



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

**Tuesday, December 8, 2020 • 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Via Zoom Teleconference**

Pursuant to the provisions of Governor Newsom’s executive order N-29-20 dated march 17, 2020, which suspends certain requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act in response to the COVID-19 emergency

Teleconference Info: <https://victorvilleca-gov.zoom.us/j/93279067036>

Dial-in Info: (669)900-9128. Meeting ID:932 7906 7036

AGENDA

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER
A. Call to Order (3 minutes)	Sharon Green, Co-Chair
CONSENT ITEM	
B. Approve Meeting Minutes from the November 10, 2020 Regular Meeting.	Sharon Green, Co-Chair
DISCUSSION	
C. Behavioral Health Services Presentation	Dr. Veronica Kelley, Director of SB County Department of Behavioral Health
D. City Net Presentation	Chelsea Bowers, Director of Public Affairs
E. Updates	Committee Members
CLOSING	
F. Public Comment (3 mins)	
G. Adjournment	
Next Meeting: Desert Regional Steering Committee will meet next on: January 12, 2021 via Zoom Conferencing https://victorvilleca-gov.zoom.us/j/93279067036	

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.

THE SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY HOMELESS PARTNERSHIP MEETING FACILITY IS ACCESSIBLE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. IF ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES OR OTHER AUXILIARY AIDS OR SERVICES ARE NEEDED IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PUBLIC MEETING, REQUESTS SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH THE OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES AT LEAST THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE PARTNERSHIP MEETING. THE OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES TELEPHONE NUMBER IS (909) 386-8297 AND THE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT 303 E. VANDERBILT WAY SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415. <http://www.sbcounty.gov/sbchp/>

AGENDA AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION CAN BE OBTAINED AT 303 E VANDERBILT WAY, SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415 OR BY EMAIL: HOMELESSRFP@HSS.SBCOUNTY.GOV.

Minutes for San Bernardino County Office of Homeless Services Desert Regional Steering Committee Meeting

November 10, 2020
2:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.
Victorville City Hall (Meeting held via Zoom)
14343 Civic Dr., Victorville, CA 92392

Minutes recorded and transcribed by Karem Ostrom, Management Technician, City of Victorville, City Manager Department

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER	ACTION / OUTCOME
A. Call to Order	Sophie Smith, Alternate Co-Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		
B. Approval of Minutes	Sophie Smith, Alternate Co-Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2020 Regular Meeting and the October 19, 2020 Special Meeting. Inger Robertson made motion to approve both sets of minutes. Jimmy Waldron made the 2nd. All were in favor, motion passed unanimously.
DISCUSSION		
C. Behavioral Health Services Presentation	Dr. Veronica Kelley, Director of SB County Department of Behavioral Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Alternate Co-Chair Sophie Smith announced that the presenter was not able to make it to the meeting due to an unforeseen circumstance, the presentation was rescheduled to the December 8, 2020 meeting.
D. Presentation “Connect Homes”	Gordon Stott, Co- Founder Steve Sudeth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Connect Homes gave a power point and video presentation of their rapid deploy shelter and housing solutions.
E. Updates	Committee Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jimmy Waldron, High Desert Homeless Shelter, shared that they are working on a potential site for the warming shelter, it will be presented during the November 17th Victorville City Council Meeting. ▪ Cassandra Searcy, City of Victorville, updated the committee on the City moving forward with cleaning out the designated site for the Recuperative & Care Center due to possible received funding. ▪ Inger Robertson, A Better Way, stated that services are being continued as usual, nothing new to report. ▪ Nikki Salas, City of Barstow, stated they are excited with the New Hope Village award that was received, they are also trying to find a place to start a heating and cooling center. ▪ Bridget Martinez announced their new expansion to the program “Open Arms” within their community drop in center in San Bernardino, they can help individuals obtain their IDs, Birth Certificates, etc. ▪ Kevin Mahany, announced the emergency food and shelter grant based from their Irving office. They are also looking for ways to educate residents about housing so they can be more informed and become better advocates.

CLOSING		
Public Comment		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were no public comments.
Adjournment		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00p.m.

