



**San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership
Joint Meeting of Mountain Homeless Provider Network
and Mountain Regional Steering Committee**

**Monday, September 13, 2021 • 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 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://us02web.zoom.us/j/87525281250?pwd=MmVWVWJhTk5xVEpzQ3JBc2JzNG5Qdz09>
Dial-in (669) 900-6833 • Meeting ID 875 2528 1250 • Passcode: 940100
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AGENDA

OPENING REMARKS		PRESENTER
A. Call to Order (3 minutes)		Wendell Wilson / Richard Arnold
B. Welcome and Introductions (5 minutes)		
CONSENT		PRESENTER
C. Approve the minutes from the June 14, 2021 joint meeting of Mountain Homeless Provider Network and Mountain Regional Steering Committee		Wendell Wilson
D. Approve the minutes from the July 12, 2021 joint meeting of Mountain Homeless Provider Network and Mountain Regional Steering Committee		Wendell Wilson
E. Approve the minutes from the August 9, 2021 joint meeting of Mountain Homeless Provider Network and Mountain Regional Steering Committee		Wendell Wilson
PRESENTATION		
F. Victorville / High Desert Update on Homeless Solutions		Cassandra Searcy, Program Administrator, City of Victorville
ACTION ITEMS		
G. **none**		
DISCUSSION ITEMS		
H. Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) Update		Mountain Homeless Coalition
I. Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Update		Mountain Homeless Coalition
J. Recent forest service closures & related legislation		
K. Formation of a local task force to address homelessness (govt, nonprofit, faith-based, business community, local residents) ?		
L. Member roundtable		Committee members
CLOSING		
M. Public Comment (3 mins) (Please EMAIL to PaulF@MtnHomeless.com, labelled MRSC PUBLIC COMMENT)		
N. Adjournment		
Next Meeting: Mountain Regional Steering Committee will next meet on: Monday, October 4, 2021 - 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm Via Zoom Teleconference https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87525281250?pwd=MmVWVWJhTk5xVEpzQ3JBc2JzNG5Qdz09 Dial-in (669) 900-6833 • Meeting ID 875 2528 1250 • Passcode: 940100 Immediately following Mountain HPN Meeting 12 noon to 1:30pm (same teleconference info)		

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

Date June 14, 2021
Time: 1:30pm-3:30pm
Location: Zoom Meeting #: 875 2528 1250

Minutes Recorded and transcribed by: Paul Fournier, Secretary, MHPN and MRSC

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
<p>Call to Order Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>Wendell Wilson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. by Wendell Wilson. • This meeting was conducted via 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.* • Attendees were welcomed and roll call of members was taken <p>Attendance (QUORUM PRESENT) MRSC Voting Members Present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wendell Wilson – Mountain Homeless Coalition ▪ Paul Fournier – Mountain Help ▪ Sue O’Strander – City of Big Bear Lake ▪ Tristin Alfred – DBH HOST team ▪ Shonda Szabo – Bear Valley Unified School District ▪ Abby Savich – Mountains Community Hospital <p>MRSC Voting Members Absent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Aaron Scullin – Rim Family Services ▪ Quinton Page – DOVES ▪ Carol Kinzel – Rim Communities Resource Network ▪ Richard Arnold – City Rep
CONSENT ITEMS		
<p>Approval of minutes from the May 3, 2021 joint meeting of Mountain Homeless Provider Network and Mountain Regional Steering Committee</p>		<p>Moved to approve by Shonda Szabo. Seconded by Wendell Wilson. Approved</p>
PRESENTATION		

