



AGENDA

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY Contra Costa Council on Homelessness

Thursday, August 6, 2026

1:00 PM

1025 Escobar St., Martinez | Zoom
registration:

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General Meeting

8.6.26 Slides and Agenda

[26-3285](#)

Attachments: [COH Agenda w Time 8.6.26](#)
[COH Slides 8.6.26](#)

Agenda Items: Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference of the Committee

1. Roll Call and Introductions
2. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to two minutes).
3. Consent Calendar (ACTION ITEM): a. APPROVE minutes from the July 9, 2026 Council meeting b. APPROVE staff report for the August 6, 2026 Council meeting [26-3286](#)

Attachments: [COH Minutes 7.9.26](#)
[COH Staff Report 8.6.26](#)

Nicole Green, Chair and Reentry Services Representative

4. Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO): (ACTION ITEM) APPROVE 2026 Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Opportunity Final Priority Listing as recommended by the Review and Rank Panel [26-3287](#)

Attachments: [2026 Preliminary Priority Listing - Contra Costa CoC NOFO](#)

Mark Mora, Homebase and Jamie Schecter, H3

5. Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO): Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) Notice of Funding Opportunity

Juno Hedrick, Vice Chair and Lived Experience and Caroline Miller, H3

6. Committee Report Outs: Governance Update

Mark Mora, Homebase

7. Committee Report Outs: Point-in-Time Count Committee (ACTION ITEM) Approve Council on Homelessness members to serve on the 2027 Point-In-Time Count Committee

Yessenia Aguilar, H3

8. Old Business: Sector Report Outs from Council Members

Nicole Green, Chair and Reentry Services Representative

9. Old Business: Funding Updates

Jamie Schecter and Christy Saxton, H3

10. New Business: (ACTION ITEM) DISCUSS and APPROVE 2026 Quarter 2 Council on Homelessness Recommendations for Report to County Board of Supervisors

Jaime Jenett, H3

11. Announcements

All

The next meeting is currently scheduled for September 3, 2026.

Adjourn

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For Additional Information Contact:



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

1025 ESCOBAR STREET
MARTINEZ, CA 94553

Staff Report

File #: 26-3285

Agenda Date: 8/6/2026

Agenda #:

Advisory Board: Contra Costa Council on Homelessness

Subject: 8.6.26 Slides and Agenda

Presenter:

Contact:

Information:

Referral History and Update:

Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):



CONTRA COSTA COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS MEETING

AGENDA

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2026, 1 PM – 3 PM

1025 ESCOBAR STREET, MARTINEZ, CA

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MEETING PURPOSE:

The Contra Costa Council on Homelessness, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, provides advice & input on the operations of homeless services, program operations, and program development efforts in Contra Costa County.

PUBLIC ACCESS AND PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS:

The public may attend this meeting in person at the above location. The public also may attend this meeting remotely via Zoom or call-in. Log-in information and call-in information is provided below.

HOW TO JOIN THE MEETING VIA ZOOM:

Link to register: https://homebaseccc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_uUokWYJLT9qdDIKT4Q2F7w

How to Join the Meeting Via Call-In: 1-669-444-9171 / Meeting ID: 891 5428 6292

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER
1:00	1. <u>Call to Order</u> - Chair starts the meeting	Nicole Green, <i>Chair and Reentry Services Representative</i>
1:00 15 min	2. <u>Introductions</u> a. Hybrid Meeting Norms (2 min) b. Roll call of Councilmembers and introduction of guests (11 min) c. Poll – Who’s in the room? (3 min)	Nicole Green, <i>Chair and Reentry Services Representative</i>
1:15 5 min	3. <u>Public Comment</u> - Open period for members of the public to comment on items not listed on the agenda.	Members of the public
1:20 5 min	4. <u>Consent Calendar (ACTION ITEM)</u> – Items on the consent calendar are generally non-controversial and may not require discussion. Approving the Consent Calendar means approving the items below in one vote. Council members and the public can remove an item from the consent calendar for discussion by informing the Chair. a. APPROVE minutes from the July 9, 2026 Council meeting b. APPROVE staff report for the August 6, 2026 Council meeting	Nicole Green, <i>Chair and Reentry Services Representative</i>
1:25 30 min	5. <u>Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Opportunity Update</u> a. Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) (20 min) i. <u>(ACTION ITEM)</u> APPROVE 2026 Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Opportunity Priority	a. Mark Mora, <i>Homebase and Jamie Schechter, H3</i> b. Juno Hedrick, <i>Vice Chair and Lived Experience</i> and Caroline Miller, <i>H3</i>



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	Listing of projects as recommended by the Review and Rank Panel b. Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) Notice of Funding Opportunity (10 min)	
1:55 13 min	6. <u>Committee Report Outs</u> - Report outs from each of the committees below. a. Governance Committee Update (3 min) b. Point-in-Time Count Committee (5 min) i. (ACTION ITEM) Approve Council on Homelessness members to serve on the 2027 Point-In-Time Count Committee c. Youth Action Board (YAB) Update (5 min)	a. Mark Mora, <i>Homebase</i> b. Yessenia Aguilar, <i>H3</i> c. Juno Hedrick, <i>Vice Chair and Lived Experience Advisor and Anastasia Lockwood, Youth Representative</i>
2:08 20 min	7. <u>Old Business</u> a. Sector Report Outs from Council Members (10 min) b. Funding Updates (10 min)	a. Nicole Green, <i>Chair and Reentry Services Representative</i> b. Jamie Schecter and Christy Saxton, <i>H3</i>
2:28 15 min	8. <u>New Business</u> a. (ACTION ITEM) DISCUSS and APPROVE 2026 Quarter 2 Council on Homelessness Recommendations for Report to County Board of Supervisors (5 min)	a. Jaime Jenett, <i>H3</i>
2:43 10 min	9. <u>Announcements</u> – Open for all to share announcements about upcoming events and to give brief reports about recent events/trainings relevant to the Council.	a. All
2:53	10. <u>Pin It</u>	Nicole Green, <i>Chair and Reentry Services Representative</i>

HOW TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT:

Persons who wish to address the Council on Homelessness during public comment on matters within the jurisdiction of the Council on Homelessness that are not on the agenda, or who wish to comment with respect to an item on the agenda, may comment in person, via Zoom, or via call-in. Those participating in person should stand where they are sitting when called upon. Those participating via Zoom should indicate they wish to speak by using the “raise your hand” feature in the Zoom app. Those calling in should indicate they wish to speak by pushing “9” on the phone. All public comments will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker. For assistance with remote access contact: contracostacoc@cchealth.org or call 925-608-6700. Public comments may also be submitted before the meeting by email at contracostacoc@cchealth.org or by voicemail at 925-608-6700. Comments submitted by email or voicemail will be included in the record of the meeting but will not be read or played aloud during the meeting.



