



San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership
Joint Meeting of
Mountain Homeless Provider Network and
Mountain Regional Steering Committee
Monday, March 10, 2025 • 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
IN PERSON & Via Zoom Teleconference

Meeting will be conducted pursuant to Calif. Government Code Sec. 54953(e) & is hybrid:

In-person for the Board, *et al.*, & zoom—others In person site:

St. Richard Episcopal Church Hall, 28708 CA Hwy-18, Sky Forest, CA

Teleconference info: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83056213419?pwd=aVVUSy92c00xSWlqaHJRODJKd0F0UT09>

Meeting ID: **830 5621 3419** + Passcode: **534180** Dial in for just audio: (669) 444-9171

AGENDA

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER
A. Call to Order B. Welcome and Introductions C. Public Comment and/or requests for additions to Agenda	Paul Fournier
PAST MINUTES	
D. Approval of Minutes of February 10, 2025	Paul Fournier
ACTION ITEM	
E. Confirming VOTE to add three new Voting Members: Jalen Cleveland, Isaac Garcia, Ginger Bedolla	Paul Fournier
PRESENTATION	
F. “Working in the Margins” CES at a Glance ...with Za Zette Scott, advocate, program manager and Host of Working in the Margins , a weekly radio show and podcast.	Za Zette Scott
DISCUSSION ITEMS	
G. F. Discussion: H. G. Member Roundtable & Public Comment:	Paul Fournier
CLOSING	
I. I. Adjournment	Paul Fournier
Next Meeting: Mountain HPN + RSC will next meet on: 2 nd Monday, April 14, 2025 - 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm IN PERSON at St. Richard’s & via Zoom Teleconference Presentation: TBD	

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.

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 LEAST THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE PARTNERSHIP MEETING. THE OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES TELEPHONE
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Minutes for San Bernardino County Joint meeting of the Mountain Homeless Provider Network (HPN) and Mountain Regional Steering Committee (RSC)

These Minutes awaiting approval at March 10, 2025 Meeting.

Date **February 10, 2025**

Scheduled Time: 1:30pm-3pm

Location: In Person at St. Richard Parish Hall and via Zoom Meeting ID: **830 5621 3419** + Passcode: **534180**

Minutes recorded and transcribed by: Gary Bradley, Secretary with assistance from an A.I. program via Zoom

OPENING REMARKS	Presenter	
Call to Order Welcome and Introduction	Paul Fournier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. by Wendell Wilson (Co-Chair) ▪ Meeting conducted IN PERSON at St. Richard’s Parish Hall in Sky Forest, and via teleconference pursuant to CA Gov. Code Section 54953(e). ▪ Attendees welcomed and introduced. Quorum present—5 of 6 voting members. ▪ Total Attendance: (16 present – In person and Virtual/Zoom) ▪ This February meeting of the Mountain Regional Steering Committee and the Mountain Homeless Provider Network included representatives from various organizations working to support homeless services in the region. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Voting Members Available 4 of 6—for Quorum): Wendell Wilson (Co-Chair (MHC); Paul Fournier (Co-Chair); Shonda Szabo (Bear Valley USD); Annamieke Stalcup (Bear Vly Comm. Health);</i> ▪ <i>Excused: Kelly Tinker (Comm.Dev.-Big Bear Lake); Joselyn Field (Rim Fam. Serv.);</i> ▪ <i>Secretary: Gary Bradley (MHC)</i> ▪ <i>Presenter: . Kari Stebbing – Rim High-Music Dept.</i> ▪ <i>Other Attendees (12): Jaylen Cleveland, HSS-SBCo; Sue Walker (Pres., MHC); Becky Beavers (Ops.Dir., MHC); Tyrese Crawford, HYE (Homeless Youth); Isaac Garcia, Community Resource Navigator-Dept. of Rehabilitation; Rita Nelson, Operation Grace; Lydia Cruz, Janet Johnson, Charee N., Stephanie Bruce, SBCo.-Comm. Revitalization.</i>
APPROVAL --MINUTES	Presenter	Also: PUBLIC COMMENT
Public Comment & Minutes	Wendell	Public Comment was invited. Minutes’ approval for December 2024 -- approved
ACTION ITEMS	Presenter	
	n/a	NO additional Action Items (besides approval of Minutes)
MEMBER ROUND TABLE	Presenter	&PUBLIC COMMENT
1. Discussion: Proposed “Homeless Summit” 2. Public Comment	Wendell	<p>Wendell led the meeting, introducing and welcoming various participants from different organizations. Wendell mentioned the need for additional voting members to reach a total of 10. He encouraged interested participants to reach out to him or Gary for more information.</p> <p>Wendell opened the floor for others to share their events or subjects. Tyrese announced the upcoming wellness conference in Anaheim and the relaunch of the homeless youth task force. Tyrese also requested ideas for a meeting in the mountain region for the homeless youth task force. Becky suggested keeping the meeting virtual for the mountain region. Wendell asked about the possibility of a teen drop-in center in the mountains, to which Tyrese agreed to look into. Shonda</p>

