

# Commission to End Homelessness Implementation Group #4

December 17, 2014  
10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**The Village @ 17<sup>th</sup> Street  
1505 E. 17<sup>th</sup> St., Ste. 100  
Santa Ana, CA 92705**

## Agenda

**Jennifer Lee-Anderson, Interim Implementation Group Chairperson**

### **I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Called to order at 10:01am By Jennifer Lee-Anderson.

Present: Jennifer Lee-Anderson, Juanita Preciado (OC/OCCS), Diana Ruzendaal (Illumination Foundation), Kristine Ritter (American Family Housing), Timothy Huynh (Mercy House), Kathy Tillotson (Build Futures), Deby Wolford (Colette's Children's Home), Toia Sandoval (Families Forward), Alisha Swanson (211OC), Zulima Pelayo (211OC)

### **II. CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. Approve September 10, 2014 Implementation Group #4 Minutes

- i. Minutes approved with deletion of the last sentence in IV. Public Comments, item 5 which read "Orange County awarded \$300,000."

### **III. DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

A. Kim Goll confirmed as new IG#4 Chairperson

- i. Officially approved after several months of not having quorum as the new chair of IG4 and will be present at February meeting. Jennifer Lee-Anderson likely to serve as co-chair. Kim Goll will be focusing primary on the data systems, which covers Goals 7, 8, and 9.
- ii. Note change of meeting dates for 2015.

B. Reports

- i. CSUF Homeless Issues Advisory Board updates – Dr. Ellen Lee
  - a. Jennifer Lee-Anderson provided update as Dr. Ellen Lee was not present. Jennifer Lee-Anderson will be presenting the results of the cost analysis that the advisory board that Dr. Ellen Lee oversees will be presenting at the next full Commission meeting on Friday, January 30th.
- ii. Point-In-Time Count updates – Alisha Swanson
  - a. Currently completing the mapping process. Volunteers and employees are walking the maps to ensure we are still encountering hot spots and it is safe. 2-1-1 Orange County is still recruiting volunteers. Encouraging non-for-profit agencies to and their staff to participate and volunteer. For more information on how to volunteer visit [www.pointintimeoc.org](http://www.pointintimeoc.org).
- iii. 2-1-1/OCP Updates – Alisha Swanson

- a. Amber Killinger who oversees Data and Technology will be submitting the Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) will on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
- iv. Other Continuum of Care updates – Juanita Preciado
  - a. 2014 CoC Application was submitted on October to HUD.
  - b. State ESG is open. Eleven agencies who submitted interest in applying. They are to submit package by deadline of December 19<sup>th</sup> to 2-1-1 Orange County.
  - c. CA/CI recommendations to be announced December 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - d. More pressure from the state to participate in Veterans Programs in the county. There are several grantees in the county, the primary being VOALA to end homelessness veterans. The Veteran’s Affairs goal is to end homelessness in veteran populations by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. HUD and VA have a lot of coordination happening and asking VA providers to participate in CA/CI. Requirements to receive VA benefits and support have relaxed.

#### **IV. PUBLIC/MEMBER COMMENTS**

1. Jennifer Lee-Anderson: What would you like to see IG4 focus on? Please reference attachment on summary of goals.
  - a. Kathy Tillotson: Localization of dealing with homelessness. Create a system in which HMIS data and data from the community can be differentiated and aggregated. Concerned with individuals taking advantage of the system, receiving assistance from multiple cities/sites and avoiding duplication of services.
    - i. Juanita Preciado: Create incentives for small, faith based organizations to provide and input HMIS data. Present HMIS as the tool to use and how the centralized process starts.
    - ii. Jennifer Lee-Anderson: The purpose of IG4 is to oversee the process, is it moving in the direction it needs to go, do we have the right partners on board.
    - iii. Kristin Ritter suggested that local faith-based organizations connect with larger agencies to be the centralized data input. If all agencies do a little bit the burden would be distributed.
  - b. Goal 45: In 2015, likely to fall under a subcommittee regarding public relations, marketing, and education. Subcommittee is looking for outside funding to help with these aspects.
    - i. Kathy Tillotson: Anaheim’s efforts and collaboration with police should be marketed so other cities may see the success.
  - c. Goal 38, 40, and 42: Related with technical aspects of data collection.
    - i. Kathy Tillotson would like to have integration of multiple systems. Currently, data is being captured in multiple systems in Orange County consolidating it may help capture who is truly homeless.
    - ii. Jennifer Lee-Anderson referenced Goals 40 and 42. The goal is to get agencies that touch a homeless population in some manner and to get them to provide data. Those conversations have been at the hypothetical level with the department heads of those agencies. Currently they are at “We would like to provide you that data but...”
  - d. Kathy Tillotson believes the next large funding opportunities will be targeted to youth and we must start positioning ourselves to be able to apply/receive that funding.
  - e. Discussion on Shelter Plus Care and mental health diagnosis being required. Concerned about delays in service delivery due to shortage of psychiatrist.

#### **V. ADJOURNED**

Meeting adjourned at 10:53am by Jennifer Lee-Anderson.

**Next Meeting: (Note new day and time!)**

February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015

9:00 am-10:30 am

1505 E. 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Conference Room

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