

EASTERN SIERRA CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) QUARTERLY MEETING

March 11, 2020 -- 10:00 a.m.

Inyo Mono Advocates for Community Action, Inc.
(IMACA) Conference Room

137 E. South Street, Bishop, CA 93514

AGENDA

Public Notice: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting please contact the IMACA Human Resources Coordinator at 760-873-8557, Extension 111. Notification 24 hours prior to the meeting will enable Agency staff to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

- 1.0 Call Meeting to Order and Introductions –**
- 2.0 Public Comment:** This time is set aside to receive public comment on matters not calendared on the agenda.
- 3.0 Minutes of December 19, 2019 CoC Quarterly and January 15, 2020 Special Meetings –** Consideration of minutes from the last regular and special CoC meetings.
- 4.0 Revise Standing Date for Quarterly CoC Meetings –** CoC quarterly meetings are typically scheduled for the second Wednesday of the month, but this conflicts with standing engagements for social service agencies. County staff would like CoC stakeholders to consider a different day of the month for regular CoC meetings.
- 5.0 2020 Point-in-Time Count –** Review of preliminary results from the count of persons experiencing homelessness on January 30, 2020.
- 6.0 2018 Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) –** Report from IMACA staff and CoC stakeholders on HEAP expenditures including an update on the Birch Creek condominium in June Lake for transitional housing and operation of a Safe Parking Lot at the Bishop Church of the Nazarene. Link to the Security Plan for the Safe Parking Lot:
https://www.dropbox.com/s/25txa3xy8maij5h/Nazarene_Church_Safe_Parking_Security_Plan_2.21.20.pdf?dl=0
- 7.0 Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Update–** Review of the HHAP application submitted on behalf of the CoC last month and the anticipated funding schedule for projects. The application currently under review by the California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency can found at this link:
https://www.dropbox.com/s/q3581yscjatt3t/HHAP_Application_Final.pdf?dl=0
- 8.0 FY2019 System Performance Measures (SPMs) –** Summary of Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) data submitted by IMACA to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) last month on behalf of the Eastern Sierra CoC. Link to the SPMs:
https://www.dropbox.com/s/6tpdcun5s9iywy/FY2018-19_System_Performance_Measures.pdf?dl=0
- 9.0 Roundtable –**
- 10.0 Set Next Meeting Date –**
- 11.0 Adjournment –**

EASTERN SIERRA CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) QUARTERLY MEETING

December 9, 2019

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MINUTES

- 1.0 Call Meeting to Order and Introductions** – The Quarterly Meeting of the Eastern Sierra CoC was called to order by Chair Susi Bains at 10:02 a.m. All members in attendance introduced themselves briefly.

CoC Members in Attendance: Susi Bains, CoC Chair and Director of SHINE nonprofit; Joe Dell, Bishop Fire Department; Larry Emerson, Inyo Mono Advocates for Community Action, Inc. (IMACA); Mollie Face, Wild-Iris Crisis and Counseling Center; Robert Hughes, IMACA; Stephanie Jackson, Tribal TANF, NCDCC; Karen Mansfield, IMACA; Marilyn Mann, Inyo County Health and Human Services (HHS); Meaghan McCamman, Inyo County HHS; Jeffrey McKay, Alpine County Health and Human Services (participating by video conference); April Nafeh, Wild-Iris Crisis and Counseling Center; Jenny Park, Inyo-Mono Association for the Handicapped (IMAH); Kathy Peterson, Mono County Department of Social Services; April Powell, IMACA; and Dan Tothoroh, Inyo County Board of Supervisors.
- 2.0 Public Comment** – None.
- 3.0 Minutes of September 25, 2019 CoC Quarterly Meeting** – Karen Mansfield moved and April Powell seconded to approve the minutes from the last regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4.0 Review of Draft Strategic Plan** – Mr. Emerson reviewed the Strategic Plan prepared by the Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC) and noted that an action plan must be completed for implementation of the approved goals and objectives. The CoC discussed forming a subcommittee to work on the action plan. Kathy Peterson and Susi Bains volunteered to be on the subcommittee. Dan Tothoroh moved and Kathy Peterson seconded to approve the Eastern Sierra CoC Strategic Plan as revised. The motion carried unanimously.
- 5.0 Reports from IMACA Housing Program Staff** – Karen Mansfield and April Powell provided an update on homeless services that have been provided in Alpine, Inyo and Mono Counties over the last several months.
- 6.0 2020 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count** – Mr. Emerson reminded the CoC that date for the annual count of persons experiencing homelessness in 2020 will be Thursday, January 30, from dusk until dawn. Volunteers may also conduct service-based surveys within seven days of the count provided persons are not double counted. This year volunteers may use a mobile application to conduct the surveys which will help to increase accuracy and reduce the amount of time required to tabulate the results. IMACA will send the website links for the mobile app out a couple of weeks before the count.

