



**Mountain Regional Steering Committee
& Homeless Provider Network meeting**

Monday, Monday, May 12, 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 (*hybrid*)
Meeting will be conducted pursuant to Calif. Government Code Sec. 54953(e)

Alternate Meeting Satellite Sites:

Big Bear City Hall, Training Room: 39707 Big Bear Blvd, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315
Family Assistance: 1255 E. Highland Avenue, Suite#211, San Bernardino, CA 92401

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		Paul Fournier
B. Welcome and Introductions		
C. Public Comment and/or requests for additions to Agenda		
PAST MINUTES		
D. Approval of Minutes of April 14, 2025		Paul Fournier
ACTION ITEM		
E. Confirming VOTE to add a new Voting Member: Isaac Garcia		Paul Fournier
PRESENTATION		
F. “The Work of Calif. DoR (Calif. Department of Rehabilitation) ...by Isaac García		Isaac García
DISCUSSION ITEMS		
G. Discussion: Proposed Mountain Homeless Summit – June 27, 2025		Paul Fournier
H. Member Roundtable & Public Comment:		
CLOSING		
I. Adjournment		Paul Fournier
Next Meeting:	Mountain HPN + RSC will next meet on: 2 nd Monday, June 9, 2025 - 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm IN PERSON at St. Richard’s / Big Bear / Highland & via Zoom Teleconference <i>Presentation: TBD</i>	

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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560 E. HOSPITALITY LANE, SUITE 200, SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415. <https://sbchp.sbcounty.gov/>

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

**These Minutes awaiting approval
at May 12, 2025 Meeting.**

Date April 14, 2025

Scheduled Time: 1:30pm-3pm

Locations: **In Person** at St. Richard Parish Hall (principal site); Big Bear Satellite site; and Highland Satellite site;

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	Wendell Wilson	<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: (22_present – In person and Virtual/Zoom) ▪ This April 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. ▪ <i>Voting Members Present IN-PERSON at St. Richard’s:</i> Wendell Wilson (Co-Chair (MHC); Paul Fournier (Co-Chair); Joselyn Field (Rim Fam. Serv.); <i>IN-PERSON at BigBear satellite:</i> Shonda Szabo (Bear Valley USD); Kelly Tinker (Comm.Dev.-Big Bear Lake); 5 of 6—PRESENT for Quorum: ▪ <i>Voting Member ONLY ON ZOOM—non-voting today:</i> Annemieke Stalcup (Big Bear Comm.Health Serv.); ▪ <i>Secretary:</i> Gary Bradley (MHC) in person ▪ <i>Presenter:</i> . Lori Schindler – DOVES – Big Bear ▪ <i>Other Attendees (IN PERSON at St. Richard’s):</i> Jaylen Cleveland, SBCo-OHS in person; Sue Walker (Pres., MHC- in person); Claudia Doyle (SBCo-OHS in person); Heather Lowe (Equus- in person); (and <i>IN PERSON at Highland satellite:</i>) Ginger Bedolla (Fam.Asst.Prog.) ▪ <i>Other Attendees (ON LINE-Zoom):</i> Becky Beavers (Ops.Dir., MHC); Rita Nelson, Operation Grace; Cynthia Robles Rolling Start); Erica Watkins (SBCo Comm.Dev.Housing); Heather Lowe (Equus Workforce Solutions); Melinda Bradbury (Probation: Housing Unit); David Aguilera (Rolling Start). Noelle Cirilo (Probation: Homeless Outreach); ZaZette Scott (Fam.Asst.Prog.); <p>INTRODUCTIONS: (Meeting began at 1:34 p.m.) Wendell Wilson, co-chair, invites introductions from all attendees</p>
APPROVE-MINUTES	Presenter	Also: PUBLIC COMMENT
Public Comment & Minutes	Wendell	Public Comment was invited. A QUORUM of 5 of 6 is present at authorized sites; a sixth board member (non-voting today) was on Zoom