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<p>County & State Homeless Update</p>	<p>Don Smith, SBC Pathways to Housing Network</p>	<p>Don Smith provided a thorough update on recent legislation and funding available to the county and/or COC to address homelessness.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Newsom May Budget Revision - \$16 Billion investment in homeless funding, much of it from federal funds. Legislature came back with some cuts, extended some time frames. Now in negotiations<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 9.3 billion in housing package →○ 6.8 billion for homeless initiatives → 8.5 billion over 2 years, but including 1 billion per year for operating support○ Expansion of Homekey – 3.75 billion over 2 years<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Including 1 billion for families with children. Aimed at quick turnaround. Motel conversions, tiny homes, etc. 6 month horizon.▪ Applicant must be a government agency – idea is to help cut through red tape.○ \$40 million challenge○ \$30 million for encampment-focused strategies<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Targeted toward efforts to clear out encampments (15+) and get folks connected to housing options○ Apply American rescue funds
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Housing and Homelessness

The May Revision contains a total 2021-22 housing package of \$9.3 billion (up from \$750 million in January) and a homelessness package of \$6.8 billion (\$2.1 billion above January's proposal).

Homelessness: The Legislature's Budget provides \$8.5 billion in new funding for homelessness programs over the next two years, including \$1 billion in ongoing support for local governments to address homelessness. Spread over a four-year period.

- 2021-22:
 - \$1.2 billion federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for Project Homekey (Homekey- \$3.75 billion one-time funds over two years for the additional acquisition and rehabilitation of facilities through the Homekey program. Of this amount, \$1 billion is targeted for families experiencing homelessness or at risk for being homeless)
 - \$1 billion General Fund for flexible local aid,
 - \$40 million for Family Homelessness Challenge Grants and technical assistance, and
 - \$30 million for Encampment Resolution Grants;
- 2022-23:
 - \$1 billion in federal ARPA funds for Homekey and
 - \$1 billion General Fund for flexible local aid; and
- 2023-24 and 2024-25:
 - and
 - \$30 million for Encampment Resolution Grants;
- 2022-23:
 - \$1 billion in federal ARPA funds for Homekey and
 - \$1 billion General Fund for flexible local aid; and
- 2023-24 and 2024-25:
 - \$1 billion per year in General Fund resources for flexible local aid.

Housing: The Legislature's Budget provides \$1.75 billion to alleviate the backlog in affordable housing construction, \$300 million to preserve existing affordable housing, \$130 million for farmworker housing, and \$750 million for planning and implementation grants to help local governments plan for and meet their goals under their Sustainable Community Strategies.

CalWORKs Housing Support Program: \$475 million General Fund in both 2021-22 and 2022-23 to expand assistance to CalWORKs families experiencing homelessness is **proposed in the May Revision**. **Legislature's Budget:** Modifies the **May Revision proposal and instead approves** \$95 million General Fund in 2021-22 and \$285 million General Fund in 2022-23, allowing for use of both appropriations until June 30, 2025

Bringing Families Home: \$280 million General Fund in both 2021-22 and 2022-23 is included in the May Revision to expand the program which provides housing supports to eligible families