November 10, 2020 Voting Members in Attendance:

City of Barstow, Nikki Salas
 City of Victorville, Sophie Smith
 A Better Way, Inger Robertson
 High Desert Homeless Shelter, Jimmy Waldron
 St. Mary's Medical Group, Kevin Mahany
 Family Assistance Program, Bridgette Martinez
 City of Hesperia, Rachel Molina

Additional Attendees:

KEYS Nonprofit, Liz Munoz
 Department of Behavioral Health, David Fallon
 United Way 211, Shannon Waldron
 Illumination Foundation, Elizabeth Saldana
 Salvation Army, Sandra Scott
 City of Victorville, Cassandra Searcy



Behavioral Health
Administration

County Behavioral Health

Dr. Veronica Kelley, LCSW

San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health



All Ages



Medi-Cal

**Specialty Mental Health
Substance Use Disorder
Early and Periodic
Screening, Diagnostic, and
Treatment**



Uninsured

BASICS OF PUBLIC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH FINANCING

County Behavioral Health Sources of Funding



- 1991 Realignment



- 2011 Realignment



- Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)

- Federal Financial Participation (FFP)
(Medicaid aka Medi-Cal)

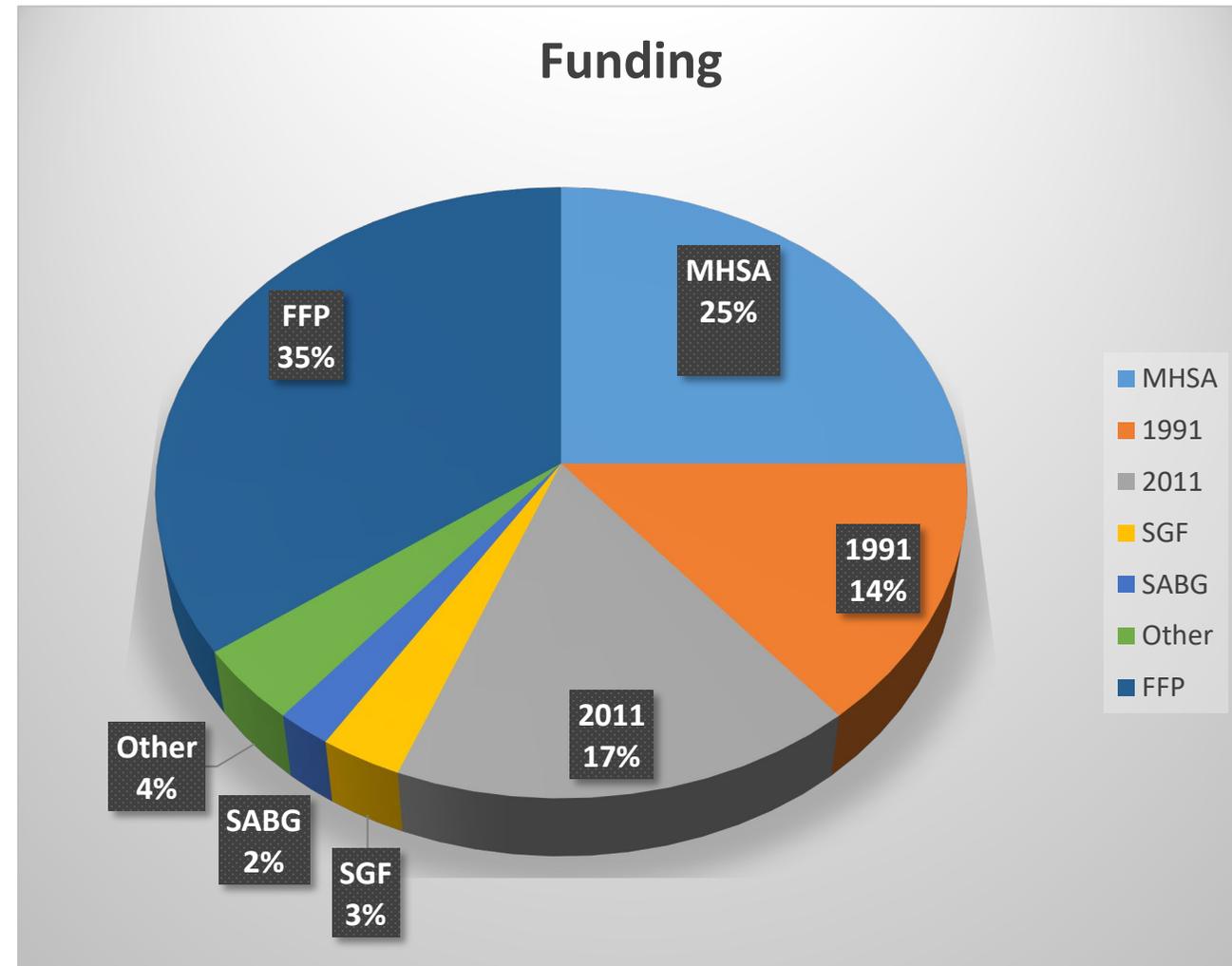


- Other local \$, grants

Total Medi-Cal

- \$ 105.2 Billion
- \$23 Billion General Fund
- Covers 13 Million or 1:3 Californians

- San Bernardino County (SBC)
Department of Behavioral Health (DBH)
Budget - \$446 Million



- Largest single funding source- Federal Medicaid matching funds (FFP)
 - Must be claimed and spent according to Medicaid rules
 - Does not pay for Institutes of Mental Disease (IMD) level of care
 - Crucial to County behavioral health networks
- Second largest funding source – MHSA
 - Accounts for 1 out of every 3 Medicaid Behavioral Health (BH) dollars statewide
 - Volatile and vulnerable to changes in economic outlook
 - Must be spent in compliance with MHSA rules and requirements
 - Reserve levels are capped at 33% CSS component

- Flexible funding for programs aligned to counties:
 - Community based mental health services
 - MH services for civil commitments/conservatorships
 - Institutes for Mental Disease (IMDs)
 - \$1.1 B base funding
- Sources of funding:
 - Sales tax and Vehicle Licensing Fees (VLF)

- Counties (not the state) are responsible for Medi-Cal\
 - SPM adults (SMI)
