



**San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership
Mountain Regional Steering Committee**

Monday, Monday, **October 20, 2025** • 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
St. Richard Episcopal Church Hall: 28708 CA Hwy-18, Sky Forest, CA 92385
IN PERSON for Board members, et al.

Via Zoom Teleconference at *Alternate Meeting Satellite Sites*:
Big Bear City Hall, Training Room: 39707 Big Bear Blvd, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315
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Family Assistance: 1255 E. Highland Avenue, Suite#211, San Bernardino, CA 92401

Teleconference info:

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Mountain Regional Steering Committee SPECIAL Meeting Agenda

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER
A. Call to Order B. Roll Call of Committee Members C. Welcome and Introductions • Introduce New secretary – nonvoting position	Paul Fournier
PUBLIC COMMENT	
D. Any member of the public may address the committee on any matter not on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the CoC Board.	
CONSENT CALENDAR	
E. Approval of Minutes of September 8, 2025.	Paul Fournier
ACTION ITEM	
F. Discussion of the HHAP-5 Eligible Use Categories & Allocations (Please see and review the attached materials)	Paul Fournier
UPDATES AND PRESENTATIONS	
G. Receive update on September 24, 2025 Continuum of Care Full Membership's meeting	Paul Fournier
H. Receive and review the proposed Homebase Strategic Planning Survey for the County Five Year Plan	Wendell Wilson

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I. Receive an update on Grants & Funding Trends - 2026	Becky Beavers
J. Receive information on the Big Bear Consortium group and their current projects .	Shonda Szabo
K. Receive briefing on the Point in Time Count results for the Mountains as provided by the HUB Urban Initiatives	Wendell Wilson
CLOSING	
L. Adjournment of the Mountain RSC meeting	Paul Fournier
Next Meetings: Mountain RSC will next meet on: November 10, 2025 - (2nd Monday) 1:30 pm–3:00 pm. IN PERSON at St. Richard's / Big Bear / Highland & via Zoom Teleconference.	

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**Minutes for San Bernardino County Office of Homeless Services
Joint meeting of Mountain Regional Steering Committee (RSC)
& Mountain Homeless Provider Network (HPN)**

**These Minutes awaiting approval
at October 13, 2025 Meeting.**

Date: **September 8, 2025:** Scheduled Time: 1:30pm-3pm

Locations: **In Person** at St. Richard Parish Hall (principal site); Big Bear Satellite site; Highland Satellite site;
and **via Zoom** Meeting ID: **830 5621 3419** + Passcode: **534180**

Minutes recorded and transcribed by: Gary Bradley, Secretary (with Zoom A.I. assistance).

OPENING REMARKS	Presenter	
Call to Order; Welcome and Introduction	Wendell Wilson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. by Wendell Wilson (Co-Chair). Quorum needed is 5 of 8. Today there are 6 of 8 = Quorum ▪ Meeting conducted IN PERSON at St. Richard's Parish Hall in Sky Forest, and via teleconference pursuant to CA Gov. Code Sec. 54953(e). ▪ Wendell welcomed and introduced attendees. ▪ Total Attendance: (present: 25 – In person and Virtual/Zoom) ▪ This meeting of the Mountain RSC + HPN included representatives from various organizations supporting homeless services in the county. ▪ Six Voting Members Present IN-PERSON at approved sites = Quorum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •at St. Richard's:Wendell Wilson, (Co-Chair); Paul Fournier (Co-Chair), Joscelyn Field (Rim Family Services). •at BigBear satellite: Kelly Tinker (Comm.Dev.-Big Bear Lake); Shonda Szabo (BigBear USD) •at Highland satellite: Ginger Bedolla (Fam. Asst. Prog.) ▪ One Voting Member Excused: Annemieke Stalcup (Big Bear Comm.Health), ▪ Secretary: Gary Bradley (MHC) in person ▪ Presenter: Tyrese Crawford, Shonda Szabo ▪ Other Attendees (IN PERSON at St. Richard's): Heather Lowe (Workforce), Sue Walker (MHC) (IN PERSON - Big Bear Satellite): Secretary with Kelly Tinker (ON-LINE -Zoom): Jaylen Cleveland, (SBCo-OHS); Ruth Humphrey (Children's Fund); Kristine Hernandez (IEHP); Cynthia Robles, Rolling Start; Becky Beavers, (MHC); David Aguilera, Isamar Garcia, Lizette Corona, Kevin Mahany, Marisela _____, Jahoma Bradford, Marnada Jiles, Gail Maddox, Patsy Dominguez
APPROVE- -MINUTES	Presenter	Also: PUBLIC COMMENT
Public Comment & Minutes	Wendell Wilson	A quorum was present. The meeting began with introductions from attendees., a call for Public Comment, and APPROVAL of June MINUTES with role call of voting members. Unanimous consent from the 6 members present.