CONTRA COSTA COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS MEETING

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS

Acronym	Definition
APR	Annual Performance Report (for HUD homeless programs)
CARE	Coordinated Assessment and Resource
CCYCS	Contra Costa Youth Continuum of Services
CDBG, CDBG-CV	Community Development Block Grant (federal and state programs) and the federal Community Development Block Grant CARES Act coronavirus allocation.
CESH	California Emergency Solutions and Housing program (state funding)
Continuum of Care (CoC)	Continuum of Care approach to assistance to the homeless. Federal grant program promoting and funding permanent solutions to homelessness.
Con Plan	Consolidated Plan, a locally developed plan for housing assistance and urban development under CDBG.
CORE	Coordinated Outreach Referral, Engagement program
COVID-19	Coronavirus
DOC	Department Operations Center
EHSD	(Contra Costa County) Employment and Human Services Division
EOC	Emergency Operations Center
ESG and ESG-CV	Emergency Solutions Grant (federal and state program) and the federal Emergency Solutions Grant CARES Act coronavirus allocation.
ESG-CV	Emergency Solutions Grant CARES
FMR	Fair Market Rent (maximum rent for Section 8 rental assistance/CoC grants)
HCD	Housing and Community Development (State office)
HEAP	Homeless Emergency Aid Program (State funding)
HEARTH	Homeless Emergency and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act of 2009
HHAP	Homeless Housing and Assistance Program
HMIS	Homeless Management Information System
HOME	Home Investment Partnerships (CPD program)
HUD	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (federal)
MHSA	Mental Health Services Act
NOFA	Notice of Funding Availability
PHA	Public Housing Authority
PUI	Persons Under Investigation
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration
SRO	Single-Room Occupancy housing units
SSDI	Social Security Disability Income
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
TA	Technical Assistance
TAY	Transition Age Youth (usually ages 16-24)
VA	Veterans Affairs (U.S. Department of)
VASH	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing
VI-SPDAT	Vulnerability Index – Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool



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EQUITY DEFINITIONS

(adapted from C4 Innovations and approved by Council on Homelessness on 8/3/23)

Term	Definition
Individual Racism	A person's beliefs and actions that serve to perpetuate racial oppression. This can be conscious and unconscious. This may be externalized or internalized
Institutional Racism	Policies and practices at the organization (or "sector") level that perpetuate oppression. It involves unjust policies, practices, procedures, and outcomes that work better for white people than people of color, whether intentional or not.
Interpersonal Racism	The interactions between people - both within and across racial groups.
Microaggressions	Brief, everyday exchanges that send denigrating messages to certain individuals because of their group membership.
Race	A social construct created in the 17th century by white Europeans to justify the enslavement of Africans and the spread of colonialism. Understanding of race as a concept has changed over time, but the outcomes of discrimination based on race remain entrenched in our systems.
Race Equity Lens	A way of viewing the world in an integrated and holistic manner, taking into account past and present racial injustices and seeking to address them through more equitable practices and structures.
Racial Bias	Implicit and/or explicit bias that reinforces discriminatory attitudes and behaviors when interacting with people or situations.
Racial Equity	The condition where one's racial identity does not predict their social, health, or economic outcomes. Racial equity is a process of eliminating racial disparities and improving outcomes for everyone. It is the intentional and continual practice of changing practices, systems, and structures by prioritizing the measurable change in the lives of people of color.
Racism	A system of institutional, systemic oppression, and practices of individuals and society that shape cultural beliefs and values that support racist policies and practices.
Structural Racism	How these effects interact and accumulate across institutions and across history. Structural racism highlights how racism operates as a system of power with multiple interconnected, reinforcing, and self-perpetuating components which result in racial inequities across all indicators for success.
Systemic Racism	infrastructure of rulings, ordinances or statutes adopted by a sovereign government or authoritative entity, whereas such ordinances and statutes entitles one racial group in a society certain rights and privileges, while denying other groups in that society these same rights and privileges because of long-established cultural prejudices, religious prejudices, fears, myths, and Xenophobia's held by the entitled group.
White Fragility	White fragility refers to feelings of discomfort a white person experiences when they witness or engage in discussions around racial inequality and injustice. Their engagement in conversations about racism may trigger a range of defensive actions, feelings, and behaviors, such as anger, fear, and silence. These reactive behaviors reinforce continued white dominant culture.



COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

August 6, 2026 from 1:00-3:00

WELCOME

Nicole Green, *Chair and Reentry Services Representative*

Purpose of the Meeting: These are monthly meetings for the Council on Homelessness (COH) to conduct the business of the Council. The Council is the planning body that coordinates the community's policies, strategies, and activities toward preventing and ending homelessness in Contra Costa County.

BROWN ACT ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

If not attending in person		Traditional Teleconferencing	Alternative Teleconferencing (1/1/26-1/1/2030)
	Basis for Remote Attendance	When unable to attend in person	May appear remotely for Just Cause: • 2x/year • Notify COH by state of meeting with specific just cause reason
	Agenda and Public Access	• Provide address to be listed on agenda to COH staff 1 week before meeting (name not listed on address) • Post agenda at your location • Public may attend at your location	N/A
	Quorum	Counts towards quorum	Quorum must be met by in person members & traditional teleconferencing
	Voting	May vote if meet address/posting requirement	A majority of membership body participates in person

HYBRID MEETING NORMS

Nicole Green, *Chair and Reentry Services
Representative*

HYBRID MEETING NORM LIST

1. Raise your hand (actual or virtual) before speaking
2. Say your name before speaking and try to speak as clearly as you can
3. 2-minute timer for public comments
4. Make and take space – consider your privilege and the other voices who are in and not in the room
5. Minimize distractions like side conversations and cell phone use
6. Maintain a safe and respectful environment, even when disagreeing
7. If in-person meeting is interrupted for an emergency, the meeting will be suspended or cancelled, case-by-case basis.
8. An individual may be asked to leave should they behave in a manner that threatens the safety of the group or does not honor these meeting norms.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Nicole Green, *Chair and Reentry Services
Representative*

INTRODUCTIONS

Council Members: Please unmute and share your name, pronouns, seat, and agency (if applicable)

Community Members: Please introduce yourself in the chat.

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POLL – WHO'S IN THE ROOM?

- 1) How many Council on Homelessness meetings have you attended?
- 2) Do you have lived experience of homelessness?
- 3) What best describes your racial identity?

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nicole Green, *Chair and Reentry Services
Representative*

CONSENT CALENDAR

Nicole Green, *Chair and Reentry Services
Representative*

CONSENT CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

- Items on the consent calendar are generally non-controversial and do not require much, if any, discussion
- Enables grouping such items together and deciding on them at one time
- Council members and the public can remove an item from the consent calendar if they desire to discuss the item by informing the Chair

Source: <https://www.ca-ilg.org/resource/concept-consent-calendar>

ACTION ITEM

Approve the consent calendar items as listed:

- Approve minutes from the July 9, 2026 Council Meeting
- Approve staff report for the August 6, 2026 Council Meeting



CONTINUUM OF
CARE (COC)
NOTICE OF
FUNDING
OPPORTUNITY
(NOFO) UPDATE

CoC Notice of Funding Opportunity Update
(ACTION ITEM) – Mark Mora, *Homebase* and Jamie
Schecter, *H3*

Youth Homelessness NOFO Update – Juno
Hedrick, *Vice Chair & Lived Experience Advisor* and
Caroline Miller, *H3*

COC NOFO UPDATE

Mark Mora, *Homebase*
Jamie Schecter, *H3*

COC POLICY STATEMENT

In alignment with the 2026 CoC NOFO Policy Initiative Preferences, the Contra Costa CoC:

- Prohibits CoC-funded housing projects from operating drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites," knowingly distributing drug paraphernalia on or off property under their control, knowingly permitting the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control,
- Encourages the provision of substance use disorder treatment and recovery housing within or outside the CoC
- Does not restrict or prohibit CoC-funded housing projects that require program participants to be sober or to participate in treatment as a condition of assistance in accordance with 24 CFR 578.