		<p>The meeting involved introductions, updates on the organization's services, and discussions on the development of a strategic plan for the mountain region. The participants also discussed the need for a new strategic plan for the entire county, the upcoming Housing and Homeless Summit, and the successful meeting with faith-based organizations. Additionally, the meeting covered the recent shortage of motel money for the homeless coalition, the need for solutions to prevent homelessness during the winter</p> <p>APPROVAL of MINUTES: The group approves minutes from previous meetings with minor corrections. MOTION: Paul; SECOND: Wendell. Vote POLLED: St. Richard’s site: Wendell, Paul, & Joselyn YES; Big Bear satellite: Shonda & Kelly YES. Motion APPROVED.</p>
ACTION ITEMS	Presenter	
New Members:	Wendell	<p>Next, a MOTION: Wendell; SECOND: Paul -- to add Ginger Bedolla from Family Assistance Program as a new board member. Vote POLLED: St. Richard’s site: Wendell, Paul, & Joselyn YES; Big Bear satellite: Shonda & Kelly YES. Motion APPROVED.</p> <p>Addition of Isaac García as a new voting member to await next month’s meeting.</p>
Presentatio n	Presenter	
“Work of DOVES – Domestic Violence Education & Services	Lori Schindler of DOVES	<p>“ Work of DOVES – Domestic Violence Education & Services” by Lori Schindler</p> <p>Lori Schindler from DOVES introduced herself and the organization's work. Lori, a community outreach advocate at DOVES, explains their services for domestic violence survivors. The organization provides shelter, transitional housing, advocacy, and various support programs. They assist clients in becoming independent, offering help with housing, employment, and life skills. DOVES serves the Big Bear to Crestline area, collaborates with other agencies, and receives funding from government grants, their thrift store, and community donations. Clients must be at least 18, fleeing abuse, and agree to participate in the transitional program for a minimum of two months</p>
MEMBER ROUND TABLE	Presenter	&PUBLIC COMMENT
Discussion: 1. 2. Proposed “Homeless Summit” 3. Public Comment	Wendell	<p>1. CoC Strategic Plan</p> <p>Wendell and Paul discussed the CoC’s new strategic plan for the mountain region, which will be developed with the help of an outside consultant, Home Base. The plan will be region-specific, taking into account the unique needs and challenges of each area. The consultant will work with the regional steering committees to gather input and develop a plan that addresses the needs of each region. The plan is expected to be completed by the end of the year. Wendell also mentioned the importance of data in the planning process and the need for more robust reporting on program results.</p> <p>2. Proposed “Housing & Homeless Summit for the Mountains</p> <p>Wendell mentioned a significant event, the Housing and Homeless Summit, scheduled for June 27th. The summit aims to address the housing and homeless situation in the area, with speakers including Marcus Dillard, Carrie Harmon, and Joe Coletti. Wendell also mentioned the need to estimate the</p>

		<p>true number of homeless in the area and the potential for community involvement in solving the housing and homeless issues.</p> <p>Wendell discussed the successful pre-summit meeting with 13 faith-based organizations on the mountain, where they discussed cooperation and outreach to the poor or homeless. He mentioned the presence of an emergency manager from the city of LA and an elder familiar with AI. The meeting resulted in a strong interest in cooperation among the participants.</p> <p>3. PUBLIC COMMENT – beginning with Board members’ input: Shonda announced a parent education community event on April 29th, focusing on the effects of media on children's anxiety.. ZaZette shared updates on the relocation of their drop-in center to Highland and plans for an open house on June 6th. Wendell also mentioned a fundraiser gala on May 3rd and a hotel operator offering free furniture for those moving into a place ZaZette proposed a more streamlined referral system to assist those in need and emphasized the importance of collaboration among organizations. Wendell also mentioned reaching out to nonprofits to cover the whole county and the need for a midsummer point-in-time count to gather statistical data. Rita asked about the process of requesting a change in the point-in-time count, and Wendell explained that while the official count remains in January, the Mountain gets an inaccurate count due to harsh weather and could conduct a later count to make a stronger funding argument.</p> <p>Wendell also brought up the issue of workforce housing for seasonal employees in Big Bear, which was a significant concern. Kelly confirmed that a hotel operator in town is exploring conversion options for low-income and workforce housing solutions. Wendell expressed interest in utilizing any extra availability at the transformed Travelodge property for the Mountain Homeless Coalition. Kelly mentioned that the city is looking at ways to build a model that can be successful for housing, but there are challenges in regulating long-term housing in a model meant for transient occupancy.</p> <p>Wendell discussed the recent shortage of funds for short-term lodging for the homeless coalition and the need for solutions to prevent homelessness during the coming winter.</p>
<p>FINAL ITEMS</p>		
<p>Other</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lori Schindler to find out how many clients DOVES serves in a year. • Kelly Tinker to explore potential availability of resort workforce housing for homeless services during off-peak seasons • Mountain Homeless Coalition to organize and host the Housing and Homeless Summit on June 27 • Paul to send furniture donation information to interested parties who email him at paulfour@gmail.com • Zazette to provide updates on Central Region activities at future meetings • Rim Family Services to hold inaugural fundraiser gala on May 3rd at Sandals Church in Lake Arrowhead • Bear Valley Unified School District to host a parent education event on media effects on children's brains on April 29th • Mountain region representatives to participate in upcoming strategic planning sessions with Home Base Consultants • Wendell and team to prepare data on mountain region homelessness for the Housing and Homeless Summit.
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>Wendell</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 3:06pm</p>

Next Meeting:	Wendell	The next meeting—Mountain-RSC+HPN: Monday, May 12, 2025 from 1:30 to 3:00pm -- In-Person at St. Richard's, at Big Bear, and at Highland & Via Zoom Tele-conference.
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VOTING MEMBERS

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
Kelly	Tinker	Comm.Dev.-City of Big Bear Lake	ktinker@citybigbearlake.com ;	909-866-5831 ext. 160
Joscelyn	Field	Rim Family Services	jfield@rimfamilyservices.org	909-283-0221
Paul	Fournier	CoChair Mt.RSC+HPN	paulfour@gmail.com	909-307-4467
Annemieke	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
PENDING:	Isaac Garcia	Dept. of Rehabilitation	Isaac.garcia@dor.ca.gov ;	951-201-6379
Elected 4/14/25:	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