ACTION ITEMS	
None	x
Presentation	Presenter
<p>"McKenny-Vento Homeless Assistance Act"</p>	<p>"McKenny-Vento Homeless Assistance Act"</p> <p>Tyrese Crawford + Shonda Szabo</p> <p>Tyrese offered a PowerPoint presentation that very clearly detailed the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act applications to our local school situations. Her presentation was followed by Shonda Szabo given local mountain information regarding Big Bear Schools. The full PowerPoint presentation from Tyrese Crawford will be made available to anyone interested.</p> <p>The presentation focused on the McKinney-Vento Act, which provides educational rights and protections for homeless and foster youth. Tyrese Crawford explained that every school district employee must be trained on identifying and supporting these students, who have the right to remain in their school of origin, enroll immediately, and access their records. She emphasized that McKinney-Vento students cannot be charged fees or disciplined punitively and must be given alternative pathways to graduation if needed. The presentation also covered the differences between McKinney-Vento and foster youth protections, noting that foster youth have additional legal support but both groups require school stability to succeed.</p> <p>Tyrese highlighted the impact of small gestures and the role of caring adults in transforming lives. Marisela asked about the protocol for reporting homeless foster families, and Tyrese suggested connecting them with community resources and school liaisons. The discussion concluded with a request for information on available support for homeless individuals, with Tyrese offering to share resources and explore ways to assist. Tyrese will also provide a copy of the very informative PowerPoint presentation that she had shown the meeting's participants and had to move through quite quickly due to the sheer volume of information and the allotted time for her talk.</p> <p>Tyrese shared her personal experience of growing up in the projects of Detroit and emphasized the impact of educators in her life, highlighting the importance of empathy and support for students facing similar challenges.</p> <p>Part of the PowerPoint presentation was a video of a former McKinney-Vento student, now an adult who shared his personal story of overcoming adversity through the support of a foster family, emphasizing the importance of stable and committed relationships for children's success. Even just one truly caring adult can make the whole difference in a struggling student's life.</p> <p>Shonda, the student services liaison for Bear Valley Unified, discussed the statistics and support systems in place for McKinney-Vento students, including identification methods, funding, and resources provided. She noted that most students are doubled up, and the district has been successful in securing funding for these students through grants and set-aside budgets.</p>

		<p>Sonda discussed the status of McKinney-Vento students in Big Bear, noting that all students, including undocumented and unaccompanied youth, are eligible for services. She highlighted the work of the Mountain Homeless Coalition in providing support and housing assistance to McKinney-Vento families. Shonda also mentioned upcoming events, including a "Backpack into Summer" event and a family fun night in September, where community partners will provide resources and support. She explained that unaccompanied youth are typically high school students who may have clashed with their parents or are living with family friends. Shonda noted that Big Bear has a higher number of McKinney-Vento students compared to Rim, which has a larger overall student population but records only about 15% of the number of McKinney-Vento students as the Big Bear school district.</p> <p>The meeting focused on the identification and support of McKinney-Vento students, with Shonda explaining that while currently no students have been suspended, re-identification is necessary each year due to changing circumstances. Tyrese highlighted the importance of conducting the Halloween questionnaire twice annually to build trust with students and families, while also noting that funding is based on cumulative student identification throughout the year.</p> <p>The discussion concluded with Kevin Mahany of the Victorville Wellness Center inquiring about the ability of the service center to support McKinney-Vento members, and Tyrese suggested connecting Kevin with the school liaison to address this.</p> <p>The meeting discussed the economic challenges of Big Bear Valley, highlighted by its low per capita income due to its tourist-based economy and distance from San Bernardino.</p> <p>Attendees of the meeting in person and on Zoom expressed deep appreciation to the two Presenters for their informative talks.</p>
MEMBER ROUND TABLE	Presenter	& PUBLIC COMMENT
<p>Discussion:</p> <p>1. Updates of Homeless Services in the Mountain area</p> <p>2. Public Comment</p>	Wendell Wilson	<p>Sue Walker provided an update on the Continuum of Care, noting that San Bernardino County originally provided 455 financially challenged families with emergency housing vouchers, which were promised to remain in place until 2030 but the current administration canceled that plan and EHV the program is set to end in the spring.</p> <p>Sue mentioned the approval of a homeless incentive program that will provide \$115,000 to the Mountain Homeless Coalition</p> <p>Kelly Tinker shared plans to speak at the Chamber of Commerce about housing development opportunities in Big Bear.</p> <p>The group also discussed upcoming events, including a county conference on November 6th, and changes to meeting procedures due to new documentation requirements from the county.</p> <p>Paul Fournier intends to ask for clarification at the next Continuum of Care meeting regarding the changes required going forward for RSC meetings. He mentioned that it may be possible to separate the RSC portion of our meetings from the HPN material which is where the Presentations belong.</p>