If the CoC determines a project is in violation of this policy, the project may be subject to a corrective action plan and/or receive reduced scores in future funding competitions

ESTIMATED AVAILABLE FUNDING

Category	Amount
Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)	\$24,848,366
CoC Bonus Funding	\$3,727,255
Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Funding	\$1,501,111
Tier 1 Funding	\$14,909,020
*Tier 2 Funding	\$15,167,712
CoC Planning Funding (not ranked)	\$1,242,418
Total Request to HUD	\$31,319,150

LOCAL REVIEW & RANK PROCESS

- Review and Rank Panel of non-conflicted Council members met on 7/14, 7/23, and 7/27
- Reviewed 8 scored renewal projects and 15 scored new project applications in the local competition
- Projects were scored using Council-approved scoring tools revised by the Funding Committee earlier this year

OVERVIEW OF PRIORITY LISTING

2026 CoC NOFO highlights

- Funding for permanent housing is limited in the 2026 CoC NOFO due to \$1.3 billion set aside (32% of available funds) for TH/SSO projects, HUD selection priorities, and and incentives in CoC application
- Tier 1 is at is 60% of Annual Renewal Demand – it was 30% in the rescinded FY 2025 CoC NOFO but typically around 90% prior to

Tier 1

- CoC prioritized maintaining existing PSH units – only 8 renewal projects included but all 8 reallocated partial funding to fit into reduced Tier 1 funding amount

Tier 2

- 14 new projects submitted and all are included in Tier 2: 5 Transitional Housing, 7 Supportive Services Standalone, and 2 Supportive Services Street Outreach
- New local policy (as of 2026) to prioritize new transition grants (renewal projects transitioning project types) over other new projects

Tier 1

Rank	Score	Applicant	Project	Type	Request Amount
1	96.00	CCHS (H3)	High Utilizers of Multiple Systems	PSH	\$ 1,934,446
2	93.75	Hope Solutions	Garden Park Apartments Community	PSH	\$ 201,212
3	92.63	Hope Solutions	ACCESS	PSH	\$ 1,608,017
4	91.00	CCHS (H3)	Permanent Connections	PSH	\$ 328,723
5	89.50	Hope Solutions	Families in Supportive Housing	PSH	\$ 1,096,738
6	89.00	HACCC	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	PSH	\$ 7,170,002
7	76.75	SHELTER, Inc.	Project Thrive	PSH	\$ 1,275,801
8	67.75	SHELTER, Inc.	Thrive CCC	PSH	\$ 1,294,080

Tier 2

Rank	Score	Applicant	Project	Type	Request Amount
9	89.75	Hope Solutions	**Project Home SAFE	TH	\$ 753,371
10	81.50	SHELTER, Inc.	**Lotus	TH	\$ 2,636,114
11	100.00	CCHS (H3)	**Delta Landing Supportive Services	SSO Standalone	\$ 2,282,470
12	100.00	CCHS (H3)	CORE	SSO Street Outreach	\$ 1,674,586
13	99.75	GRIP	CARE Center & Drop-in Center	SSO Standalone	\$ 550,565
14	96.25	M&WOP	Recovery Navigation Services	SSO Street Outreach	\$ 400,000
15	96.00	Trinity Center	Case Management Expansion	SSO Standalone	\$ 260,000
16	*95.75	Hope Solutions	AIM Transitional Housing	TH	\$ 1,412,189
17	95.50	BARM	LifeBridge Resource Hub	SSO Standalone	\$ 460,478
18	*94.00	Hope Solutions	***Threshold Transitional Housing (DV Bonus)	TH	\$ 1,501,111
19	91.00	Winter Nights	Housing Stability Project	SSO Standalone	\$ 240,000
20	90.75	SOS Richmond	Street-Level Engagement	SSO Standalone	\$ 1,658,047
21	90.25	VAH	Housing Resource Drop-In Center	SSO Standalone	\$ 393,927
22	78.00	VAH	Allegiance Transitional Housing	TH	\$ 944,854

*Per local policy, the Review and Rank Panel may add or decrease a project's final score by up to 5 points to align the Priority Listing with HUD NOFO priorities and local needs for the purpose of maximizing the CoC's competitiveness for available funding. The Review and Rank Panel added 5 points to two projects (AIM Transitional Housing and Threshold Transitional Housing) to account for deficiencies in the new project scoring tool between project types and to prioritize a mix of new project types in Tier

**Per local policy, transition grants (renewal projects that seek to transition from one project type to a different project type) are prioritized over other new projects at the top of Tier 2.

***This project is applying for Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus funding.

FY 2026 PRELIMINARY PRIORITY LISTING

APPEALS PROCESS

- No eligible appeals were submitted

COMMENTS FROM R&R PANELISTS

2026 R&R Panelists:

- Courtney Pal
- Juno Hedrick
- LeAnn Matthews
- Shawn Ray

COUNCIL APPROVAL OF PRIORITY LISTING

- Per local policies:
 - Council approves the final ranked list
 - Any Council members with a conflict of interest must recuse themselves from all related discussions and abstain from the vote
- A conflict of interest exists if:
 - You or immediate family member have (in the past year), currently, or will (per agreement) serve as a Board member, staff member, or paid consultant of an org making a proposal for funding
 - You are currently employed by or sit on a Board for an org that has a contractual relationship with any entity making a funding proposal, unless the contractual relationship does not impact the funding proposal

ACTION ITEM

- Approve 2026 NOFO Priority Listing of projects as recommended by the Review & Rank Panel



NOFO - WHAT'S NEXT

- Thu, 8/6 – Council approves the Final Priority Listing
- Fri, 8/7 – Applicants notified of final decisions
- Fri, 8/14 – Homebase returns feedback on draft e-snaps New Project Applications
- Thu, 8/20 – e-snaps Project Applications and attachments submitted in e-snaps (renewal and new)
- Tue, 8/25 – Consolidated Application submitted in e-snaps

YOUTH HOMELESSNESS NOFO UPDATE

Juno Hedrick, *Vice Chair & Lived Experience
Advisor*

Caroline Miller, *H3*

PLACEHOLDER

- Placeholder

COMMITTEE REPORT OUTS

Governance Committee Update – Mark Mora,
Homebase

Point-In-Time Count Committee (ACTION ITEM)
– Yessenia Aguilar, *H3*

Youth Action Board (YAB) Update – Juno Hedrick,
Vice Chair and Lived Experience Advisor and
Anastasia Lockwood, *Youth Representative and YAB*
Member

