

ORANGE COUNTY
CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
Thursday, September 2, 2021
4 p.m. – 5 p.m.

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Jeanne Awrey, OC Dept. of Education
Matt Bates, City Net
Judson Brown, City of Santa Ana
Natalie Bui, Veteran Affairs CRRC
Donald Dermit, The Rock Church
Becks Heyhoe, OC United Way [Secretary]
Tim Houchen, Hope4Restoration
Patti Long, Mercy House

Dawn Price, Friendship Shelter
Albert Ramirez, City of Anaheim
Maricela Rios-Faust, Human Options [Vice Chair]
Soledad Rivera, Families Together of OC
George Searcy, Jamboree Housing
Tim Shaw, Individual [Chair]
Christina Weckerly Ramirez, Health Care Agency

Call to Order – Tim Shaw, Chair

Board Member Roll Call – Jocelyn Gaspar, Continuum of Care Staff Specialist

Present: Matt Bates, Donald Dermit, Tim Houchen, Patti Long, Dawn Price, Albert Ramirez, Maricela Rios-Faust, Soledad Rivera, and Tim Shaw.

Absent Excused: Jeanne Awrey, Judson Brown, Natalie Bui, Becks Heyhoe, George Searcy, and Christina Weckerly-Ramirez.

Public Comments: Members of the public may address the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board on items listed within this agenda or matters not appearing on the agenda so long as the subject matter is within the jurisdiction of the CoC Board. Members of the public may address the CoC Board with public comments on agenda items in the business calendar after the CoC Board member discussion. Comments will be limited to three minutes. If there are more than five public speakers, this time will be reduced to two minutes.

To address the CoC Board, members of the public are to enter their name and agenda item number in the WebEx chat box to be placed in a queue. CoC Board staff will call your name in the order listed in the chat box.

- David Duran recommended the CoC Board align with the Commission to End Homelessness to address homelessness in Orange County. David Duran expressed his concerns about the transparency from the chair of the Commission to End Homelessness.

CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters are approved by one motion unless pulled by a Board Member for discussion or separate action. The CoC Board requests that only pertinent information be discussed during this time.

No Consent Calendar Items.

BUSINESS CALENDAR

1. FY2021 Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) – Zulima Lundy, CoC Manager, and CoC NOFO Ad Hoc

- a. Zulima Lundy shared an update on the CoC Program NOFO. The CoC NOFO Ad Hoc is comprised of non-conflicted members of the CoC Board – George Searcy, Matt Bates, and Natalie Bui. The CoC NOFO Ad Hoc has been tasked with providing unbiased recommendations to the CoC Board around the FY2021 CoC Program NOFO. On August 31, the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc met to discuss the funding priorities for the Domestic Violence Bonus funding, the CoC Bonus funding, and any potential reallocation funding.

The CoC NOFO Ad Hoc recommended the Domestic Violence Bonus Request for Proposals (RFP) be limited to Rapid Rehousing and Joint Transitional and Rapid Rehousing component projects and recommended the CoC Bonus and Reallocation funding RFP only solicit proposals for Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing projects. For the CoC Bonus and reallocation funding, the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc recommended the prioritization of projects that serve individuals to provide increased capacity to the largest segment of the homeless population in accessing available housing resources. The FY 2021 CoC Program NOFO highlights a priority to partner with housing and healthcare services agencies to address homelessness and to maximize the use of mainstream and other community-based resources. As such, the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc recommends implementing bonus points in the local process. The Orange County CoC will be better positioned to receive 10 bonus points as described in the FY 2021 CoC Program NOFO and increase the competitive nature of the CoC and its Collaborative Application as a whole.

Matt Bates shared that the ad hoc discussed their recommendations and wanted to promote opportunities that support the CoC and fills gap within the CoC system.

Recommended Actions:

- i. Approve the release of the Domestic Violence Bonus Request for Proposals to solicit proposals for Rapid Rehousing and Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing projects.

Dawn Price motioned to approve the recommended action. Donald Dermit seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

- ii. Approve the release of the CoC Bonus Funding and Reallocation Funding Request for Proposals to solicit proposals for Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing projects.

Donald Dermit motioned to approve the recommended action. Tim Houchen seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

- iii. Approve the utilization of bonus points for proposals in response to the CoC Bonus Funding and Reallocation Funding Request for Proposals that serve individuals and/or demonstrate coordination with housing and healthcare organizations.

Tim Houchen motioned to approve the recommended action. Albert Ramirez seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:27 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 29, 2021, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.