FINAL ITEMS		
Other	Wendell Wilson	The meeting ran overtime by almost a half hour so the sharing of other details by participants was brief also due to the fact that about a third of the attendance had to leave the zoom connection near the usual 3pm ending time.
Adjourn	Wendell	Meeting adjourned at 3:28 pm -- 1 hour, 52 minutes.
Next Meeting:		The next meeting—Mountain-RSC+HPN: Monday, Oct. 13, 2025 from 1:30 to 3:00pm -- In-Person at St. Richard's, at Big Bear satellite, and at Highland satellite & <i>Via</i> Zoom Tele-conference for all interested parties to attend.

VOTING MEMBERS -- Quorum will be 5 of 8

First Name	Last Name	Organization	Email Address	Best Phone
Shonda	Szabo	Bear Valley USD	shonda_szabo@bearvalleyusd.org	951-532-0830 or 866-4631x 6231
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Joscelyn	Field	Rim Family Services	jfield@rimfamilyservices.org	909-283-0221
Paul	Fournier	CoChair Mt.RSC+HPN	paulfour@gmail.com	909-307-4467
Annamieke	Stalcup	Bear Valley Community Health Services	annemieke.stalcup@bvchd.com 909/878-2316 (desk)	909-866-6501, ext. 8316
Wendell	Wilson	Mountain Homeless Coalition (CoChair)	wendellw@mtnhomeless.com	360-350-8692
Isaac	García	Dept. of Rehabilitation	Isaac.garcia@dor.ca.gov ;	951-201-6379
Ginger	Bedolla	Family Assistance Prog.	ginger@familyassist.org ;	(760) 843-0701 Ext.: 2020
non-voting: Secretary	Gary Bradley	Mt. Homeless Coalition	garyb@mtnhomeless.com	909-744-7999



HHAP 5- MOUNTAIN REGION



Eligible Use Categories/Amounts per Category

COC ALLOCATION FUNDING

TOTAL AMOUNT: \$6,032,369.26

Eligible Use Category	CoC Allocation
Rapid Rehousing	\$700,000.00
Prevention and Shelter Diversion	\$700,000.00
Delivery of Permanent Housing and Innovative Housing Solutions	\$1,046,544.00
Operating Subsidies- Permanente Housing	\$700,000.00
Street Outreach	\$600,000.00
Services Coordination	\$600,000.00
System Support	\$6000,000.00
Total	\$494,654.40
YSA	\$603,236.00
HMIS	\$60,324.00
Administrative Cost	\$422,265.26
Total	\$6,032,369.26



Eligible Use Categories/Amounts per Category

MOUNTAIN REGION

TOTAL AMOUNT: \$98,930.88

Eligible Use Category	Mountain Region
Rapid Rehousing	\$14,000.00
Prevention and Shelter Diversion	\$14,000.00
Delivery of Permanent Housing and Innovative Housing Solutions	\$20,930.88
Operating Subsidies- Permanente Housing	\$14,000.00
Street Outreach	\$12,000.00
Services Coordination	\$12,000.00
System Support	\$12,000.00
Total	\$98,930.88



THANK YOU/QUESTIONS?