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		<p>Bringing Families Home: \$280 million General Fund in both 2021-22 and 2022-23 is included in the May Revision to expand the program which provides housing supports to eligible families experiencing homelessness in the child welfare system.</p> <p>Housing and Disability Advocacy Program: \$175 million General Fund annually through 2023-24 is included in the May Revision to reach and house individuals who are eligible but not currently receiving SSI/SSP. Legislature's Budget: Approves \$75 million General Fund in 2021-22 and \$225 million General Fund in 2022-23, allowing for use of both appropriations until June 30, 2025. Includes placeholder trailer bill language to waive the county match requirement, explicitly allow for long-term subsidies and services, eliminate the interim assistance reimbursement agreement requirement, and provides other funding flexibility as recommended by the counties.</p> <p>Home Safe: \$200 million General Fund annually through 2022-23 is included in the May Revision to provide access to health, safety, and housing supports for Adult Protective Services (APS) recipients or those at risk of involvement with the APS system. Legislature's Budget: Approves \$50 million General Fund in 2021-22 and \$150 million General Fund in 2022-23, allowing for use of both appropriations until June 30, 2025. Includes placeholder trailer bill language to waive the county match requirement and funding flexibility as offered by the counties, including the ability to serve APS clients at risk of homelessness.</p>
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		<p>Project Roomkey: The May Revision contains \$150 million one-time General Fund to support non-congregate shelter population and transition of individuals from Project Roomkey into permanent housing following the September 2021 sunset of federal reimbursement.</p> <p>Legislature's Budget: Approves \$150 million General Fund one-time for Project Roomkey and placeholder trailer bill language to cover the definitions, purposes, basic timelines for implementation, and outcomes to facilitate legislative oversight.</p> <p>Community Care Expansion: \$500 million is proposed in the May Revision, an increase of \$250 million in federal Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Fund funding as compared to January, to the Department of Social Services for competitive grants to qualified county and tribal entities for the acquisition and rehabilitation of adult and senior care facilities for the homeless or those at risk of homelessness.</p> <p>Legislature's Budget: Modifies the May Revision proposal approving funding of \$497.5 million (\$47.5 million General Fund) in 2021-22.</p> <p>Adult Residential Facilities and Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly: The Legislature's Budget provides \$150 million General Fund one-time for operating subsidies for Adult Residential Facilities and Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly that serve SSI/SSP recipients. This proposal was not included in the May Revision.</p> <p>The Plan focuses significantly on family homelessness, as families now represent the fastest-growing segment of Californians experiencing homelessness. The following proposed investments are intended to end family homelessness in five years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$9.3 billion in total funding to support affordable housing for low-income and extremely low-income Californians, including \$5.2 billion for rent relief, \$2 billion for past-due utilities support, and \$1 billion for homeowner relief programs to keep individuals and families who are facing financial hardships because of the pandemic keep their homes.• \$1 billion of the \$3.5 billion proposed for expansion of the Homekey program is targeted for families experiencing homelessness or at risk of being homeless.• \$3.5 billion is targeted for rental support, housing, and shelter resources for families.• \$1.1 billion to expand the state's CalAIM mental health system with a significant expansion in family homelessness programs within the Department of Social Services.• \$4 billion over four years to expand behavioral and other supportive services for children aged 0-25.• \$447 million to address student homelessness at California Community Colleges, California State Universities, and the UC System.• \$150 million to rehouse Project Roomkey clients out of temporary shelter settings into permanent housing.
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communities and to move the state closer to attaining functional zero for family homelessness in an equitable and holistic manner.

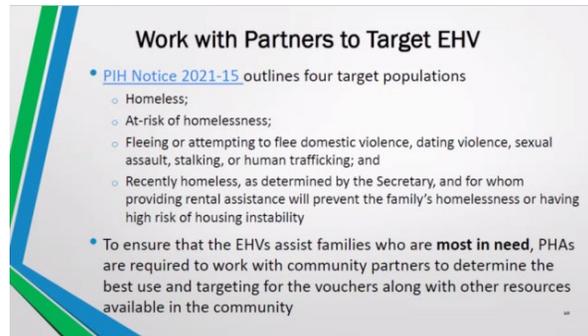
- **\$5.6 million to conduct a statewide landscape assessment** – Building on the efforts of the [Homeless Data Integration System](#) (HDIS), HCFC would conduct a landscape assessment of local homelessness service providers and state funded homelessness programs. The assessment would provide a detailed view of the range of services and strategies that are utilized at the local level and help determine if state investments are aligned with local homelessness response systems. With HDIS, we now have access to the data and tools necessary to effectively coordinate California's Continuums of Care, county and city governments, and local communities in our collective efforts to prevent and end homelessness in California. The landscape assessment will allow us to make a deeper-dive assessment of all state and local homelessness spending across California to discover what's working and what's not, so that the state can ensure its investments are most effectively targeted and that local governments are accountable for meeting targets to reduce homelessness.

We will be hosting a stakeholder call next Tuesday, May 25th, from 10:00-11:00am PT to present more in-depth details about the California Comeback Plan. Details about how to join the meeting will be sent out later this week. In the meantime, a full version of Governor Newsom's California Comeback Plan can be found here: <http://www.ebudget.ca.gov/budget/2021-22MR/#/BudgetSummary>

Emergency Housing Vouchers – 70,000 new section 8-type vouchers nationwide to address homelessness, 455 allocated to SB County (currently 80,000 on county's waiting list – these cannot be applied to the waiting list.