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

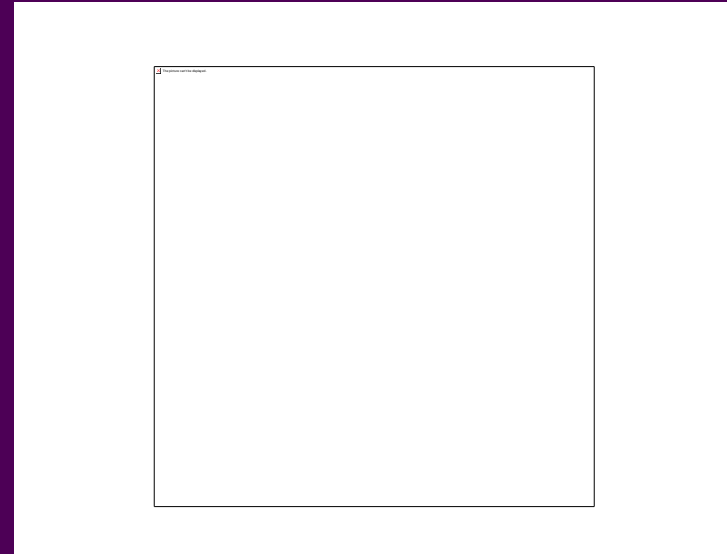
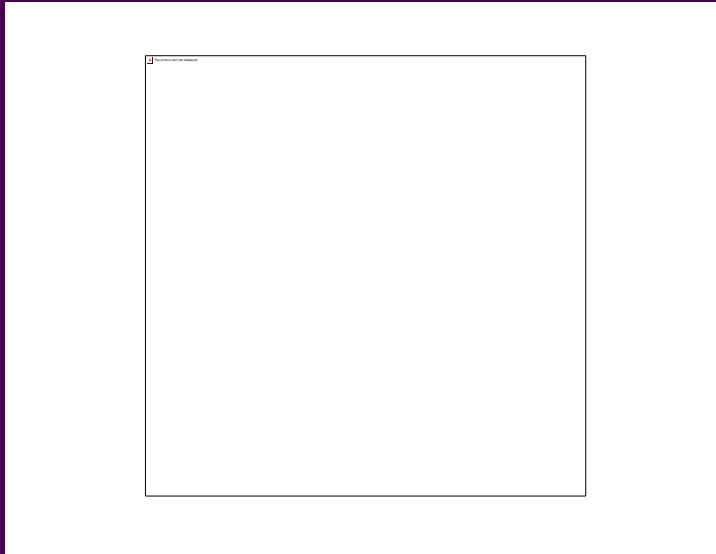
Mark Mora, *Homebase*

COUNCIL BYLAWS UPDATE

- The Governance Committee meets annually to review and revise the Governance Charter and Bylaws to increase efficiency and impact of the Council
- In 2026 the committee met on 2/18 and 3/18, and recommended revisions to be reviewed by Contra Costa County Counsel (the chief legal entity for a county government)
- County Counsel provided feedback in late June, H3 and Homebase are discussing the feedback with County Counsel
- The tentative plan is to bring the revised bylaws to the September Council on Homelessness meeting for approval before sending to the Board of Supervisors for official approval

POINT-IN-TIME
COUNT
COMMITTEE
(ACTION ITEM)

Yessenia Aguilar, *H3*



POINT IN TIME COUNT

COMMITTEE TIME COMMITMENT

September: Methods

- 1 Work Group Meeting
- Virtual

October: Hot Spots

- 1 Work Group Meeting
- Virtual

November: Survey and finalize Methods

- 1 Committee Meeting
- IN PERSON

Likely will meet 3rd Fridays

ACTION ITEM: PIT COMMITTEE

- Approve COH members for Point-In-Time Count Committee



YOUTH ACTION BOARD (YAB)



Juno Hedrick, *CoH Lived Experience Advisor and Vice Chair, YAB Coordinator*

Anastasia Lockwood, *CoH Youth Representative and YAB Member*

YAB JULY MEETINGS

Bimonthly hybrid
meetings at H3 in and
RYSE

Subcommittees:
Communications, Data
& Research, Outreach &
Retention

Youth & Young Adult
(YYA) Homelessness
Community
Collaborative

CoH: CoH Meeting,
Oversight Committee,
Homeless Awareness
Month (HAM)
Committee

Peer Support Check-In
Meetings

HUD YAB Youth
Homelessness NOFO
Sessions

YAB JULY ACTIVITIES

Homelessness 101-
Virtual Sessions

YAB HUD Youth
Homelessness
Demonstration
Program (YHDP)
Review Panel

Contra Costa Health
Community Health
Assessment in East
County

National YAB
Connection Space

COMING UP!



YYA Homelessness Community Collaborative

Meetings began in February 2025. Last month, relaunched the YYA Homelessness Community Collaborative—where YYA with lived experience and community partners can:

- Review and shape plans like the [YYA Strategic Plan](#)
- Workshop ideas for events such as [CAL Youth HOPE Month](#) in November
- Explore ways to advance action, improve services, and uplift funding opportunities.
- Build community with others committed to supporting YYA in Contra Costa

Meetings co-hosted by H3 and YAB!

? Monday, August 17th (3rd Mondays) | ? 3:00–4:00 PM

<https://homebaseccc.zoom.us/j/89336324642>

CONNECT WITH YAB

Young people with lived experience of homelessness and community partners are invited to join a meeting to learn more!

For more information:

✉ ContraCostaYAB@cchealth.org

? 925-500-3237

2026 Contra Costa County YAB
Meeting RSVP



OLD BUSINESS

Sector Report Outs from Council Members –
Nicole Green, *Chair and Reentry Services
Representative*

(ACTION ITEM) Funding Updates – Jamie
Schechter and Christy Saxon, *H3*

SECTOR
REPORT OUTS
FROM COUNCIL
MEMBERS

Nicole Green, *Chair and Reentry Services
Representative*

FUNDING UPDATES

Jamie Schechter and Christy Saxton, *H3*

FEDERAL GRANTS - HUD

- [Youth Homelessness NOFO for FY2024 and FY2025](#) - HUD will provide funding to communities to implement housing and services projects to reduce youth homelessness
 - Released June 10, 2026, Community Application due August 10, 2026
- [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition](#)
 - Released June 1, 2026, Collaborative Application due August 26, 2026
- [Continuum of Care Builds \(CoC Builds\)](#) - CoC Builds provides funding for construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of new units of PSH
 - Submitted application for City of Antioch CSH Mahogany project
- [Family Unification Program \(FUP\) Multi-Year NOFO](#) - public housing authorities (PHAs) to partner with public child welfare agencies (PCWAs) to provide Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) assistance to families and transition aged youth
 - Forecasted release date August 12, 2026

FORECASTED FEDERAL GRANTS - HHS

Below grants were posted July 23, 2026, Applications due August 17, 2026

- [FY 2026 Basic Center Program](#) - provides temporary, emergency shelter; and counseling services to youth who have left home
- [The Primary Prevention Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program](#) - identify and implement strategies and services for youth and young adults between ages 12 and 26 in order to prevent homelessness
- [Street Outreach Program \(SOP\)](#) - provides street-based services to runaway, homeless, and street youth