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B. Eligible Use Categories

Below is a crosswalk of HHAP-5 statute and the HHAP Eligible Use Categories:

HHAP-5 Statute	HHAP Eligible Use Categories	Explanation and Examples of Eligible Uses of HHAP funds
Costs that support Permanent Housing include the following	Delivery of Permanent housing and Innovative Housing Solutions	<p>Eligible Uses should be categorized here when costs support the provision of permanent housing.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquisition of land, building, etc. • Improvement or renovation of land or building being used as permanent housing. • Maintenance of land or building being used as permanent housing. • Services for people in permanent housing programs,

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Costs that support Permanent Housing include the following	Delivery of Permanent housing and Innovative Housing Solutions (cont.)	so long as the services are trauma-informed and practice harm reduction, to include intensive case management services, assertive community treatment services, critical time intervention services, other tenancy support services, evidence-based employment services, coordinating mental health, substance use, and primary care treatment, or other evidence-based supportive services to increase housing retention.
	Rapid Rehousing	<p>Eligible Uses should be categorized here when the costs support operating a rapid rehousing type housing service. This means a tenant-based, time limited, permanent housing program, inclusive of wrap-around services.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rental subsidies, including to support placement of individuals in CARE Court. • Landlord incentives, such as security deposits, holding fees, funding for needed repairs, and recruitment and relationship management costs. • Move-in expenses. <p>Services for people in rapid rehousing programs, so long as the services are trauma-informed and practice harm reduction, to include intensive case management services, assertive community treatment services, critical time intervention services, other tenancy support services, evidence-based employment services, coordinating mental health, substance use, and primary care treatment, or other evidence-based supportive services to increase housing retention.</p>

	Prevention and Shelter Diversion	<p>Eligible Uses should be categorized here when costs support eligible populations access safe alternatives to shelter and/or remain safely housed at their current residence.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homelessness prevention through rental assistance, rapid rehousing, and other programs. • Problem-solving and diversion support programs that prevent people at risk of or recently experiencing homelessness from entering unsheltered or sheltered homelessness. <p>HHAP-5 changes:</p>
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Costs that support Permanent Housing include the following	Prevention and Shelter Diversion (cont.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change of eligible population to include "at risk of homelessness." • Requires prioritization of households with incomes at or below 30 percent of the area median income, who pay more than 50 percent of their income in housing costs, and who meet criteria for being at highest risk of homelessness through data-informed criteria. See "Eligible Use Changes under HHAP-5."
	Operating Subsidies-Permanent Housing	<p>Eligible Uses should be categorized here when costs support operations in new and existing affordable or supportive housing units serving people experiencing homelessness. Operating subsidies may include operating reserves (<i>funds held in reserve to cover large, unexpected operating expenses</i>).</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating costs for programs such as Homekey. • Operating costs for new or existing residential care facilities, funded by the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program or the Community Care Expansion Program. • Property tax abatements for both affordable ownership and rental properties that have a similar effect, helping to defray the costs of operating the development so residents can pay lower rents. • Subsidies support ongoing operation and availability of permanent housing and/or assisting in management of a building's facilities that can help stabilize or reduce structural decline and serve an important role in broader market stabilization efforts.

HHAP-5 Statute	HHAP Eligible Use Categories	Explanation and Examples of Eligible Uses of HHAP funds
Costs that support service provision and systems support.	Street Outreach	<p>Eligible Uses should be categorized here when costs support Outreach programs.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Services for people experiencing unsheltered homelessness, including, but not limited to, persons experiencing homelessness living in encampment sites and being engaged through the Encampment Resolution Grant program to help them transition to permanent housing with services attached. • Evidence-based street engagement services. • Intensive case management services. • Assertive community treatment. • Housing navigation. • Harm reduction services. • Coordination with street-based health care services. • Hygiene services for unsheltered individuals and people living in encampments.
	Services Coordination	<p>Eligible Uses should be categorized here when costs support wrap-around services not directly provided through another project.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to workforce, education, and training programs. • To access legal/advocacy services. • Individual counseling and service planning. • Helping to coordinate medical and mental health appointments, obtaining benefits and medical insurance. • Making referrals to community-based services. • Other services needed to promote housing stability in supportive housing.

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Costs that support service provision and systems support.	Systems Support	<p>Eligible Uses should be categorized here when the cost supports homelessness services system infrastructure, regional coordination, and/or improves accessibility and outcomes generally, as opposed to specific client(s).</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incorporate regional data into housing needs. • Assessments or developing a regional needs assessment. • Collaborate on regional housing strategies. • Pooling resources to support regional housing initiatives. • Funding HMIS. • HHAP-5 regional planning and application process.