UC Irvine. An advisory committee has been formed. A representative from UCI announced formally to the Executive Committee and those in attendance, that UCI has commissioned a cost study for Orange County in support of their commitment to end homelessness. The proposed timeframe is one year for completion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

At this time, members of the public may address the Executive Committee regarding any off-agenda items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Executive Committee provided that NO action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Comments shall be limited to three minutes per person and twenty minutes for all comments, unless different time limits are set by the Chairman subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

Kathy Tillotson, Build Futures: In the past, there was an employment implementation group, now there is none. Having employment is critical to obtaining and maintaining housing. She referenced the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act – National (2015-2020) and skills training. Suggested leveraging federal funding, use of Chamber of Commerce.

LaShawn Hye: In reference to the earlier discussion regarding getting the veteran group going, VOALA was suggested, or a faith-based group in the community. To address the concern of “fragmenting” Mr. Hye expressed his view that “specialization” is a good thing, rather than one agency trying to cover all of the areas of homelessness.

Donna Lyn R.N.: The Santa Ana Transit Terminal was opened for the rain, but only 10 people were there because nobody knew about it. 211 needs broader and more information. Regarding UCI funding being a long process, everything is a long process. We need Kraemer open. Everything else closes at night.

Beth Schremp: Loves the homeless and is often helping the homeless in Fullerton, Garden Grove and Santa Ana. They need a restroom today. A meeting is being held Sunday at the Fourth Street Market and 50 people are expected. The Kraemer building should be opened now. Need more restrooms in Santa Ana, Garden Grove and Fullerton.

Curtis Gamble (Video/Handout): Mr. Gamble showed a video for Mary’s Kitchen, a homeless shelter in Santa Ana. He also distributed a handout which was a schedule of meetings, food servings, shelters and bus routes in the community.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Larry Haynes: In response to the Santa Ana Transit Terminal comments, there was outreach. The issue was pets, tents, etc., and 148 people were counted the second night due to outreach and allowing people to bring pets.

ADJOURNED:

Meeting adjourned at 10:05am.

NEXT MEETING:

April 22, 2016
OC Community Services
1300 S. Grand Avenue, Building B
Conference Rooms A/B/C, 2nd floor
Santa Ana, CA 92705

Further Commission Information: www.ocpartnership.net