# County of Riverside Continuum of Care Board of Governance

**Special Meeting Agenda** 

Thursday March 31, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**Teams Meeting** 



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Tammy Marine, Chairperson

Leticia De Lara, Vice-chair

1.0 Call to Order: Welcome & Introductions

**Tammy Marine, Chair** 

- 1.1 Roll Call
- 2.0 Consent Items
- 2.1 Adopt Resolution No. 2022-02 for Teleconferencing

**Recommended Motion** – Adopt Resolution No. 2022-02 allowing the Board of Governance to utilize teleconferencing for meetings held within the next 30 days.

2.2 Minutes Approval for January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Board of Governance Special Meeting

**Recommended Motion** – Approve the January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Board of Governance Special Meeting Minutes.

**3.0 Public Comment on Any Item Not Listed on Agenda:** Members of the public are encouraged to address the Board on any item not listed on the agenda. Each public comment request email will be read aloud.

#### 4.0 New Business

### 4.1 County of Riverside Homeless Action Plan

**Greg Rodriguez, CoC Chair** 

**Background:** The County of Riverside Continuum of Care (CoC) has been working with LeSar Development Consultants, Continuum of Care members, county departments, and other community stakeholders to develop its Homeless Action Plan. Numerous meetings and interviews have taken place to recognize, quantify, and address system needs and gaps. Final stages included the draft plan being sent out by email on December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, to over 400 CoC members and partners for public comments with the final draft being presented during a Virtual Retreat held on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The plan was also formally approved at the last CoC Membership Meeting on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022.

**Recommended Motion:** Approve the formal adoption of the County of Riverside Homeless Action Plan. *Public Comment for this item only.* 

#### 4.2 2021 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Funding

Tanya Torno, Deputy Director

**Background:** On August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) announced the availability of approximately \$6.9 million in new federal funds for Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program. The County of Riverside is scheduled to receive an allocation of \$339,931, of which a minimum of 40% or \$132,255 is required to be set aside to support rapid rehousing activities and remaining funds can be used to support all other eligible activities: rapid rehousing, street outreach, homelessness prevention, and emergency shelter. A Request for Proposals (RFP) will be released soliciting local applications upon approval of an activity and funding allocation plan. Staff has prepared the activity and funding allocations below based on the configuration of existing resources across the homelessness continuum.

Recommended 2021 ESG Activity/Funding Allocation			
Activity	%	Amount	Description
Homelessness Prevention	0%	\$0	Financial assistance towards past-due rent, utilities and other costs needed to maintain housing.
Rapid Rehousing	40%	\$132,255.00	Financial assistance towards move-in costs (e.g., security and holding deposits) and rental assistance up to 12 months. Proposed funding will serve 40-60 households with security deposit and short-term rental assistance.
Street Outreach	57%	\$198,383.00	Essential services providing engagement, case management, and emergency health services.  Proposed funding will support two street outreach teams and serve 300 households.
Emergency Shelter	0%	\$0	Operating shelters, renovating buildings, and providing services.
Administrative Costs	3%	\$9,293.00	
Total	•	\$339,931.00	

**Recommended Motion:** Approve the 2021 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Activity and Funding Allocation which designates 40% towards rapid rehousing, 57% towards street outreach and 3% towards administration.

Public Comment for this item only.

4.3 FY2020 HUD CoC Social Work Action Group DV RRH project

Tanya Torno, Deputy Director

**Background:** The Social Work Action Group (SWAG) received a renewal award of \$767,479 during the FY2020 HUD Continuum of Care auto renewal process to operate the Domestic Violence (DV) Rapid Rehousing (RRH) Project for the period of May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 – April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023. SWAG has elected to withdraw from administering the project due to the high specialization of client DV needs. CoC staff is recommending the project be awarded to Alternatives to Domestic Violence (ADV), an approved subrecipient under the FY 2021 HUD CoC Program and a state registered victim service provider. ADV has received HUD CoC technical assistance and training and has agreed to administer the project during the upcoming year. It should be noted that the project duration is only for one year and this project is being discontinued after the April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023, date.

**Recommended Motion:** Approve Alternatives to Domestic Violence to serve as the new service provider for the SWAG DV RRH Project.

Public Comment for this item only.

- 5.0 Announcements
- 5.1 Chair Elections
- 6.0 Call for Agenda Items for Next Meeting
- **7.0 Next Meeting:** The next regularly scheduled BoG meeting will be held on April 21, 2022 from 9 a.m. 11 a.m. Until further notice, all meetings will require adoption of a resolution allowing for teleconference pursuant to AB 361 (effective September 16, 2021).
- 8.0 Adjournment