



**Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC)
Board Meeting
April 24, 2024**

Public Comments

Board Member Comments

Consent Calendar

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1. Approve CoC Board Meeting Minutes from March 27, 2024
2. Agencies and Jurisdictions Approved for Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Access
 - a. Receive and file list of agencies and jurisdictions for HMIS access from January 13, 2024, through April 19, 2024.

Business Calendar

**Homeless Housing, Assistance and
Prevention (HHAP) Program Update**

Sarah Jones, CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination

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HHAP Program Ad Hoc Update

- At the March 27, 2024, meeting, the CoC Board approved to establish a HHAP Program ad hoc (Ad Hoc) to be appointed by the CoC Board Officers.
- The Ad Hoc is to support the Office of Care Coordination with the planning and programming of HHAP Program Rounds 1-4 remaining funds allocated to the Orange County CoC.
- The Office of Care Coordination supported the CoC Board Officers to appoint the Ad Hoc membership that is comprised of LaVal Brewer, Kelly Bruno-Nelson, Brian Frejo, and Dr. Shauntina Sorrells.
- The Ad Hoc convened on April 17, 2024.
- To allow for more meaningful engagement and discussion around the planning and programming of the HHAP Program funds, the timeline has been adjusted.
- The Ad Hoc aims to bring recommendations for the programming of remaining funding to the May CoC Board meeting.

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HHAP Round 5 Update

- The Office of Care Coordination as the Administrative Entity for the CoC and County of Orange, completed the HHAP Round 5 grant application by the submission deadline, working alongside the cities of Anaheim, Irvine, and Santa Ana as regions were required to apply together and submit a single Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan.
- The HHAP Round 5 application required regions to have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) committing to participation and to comply with the Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan.
- The MOU is between the applying jurisdictions including, the **Orange County CoC**, the **County of Orange**, City of **Anaheim**, City of **Irvine** and City of **Santa Ana**.

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HHAP Round 5 MOU

- Each jurisdiction planned and hosted community listening sessions in February 2024, to allow for public engagement in the development of the HHAP Round 5 application and Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan.
- At the **February 28, 2024**, meeting of the CoC Board, the Office of Care Coordination provided an update on the HHAP Round 5 proposed application and budget, as well as a time for feedback from the CoC Board and public in attendance.
- An extended feedback period was offered through **March 8, 2024**, to invite CoC Board members and the public to submit additional input towards the HHAP Round 5 application.
- The final HHAP Round 5 MOU can be referenced in [Attachment A](#) in the CoC Board April 24, 2024, agenda packet.
- Approval of the HHAP Round 5 MOU will ensure that the applying regions are compliant with HHAP Round 5 application requirements and ensure commitment to participation and compliance with the Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan.

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Recommended Action

- b. Approve the HHAP Round 5 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Orange County CoC, the County of Orange and City of Anaheim, City of Irvine, and City of Santa Ana.

**CalOptima Health Housing and Homelessness
Incentive Program (HHIP) Update and
HMIS Data Request**

Sarah Jones, CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination and
Kelly Bruno Nelson, Executive Director,
Medi-Cal/CalAIM, CalOptima Health

CalOptima Health's HMIS Data Request

- In September 2022 and January 2023, the CoC Board approved an HMIS data request from CalOptima Health to receive regular and recurring (monthly) data downloads of all persons, including adults and children, within HMIS to allow for member matching with CalOptima Health enrollment data.
- For reference, the data requests detailing the data elements and background of the data request can be reviewed in the [September 2022](#) and [January 2023](#) CoC Board Meeting packets.
- This request was inclusive of all project types (e.g. Permanent Supportive Housing, Emergency Shelter, Street Outreach, Rapid Rehousing, etc.) and all populations, as applicable.

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CalOptima Health's HMIS Data Request

- CalOptima Health is returning to the CoC Board with a request to renew the data request for one additional year, and to include additional data elements.
- The original data request approved by the CoC Board in September 2022 was granted to support reporting for Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP) – of which ended on March 31, 2024.
- Funding received through HHIP, as a direct result of having access to HMIS data, has enabled CalOptima Health to continue to make large investments in the homeless service continuum.
- CalOptima Health staff have effectively utilized HMIS data to create a member matching process, providing a clearer view of the homeless population in Orange County. This includes quantifying individuals who are likely experiencing homelessness but not connected to Medi-Cal.
- Having continued access to HMIS data will enable CalOptima Health to provide or coordinate appropriate housing related support services to individuals and families whose records are found in both the HMIS system and are CalOptima Health members.