This is a slide titled 'Work with Partners to Target EHV'. It contains a bulleted list of information. The first bullet point is 'PIH Notice 2021-15 outlines four target populations', followed by four sub-bullets: 'Homeless;', 'At-risk of homelessness;', 'Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; and', and 'Recently homeless, as determined by the Secretary, and for whom providing rental assistance will prevent the family's homelessness or having high risk of housing instability'. The second main bullet point states: 'To ensure that the EHV's assist families who are most in need, PHAs are required to work with community partners to determine the best use and targeting for the vouchers along with other resources available in the community'. The slide has a decorative graphic on the left side consisting of several overlapping diagonal lines in shades of green and blue.



Some points that Don emphasized:

We should be looking to ensure an equitable distribution regionally (mountains, Morongo).]

COC is responsible for determining targets and determining a system. We need find them, get them doc ready, and get them leased up.

Hopefully we will take the time to do it right. 120 days to lease up after issuance of vouchers (vs. 90 day normal time frame).

Be sure to make our voices heard to the county!!!!

ERAP – Emergency Rental Assistance program

- Tons of money avail
- <50% AMI - apply to county
- 50-80% AMI - apply to state through Housing is Key
 - Asking landlords to forgive 20%. Hopefully this will be waived soon.
 - Less than 50% participation by landlords
 - State recently simplified the application process.
- 2nd round coming from the feds
 - SB County will get another 56 million
 - State getting another 2 billion

Homeowner Mortgage Assistance Programs

- Talk with bank or Cal HFA
- Also funding a lot of housing counseling services

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IFHMB, Neighborhood Housing Services <p>Make your voice heard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Most in need• Efficiently used• Supportive services required.• HPN leaders have proposed that ICH form an ad-hoc committee on alignment (use the HUD spreadsheet alignment tool for COVID-19 resources)• ICH does not do strategic planning right now – just rubber-stamps what the county does (and county is not doing data-driven planning) <p>County is engaged in creating a homeless strategic plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• County, not COC• There is some concern by the county about creating the Ad-hoc committee – county fears it might get in the way <p>Youth Homeless Demonstration Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• HUD has released 3 rounds of funding –<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Funding becomes part of our annual funding.○ Great opportunity for us.○ \$1mm to \$50mm. Not sure what the amount is.○ The person they hired has been successful in applications (San Diego, Honolulu). <p>HHAP 2 (Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Funding went to the COC (county got its own pot, but they are trying to figure out how to control both pots of money)• County 1.3 mm, COC 1.45 mm <p>HMIS update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Last vendor change was 2014-2015• New system being used by most So-Cal COCs. OHS looking at.• HMIS team grossly understaffed, but also under-funded <p>ERAP administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expend by 12/31/2020 → 9/2022 <p>HCFC – Homeless Coordinating and Finance Council</p>
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ACTION ITEMS		
** NONE **		
Announcements / Roundtable		
Mountain Homeless Coalition Update	Paul Fournier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homekey was big deal for MHC • Currently looking at 2 projects – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 22 cabins (with county as partner) ○ RFI for affordable housing – 4-plex in Rimforest – would be simply affordable housing ○ Check with CDH for HOME dollars for the 4-plex • Jennifer Silvestri – new executive director <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ From Kaiser Permanente ○ Building governance, operational policies and procedures, strengthening the organization as a whole.
City of Big Bear Lake	Sue O'Strander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing element – was due next week. Now shooting for July 19. Draft a couple of weeks in advance. • Want policies that will result in housing being built, and workforce housing.
DBH General Mental Health contract out for proposals	Michael Beavers, Mountain Counseling & Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GMH for mountain areas, which includes “substantial funds” which can be used along with case mgt / linkage funds) • Will be funding that was probably included in what Don Smith talked about
Mountain Counseling & Training	Michael Beavers, Mountain Counseling & Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applying for GMH contract for Rim of the World school area • Functional impairments include “homelessness”. • Contemplating a recovery division (which will likely include some homelessness funding) • Will result in increased collaboration rather than duplication
HOST – Homeless Outreach Support Team	Tristin Alfred	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Originally a pilot program to house 70. • Have done 400 • 243 to Step-Up • 3 components <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Supportive services ○ Outreach compenent ○ Shelter program (currently open only to DBH connected folks) – must be linked with a DBH clinic (which is initiated through rBEST). ○ All referrals come through CES