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- 7.0 2018 Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP)** – Mr. Emerson reported on HEAP expenditures and noted that the June Lake condominium is being purchased from the County of Mono for transitional housing and will be available for occupancy in early 2020. In addition, the Bishop Church of the Nazarene Board has approved our proposal to establish and operate a Safe Parking Lot on property located at 900 W. Line Street in Bishop. A conditional use permit is required by the County of Inyo for the project and will be considered by the Planning Commission in January.
- 8.0 2019 Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP)** – The CoC membership evaluated proposed HHAP projects and discussed the potential for a safe parking lot in one of several Mono locations. Another project that is needed to assist homeless in the area is a navigation center that could be staffed by several agencies. Property located at 512 W. Line Street, which includes office space on the ground floor and three apartment units on the second level, is for sale and could be purchased with HHAP funding. Bishop Fire Chief Dell said that new regulations will go in effect soon that could require significant expenditures for fire safety improvements. Chair Bains said that she would send out a survey to the CoC with a list of projects discussed at the meeting today for the membership to rank.
- 9.0 Roundtable** – Kathy Peterson said that is difficult for her to understand what people are saying during the Zoom video conference and suggested that IMACA contact Mono County for recommendations on equipment that could improve the audio quality. Dan Tothoroh also suggested that IMACA consider purchasing new microphones better suited for video conferencing.
- 10.0 Set Next Meeting Date** – The next quarterly CoC meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, March 11, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the IMACA Conference Room, 137 E. South Street, Bishop, CA 93514.
- 11.0 Adjournment** – Susi Bains adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

EASTERN SIERRA CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) SPECIAL MEETING

January 15, 2020

Inyo Mono Advocates for Community Action, Inc.
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137 E. South Street, Bishop, CA 93514

MINUTES

- 1.0 Call Meeting to Order and Introductions** – The Special Meeting of the Eastern Sierra CoC was called to order by Keri Oney at 10:03 a.m. All members in attendance introduced themselves briefly.

CoC Members in Attendance: Joe Dell, City of Bishop Fire Department; Larry Emerson, Inyo Mono Advocates for Community Action, Inc. (IMACA); Mollie Face, Wild-Iris Crisis and Counseling Center; Amanda Greenberg, Mono County Behavioral Health (participating by conference call); Jeff Griffiths, Inyo County Board of Supervisors; Stephanie Jackson, Tribal TANF, NCDIC; Elsa Jimenez, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power; Elaine Kabala, City of Bishop Planning; Karen Mansfield, IMACA; Marilyn Mann, Inyo County Health and Human Services (HHS); Nancy Martinez, Inyo County Health and Human Services (HHS); Meaghan McCamman, Inyo County HHS; Jeffrey McKay, Alpine County Health and Human Services (participating by video conference); Keri Oney, Inyo County HHS; Kathy Peterson, Mono County Department of Social Services (participating by conference call); April Powell, IMACA; Adelina Rico, Inyo-Mono Association for the Handicapped; Laura Smith, Bishop City Council; Stephanie Tanksley, Inyo County HHS; Jeff Thompson, Inyo County Probation.

- 2.0 Public Comment** – None.

- 3.0 Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP)** – Mr. Emerson introduced the agenda item and explained that this was the continued discussion of projects to include in the CoC's HHAP application which is due no later than February 15, 2020. The combined HHAP allocation for the CoC and three counties is \$733,546.24. At the last regular meeting, stakeholders discussed purchase of property for a navigation/crisis center, community cabins (aka tiny homes), landlord incentives, safe parking, emergency shelter, transitional housing, homelessness prevention and other projects that could be funded through the Program. The CoC reviewed the list of projects from the survey sent by Chair Bains and discussed other Strategic Plan priorities in the tri-county region. It was the consensus of the members in attendance that the following projects be included in the HHAP application: 1) new and expanded safe parking lots in Inyo and Mono Counties for homeless people living out of their vehicles; 2) landlord incentives to increase availability of rental units for homeless people; 3) purchase of property for a new navigation/crisis center; and 4) services and assistance for homeless youth.

- 4.0 Roundtable** – There were no roundtable items to discuss.

- 5.0 Set Next Meeting Date** – The next quarterly CoC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the IMACA Conference Room, 137 E. South Street, Bishop, CA 93514.

- 6.0 Adjournment** – Keri Oney adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.