CONSOLIDATED HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS RFP

- Planning underway for 2026 Request for Proposals
- Funding available through Measure X Housing Fund and other funding sources
- Anticipated release late September to October 2026

Sign up to the [Contra Costa CoC mailing list](#) to receive notification of upcoming funding opportunities

CITY OF RICHMOND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Establishing and Operating a Homeless Day Center for Unhoused Richmond Residents

- The purpose of the Day Center is to provide a safe, sanitary, secure, and welcoming environment where individuals experiencing homelessness can rest, access basic necessities, obtain information and referrals, connect to wraparound supportive services, and receive assistance with pathways to employment, healthcare, stable housing, and peer support.
- Applications due August 28, 2026 5:00 PM
- Learn more: [PlanetBids Vendor Portal](#)

NEW BUSINESS

(ACTION ITEM) Approve 2026 Quarter 2 Council on Homelessness Recommendations for Report to County Boards of Supervisors– Jaime Jenett, H3

ACTION ITEM:
APPROVE 2026
QUARTER 2 COUNCIL
ON HOMELESSNESS
RECOMMENDATIONS
FOR REPORT TO
COUNTY BOARDS OF
SUPERVISORS

Jaime Jenett, *H3*

DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Point in Time Count Involvement
 - Encourage community members to join Point in Time Count planning and implementation, starting in September.
- 2. Statewide & Regional Policy Alignment
 - Monitor federal CoC NOFO shifts that could affect permanent housing funding.
 - Support state and local funding initiatives to backfill federal funding cuts

ACTION ITEM: RECOMMENDATIONS

Approve recommendations for Quarter 2, 2026 CoH report to County Board of Supervisors



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Open for all to share announcements about upcoming events and to give brief reports about recent events/trainings relevant to the Council on Homelessness

PIN IT

Nicole Green, *Chair & Reentry Representative*

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Next COH Meeting: Thursday, September 3, 1 – 3 PM (1025 Escobar St., Martinez)
- CoC Training (Fair Housing): Monday, August 10, 10 AM – 12 PM (Zoom)
- Homeless Service Providers Meeting: Thursday, August 13, 8:30-9:30 AM (Zoom)
- Oversight Committee Meeting WG: Thursday, August 20, 11:30-1:30 PM (Zoom)
- Homelessness 101: Thursday, August 27, 12 – 1:30 PM (Zoom)
- Homeless Persons' Memorial Event Planning Meeting: Friday, August 28, 10-12 PM (Zoom)
- Homelessness Awareness Month Committee: Tuesday, September 1, 2-4 PM (Zoom)



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

1025 ESCOBAR STREET
MARTINEZ, CA 94553

Staff Report

File #: 26-3286

Agenda Date: 8/6/2026

Agenda #: 3.

Advisory Board: Contra Costa Council on Homelessness

Subject: Consent Calendar (ACTION ITEM): a. APPROVE minutes from the July 9, 2026 Council meeting b. APPROVE staff report for the August 6, 2026 Council meeting

Presenter: Nicole Green, Chair

Contact:

Information:

Referral History and Update:

Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

Review and APPROVE minutes from the July 9, 2026 Council meeting staff report for the August 6, 2026 Council meeting



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COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS MINUTES

Date: Thursday, July 9, 2026, 1 – 3 p.m.

Recording link: Available by email request to CChomelessscouncil@cchealth.org

Council Member Attendance:

- In-Person (9): Anastasia Lockwood, Courtney Pal, Dani Jimenez, Heather Worobey, Jared Murti, Juno Hedrick, Mia Fairbanks, Ralph Payton, Verneda Clapp,
- Remote (3): LeAnn Matthews, Nicole Green, Wayne Earl.
- Absent (36): Alejandra Chamberlain, Donnie Diego, Gabriel Lemus, Shawn Ray, Sherina Criswell, Tony Ucciferri.

Staff Attendance: Jamie Schechter, H3; Mark Mora, Homebase; Tania Morales, Homebase.

Community Member Attendance:

- In-person: Michelle Kim, City of Concord; Maleek Olachunjoy, Upward Health.
- Remote: Jill Ray, BOS District 2 office; Elizabeth Winstead, California Department of Rehabilitation; Ishani Rasanayagam, City of Pittsburg; Catherine Casimere, City of Richmond; Alejandra Jauregui, Crisis Center; Bryan Harris, Community Member; Trinity M, Community Member; LeAnn Matthews, Council member; Nicole Green, Council member; Wayne Earl, Council member; Dean Webber, East Bay Men's Recovery Center; Brittany Ferguson, H3; Carina Rodriguez-Pena, H3; Caroline Miller, H3; Cheryl Leonor, H3; Erica Givens, H3; Jacqueline Franco, H3; Kayla Buscemi, H3; Mary Juarez-Fitzgerald, H3; Shelby Ferguson, H3; Yessenia Aguilar, H3; Vi Ibarra, H3; Jennifer Ellis, Hope Solutions; Jennifer Ellis, Hope Solutions; Alicia Alferez, SHELTER, Inc; Irene Maldonado, SHELTER, Inc.; Teri Lundvall, Winter Nights.



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AGENDA ITEM

1) Call to Order

A. Chair starts the meeting:

Speaker: Nicole Green, Chair and Reentry Services Representative

Nicole Green called the meeting to order.

2) Introductions

A. Meeting Norms:

Speaker: Nicole Green, Chair and Reentry Services Representative

Nicole Green introduced the Brown Act attendance requirements and provided an overview of the hybrid meeting norms and guidelines to help ensure that meetings are conducted in a safe and respectful environment that encourages participation and inclusivity.

B. Roll call of Council members and introduction of guests:

Speaker: Nicole Green, Chair and Reentry Services Representative

Nicole Green conducted a roll call of Council members and invited guests to introduce themselves in the chat.

C. Poll – Who’s in the room?

Speaker: Nicole Green, Chair and Reentry Services Representative

Nicole Green conducted the poll activity. All answers are anonymous and the results are provided below:

- **Question 1: How many Council on Homelessness meetings have you attended?**

This is my first meeting:	1 (5%)
I’ve attended some meetings:	6 (32%)
I’ve attended a lot of meetings:	12 (63%)
I prefer not to answer:	0 (0%)

- **Question 2: Do you have lived experience of homelessness?**

Yes, currently	0 (0%)
Yes, within the past 7 years	2 (11%)
Yes, more than 7 years ago	5 (26%)
No	11 (58%)
I prefer not to answer	1 (5%)



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- **Question 3: What best describes your racial identify?**

African American/Black	7 (26%)
American Indian/Alaskan Native	2 (7%)
Asian/Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian	2 (7%)
Hispanic/Latinx	3 (11%)
White	10 (37%)
Multi-racial	3 (11%)
I describe myself in another way	0 (0%)
I prefer not to answer	0 (0%)

3) Public Comments

A. Open period for members of the public to comment on items not listed on the agenda

Members of the public:

- None.

4) Consent Calendar (ACTION ITEM)

A. APPROVE minutes from the June 4, 2026 Council meeting

B. APPROVE staff report for the July 9, 2026 Council meeting

C. APPROVE Courtney Pal to join CoC NOFO Review and Rank Panel

Speaker: Nicole Green, Chair and Reentry Services Representative

Members made a motion to approve the items in the consent calendar as listed above.