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSU or CRT not in the mountains <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Engagement ○ InnRoads
Public comment		
NONE		
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Adjournment	Wendell Wilson	Meeting adjourned at 3:03 p.m.
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Attendees:

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Tristin	Alfred	DBH	talfred@dbh.sbcounty.gov	909-665-4150
Samantha	Callejas	211	scallejas@iscuw.org	
Leslie	Evans	Foothill AIDS Project	leslie@fapinfo.org	9098842722 Ext 224
Paul	Fournier	Mountain Homeless Coalition	paulf@mtnhomeless.com	909-307-4467
susan	ostrander	city of big bear lake	sostrander@citybigbearlake.com	(909) 866-5831
Abby	Savich	Mountain Community Hospital	Abby.savich@mchcares.com	909-436-3210
Jennifer	Silvestri	Mountain Homeless Coalition	JenniferS@mtnhomeless.com	(760) 285-6443
Don	Smith	SBC Pathways to Housing Network	DonSmithSolutions@outlook.com	
Shonda	Szabo	Bear Valley USD	shonda_szabo@bearvalleyusd.org	909-866-5070 x 1100
Sue	Walker	MHC	svwalker@gmail.com	909 337-1279
Wendell	Wilson	Mountain Homeless Coalition	wendellw@mtnhomeless.com	360-350-8692

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Date July 12, 2021
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OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
<p>Call to Order Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>Paul Fournier</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. by Secretary Paul Fournier. Wendell Wilson unable to attend due to personal reasons. • This meeting was conducted via 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.* • Attendees were welcomed and roll call of members was taken <p>Attendance (QUORUM PRESENT) MRSC Voting Members Present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Paul Fournier – Mountain Help ▪ Sue O'Strander – City of Big Bear Lake ▪ Tristin Alfred – DBH HOST team ▪ Shonda Szabo – Bear Valley Unified School District ▪ Quinton Page – DOVES ▪ Abby Savich – Mountains Community Hospital <p>MRSC Voting Members Absent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wendell Wilson – Mountain Homeless Coalition ▪ Aaron Scullin – Rim Family Services ▪ Carol Kinzel – Rim Communities Resource Network ▪ Richard Arnold – City Rep
PUBLIC COMMENT		
<p>Mary's Village</p>	<p>Sandra Scott, Director</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary's Village in San Bernardino is a 12-24 month program for men age 18+. New. Program is free to the men.. Start out in a dorm dorm → 3 guys → 2 guys. More land will hold apartments and homes. Life skills, anger management, criminal thinking, substance abuse. Work, play, cook together. Outreach: Will assist at Mary's Table feeding the homeless. Preparing them to become productive members of society.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently 15 out of 80 beds filled. Referrals being accepted. Telephone interview → in-person interview → background check. Determine their plans and goals to see if they fit the program. • 256 South Artesian San Bernardino, Ca 909-332-7440
CONSENT ITEMS		
Minutes of June 14 meeting		Minutes were not ready for approval. No vote taken.
PRESENTATION		
US Forest Service Homelessness Update	Zach Behrens, Public Affairs Officer, San Bernardino National Forest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forest Protection Officer Collateral – new role for Zach • Manage 690,000 acres <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Eastern edge of San Gabriel Mountains - Lytle Creek, SB Mountains ○ Angelus Oaks, Forest Falls, Mountain Home Village ○ San Jacinto Mountains – almost to Palm Desert • Manage the landscape in a multiple use ways <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recreation ○ Infrastructure that goes through the forest ○ Water – 3 million people’s drinking water starts in the forest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Santa Ana River ▪ Plus headwaters of the Mojave River ▪ Work with water utilities ○ Prescribed burn • Very urban national forest (10 of 154 are “urban” forests in the country) • One challenge: People living on the forest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Federal regulations prohibit residing on a national forest ○ Ecological challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Human waste ▪ Litter and trash ▪ Fire danger ○ Can give all the citations in the world, but reality is that most judges won’t allow the prosecution • Right before COVID brought in the Incident Management Organization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SOPs for employees to make sure they are safe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sometimes there are folks with warrants for serious crimes ○ Rangers have some powers, but don’t carry guns ○ How to handle needles, human waste, leftover waste ○ How to work with organizations like Mountain Homeless Coalition and others ○ Plan still incomplete due to COVID • Fire season is upon us – dangerous through September/October