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The following data elements are being requested:

Data Reporting Period: Each Calendar Month

End Date for the Request: May 1, 2025

- 3.01 Name (first, middle, last)
- 3.02 Social Security Number
- 3.03 Date of Birth
- 3.04 Race and Ethnicity
- 3.06 Gender
- 3.07 Veteran Status
- 3.10 Project Start Date
- 3.11 Project Exit Date
- 3.12 Destination
- 3.15 Relationship to Head of Household
- 3.16 Client Location
- 3.20 Housing Move-In Date
- 3.917 Prior Living Situation
- 2.02 Project Name
- 2.02 Project Type
- 4.02 Incomes and Sources
- 4.03 Non-cash Benefits
- 4.04 Health Insurance
- 4.12 Current Living Situation
- 4.13 Date of Engagement
- 4.14 Bed-night Date (start/end)
- 4.19 Coordinated Entry Assessment
 - Assessment Date, Location, Type, Level
 - Housing Opportunity Preference
- 5.01 Date Created [New Element Request]
- 5.02 Date Updated [New Element Request]
- Custom Question - City of Last Permanent Address
- Custom Question - City prior to entry
- Custom Question - State Born
- Custom Question - Country Born
- Custom Question - Employment Status

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Recommended Action

- b. Approve the renewal of CalOptima Health’s HMIS data request, inclusive of additional data elements, for a period of one year to support CalOptima Health’s coordination of appropriate housing related supportive services to individuals and families in Orange County whose records are found in HMIS and are CalOptima Health members.

CoC Committee Updates
CoC Committee Chairs and Member

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CoC Committee Updates

- a. Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee – Maricela Rios-Faust, Member
- b. Domestic Violence Committee – Maricela Rios-Faust, Chair
- c. Coordinated Entry System Steering Committee – Andrew Crowe, Chair
- d. Housing Opportunities Committee – Judson Brown, Chair
- e. Service Provider Forum – Melanie McQueen, Chair
- f. Transitional Age Youth Collaborative Committee – Ami Rowland, Chair
- g. Lived Experience Advisory Committee – Nichole Gideon, Chair

Orange County Homelessness Updates

Doug Becht, Director of Office of Care
Coordination, and Sarah Jones, CoC
Manager, Office of Care Coordination

System of Care Update
Doug Becht, Director
Office of Care Coordination

Cold Weather Shelter Update

- On January 23, 2024, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was established between the City of Anaheim (City) and the County of Orange (County) for the City to provide up to 50 emergency shelter beds during cold and inclement weather for individuals experiencing homelessness from February 1, 2024, through April 15, 2024.
 - The City's Cold Weather Emergency Shelter Program was activated based upon inclement and cold weather events and contracted with faith-based and/or community-based organizations.
 - The City's Cold Weather Emergency Shelter Program was activated six times over a 12-night period from February 1 to March 30, 2024. During this time, 67 persons experiencing homelessness were served. Of the six activations, five were due to rain and one was cold temperatures below 45 degrees.

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Homelessness Prevention and Stabilization Pilot Program

- At the December 13, 2023, meeting, the Commission to End Homelessness received and filed the Homelessness Prevention and Stabilization Pilot Program as proposed by Supervisor Vicente Sarmiento.
- The Office of Care Coordination issued a Request For Proposals (RFP) from qualified organizations to operate the Homeless Prevention and Stabilization Pilot (HPSP) Program. The RFP launched on March 21 and closed on April 11, 2024.
- The goal of the HPSP Program is to assist households who are at risk of experiencing homelessness achieve housing stability by providing financial assistance to pay rental arrears, past due utility bills, and forward rent and/or utility bills based, and stabilization payments.
- The expected program enrollment for households will be 12-months, based upon need and to be evaluated on a quarterly basis.

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County Procurement Office Supplier Outreach Event

- The County Procurement Office is hosting an annual Supplier Outreach Day and is encouraging all interested vendors and service providers to attend.
- Attendees will gain knowledge on County of Orange procurement and contracting processes and will learn how to better partner with the County to serve the community.
 - ❖ **Date:** Thursday, May 16, 2024
 - ❖ **Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 - ❖ **Location:** Freedom Hall at Mile Square Park
 - ❖ **Address:** 16801 Euclid Street, Fountain Valley, CA 92708
- Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2024-supplier-outreach-event-registration-758041531627>

You can also request to have a table for your organization through the registration link!

SUPPLIER OUTREACH EVENT

MAY 16, 2024

10 am - 2 pm

MILE SQUARE PARK, FREEDOM HALL

PARTNER WITH THE COUNTY TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY

- Over 4,800 County contracts worth almost \$13.3 Billion
- Over 22 County Departments, 34 Cities/Special Districts and Neighboring Agencies
- Learn how to successfully secure a contract with the County and better understand procurement and contracting processes
- Learn how to leverage the County's Preference Policies

LIMITED SUPPLY OF VENDOR TABLES AVAILABLE

Questions, please contact vendorinfo@ocgov.com

Scan QR Code to RSVP



Continuum of Care Update
Sarah Jones, CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination

FY 2023 CoC NOFO Debrief

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FY 2023 CoC NOFO Debrief

CoC Application

- Orange County CoC Total Application Score: 158

Overall Scores for all CoCs

- Highest Score for any CoC: 185.5
- Lowest Score for any CoC: 54.5
- Median Score for all CoCs: 151.5

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FY 2023 CoC NOFO Debrief

Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus

- Interval House Domestic Violence Transitional Housing- Rapid Rehousing Program
Bonus DV Application Score: 83.2

