



**Orange County  
Continuum of Care Board Meeting  
November 18, 2020**

# **Director of Care Coordination Update**

Jason Austin, Director

# **Continuum of Care Manager Update**

Zulima Lundy, Continuum of Care Manager

## Business Calendar – Item #2

### CoC Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

- No update, still pending action from Congress

### Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 2

- NOFA released on November 13, 2020
- Application to be released soon and due no later than January 29, 2021
- HHAP Round 2 to support Homekey Operations per prior CoC Board action

# Business Calendar – Item #2

## COVID-19 Homelessness Response Funding

- **Maximizing Funding Available**
  - Expenditures to date will be paid with CARES Act funding through December 2020.
  - Letter of Agreements for the provision of Alternative Shelter Placement will continue to be an available resource to the Continuum of Care Providers
- **Funding must be fully expended by June 30, 2022**

# Business Calendar – Item #2

## Request for Proposals Update

- COVID-19 Homelessness and Prevention Response RFP
  - Review underway
  - Applicants will be notified when funding recommendations are being considered by the CoC Board
- Coordinated Entry System for Individuals RFP
  - RFP closed
  - Review underway

## Racial Equity Assessment Update

- Received feedback on proposed Scope of Work
- Assessment will require HMIS data be provided
- Recommendation for HMIS data release to be forthcoming

# Business Calendar – Item #2

## 2021 Point In Time Count

### Unsheltered Count

- HUD released guidance on how to safely conduct the unsheltered count during the COVID-19 pandemic
- HUD detailed data collection considerations, including:
  - Exception allowance to some or all of the count requirements
  - Methodology changes to maximize safety

### Sheltered Count

- 2-1-1 Orange County has started communicating process and timeline with Shelter Providers

## Business Calendar – Item #2

### Coordinated Entry System (CES) for Individuals Migration

- Working with 2-1-1 Orange County and BitfFocus on the last phase of the CES for Individuals migration into HMIS
- Migration will take place in mid to late December
- CES for Individuals to be live in HMIS by January 2021
- CES team will be communicating timelines and deadlines to all CES Partners



# Business Calendar – Item #2

## Coordinated Entry System (CES) for Individuals Migration

- What does this mean for CES partners?
  - There will be a two week pause in data entry and updates during the migration to avoid duplicating information
  - CES functions will continue using the latest Prioritization List during the two week pause
  - Once migration is completed, new assessments will be entered into CES through HMIS
- Additional details and confirmed timelines will be communicated to CES partners via email

# Business Calendar – Item #2

## Proposed HMIS User License Fee Structure Policy

- Additional discussion at the Policies, Procedures and Standards (PPS) Committee
- Deadline for feedback on proposed policy extended to end of day November 25, 2020.
- Final proposal to be presented at PPS Committee in December 2020
- Questions and feedback can be directed to
  - HMIS Help Desk
  - [carecoordination@ochca.com](mailto:carecoordination@ochca.com)

# Business Calendar – Item #2

Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week  
November 15-22, 2020



**New Continuum of Care Board  
Members Welcome and Introductions**

George Searcy, Chair

# Business Calendar – Item #3

## New Continuum of Care Board Members

### Welcome and Introductions

- **Tim Houchen** – seat representing persons experiencing homelessness or formerly homeless
- **Christina Weckerly-Ramirez** – at-large seat prioritizing Behavioral Health expertise
- **Soledad Rivera** – at-large seat prioritizing Health Care expertise

**Policies, Procedures and Standards  
(PPS) Committee Recommendations**

Tim Shaw, PPS Committee Chair

# Business Calendar – Item #4

## Lived Experience Advisory Committee

- To function as an advisory group to the Orange County CoC Board.
- To be chaired by the CoC Board member that represents a seat for lived experience or formerly homeless, which is currently Tim Houchen.
- Membership shall be comprised of members with current or past experience of homelessness
- Committee membership will use this platform to provide feedback and recommendations to the Orange County CoC

# Business Calendar – Item #4

## Recommended Action

- Establish a Lived Experience Advisory Committee to be chaired by Tim Houchen.



**Homeless Housing, Assistance and  
Prevention (HHAP) Capital Request for  
Proposals Funding Recommendations**

Zulima Lundy, Continuum of Care Manager

# Business Calendar – Item #5

## HHAP Capital Project Request For Proposals (RFP)

- RFP aimed to increase the number of available beds and services for persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness by creating new or expanding units
  - emergency shelters
  - navigation centers.
  - permanent supportive housing
- Proposed projects were to:
  - Fill gaps in services within the current system
  - Have a high impact in moving people towards or into permanent housing
  - Incorporate evidence-based practices

# Business Calendar – Item #5

## Covenant House California

- Development of emergency shelter program in the City of Anaheim
- The emergency shelter will feature 25 beds for transitional-age youth (ages 18 to 24) experiencing homelessness.

## City of Costa Mesa

- Development of a permanent emergency shelter program in the City of Costa Mesa to serve the Central Service Planning Area
- The emergency shelter will feature a total of 72 beds, 69 beds for individuals experiencing homelessness and three beds available for quarantine/isolation.

# Business Calendar – Item #5

## Recommended Action

Approve the HHAP Capital RFP funding recommendations to the following agencies as recommended by the RFP Evaluation Panel in collaboration with the Orange County Health Care Agency

- Covenant House California - \$650,000 in HHAP capital funding for the development of an emergency shelter for transitional aged youth
- City of Costa Mesa - \$2,529,126 in HHAP capital funding for the development of permanent emergency shelter serving individuals experiencing homelessness in the Central Service Planning Area

**Continuum of Care Board  
Officer Elections**  
George Searcy, Chair

## Business Calendar – Item #6

### Continuum of Care Officer Elections

- Continuum of Care Board Chair
- Continuum of Care Board Vice Chair
- Continuum of Care Board Secretary

Thank you, George!



**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION**

This is hereby granted to

**GEORGE SEARCY**

in recognition of your outstanding leadership as  
Chair of the Orange County Continuum of Care Board  
September 2019 to November 2020

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**JASON AUSTIN**  
Care Coordination Director

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**ZULIMA LUNDY**  
Continuum of Care Manager

