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Agenda: General Meeting of the Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH)

Meeting date, time, and place **THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNOR’S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 DATED MARCH 17, 2020, WHICH SUSPENDS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT.**

Date: **February 24, 2021**
 Time: **9:00 am – 11:00 am**
 Place: **WebEx Meeting – Council Members will be forwarded instructions**
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Time

Call to Order	Chair or Designee will call the meeting to order	9:00 – 9:05 am
Introductions	Chair or Designee will lead the Introductions of the ICH Members by roll call.	9:05 – 9:10 am

Agenda Items: The following items are presented for informational, consent, and discussion purposes.

Public Comment	Open to the public for comments via email only at homelessrfrp@hss.sbcounty.gov In the subject line provide your full name and public comment next to it or item #. Your comments will be read up to 3 minutes for the record by the meeting secretary.	
	Consent	
1	Approve Minutes of the January 27, 2021 ICH Meeting	9:30 – 9:35 am
	Introduction of New Members	
2	Supervisor Janice Rutherford	9:35 – 9:40 am
	Information Sharing	
3	Office of Homeless Services Update – Tom Hernandez, Chief of Homeless Services	9:40 – 9:50 am



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4	HHAP Next Steps Update – Dawn Jones, Office of Homeless Services	9:50 – 10:00 am
5	Emergency Rental Assistance Program Update – TBD (tentative)	10:00 – 10:15 am
6	Regional Steering Committee Updates (3 min each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Valley – Jessica Alexander & Kimberly Calvin • West Valley – Don Smith & Erika Lewis-Huntley • East Valley – Wayne Hamilton & Debra Breidenbach-Sterling • Mountains – Wendell Wilson & Richard Arnold • Desert – Sharon Green & Keith Metzler 	10:15 – 10:30 am
Council Round Table		
Council Roundtable	Open to comments by the Council	10:30 – 10:45 am
Special Presentation		
7	COVID-19 Update & Vaccination Information – Andrew Goldfrach, Chief Operating Officer, ARMC	10:45– 11:00 am
Adjournment		11:00 am

Next ICH Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Interagency Council on Homelessness meeting is scheduled for:

Wednesday, March 24, 2021
9:00 am – 11:00 am
Via Webex

Mission Statement

The mission of the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership is to provide a system of care that is inclusive, well planned, coordinated and evaluated and is accessible to all who are homeless and those at-risk of becoming homeless.



Minutes for San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH) Meeting

January 27, 2021
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Via WebEx – Teleconference

Minutes Recorded and Transcribed by Amy Edwards, Secretary II, Office of Homeless Services

TOPIC	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
	Maria Razo, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.
Introductions	Tom Hernandez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom Hernandez took ICH Member roll call. Members of the public were not introduced but we had over 50 members of the public join us via telephone.
ICH Members Present		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The following ICH members and their alternates were present for the meeting: Joe Baca Jr., Erika Lewis-Huntley, Kimberly Calvin, Debra Breidenbach-Sterling, Janele Davidson, Robert Wickum, Dena Fuentes, CaSonya Thomas, Veronica Kelley, Maria Razo, Sharon Green, Don Smith, Jessica Alexander, Wendell Wilson, Wayne Hamilton, Levi Deatherage. Richard Arnold was marked absent but we were later informed he was in attendance on the phone Janice Rutherford absent We had a total of 91 participants (Council Members, Alternates, and members of the public) join the meeting.
PUBLIC COMMENTS		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Columbus Bryant (Public Comment) Paul Fournier (Items 6, 7, & 9) Ujima Moore (Item #6) Todd Lurie (Public Comment) Sandra Scott (Public Comment)
CONSENT	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
Approve Minutes of the November 18, 2020 Special ICH Meeting	Maria Razo, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Don Smith motioned to pull item #2 for discussion. Jessica Alexander made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Brenda Dowdy 2nd the motion. Tom Hernandez took a roll call vote. 15 members were in favor. Joe Baca Jr. and Robert Wickum abstained. 2 members were absent from the vote (Richard Arnold, Janice Rutherford). The motion was approved.
Ratify the Action of the Chair to Approve the Office of Homeless Services to request an exception from HUD to not conduct a 2021 unsheltered PITC		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion ensued amongst the members for item #2. Sharon Green made a motion to approve item #2. Wendell Wilson 2nd the motion. Tom Hernandez took a roll call vote. All members were in favor. The motion was approved.

NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTION	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
Councilwoman Kimberly Calvin, City of San Bernardino Assistant Sheriff Robert Wickum, Law & Justice Representative	Maria Razo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The chair asked each of the new members to introduce themselves. Kimberly Calvin, Councilwoman for the City of San Bernardino; Joe Baca Jr., County Supervisor; and Robert Wickum, Assistant Sheriff gave a brief greeting to the council.
INFORMATION SHARING	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
CoC Renewal Update, HomeKey Update, and HHAP & HHAP 2 Update	Tom Hernandez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no 2020 CoC Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) released by HUD. They sent out an announcement that there will not be a 2020 NOFA this year, therefore there is no opportunity for a bonus or new projects. HUD will be renewing all current projects with a possible increase for fair market rent and we will be receiving the planning money we are eligible for. • For Homekey we had several successful applications. The first was All Star Lodge with a collaboration between Shangri-La and Step-Up. They applied for \$4.9 million for partial purchase of property. The property was \$7 million with the remainder of the balance being received by a lender. This project did receive an additional \$3.3 million to help pay down their debt services. All Star will have 76 units available with half the units needing to be filled by March 9th. Each unit will be converted into a Studio apartment, complete with a kitchenette, sitting area, bedroom space and a bathroom. Half the units will be designated for Seniors 55+. • Pacific Village is a collaboration with Labarge industries and Quality Management Group. This was an acquisition application for \$2.7 million and they received \$3 million with an addition \$450,000 in December. This project is for 28 doors of housing in which 14 must be filled by March 3rd. The extra \$450,000 they received was for the purchase of an additional 20 trailers that are now on site. • Georgia Street Cabins is a partnership between the Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino and the Homeless Mountain Coalition (HMC). It's the purchase of 8 cabins on the property with the purchase of 2 additional modular homes. They currently have 5 people living on the property. OHS is looking to free up some HEAP funds to help the HMC to meet their match. • HHAP Round 1 contracts were approved by the Board of Supervisors yesterday, January 26, 2021. • The HHAP Round 2 application was submitted last week. The application process was tedious with over 46 pages of narrative. We have 60 days to make changes or receive word from the state. HHAP Round 2 amounts are as follows: 1.3 million for the County and 1.4 million for the CoC. • There may be more money coming down from the state so be on the look out for more opportunities for funding.
HEAP Update	Dawn Jones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 31, 2021 is the last day agencies can expend HEAP funds. • As of January 26, 2021, the City of Redlands contract was reduced by approximately \$96,000. • On January 15, 2021, the Office of Homeless received a letter of withdrawal from agreement from St. Mary's Medical Center. • The following agencies are showing expending at least 75% of their funds <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Barstow ○ Catholic Charities ○ IVHP – Bridge Project

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ High Desert Homeless Services ○ Mercy House – Homeless Prevention Project ○ Mercy House – Rapid Rehousing Project ○ Morongo Unified School District ○ Morongo Basin Arch ○ City of Montclair ○ City of Rialto ○ Salvation Army ○ Step Up on Second ○ Water of Life – Project #1 ● The following agencies are showing expending between 62% to 74% of their funds <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ City of Redlands ○ IVHP - Homeless Prevention Project ○ Water of Life – Project #2 ● The following agencies are showing expending below 62% of their funds <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ City of Colton ○ City of Upland ○ Family Assistance Program ○ KEYS ○ Mental Health Services ○ St. Mary’s Medical Center ○ The Chance Project ○ Victor Valley Family Resource Center
<p>COVID-19 Update & Vaccination Distribution – Public Health (tentative)</p>	<p>Maria Razo Tom Hernandez</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Public Health was not able to attend the meeting, but we will continue to reach out to them and see if we can get an update for a future meeting. Tom Hernandez has an update to provide on this subject. ● Karyn Young-Lowe, President/CEO LightHouse Social Services reached out to our CEO last week to advocate for the providers to be considered as front-line workers in order to be prioritized for the Covid 19 vaccine. Mr. Hernandez was very receptive of the idea and has set up a meeting with Karyn to discuss further on Thursday, January 28, 2021. ● Karyn also spoke with Pam Williams, Chief of Administration to continue the conversation and it is our understanding that homeless service providers will be moved to front line workers. ● Service providers will be able to start registering for the vaccine at sbccovid19.com and go to the vaccine site. ● One issue brought up at the Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday was that as prioritization groups expand there is a rush of people trying to register for appointments. ● Vaccines are distributed on a first come first serve basis. More sites are being added to the appointment log including places like your local pharmacy. ● A formal announcement will be made regarding the homeless service providers, so be on the lookout for that soon. ● Form information visit https://sbccovid19.com/vaccine/locations/

