

**SOUTHERN NEVADA HOMELESSNESS CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
March 12, 2025**

In attendance:

Angela Ranck, HMIS Lead
Albert Chavez, Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada
Amy Jones, Southern Nevada CHIPS
Arcelia Barajas, City of Las Vegas
Brenda Barnes, CoC Director, Collaborative Applicant
Davion Smith, Youth Action Board
Donica Martinez, Lived X Consultants
Jamie Sorenson, Clark County, NV
Kevin Murray, SilverSummit Healthplan
Lauren Boitel, ImpactNV
Lisa Corrado, City of Henderson
Martin Castro, Lived X Consultants
Miguel Davila Uzcategui, Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada
PJ Moore, Coordinated Entry Lead Entity
Wilson Ramos, City of North Las Vegas

Absent:

Elizabeth Jarman, Veterans Administration
Juawana Grant, Nevada Department of Business and Industry, Housing Division
Rebecca Edgeworth, Touro University Nevada

Agenda Item 1. Call to Order.

The meeting of the Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care Board was called to order at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12th 2025, at the Clark County Government Center.

Agenda Item 2. Approval of the minutes from the February 19th, 2025 SNHCoC Board meeting; for possible action.

Donica Martinez, Board Member, made a motion to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3. Approval of the Agenda with the inclusion of any emergency items and deletion of any items; for possible action

The agenda was approved. No motion was made.

Agenda Item 4. Receive a report on the activities of the Continuum of Care Committees; for possible action.

PJ Moore, Collaborative Applicant, provided an update on the activities of the Coordinated Services Committee (CSC). The CSC is continuing to work with the Long Term Project Team (LTPT) on data synthesizing, cleaning up the data. With the help of Bitfocus, the committee was able to identify a few data errors which included 1300 individuals that had not been properly referred to the community queue. The team has since been successful in cleaning up the data. New assessor training will be available to ensure that assessor are prepared for the revamp of the new assessment housing assessment, and prioritization. There will be two to four trainings held per month.

Karla Amezcua, Collaborative Applicant, provided an update on the activities of the CoC Programs Committee (CPC). CPC has been focusing on PIT planning for the 2026 Point-In Time Count. Elaine de Coligny and Consulting team have presented a draft of the monitoring plan to the Programs Committee and the HMIS Committee. Both committees provided positive feedback regarding the plan. Elaine de Coligny and team will present a presentation of the monitoring plan to the Board in April.

Angela Ranck, HMIS Lead, provided an update on the activities of the HMIS Steering Committee. Federal Reporting-Data clean-up efforts are underway for System Performance Measures. The Steering Committee ask that the Board continue to be responsive to email requests to review and correct any data. Requests will be coming that are related to the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) in the coming February's Statewide training "Back to Basics" had high attendance. Statewide Training will be held on March 20th. At the January Membership meeting there was a discussion regarding HMIS licensing allocation and the need for more licenses. The HMIS Steering Committee was able to go back and review all the agencies that were denied licenses from June through December of last year, those agencies were reevaluated and were/or were not issued licenses depending on the Procedure of HMIS. Committee members have developed a survey for the community to assess the need for HMIS licenses. This survey will help to gather data to assist in allocating

available licenses as well as to understand on going licensing needs for future funding opportunities. The survey was sent to out to the community on March 11th with a deadline of March 21st.

Amy Jones, Board Member, Southern Nevada CHIPS, “Is there going to be a formula that will identify how many licenses an agency gets for various projects? Has the Committee thought about what that process will look like?”

Miguel Davila Uzcategui, Board Chair, Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, asked if denials were reconsidered and then a survey was issued?

Angela Ranck, HMIS Lead, responded “Many agencies were denied licenses because of scarcity”.

Miguel Davila Uzcategui, Board Chair, stated “It would be good to share with the membership that additional licenses have been released.”

Angela Ranck, HMIS Lead, responded “A breakdown can be presented of those that were approved through new applications as well as those that were reassessed.”

Arcelia Barajas, Board Member, City of Las Vegas, stated “We're not going to be able to be responsive to everybody's needs, but I also think part of our conversation last time was to start the discussions on how we problem solve. So, at some point, we know that we need hundreds of additional licenses if we were able to come up with an A standard process on what constitutes. What is our Plan B or what are we working towards to address this overall.”

Lauren Boitel, Board Member, Impact NV, asked “Any response from Bitfocus about? Cost per license, freeing up additional licenses. Is Bitfocus willing to be responsive to the need and scarcity?”

Angela Ranck, HMIS Lead, responded, “License Allocation will be presented to the community within the next month.”

Agenda Item 5. Receive a report on the activities of the Youth Action Board; for possible action.