Overall Scores for all DV Bonus Applications

- Highest Score for any CoC: 94.98
- Lowest Score for any CoC: 34.79
- Median Score for all CoCs: 78.31

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FY 2023 CoC NOFO Debrief

CoC Application

- HUD awards up to 30% of overall points to CoCs for system-wide performance related to reducing homelessness in the following metrics:
 - ❖ Reducing the Number of Homeless Individuals and Families
 - ❖ Reduction in the Number of First-Time Homeless
 - ❖ Length of Time Homeless
 - ❖ Successful Permanent Housing Placement or Retention
 - ❖ Returns to Homelessness
 - ❖ Jobs and Income Growth
 - ❖ HMIS Performance Measures
- Most points in the Orange County CoC Application were lost within the System Performance section, which is primarily based on system performance data from HDX.
- Scoring in system performance was consistent with a majority of Southern California CoCs.

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2024 Annual Calendar of CoC Activities

- The Office of Care Coordination will provide regular updates on the calendar of activities for the Orange County CoC.
- CoC Board members were provided a calendar of CoC activities for the year at the January meeting.
- The beginning of Quarter 2 highlighted activities and meetings are included in this chart for reference, as well.

April

- Release of the RFI for Development and Operations of a People with Lived Experience of Homelessness Financial Compensation Coordination Program
- Point In Time Count Data clean up and preparation for submission to Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- Meeting of the FY 2024 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc
- Strategic Investment Planning: Identifying consultant support
- CoC Board Leadership Vision (continued work)
- Meeting of the HHAP Program ad hoc
- Estimated release of the RFP for Coordinated Entry System (CES) for Survivor's

May

- Review of FY 2023 Longitudinal Systems Analysis Report
- Point In Time and Housing Inventory Count data due to HUD
- Estimated 2024 Point In Time Count Data Summary to be released
- HHAP Program ad hoc recommendations brought to CoC Board for approval
- Estimated release of Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) NOFO Round 8
- Meeting of the FY 2024 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc
- Strategic Investment Planning: Planning phase
- CoC Board Leadership Vision (continued work)

June

- Meeting of the FY 2024 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc
- Estimated recommendation of the FY 2024 CoC Program NOFO Scoring and Rating Criteria for Renewal Projects
- Estimated release of Request for Proposals (RFP) for HHAP Program Rounds 1-4 remaining funds allocated to the Orange County CoC
- Strategic Investment Planning: Planning phase

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Upcoming Meetings

- **Coordinated Entry System Steering Committee** (IN PERSON): Wednesday, May 1, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 - ❖ Location: 1501 E. St Andrew Pl., Santa Ana, CA 92705
- **Transitional Age Youth Collaborative Committee** (IN PERSON): Friday, May 10, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 - ❖ Location: Orangewood Foundation, 1575 17th St, Santa Ana, CA 92705
- **Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee** (IN PERSON): Tuesday, May 14, 2024, from 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 - ❖ Location: County Administration South (CAS) Multipurpose Rooms 103/105, 601 N Ross St, Santa Ana, CA 92701
- **Service Provider Forum** (IN PERSON): Thursday, May 16, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
 - ❖ Location: To be determined.
- **Veterans Committee** (IN PERSON): Thursday, May 16, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 - ❖ Location: Orange County United Way, 18012 Mitchell South, Irvine, CA 92614

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Development and Operations of a People with Lived Experience of Homelessness Financial Compensation Coordination Program Request for Information (RFI)

- The Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant and Administrative Entity of the Orange County CoC has issued a RFI for the Development and Operations of a People with Lived Experience of Homelessness Financial Compensation Coordination Program.
- The CoC is seeking meaningful engagement with people with current or former lived experience of homelessness, which can include partnering with the CoC as members of the CoC Board or committees, and other relevant CoC initiatives.
- The Office of Care Coordination is seeking a partnership to support in coordination of financial compensation, program operations and development. The RFI could result in a partnership with one or more respondents providing one or more of the requested program activities.
 - ❖ **Project Title:** Development and Operations of a People with Lived Experience of Homelessness Financial Compensation Coordination Program
 - ❖ **Project ID:** RFI-017-2552105-JM
 - ❖ **Release Date:** April 1, 2024, at 5:11 p.m.
 - ❖ **REVISED Due Date:** April 26, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.
- For more information, visit the following link: [Development and Operations of a People with Lived Experience of Homelessness Financial Compensation Coordination Program RFI](#)

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HMIS Data Standards Pushed Back to FY 2027

- On April 17, 2024, HUD announced that the release of the HMIS Data Standards has been pushed back to FY 2027.
- The reason for this delay is to allow more time for communities and partners to provide feedback on what changes are necessary because it is critically important people impacted by the data weigh in.
- HUD is exploring ways to better engage people with lived homeless experience in particular so that they can share their experiences and be partners in making changes to what information is asked of them.
 - HUD will be sending out a listserv on how people can better engage in the process of proposing changes to the HMIS Data Standards in the coming months.
- In FY 2026, HUD may release minor changes to HMIS.

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, May 22, 2024,
from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