INFORMATION GATHERING	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
Feedback on Developing a Training & Education schedule for ICH Members and Participants for Capacity Building as well as other areas of Interest in 2021	Maria Razo Jessica Alexander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A little background information for this item. The vice chair, myself, and the Office of Homeless Service are working on the priorities for this year some of the area we are looking at are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Funding – responsibilities for funders and recipients and outcomes. ○ Committee's – We will review the role of all committee's and discuss their needs. ○ Trainings – Develop a Training Committee to determine, organize and execute trainings for CoC providers. • For this item we want to start the discussion on what training opportunities and capacity building opportunities you think our providers would benefit from. • Discussion ensued amongst the members. Some ideas were as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Taking a fresh look at this body and re-imagine its functions. Our charter is out dated. ○ Data Collection. Analysis on of trends. ○ Youth involvement ○ Capacity building
Interest in Mental Health First Aid Training from the Department of Behavioral Health	Maria Razo Dr. Veronica Kelley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental Health First Aid Training is like CPR for mental health issues, providing you another tool in your toolbox. • It is an international evidence-based practice. • It is meant to educate lay people about how mental health manifests itself and how addiction looks so it reduces stigma. This training also encourages confidence when dealing with individuals experiencing depression, anxiety, mood disorders, and addition. You will also be taught how to assist those with suicidal tendencies or self-harm and how to listen without judgement. • To set up training we will work with the chair and vice chair to customize the course for the number of individuals determined by this body for a minimal fee of \$22 per person. At the end of the training each person will be certified. • There will be a short survey sent out to determine our need and, in the meantime, we will look for funding to be able to provide this training.
Interest in receiving HUD Training from HUD	Maria Razo Wendel Wilson Brenda Dowdy Levi Deatherage Don Smith	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The housing Authority has received some really great trainings from HUD themselves, from HUD employees so I wanted to see if there is interest in this body receiving training from Hud directly on certain funding's? • Everyone gave a thumbs up. Maria will reach out to HUD to see what trainings are available. The link to for information is on the cities website or you can access it from the housing authority website at hacsb.com. • I just want to inform you that Richard Arnold got a new phone and has been listening to the meeting and voting but apparently no one can hear him. • Friday, San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools with the University of Redlands will be holding our annual Wellness Summit. There are tickets still available. Amy Edwards has forwarded the information to everyone. • Today at 3pm is the Homeless Youth Taskforce meeting. If you would like to participate please let me know and I will send you the meeting information. • The Youth Advisory Board is open and recruiting new members. If you have any youth between the age of 12-25 that would like to make a difference in their community please contact me. • Shout to the Homeless Veteran Planning Group. They were recognized for housing their 1500th veteran over the past 4 years. If you haven't seen the news clip on this check it out.

	Levi Deatherage Sharon Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I shared some data from the Project Roomkey efforts on the West end region. The City of Montclair assisted 29 participants for 249 nights. 45% exited out into a rental housing, 14% to family or friends, 3% to residential rehab, and 38% were unknown (but a housing option was offered to all of them). I also shared data from Pathways Network on eviction prevention. We saw a 200% jump in requests. Just this month alone we have already received 230 requests for assistance. This is a conversation we need to have and we will be discussing this afternoon at a Special West Valley Regional Steering Committee meeting. I would like to request that the Youth Demonstration Grant be placed on the agenda next month. Thanked the chair for the meetings being so harmonious and productive.
Council Roundtable	Maria Razo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Housing Authority has partnered with the City of San Bernardino to administer their rental eviction prevention program. If you have any families in need there are funds still available.
Adjournment	Maria Razo, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:59 a.m.
Next Meeting		<p>The Next ICH Meeting will be held on:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Wednesday, February 24, 2021 9:00 am – 11:00 am Via Webex</p>

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Attendees at January 27, 2021 • Special Interagency Council on Homelessness – Teleconference				
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*Please note we did not take attendance of members of the public that joined via tele-conference