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hazards communication plan <p>City of SB – coalition forming regarding Waterman Canyon, homelessness and fire danger</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 300% increase in illegal campfires last year – mostly visitors from LA and OC <p>Question from Don Smith: Any best practices, strategies coming out of the forest service to address people living off the land?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaboration – GIS mapping, InnRoads, HOPE team, • Forest service has 2 GIS people, using an ESRI product
ACTION ITEMS		
** NONE **		
Announcements / Roundtable		
Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)	Paul Fournier	<p>Coming online for SB County – See https://housing.ca.gov/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County program 0-50% of AMI • State program 51-80% of AMI
City of Big Bear Lake	Sue O'Strander	<p>Housing Element Update available online – Going before city council on Monday 7/19/21.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.citybigbearlake.com/index.php/departments/planning-inspections/planning/2-uncategorised/442-housing-element-update • Housing action plan has been moved to the front of the document • New programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minimum density in R3 zoning – no more single family homes ○ Partnerships available on city-owned sites. ○ ADUs – generate interest ○ Employee housing – starting conversations with larger employers ○ General incentives for any other needed housing
DOVES	Heidi Bloomsness	<p>Noting a few rental scams in the process of location housing for their clients.</p> <p>Transitional housing is available, but there is a waiting list.</p> <p>Resources are available to male victims of domestic violence.</p>
Mountains Community Hospital	Abby Savich	Still focusing on COVID vaccinations.
Mountain Homeless Coalition	Paul Fournier	MHC hiring for case workers in both the Big Bear and Rim areas

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Rolling Start	Delia Lopez	Rolling start is assisting disabled clients in scheduling and transporting to COVID vaccinations.
Public comment		
NONE		
Adjournment	Paul Fournier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.
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Heidi	Bloomsness	DOVES of Big Bear Valley	hbloomsness@doves4help.org	601-228-2796
Paul	Fournier	Mountain Homeless Coalition	paulf@mtnhomeless.com	909-307-4467
Delia	Lopez	Rolling Start Inc	dlopez@rollingstart.com	(909) 890-9516
Susan	O'Strander	City of Big Bear Lake	sostrander@citybigbearlake.com	(909) 866-5831
Quinton	Page	DOVES of Big Bear Valley, Inc.	qpage@doves4help.org	(909) 866-1546
Jeffrey	Richardson	Mental Health Solutions	jeffrey.richardson@mhsinc.org	(909) 204-8151
Abby	Savich	Mountains Community Hospital	abby.savich@mchcares.com	909-436-3210
Sandra	Scott	Mary's Village	s.scott@marysmercy-center.org	909-332-7440
Don	Smith	SBC Pathways to Housing Network	donsmithsolutions@outlook.com	909-210-0639

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Minutes Recorded and transcribed by: Paul Fournier, Secretary, MHPN and MRSC