		<p>shared information about a mental health fair on May 17th and a training on the anxious generation in April, which might be shared virtually.</p> <p>Isaac expressed interest in collaborating with the Mountain Homeless Coalition, particularly in working with clients in the mountains. Wendell introduced Isaac to Becky Beavers, the operations manager, who could connect him with the navigator, Susan. Wendell also provided Isaac with the helpline number and website for the Mountain Homeless Coalition. Wendell explained that the coalition is the main nonprofit organization dealing with homelessness in the area and receives most of the funds for homeless services. Wendell also mentioned that the coalition received 1,700 calls on their helpline last year, with about half of those calls coming from outside the mountains.</p> <p>Sue Walker reported on the annual point in time count, noting a decrease in the number of homeless individuals from 33 last year to 28. Sheltered numbers could not be added to the total, but are clients of MHC nonetheless. The PITC workers distributed bags of goods and toiletries, and food cards were also provided. Becky shared her successful outreach strategy on Facebook, which led to 13 people waiting to be interviewed at the Top Town site. Wendell then discussed the annual report by the Mountain Homeless Coalition, highlighting a decrease in funds over three years but an increase in services provided, including eviction avoidance / rental assistance, housing support, and motel nights. Despite financial constraints, the organization managed to help 38 people in 19 households with permanent housing and provided over 600 services in 2024.</p>
Presentation	Presenter	
<p>“From Homeless Teen to Inspiring Teacher at Rim High”</p>	<p>Kari Stebbing – Rim High Music Dept.</p>	<p>(NOTE: For 8 years from Kari’s Senior year in High School, her family experienced homelessness.)</p> <p>Paul introduced the Presenter, Kari Stebbing. He shared his connection with her, the “leader of all things musical” at Rim High School. Wendell expressed his admiration for Kari’s successful music program and her past experiences with homelessness.</p> <p>Kari then shared her story of being homeless for almost a decade. She detailed how her family managed to survive, including living in cars and using gym memberships for showers. Kari also mentioned her college experiences, including studying abroad and saving money to support her family. Despite the hardships, Kari managed to excel academically and musically, eventually becoming a successful music program leader herself.</p> <p>Kari explained that her parents were unable to work due to health issues and the stress of homelessness. Kari also discussed how she managed to get out of the situation by moving away and getting jobs. She emphasized the importance of understanding and empathy towards those struggling with homelessness, rather than using it as a motivation tool. Kari also shared her current experiences with fundraising and supporting her students financially. Wendell asked about the support Kari’s family received during their time of homelessness, and Kari mentioned the difficulty of having to ask for help as an issue of pride and difficulties attaining the assistance from government, such as food stamps.</p> <p>Kari highlighted the challenges of not having a fixed address and the lack of awareness about available services. Kari also suggested potential advertising channels for homeless youth, such as libraries and laundromats. Wendell and Annemieke discussed the Youth Forward program, which provides support for homeless youth between 16 and 24 years old. RitaNelson introduced a wellness center for college students experiencing homelessness, and Tyrese emphasized the</p>

		<p>importance of understanding the challenges faced by homeless youth. The conversation ended with Wendell asking Kari for advice on how to better support homeless individuals, to which Kari responded by emphasizing the need to overcome the barriers of pride and embarrassment that often prevent people from seeking help.</p> <p>Kari shared her experiences of lack of access to healthcare, insurance, and stable housing. She emphasized the importance of strategic planning in finding safe parking spots and avoiding areas with high crime rates. Kari also discussed her family's reliance on Medi-Cal and the VA for medical care. The team discussed potential solutions, such as providing storage for homeless individuals and creating safe parking zones. Kari's story served as a reminder of the need for comprehensive support systems for those experiencing homelessness.</p> <p>Kari expressed her willingness to share her story at a summit for the homeless services of the mountains, provided her schedule allows.</p>
FINAL ITEMS		
Other	Wendell	
Adjourn	Wendell	Meeting adjourned at 2:59pm
Next Meeting:		The next meeting—Mountain-RSC+HPN: Monday, March 10, 2025 from 1:30 to 3:00pm -- In-Person at St. Richard's & <i>Via</i> Zoom Tele-conference.

VOTING MEMBERS

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