

**SOUTHERN NEVADA HOMELESSNESS CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
September 13, 2018**

In attendance: Shalimar Cabrera, Co-Chair, Veteran Service Provider, U.S. Vets-Las Vegas
Alfredo Melesio, Government, City of North Las Vegas
Alletha Muzorewa, Workforce Investment, Workforce Connections
Amie Duford, Alternate, Healthcare Provider, Touro University Nevada
Annie Wilson, Law Enforcement, Las Vegas Metro Police Department
David Slattery, Emergency Medical Services, Las Vegas Fire and Rescue
Emily Paulsen, Co-Vice Chair, Advocate, Nevada Homeless Alliance
Erin Kinard, Health Care Provider
Genese Jones-Torrence, Alternate, Social Service Provider, S.A.F.E. Nest
Joycelyn Jackson, Alternate, Homeless or Formerly Homeless
Kathi Thomas-Gibson, Alternate, Government, City of Las Vegas
Kena Adams, Advocate, Indian Voices
Laure Raposa, Alternate, Public Housing Authority, Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority
Lavonne Atkins, Mental Health Provider, Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services
Meg Pike, School District, Clark County School District
Melissa Clary, Advocate, Huntridge Neighborhood Association
Michael Pawlak, Government, Clark County Social Service
Monica Gresser, Business, Brazen Architecture
Peter McCoy, Veteran Service Provider, VA Community Resource and Referral Center
Stacy DiNicola, Alternate, City of Henderson
Stavan Corbett, United Way of Southern Nevada

Absent: Arash Ghafoori, Social Service Provider, Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth
Carlton Craig, University, UNLV
Henry Sneed, Faith-Based, City of Las Vegas Mayor's Faith Initiative
Julie Calloway, Government, City of Boulder City
Kevin Sharps, Affordable Housing, Nevada HAND
Mandy Martin, Business, Las Vegas Sands
Robert Dawson, Social Service Provider, Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada
Siloh Moses, Homeless or Formerly Homeless, Serving Hope LV
Troy Oglesbee, Faith-Based, Save A Life

Agenda Item 1. Call to order, notice of agenda compliance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.

The meeting of the Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care Board was called to order at 2:05 p.m., on Thursday, September 13, 2018, at United Way of Southern Nevada, 5830 W. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89103.

Agenda Item 2. Public Comment.

Peter McCoy, VA Community Resource and Referral Center announced that Susan Kingsbury is retiring and Lisa Hewitt will be replacing her for all of the transitional and contract programs.

Agenda Item 3. Approval of the Agenda for September 13, 2018; for possible action.

A motion was made to approve the agenda. The motion was approved.

Agenda Item 4. Approval of the Minutes from the August 9 and August 29, 2018; meeting; for possible action.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from August 9, 2018. The motion was approved.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from August 29, 2018. The motion was approved.

Agenda Item 5. Update by co-chairs on recent activities of the Steering Committee; for possible action.

Shalimar Cabrera, U.S. Vets-Las Vegas, reported that there was a recommendation for a member of the Metro Chamber to be added to the COC Board. The statewide COC meeting will be held on September 19th and 20th in Reno, send RSVP to Michele Fuller-Hallauer if planning to attend; web attendance will also be made available. Go to the [helphopehome .org](http://helphopehome.org) website for more information.

Agenda Item 6. Update by the collaborative applicant on the FY 2018 Continuum of Care Program Competition Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) and the local application due on September 18, 2018; for possible action.

Danita Osborne-Morris, Clark County Social Service, reported that on September 13th is the final board meeting prior to the submission of the application and everything will be posted on the HelpHopeHome.org website on September 14th. The application is

due on September 18th and the total possible to apply for is \$15,505,941 which is the amount being submitted for the collaborative application. There are 31 applications for this competition, and of those 96% of our agencies are utilizing the Housing First Strategy. There is an attempt to increase our RRH beds by 141 in the community. One transitional housing project worth \$344,610 was reallocated. Next Steps include, public posting, application submission and a debrief with recommendations.

Erin Kinard, Health Care Provider, asked if the amount was higher or lower than what was applied for last year. Michele Fuller-Hallauer, Clark County Social Service, answered, this year was higher because we have the domestic violence bonus opportunity which is 1.1 million dollars.

Agenda Item 7. Presentation by the Planning Working Group on the Continuum of Care Planning Grant; for possible action.