Motion

- State of Motion:
 - To approve the consent calendar items as listed.
- Discussion:
 - None.
- Procedural Record:
 - Motion made by: Mia Fairbanks.
 - Seconded by: Ralph Payton.
 - AYES: Anastasia Lockwood, Courtney Pal, Dani Jimenez, Heather Worobey, Jared Murti, Juno Hedrick, LeAnn Matthews, Mia Fairbanks, Nicole Green, Ralph Payton, Wayne Earl.
 - NOES: None.
 - ABSTAINS: Verneda Clapp.
 - UNABLE TO VOTE: None.
 - ABSENT: Alejandra Chamberlain, Donnie Diego, Gabriel Lemus, Shawn Ray, Sherina Criswell, Tony Ucciferri.



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5) Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Opportunity Update

A. CoC Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Presenter: Mark Mora, *Homebase* and Jamie Schechter, *H3*

The FY 2026 NOFO was released on June 1, 2026, with a due date to submit applications on August 26, 2026. The due date for Renewal Project Local Applications is July 7, 2026, and the due date for New Project Local Applications is July 13, 2026. The Review and Rank Panel meetings will take place on July 14, 23, and 27, and the Final Priority Listing is expected to be approved by the Council on Homelessness on August 6, 2026. Anyone with questions or needing support may contact the Homebase team at contracosta@homebaseccc.org.

B. Youth Homelessness NOFO

C. Presenter: Juno Hedrick, *Vice Chair and Lived Experience*, and Caroline Miller, *H3*

HUD released the Youth Homelessness Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) on June 10, 2026, which focuses on serving youth and young adults ages 24 and younger. This year's competition combines two funding programs: Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) and Youth Homelessness Systems Improvement Grants (YHSI). The major changes include the option for communities—not just Continuums of Care—to apply. Youth Action Boards (YAB) and Coordinated Community Plans are no longer required to apply. The types of eligible projects for both funding programs were presented. Contra Costa CoC plans to apply for both funding opportunities, and it will have Youth Action Board members involved in the application process. The target submission date is August 5, 2026, five days earlier than HUD's deadline. Technical assistance is available through Homebase and Contra Costa Health Housing and Homeless Services (H3) at ContraCostaYHDP@homebaseccc.org and at ContraCostaCoC@cchealth.org to support applicants throughout the process

6) Committee Report Outs

A. Nominating Committee Update:

(ACTION ITEM) APPROVE Employment and Human Services (EHSD) Representative candidate recommended by the Ad Hoc Nominating Panel to be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for official approval for Council on Homelessness membership

Presenter: Juno Hedrick, *Vice Chair and Lived Experience Advisor*

H3 received one application for the Employment and Human Services (EHSD) Representative seat. The Review panel was comprised of council members LeAnn Matthews, Juno Hedrick, and Sherina Criswell. The applicant's name is Cristina Navarro. After today's approval, the Family and Human Services Committee will vote before going to the Board of Supervisors final approval next month.



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Motion

- State of Motion:
 - Approve Christina Navarro as Employment and Human Services (EHSD) Representative candidate to be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for official approval for Council on Homelessness membership.
- Discussion:
 - None.
- Procedural Record:
 - Motion made by: Verneda Clapp.
 - Seconded by: Dani Jimenez.
 - AYES: Anastasia Lockwood, Courtney Pal, Dani Jimenez, Heather Worobey, Jared Murti, Juno Hedrick, LeAnn Matthews, Mia Fairbanks, Nicole Green, Ralph Payton, Verneda Clapp, Wayne Earl.
 - NOES: None.
 - ABSTAINS: None.
 - UNABLE TO VOTE: None.
 - ABSENT: Alejandra Chamberlain, Donnie Diego, Gabriel Lemus, Shawn Ray, Sherina Criswell, Tony Ucciferri.

(ACTION ITEM) APPROVE Council on Homelessness members to serve on 2026 Nominating Committee

Presenter: Juno Hedrick, *Vice Chair and Lived Experience Advisor*

The CoC is seeking Council on Homelessness members to review this year's applications for the recruitment of new seated members for year 2027. The Committee is expected to start meeting in August to review materials and plan outreach. The following COH Council members expressed interest in being part of the committee: Dani Jimenez, Juno Hedrick, Mia Fairbanks, LeAnn Matthews, and Nicole Green.

Motion

- State of Motion:
 - To approve the Council on Homelessness members listed above to serve on Nominating Committee.
- Discussion:
 - None.
- Procedural Record:
 - Motion made by: Verneda Clapp.
 - Seconded by: Heather Worobey.
 - AYES: Anastasia Lockwood, Courtney Pal, Dani Jimenez, Heather Worobey, Jared Murti, Juno Hedrick, LeAnn Matthews, Mia Fairbanks, Nicole Green, Ralph Payton, Verneda Clapp, Wayne Earl.
 - NOES: None.



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- ABSTAINS: None.
- UNABLE TO VOTE: None.
- ABSENT: Alejandra Chamberlain, Donnie Diego, Gabriel Lemus, Shawn Ray, Sherina Criswell, Tony Ucciferri.

B. Homelessness Awareness Month Committee – (ACTION ITEM) APPROVE Recognition Categories and Resolutions of Support as recommended by the Homelessness Awareness Month Committee

Presenter: Juno Hedrick, *Vice Chair and Lived Experience Advisor* and Anastasia Lockwood, *Youth Representative*

The Homelessness Awareness Month (HAM) Committee reviewed the plans for Homeless Awareness Month that will take place on November 4th, 2026. The event will highlight activities that celebrate progress, raise awareness, share resources, and recognize outstanding community members and organizations. The Committee is preparing several promotional materials that will be shared soon, which includes toolkit and a video to spread awareness, among others. The changes include only minor wording revisions to the category descriptions but there are no changes to the award categories. A subcommittee will prepare the recognition reception. The timeline with key dates was shared. The recognition submission form will open on August 5th and will close on September 11, 2026, with the final COH approval in the October meeting. Videos of previous year's Homeless Voices of People with Lived Experience events may be access at the [Contra Costa Health's CoC website](#).

Motion

- State of Motion:
 - To approve the recognition Categories and Resolutions of Support as recommended by the Homelessness Awareness Month Committee.
- Discussion:
 - None.
- Procedural Record:
 - Motion made by: Mia Fairbanks.
 - Seconded by: LeAnn Matthews.
 - AYES: Anastasia Lockwood, Courtney Pal, Dani Jimenez, Heather Worobey, Jared Murti, Juno Hedrick, LeAnn Matthews, Mia Fairbanks, Nicole Green, Ralph Payton, Verneda Clapp, Wayne Earl.
 - NOES: None.
 - ABSTAINS: None.
 - UNABLE TO VOTE: None.
 - ABSENT: Alejandra Chamberlain, Donnie Diego, Gabriel Lemus, Shawn Ray, Sherina Criswell, Tony Ucciferri.