Davion Smith, Board Member, Youth Action Board, presented an update on the activities of the Youth Action Board (YAB). YAB has been focusing on the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP). YAB is looking to recruit 15 additional members to assist with the YHDP effort. The Youth Action Board has been holding more meetings with their executive committee to focus on increasing Board membership.

Agenda Item 6. Receive a report on the activities of the Lived X Consultants; for possible action.

Martin Castro, Board Member, and Donica Martinez, Board Member, Lived X Consultants, provided an update on the activities of the Lived X Consultants. The Lived X team discussed the Safe Camping survey which surveyed twenty individuals experiencing homelessness. Participants indicated that their encounters with Law enforcement were not positive. The team also surveyed Law enforcement and the majority of the officer’s expressed frustration over the ordinance itself. The Lived X team will present the results of the survey to the Board and Membership once the results have been finalized. The Lived X team is also continuing to work on their action plan and met with Elaine de Coligny to discuss the Monitoring plan as well as the quality of care survey. Lastly, the Lived X team will be offering their support of the Youth Action Board to help elevate the youth voice. Board Members continued the discussion regarding the quality care survey.

Lisa Corrado, Board Co-chair, City of Henderson, added, “I think we do need a communications campaign and maybe we just start pursuing that and part of the scope of work is to do a little bit of research on similar campaigns because we need to build more tolerance in our community for people. we should start pursuing a communication strategy and maybe even partner with some other organizations so that they could all contribute.”

Board members will continue this discussion at the next Board meeting.

Agenda Item 7. Discuss changes regarding technical assistance and new opportunities to address gaps in technical support; for possible action.

Miguel Davila Uzcategui, Board Chair, Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, shared that our community received notice from TAC- Technical Assistance Collaborative TA assigned to this community for the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP), whom received notice from HUD, at the direction of the President of the United States, pursuant to the Executive Order “Establishing and Implementing the President’s “Department of Government Efficiency,” and at the direction of said Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE), HUD has terminated certain subject awards and allocations effective February 26, 2025. The community received a similar email for the Cloudburst TA as well.

Their assistance was supported by awards impacted by this order. The Board discussed potential alternatives or funding opportunities. The Board also discussed trying to elevate people within the Community to prioritize one specific subject matter expertise lead.

Amy Jones, Board Member, Southern Nevada CHIPS, asked, “can we as a board find out maybe through a survey or maybe through each of us presenting what is our strong suit or area of expertise? So, we're leaning on each other.”

Lauren Boitel, Board Member, Impact NV, added, “let's spend a board meeting breaking up into groups and work on outlining, a strategic plan from the feedback.

Kevin Murray, Board Member, SilverSummit Healthplan, added, “There is that annual funding period through grant funding that we could always apply for if there's a collaborative applicant receive the funding to support.”

Tanesha Travis, Consultant, added, “It isn't a bad idea to evaluate the expertise within the community and utilize TA or a consultant as a supplement more than the driver. developing a team to really drive the work with just some support where you may have gaps or need some additional knowledge.”

This item will be added to the emerging issues to be addressed at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 8. Review the SNHCoC Boards Work Plan and identify actions to be taken; for possible action.

Board members discussed Membership engagement and communication strategies. The Board voted to hold a meet and greet where community members will have the opportunity to engage with the Board. Meet and Greet will take place on April 17th from noon to 2pm at the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC).

Lisa Corrado, Co-chair, City of Henderson, suggested, “having panel and providing a mini presentation about each one of us. What we're trying to accomplish, what we've been working on. Trying to distinguish our role from the staff too.”

Lisa Corrado, Co-chair, City of Henderson, added, “I don't want them (Membership) to think we're going to fix all the problems. The staff that's funded by this and the service providers are doing the bulk of the work, so also educating them on our role.”

Lauren Boitel, Board Member, Impact NV, suggested, “putting up a board or a card. What's one thing the Board could do better to be more effective? Members can just fill that out in their own time and leave it. We can gather their responses and then we can be responsive. So that we're capturing that information. But the event is to be social, to breakdown silos, to get to know each other.”

Lisa Corrado, Co-chair, City of Henderson, added, “I think we should get to that point where they can showcase their work.

So, they're work is behind the scenes, but they get to present on their projects or priorities or successes and that's another networking opportunity.”

Agenda Item 9. Identify emerging issues to be addressed by staff or by the Board at future meetings, and direct staff accordingly; for possible action.

Board members discussed the Monitoring plan. The monitoring plan will be added to the April 9th consent agenda. Board members will receive a PDF overview of the plan for review prior to the meeting. Lauren Boitel requested that Committee members provide an update to the Board on any needs or support that the Board can provide. At the next meeting the Board will continue the discussion regarding TA support, Communication strategies and the upcoming meet and greet.

10. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5 pm.