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
<p>Call to Order Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>Wendell Wilson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. by Wendell Wilson. • This meeting was conducted via 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.* • Attendees were welcomed and roll call of members was taken <p>Attendance (QUORUM PRESENT) MRSC Voting Members Present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wendell Wilson – Mountain Homeless Coalition ▪ Paul Fournier – Mountain Help ▪ Sue O’Strander – City of Big Bear Lake ▪ Tristin Alfred – DBH HOST team ▪ Shonda Szabo – Bear Valley Unified School District ▪ Quinton Page – DOVES ▪ Carol Kinzel – Rim Communities Resource Network <p>MRSC Voting Members Absent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Abby Savich – Mountains Community Hospital ▪ Aaron Scullin – Rim Family Services ▪ Richard Arnold – City Rep
CONSENT ITEMS		
<p>Minutes of June 14 and July 12 meetings</p>		<p>Minutes were not ready for approval. No vote taken.</p>
PRESENTATION		
<p>** None **</p>		

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ACTION ITEMS		
** NONE **		
Announcements / Roundtable		
Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)	Paul Fournier	<p>Countywide ERAP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MHC attempting to enter into a partnership to serve the mountains with this program • County Program – 0-50% of AMI, up to 12 months back rent and 3 months future rent • Back utility payments have been added to the program <p>Lighthouse Social Service Centers – providing service to the California State program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LHSSC is assisting tenants and landlords apply for the state program we would be more than willing to assist anyone with AMI between 50-80 • Jorge Sierra - office 951.992.2710 email JorgeS@lighthouse-ssc.org • If any organization in the mountain area would like us to hold an information booth regarding State ERAP rental assistance program please contact me.
Emergency Housing Vouchers	Paul Fournier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 455 housing vouchers have been made available to the county. In theory there is a prioritization, but the strong sense from meetings is that priority will be in all practicality first-come, first-served. We are trying to get as many mountain residents qualified as possible, and are seeking volunteers to assist. Training Friday, August 13. • MHC will also be contacting landlords and property managers to seek properties that will accept the vouchers.
Affordable Housing Initiatives	Wendell Wilson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MHC has been spending a lot of time preparing for the possible funding initiatives coming up at the state level • Georgia Street cabins is turning into a real community, and we hope to duplicate that success. • 4 good sized projects identified so far, none of which carry the proper zoning for multi-family • One property in Crestline is a retired school, that has a kitchen, showers and other possibilities for serving the community. • There was a question whether a low-income housing project in Big Bear might be converting to some other type of project. The city was not aware of any such issue.
DOVES	Quinton Page	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business as **un**usual. Shelter still functioning. • Planning annual fundraiser. “Starry, Starry Night”
BVUSD	Shonda Szabo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Collaborative Meeting (third Thursday). Working on community resilience model. • Holiday Giving Collaborative – lead being assumed by Soroptimist club.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern: Many families losing housing due to rentals being sold and/or converted into AirBnB rentals. What's available? (Answer: Not much).
Various	Carol Kinzel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8/17 – Arboretum - Trails Alliance meeting – improve inter-mountain trails 6:30-6:30. No parking pass required. 8/20 – Rim Fam Svces – 50 mile summer hike. 3-6pm, sequoia trail, scavenger hike <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Friday
DBH 2 nd District	Jennifer Silvestri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2nd district advisory council will be hosting a solutions-focused Zoom meeting on Thursday, September 9, 2021 from 3:30-4:30pm.
Porta-potties	Wendell Wilson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking for input on needed placement of porta-potties in various locations.
Public comment		
NONE		
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Adjournment	Wendell Wilson	Meeting adjourned at 2:26 p.m.
Next Meeting:		<p>The next joint meeting of the Mountain Homeless Provider Network (HPN) and Mountain Regional Steering Committee (MRSC)</p> <p>will next meet on Monday, September 13, 2021 from 1:30 to 3:00pm, Via Zoom Teleconference https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87525281250?pwd=MmVVWHJhTk5xVEpzQ3JBc2JzNG5Qdz09 Dial-in (669) 900-6833 • Meeting ID: 875 2528 1250 • Passcode: 940100</p>

Attendees:

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