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C. Youth Action Board (YAB) Update

Presenter: Juno Hedrick, *Vice Chair & Lived Experience Representative* and Anastasia Lockwood, *Youth Representative*

Juno Hedrick shared the different meetings that YAB members accomplished in the month of June, which included bimonthly hybrid meetings with H3 and RYSE, subcommittee meetings, YYA Homeless Community Collaborative, Oversight Committee, and peer support meetings. The activities for the month of June included Concord Library Summer Unhoused Resource Fair, East-Bay Restorative Justice Initiative discussion, 2026 Youth Homelessness NOFO Info session, and the National YAB Connection Space. The activities for the future months include working on social media, applying for HUDs YHDP NOFO, youth survey planning for Fall 2026, and others. For the Youth & Young Adults (YYA) Homelessness Community Collaborative program, they continue to have monthly meetings for young people and partners to work together to improve services for young people experiencing homelessness. Anyone interested in connecting with YAB can send an email at ContraCostaYAB@cchealth.org or call at (925) 500-3237.

7) Old Business

A. Sector Report Outs from Council Members

Speaker: All members

- None.

B. Funding Updates

Speaker: Jamie Schechter and Christy Saxton, *H3*

Jamie Schechter provided updates on several federal and state homelessness funding opportunities such as the Youth Homelessness NOFO, 2026 Continuum of Care Competition, Continuum of Care (CoC) Builds NOFO, and the Family Unification Program (FUP) Multi-Year NOFO. The CoC Builds provides funding for construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of new units of Permanent Supportive Housing. The Collaborative Application is due on July 23, 2026, and only two submissions were received.

Motion

- State of Motion:
 - To approve the Chair or Vice Chair to approve priority listing for CoC Builds NOFO
- Discussion:
 - None.
- Procedural Record:
 - Motion made by: Ralph Payton.
 - Seconded by: Courtney Pal.



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- AYES: Anastasia Lockwood, Courtney Pal, Dani Jimenez, Heather Worobey, Jared Murti, Juno Hedrick, LeAnn Matthews, Mia Fairbanks, Nicole Green, Ralph Payton, Verneda Clapp, Wayne Earl.
- NOES: None.
- ABSTAINS: None.
- UNABLE TO VOTE: None.
- ABSENT: Alejandra Chamberlain, Donnie Diego, Gabriel Lemus, Shawn Ray, Sherina Criswell, Tony Ucciferri.

For federal funding opportunities, they are forecasted on the [United States Grant's website](#) and include the Basic Center Program, The Primary Prevention Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program, and Street Outreach Program (SOP).

It was also announced that the Board of Supervisors approved the funding recommendations for the Consolidated Housing and Homelessness RFP, supporting new basic needs, new rapid rehousing for families engaged with Children and Family Services, new homelessness prevention services for older adults, and legal assistance programs across Contra Costa County. To learn more about funding opportunities, you may visit the [Contra Costa Health's website](#).

8) New Business

A. Learning Corner: New Project Types

Presenter: Jamie Schechter, *H3*

HUD's Continuum of Care project types comprise of Transitional Housing (TH), Supportive Services Only (SSO), and Street Outreach (SO) programs. Jamie Schechter explained each project's purpose, eligible participants, allowable activities, and key differences from existing housing programs. For TH program, residents under the CoC program may come from homelessness, incarceration, rehabilitation centers, mental health institutional care, foster care, or other settings, as long as they meet the definition of homelessness. SSO projects allow recipients to provide supportive services to homeless individuals and families such as case management, moving costs, childcare, education services, etc. For SO projects, outreach efforts may be implemented as SSO or SSO-CE programs aren't directly attached to CoC housing programs. SSO-SO incorporates rapid resolution and problem solving to move people to solutions as soon as possible.



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9) General Announcements

A. General Announcements:

Speaker: All

- Jamie Schecter shared that Contra Costa County is seeking feedback from residents on how to get notified about emergency events that happen in the county such as refinery fire, tsunamis, etc. The purpose is to improve the emergency alerts, especially for people who experience homelessness. A flyer with a link to the survey was shared.
- Maleek Olachunjoy with Upper Health shared that the organization is an ECM provider that help people with homelessness.
- Verneda Clapp mentioned that Valor Village currently has its waiting list open. The project is a supportive housing program located in the city of Pinole that supports veterans who have experienced homelessness and have low income. The eligibility criteria are for households to have at least one member who is a veteran and at least be 18 years of age or older to qualify. The official flyer may be accessed at the [Satellite Affordable Housing Associates' website](#). The waiting list is expected to close on September 30, 2026.
- Mary Juarez-Fitzgerald commented that Contra Costa Health is conducting a new Community Health Assessment to identify community needs and strengths. The survey is available in 16 different languages and is targeted to residents of Contra Costa County. The link to the surveys may be accessed at [Contra Costa Health's website](#).
- Habitat for Humanity, a new project coming up in Walnut Creek, has its waitlist open and it will be for low-income families. More info will be shared soon.

10) Pin It

Speaker: Jaime Jenett, H3

- The next COH meeting will be on August 6, from 1 – 3 p.m.
- A list of upcoming meetings was shared and will also be sent via email. Calendar meeting invites to all committee meetings will be sent out to COH Council members based on the committees for which they signed up.



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Commonly Used Acronyms

Acronym	Definition
APR	Annual Performance Report (for HUD homeless programs)
BIPOC	Black and Indigenous People of Color
CARE	Coordinated Assessment and Resource
CCYCS	Contra Costa Youth Continuum of Services
CDBG, CDBG-CV	Community Development Block Grant (federal and state programs) and the federal Community Development Block Grant CARES Act coronavirus allocation.
CESH	California Emergency Solutions and Housing program (state funding)
Continuum of Care (CoC)	Continuum of Care approach to assistance to the homeless. Federal grant program promoting and funding permanent solutions to homelessness.
Con Plan	Consolidated Plan, a locally developed plan for housing assistance and urban development under CDBG.
CORE	Coordinated Outreach Referral, Engagement program
COVID-19	Coronavirus
DCD	(Contra Costa County) Department of Conservation and Development
DOC	Department Operations Center
EHSD	(Contra Costa County) Employment and Human Services Division
EOC	Emergency Operations Center
ESG and ESG-CV	Emergency Solutions Grant (federal and state program) and the federal Emergency Solutions Grant CARES Act coronavirus allocation.
ESG-CV	Emergency Solutions Grant CARES
FMR	Fair Market Rent (maximum rent for Section 8 rental assistance/CoC grants)
HCD	Housing and Community Development (State office)
HEAP	Homeless Emergency Aid Program (State funding)
HEARTH	Homeless Emergency and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act of 2009
HHAP	Homeless Housing and Assistance Program
HMIS	Homeless Management Information System
HOME	Home Investment Partnerships (CPD program)
HUD	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (federal)
MHSA	Mental Health Services Act
NOFA/NOFO	Notice of Funding Availability/ Notice of Funding Opportunity
PHA	Public Housing Authority
PUI	Persons Under Investigation
PWLE	People With Lived Experience of Homelessness
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration
SRO	Single-Room Occupancy housing units
SSDI	Social Security Disability Income
SSI	Supplemental Security Income



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Acronym	Definition
TA	Technical Assistance
TAY	Transition Age Youth (usually ages 18-24)
VA	Veterans Affairs (U.S. Department of)
VASH	Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing
VI-SPDAT	Vulnerability Index – Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool



CONTRA COSTA COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS STAFF REPORT

Report for the August 6, 2026 Council on Homelessness Meeting

INTRODUCTION

The Council on Homelessness staff report is to inform the Contra Costa Council on Homelessness of the status of projects happening within the Continuum of Care. The report was created to create space on Council on Homelessness meeting agendas for discussion on important issues, to share more information in a digestible format, to make it easier for Council on Homelessness members to review and track ongoing content, and to increase transparency about the work happening within the Continuum of Care. The Council on Homelessness guides the content included in the staff report.

