

**County of Riverside Continuum of Care
Board of Governance**

Special Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, August 3rd, 2021

2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Teams Meeting



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Tammy Marine, Chairperson

Leticia De Lara, Vice-chair

1.0 Call to Order: Welcome & Introductions – Roll Call

Tammy Marine, Chair

1.1 Roll Call

2.0 Consent Items

2.1 Minutes Approval for June 21, 2021 Board of Governance (BoG) Meeting.

Recommended Motion – Approve the June 21st, 2021 BoG Meeting Minutes.

2.2 CoC Staff Report – Receive and File

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 Old Business

4.1 BoG Seat Elections and Chair Elections

Tanya Torno, Deputy Director

- Announce Seat Elections and
- Announce Chair Elections for Future BoG Meeting

5.0 New Business

5.1 Board of Governance Funding Principles

Tanya Torno, Deputy Director

Background: LeSar Development Consultants is the Continuum of Care's contracted vendor facilitating its strategic planning process which commenced on November 2019 and is scheduled through December 2021. During its June 18th, 2020 meeting, the BoG authorized the chairperson to form an Ad hoc workgroup to develop content for Phase II of the BoG's Strategic Planning efforts. The Ad hoc workgroup worked with LeSar and developed three primary tasks that were approved by the BoG during its November 18th, 2020 meeting and will serve as the framework for Phase II and advance the Continuum of Care forward: 1) Riverside County Homeless System Assessment & Gaps Analysis, 2) Homeless Strategic Action Plan and 3) Board of Governance Strategic Plan.

LeSar presented the preliminary results for the Riverside County Homeless System Assessment & Gaps Analysis during the BoG Meeting on June 21st, 2021. It is recommended that the BoG review its Funding Principals which were adopted on October 18th, 2018 to ensure priorities align with the needs and gaps identified in the report. The review of the Performance Assessment & Gaps Analysis, in addition to the forthcoming 2021 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) CoC Program Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) provide an opportunity for the BoG to engage in a meaningful discussion and determine where updates are needed.

It is important to note, that the BoG Funding Principles have been reviewed during the CoC Regular Meeting on July 28th, 2021. On this date, the CoC Committee passed a motion to present the BoG Funding Principles to the Board of Governance.

BoG Funding Principles

- 1) Invest in programs that will immediately impact reduction of homeless youth, *seniors, veteran, individuals and families*, or prevent them from becoming homeless;
- 2) Invest in programs that demonstrate ongoing, long-term, or sustainable results *and are consistent with benchmarks established in the Homeless Strategic Action Plan*;
- 3) Invest in programs addressing significant service gaps by targeting high-need communities (identified through the annual Point-In-Time Count), under-served or hard to-serve geographic or special subpopulations *such as the chronically homeless, individuals with mental illness and substance use disorders, seniors/older adults and transitional age youth*;
- 4) Invest in programs that emphasize a *coordinated*, comprehensive service delivery approach or wraparound services to ensure successful housing and self-sufficiency outcomes *across all interventions, and with a more specialized focused on increasing street outreach and emergency shelter outcomes*;
- 5) Invest in solutions to address the unique needs of homeless individuals living in encampments;
- 6) Invest in programs that support the *Homeless Strategic Action Plan* emphasizing the expansion of system coordination housing resources outreach, navigation, supportive services, *and provider and system capacity*; and
- 7) Identify gaps and address priority needs based on objective data such as HMIS, annual Point-In-Time Count, System Performance Measures and Coordinated Entry System (CES) By-Name List.

Recommended Motion: Approve the BoG Funding Principles as the basis on which to select and award all project proposals funded through the Riverside County CoC to end homelessness in the County.

Public Comment for this item only.

5.2 Unspent Funds Policy and Procedures

Natalis Ng, Administrative Services Officer

Background: In its meeting on May 16th, 2019, the BoG approved the Unspent Funds Policy and Procedures with the goal of maximizing the use of grant funds from the federal and state governments with no return of funds to HUD or the State of California. This policy is hereby being revised to reflect updated information after the restructuring of the County with the move of the CoC Division from the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) to the Department of Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions (HHPWS) since March 2020.

Recommended Motion: Approve the revised Unspent Funds Policy and Procedures.

Public Comment for this item only.

5.3 Appeals Process

Natalis Ng, Administrative Services Officer

Background: In its meeting on February 7th, 2019, the BoG approved the Appeals Process to ensure a vendor's right to protest if bypassed an award with a legitimate protest request. This policy is hereby being revised to reflect updated information after the restructuring of the County with the move of the CoC Division from the DPSS to HHPWS since March 2020.

Recommended Motion: Approve the revised Appeals Process.

Public Comment for this item only.

6.0 Announcements

6.1 Encampment Response Funding

6.2 Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Grant Program Round 3 and 4

7.0 Call for Agenda Items for Next Meeting

8.0 Next Meeting: The next regularly scheduled BoG meeting is **August 19th, 2021** from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Until further notice, all meetings will take place by web and/or teleconference.

9.0 Adjournment