

**ORANGE COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC)
TRANSITIONAL AGED YOUTH (TAY) COLLABORATIVE COMMITTEE**

Friday, March 8, 2024
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Location: Virtually on Teams
Meeting Link: [Here](#)
Meeting ID: 257 959 387 482
Passcode: dAJnf5
Or call in (audio only): +1 949-543-0845
Phone Conference ID: 546 362 324#

Committee Chair: Ami Rowland, Covenant House California

MINUTES

Welcome and Introductions – Ami Rowland, Chair

Public Comments – Members of the public may address the TAY Collaborative Committee 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 TAY Collaborative Committee. Members of the public may address the TAY Collaborative Committee with public comments on agenda items after the agenda item presentation. 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 TAY Collaborative Committee during the Public Comment period, members of the public are to enter their name and agenda item number in the chat box to be placed in a queue. Staff will call your name in the order listed in the chat box.

Members of the public may also submit public comment by emailing CareCoordination@ocgov.com. All comments submitted via email or at least 24 hours before the start of the meeting will be distributed to the TAY Collaborative Committee members and all comments will be added to the administrative records of the meeting. Please include “TAY Collaborative Committee Meeting Comment” in the email subject line.

BUSINESS CALENDAR

1. California Coalition for Youth (CCY) Briefing – Ami Rowland, Chair

- a. Ami Rowland shared a policy briefing from the CCY outlining strategies to end youth homelessness. The briefing highlights the importance of effective interventions for young people, as 50% of chronically homeless adults first experienced homelessness between ages 16-24. The CCY Briefing emphasizes the need for services specifically designed for young people and the allocation of resources to reduce homelessness among youth. The CCY Briefing identifies several key areas of focus including justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion; health, behavioral health, and substance use; prevention

and early intervention; diverse housing options; organizational sustainability and partnerships; education, employment, and economic stability; and aftercare and follow-up supports for transitioning out of programs.

2. Youth Community Integration – Dee Balliet, Human Services Associate, Abt Global

- a. Dee Balliet is a consultant assigned to the Orange County CoC by the California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH). Dee Balliet emphasized the importance of youth integration in the homeless response system, as well as creating cross-system collaboration between committed partners dedicated to preventing and ending youth homelessness.
 - i. Youth Action Boards (YABs) need to be made up of young people from multiple systems, agencies, contact points to enhance the feedback, loops, and vibrancy of youth voice.

3. Youth Homelessness System Improvement (YHSI) Update – Becks Heyhoe, Executive Director, United to End Homelessness, Orange County United Way

- a. Becks Heyhoe provided an update on Orange County United Way's (OCUW) YHSI application submission as the CoC Board approved OCUW to apply for the YHSI Notice of Funding Opportunity with the County of Orange as a subrecipient on the January 17, 2024, meeting. Through the YHSI application process, OCUW hosted listening sessions with young people, conducted surveys with young people, led meetings with various agencies, and obtained letters of support from various organizations and notable people.

Next Meeting: Friday, May 10, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Orangewood Foundation located at 1575 17th St, Santa Ana, CA 92705