 - EPSDT (Full scope children's Medi-Cal)
 - Drug Medi-Cal and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services
- Guaranteed base of \$1.4 Billion
- Sources of funding
 - Sales tax and VLF

- Client and community centered
- Funds Community Support Services (CSS), Prevention & Early Intervention (PEI) Workforce Education & Training (WET), Capital, Technology & Facilities (CTF), Innovations (INN)
- Source of funding
 - 1% personal income tax of millionaires

- Medi-Cal
 - Specialty service delivery system for SMI and SUD
 - Beneficiaries must meet medical necessity criteria
 - EPSDT is entitlement for children & youth
- All populations, regardless of insurance- obligation to serve within resources
 - Mental Health Crisis Services (5150, LPS conservatorships)
- All populations if dedicated funding available
 - MHSA
 - Public Safety Realignment (AB109)
 - Prop 47 Grants (justice involved)

- Persons with Medi-Cal; Persons without insurance
- Service delivery for adults with a Serious Mental Illness (SMI), children & youth with a Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED) and anyone with an addiction
- Persons with Medi-Cal who have a mild or moderate mental illness are served in the Managed Care Space- Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) or Molina

- All of our service delivery sites work with persons without homes however, HOUSING is not our normal line of business. We provide housing support
- We had funding available through MHSA for housing- it was time limited and was leveraged for the SMI population in 9 different housing projects
- We fund the Office of Homeless Services with MHSA funds- the requirement is that they have a mental illness/ addiction, as determined by US
- We are voluntary for the most part

- All of our 400+ programs serve those people who are without homes
- Housing/Homeless support specific
 - Transitional Age Youth Centers- Ontario, San Bernardino, Victorville, Yucca Valley
- CalWorks/Family Stabilization
- Adult System of Care (ASOC)- Adult Residential, Conservatorship Investigation, Therapeutic Alliance Program
- Clubhouses
 - Barstow, Morongo Basin, Redlands, Rialto, San Bernardino, Ontario, Victorville, Needles (coming soon)
- HOST
- Housing & Employment

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