PROJECTS

Project: Concord Naval Weapons Station (CNWS) and Homeless Collaborative

There are no updates at this time.

Technical Assistance (TA) Updates:

There are no updates at this time.

COMMITTEES

Committee Membership Updates

Committee membership is now as follows

Funding: Courtney, Dani, Jared, Juno, Nicole, Sherina, Wayne

Governance: Anastasia, Dani, Jared, Juno, LeAnn, Sherina

HMIS Policy: Gabriel, Heather, Juno, LeAnn, Mia, Nicole, Tony

Nominating: Dani, Juno, LeAnn, Mia, Nicole



CONTRA COSTA COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS STAFF REPORT

Oversight: Alejandra, Courtney, Daniel, Juno, Ralph, Shawn, Wayne

Oversight Committee

The last Oversight Committee meeting was held on June 18, 2026. Updates were provided on the following:

- Coordinated Entry System
- PIT/HIC
- Participant Satisfaction Survey Results
- YAB
- Youth Housing Survey
- 2026 Monitoring Process
- Federal/HUD CoC NOFO

The next Oversight Committee Meeting will be a meeting held in-person with a virtual component. Official committee members are expected to attend in-person and community members may attend in person or virtually. It is scheduled for **Thursday August 20th, 11:30am - 1:30pm**. Please use the following link to register: <https://homebaseccc.zoom.us/j/89614437497>).

GOVERNANCE

Board of Supervisors

- On July 13, 2026, staff presented Christina Navarro to FHS as the recommended candidate for the EHSD seat. The Committee accepted the recommendation and sent it to the Board of Supervisors for their 8/11/26 meeting.



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

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Staff Report

File #: 26-3287

Agenda Date: 8/6/2026

Agenda #: 4.

Advisory Board: Contra Costa Council on Homelessness

Subject: Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO): (ACTION ITEM) APPROVE 2026 Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Opportunity Final Priority Listing as recommended by the Review and Rank Panel

Presenter: Mark Mora, *Homebase* and Jamie Schechter, *H3*

Contact:

Information:

A Review and Rank Panel of non-conflicted Council members met on 7/14, 7/23, and 7/27. Reviewed 8 scored renewal projects and 15 scored new project applications in the local competition. Projects were scored using Council-approved scoring tools revised by the Funding Committee earlier this year

2026 CoC NOFO highlights

- Funding for permanent housing is limited in the 2026 CoC NOFO due to \$1.3 billion set aside (32% of available funds) for TH/SSO projects, HUD selection priorities, and incentives in CoC application
- Tier 1 is at 60% of Annual Renewal Demand - it was 30% in the rescinded FY 2025 CoC NOFO but typically around 90% prior to

Tier 1

- CoC prioritized maintaining existing PSH units - only 8 renewal projects included but all 8 reallocated partial funding to fit into reduced Tier 1 funding amount

Tier 2

- 15 new projects submitted and all are included in Tier 2: 6 Transitional Housing, 7 Supportive Services Standalone, and 2 Supportive Services Street Outreach
- New local policy (as of 2026) to prioritize new transition grants (renewal projects transitioning project types) over other new projects

Referral History and Update:

Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

APPROVE 2026 Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Opportunity Final Priority Listing as recommended by the Review and Rank Panel

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FY2026 CoC Program Competition Priority Listing

Preliminary as of July 30, 2026

Tier 1

Rank	Score	Applicant	Project	Type	Request Amount
1	96.00	CCHS (H3)	High Utilizers of Multiple Systems	PSH	\$1,934,446
2	93.75	Hope Solutions	Garden Park Apartments Community	PSH	\$201,212
3	92.63	Hope Solutions	ACCESS	PSH	\$1,608,017
4	91.00	CCHS (H3)	Permanent Connections	PSH	\$328,723
5	89.50	Hope Solutions	Families in Supportive Housing	PSH	\$1,096,738
6	89.00	HACCC	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	PSH	\$7,170,002
7	76.75	SHELTER, Inc.	Project Thrive	PSH	\$1,275,801
8	67.75	SHELTER, Inc.	Thrive CCC	PSH	\$1,294,080

Tier 2

Rank	Score	Applicant	Project	Type	Request Amount
9	89.75	Hope Solutions	**Project Home SAFE	TH	\$753,371
10	81.50	SHELTER, Inc.	**Lotus	TH	\$2,636,114
11	100.00	CCHS (H3)	*Delta Landing Supportive Services	SSO Standalone	\$2,282,470
12	100.00	CCHS (H3)	CORE	SSO Street Outreach	\$1,674,586
13	99.75	GRIP	CARE Center & Drop-in Center	SSO Standalone	\$550,565
14	96.25	M&WOP	Recovery Navigation Services	SSO Street Outreach	\$400,000
15	96.00	Trinity Center	Case Management Expansion	SSO Standalone	\$260,000
16	*95.75	Hope Solutions	AIM Transitional Housing	TH	\$1,412,189
17	95.50	BARM	LifeBridge Resource Hub	SSO Standalone	\$460,478
18	*94.00	Hope Solutions	***Threshold Transitional Housing (DV Bonus)	TH	\$1,501,111
19	91.00	Winter Nights	Housing Stability Project	SSO Standalone	\$240,000
20	90.75	SOS Richmond	Street-Level Engagement	SSO Standalone	\$1,658,047
21	90.25	VAH	Housing Resource Drop-In Center	SSO Standalone	\$393,927
22	78.00	VAH	Allegiance Transitional Housing	TH	\$944,854

*Per local policy, the Review and Rank Panel may add or decrease a project's final score by up to 5 points to align the Priority Listing with HUD NOFO priorities and local needs for the purpose of maximizing the CoC's competitiveness for available funding. The Review and Rank Panel added 5 points to two projects (AIM Transitional Housing and Threshold Transitional Housing) to account for deficiencies in the new project scoring tool between project types and to prioritize a mix of new project types in Tier 2.

**Per local policy, transition grants (renewal projects that seek to transition from one project type to a different project type) are prioritized over other new projects at the top of Tier 2.

***This project is applying for Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus funding.

Project Type	Project Total
Annual Renewal Demand	\$ 24,848,366
CoC Bonus	\$ 3,727,255
DV Bonus (1 application received)	\$ 1,501,111
Tier 1 Amount	\$ 14,909,020
Tier 2 Amount	\$ 15,167,712
CoC Planning (not ranked)	\$ 1,242,418
Total Request to HUD	\$ 31,319,150