Catherine Huang Hara, Clark County Social Service, reported planning grant activities include activities related to the coordination and implementation of the COC and only the collaborative applicant, which is Clark County Social Service, is eligible to apply, locally. Grants are not renewable; each time a planning grant application is submitted it is a new project, 25% cash or in-kind match is required and the grant period begins upon expense of first activity. Code of Federal Regulations state that collaborative applicants may use up to 3% of their FPRN or a maximum amount to be established by the NOFA for costs of designing and carrying out the collaborative process for the development of an application to HUD; evaluating the outcomes of projects for which funds are awarded in the geographic area under COC and Emergency Solutions Grants programs; and participating in the consolidated plans for the geographic areas. Eligible planning costs include the costs of developing a communitywide or region wide process involving the coordination of nonprofit service providers and homeless and formerly homeless individual, determining the geographic area of that the COC will serve and developing a COC system, evaluating the outcomes of projects for which funds are awarded through ESG as well as COC funds, participate in the consolidated plan of the jurisdictions in the geographic area and preparing and submitting applications to HUD on behalf of the entire COC membership. Monitoring costs include the cost of monitoring recipients and sub recipients and enforcing compliance with program requirements are eligible. Funding History for planning includes 2012 for \$96,302 that has concluded; 2013 for \$96,302 that has concluded; 2014 for \$139,891 that concluded and closed out July 28, 2017; 2015 for \$372,637 that is in process with 6-month no cost extension from August 1, 2017 - January 31st, 2019; 2016 for \$389,060 that where the grant agreement was received on July 2, 2018 with start period to be determined; and 2017 for \$392,857 is pending grant agreement. Eligible Costs include: coordination activities; project evaluation; monitoring; participation and the consolidated plan, COC application activities, geographical area determination, developing a COC system and HUD compliance activities. Previous activities have included updates to the HelpHopeHome regional plan, which included a contract with UNLV, gaps analysis reports done with HomeBase, coordinated intake evaluation for adults without children done with HomeBase, Facilitation of the development of coordinated entry with CSH, prevention and diversion gaps analysis with HomeBase and internal staffing costs. Current activities on the FY2015 grant include: facilitation of the annual COC process with HomeBase, monitoring of the COC and ESG projects with Strategic Progress (those two activities are going to be renewable contracts that will continue throughout the year for both activities); Emergency Shelter Learning Collaborative in progress with National Alliance to End Homelessness; plan to end youth homelessness with the Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC); coordinated entry evaluation; COC relevant trainings and stipends for those with lived experience. Pending activities for the FY2016 and beyond grants include: facilitation of the annual COC application process with HomeBase; monitoring of the COC and ESG projects; rapid rehousing learning collaborative; annual gaps analysis; recruiting for a data analyst position who will be taking over some of the reporting requirements; outreach and training activities to be contracted with the collaborative applicant. The Planning Working Group meets on the even months on the 4th Thursday from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at Las Vegas City Hall.

Shalimar Cabrera, US Vets-Las Vegas, asked if match requirements are met with cash or in-kind and what are the sources. Ms. Huang Hara replied that match is accomplished through Social Service staff time that is applied towards the COC.

Agenda Item 8. Standing monthly update by the Youth Working Group on the Movement to End Youth Homelessness; for possible action.

Catherine Huang Hara, Clark County Social Service reported that the summit will be held on November 2nd, if you haven't registered for that yet or signed up for the movement please do so. We did receive the opportunity to move forward with the hundred a challenge. The first local leaders meeting will be held the first week of October, more information to come as we get that information.

Agenda Item 9. Update by the Homeless Trust Fund Sub-Working Group on the Homeless Trust Fund; for possible action.

Melissa Clary, Huntridge Neighborhood Association reported that there is still desire for United Way to maintain the trust account with us. Next steps are to modify the agreement and get goals for continuing the funds and how to grow and promote it. Some of the various goals are looking at what kinds of things we would fund and how we would go about the allocation of funds through an allocation process. The next meeting has been scheduled for October 10th at 11 am.

Agenda Item 10. Questions and answers regarding reports from the Board working groups (Community Engagement, Coordinated Entry, Evaluation, HMIS, Monitoring, Planning)

Emily Paulsen, Nevada Homeless Alliance, shared that the first annual Help Hope Home Partner Awards will be held at the next meeting on October 11th and the deadline for submitting nominations is tomorrow, September 14th. The nomination process is open to all official COC members and board members. The chairs and champions of the various working groups should have also sent out a link for the Superstar Awards which is a special award category to honor people who really shine and are the superstars in the various

working groups. The goal is to have everyone that is a superstar acknowledged. Assemblyman Tyrone Thompson will be the MC for the event and it is being sponsored by Sands Cares; they will be providing the refreshments, decorations and the actual awards. Michele Fuller-Hallauer, Clark County Social Service, reported that action planning part two has been scheduled for October 29th from 1:00 – 5:00 pm at Clark County Social Service for all champions, chairs and co-chairs to discuss planning and coordination and the activities that take place under each of our working and sub working groups. Look forward to receiving an email with further instructions and information.

Agenda Item 11. Receive an update from each board member regarding relevant activities within their respective organizations relating to homelessness

Emily Paulsen, Nevada Homeless Alliance, shared that Project Homeless Connect will be held on November 20th at The Champion Center from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. The next planning meeting will be held on September 18th at 9:30 am at the Nevada Homeless Alliance office located at 4323 Boulder Hwy.

Agenda Item 12. Public Comment

Catherine Huang Hara, Clark County Social Service, shared that a community training will be held on September 24th and 25th at Palace Station. The 24th is SOAR refresher training and on the 25th will be an all-day training which includes 2 tracks, 1 for landlord engagement and 1 for case management training.

Talitha Johnson shared that she is interested in becoming a board member representing the Homeless or Formerly Homeless seat.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.