



Meeting Minutes - Draft

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY Health Care for the Homeless

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

11:00 AM

YellowStone Room, 2500 Bates Ave.

St B., Concord, CA 94520

Zoom Webinar – Call In: (646) 518-9805,

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Co-Applicant Governing Board

Vice Chair: Daisy Gallegos

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 AM.

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

Board Members Present: Claude Battaglia, Daisy Gallegos, Michael Callanan, Dianna Wright (CAB), O'Neill Fernandez, Curtis Gee, JR Wilson

Board Members Present Online: Mashal Kleven

Board Members Absent: Praneeti Parjan, Alex Riggs

HCH Staff Present: Mia Fairbanks (HCH Program Manager), Gabriella Quintana (HCH QI Team), Breanna Lingenfelter (HCH QI Team)

Public Present: Jill Ray, Meeran Saxena

2. CONSIDER approval of the May 20, 2026 Health Care for the Homeless Co-Applicant Governing Board meeting minutes.

The board members present voted to approve the May 20, 2026 Health Care for the Homeless Co-Applicant Governing Board meeting minutes.

Motion: Daisy Gallegos

Second: Michael Callanan

3. RECEIVE an update on Health Care for the Homeless services from Nurse Program Manager Mia Fairbanks.

1. *Working on finding sites for central county – Jicara has been working with the Board of Supervisors, will meet in August to view new potential sites*
 - a. *Looking for locations in West County for mobile sites*
2. *HCH and CORE have a joint meeting tomorrow to collaborate and stay connected to best support our patient populations– Phoebe from Choosing Change will also be presenting on her program Choosing Change for MAT.*
 - a. *Julia Gaines – National HCH in charge of medical respite development brought a potential ECM provider to our Concord Respite center, considering opening a new respite center in the county.*
 - b. *HCH always is looking for extra respite support – receive roughly 600 respite referrals per year, many are too high acuity for what we can support so always looking for partners to support one another and our population*
3. *Resending the tattoo removal flyers with minor edits – 12 completed visits so far, strong start*
 - a. *Will reshare with detention, AOD, and CAB*
 - b. *Only one client has been rejected so far*
4. REVIEW the bylaws with the Project Director, Gabriella Quintana, and CONSIDER electing a new board chair for the remainder of 2026.
 1. *Staff heard back from our consultant regarding Rachna's resignation and the appointment of a new Chair. She pointed out that our Bylaws state the following:*
"Vacancies created during the term of an officer of the Co-Applicant Board shall be filled for the remaining portion of the term by special election by the Co-Applicant Board at a regular meeting".
 2. *Discuss and consider approving a new chair for the remainder of 2026*
 - a. *Daisy enjoys being vice chair and would prefer to elect a new chair in place of Rachna*
 - b. *Curtis asked about the requirements for chair and what the responsibilities are: duties are outlined in the bylaws but mostly it involves supporting the board, holding the board accountable for quorum, supporting the onboarding of new members*
 - c. *Daisy nominated Curtis Gee as the new chair – Curtis accepted – Dianna seconded the motion. The board members present voted to approve Curtis Gee as their new chair for the remainder of 2026.*
5. RECEIVE an update on the Consumer Advisory Board (CAB) and the National Health Care for the Homeless Conference from Breanna Lingenfelter (HCH QI Team) and CAB member(s).

1. Membership

- a. CAB still has 6 members*
- b. Will continue to work on recruitment in hopes to increase diversity of membership and better reflect the demographics of the PIT count*

2. Site Visit/Feedback

- a. CAB visited Antioch Showers site July 7th – received lots of positive feedback on HCH services. Only suggestions for improvement were help with transportation (limited ability if clients do not have a medical apt or other justifiable reason for rides)*
- b. Dianna connected with the team that hosts the shower site to see how the CAB could help support them – they could use volunteers on Thursdays and would also love help with donations. CAB wanted to check in with board members and see if their organizations would be able to assist with donations – received a list of high-need items; other considerations were to fundraise by holding bake sales or clothing/food drives. O'Neill shared that he has a good connection for a second-hand store that offers quality options; Mia also suggested Hospice of East Bay; Curtis shared a board application with Rikka who runs the Antioch Showers site*
- c. O'Neill – shared they applied for a shuttle service with HUD and could provide rides to Antioch Showers*
- d. HCH will now have an AOD staff member at the Antioch Showers on Tuesdays with the mobile clinic*

3. National HCH Conference

- b. Dianna attended as CAB representation – had an amazing time and learned so much from the many classes/seminars she attended*
- c. Large emphasis was placed on volunteer work and getting involved with the community – working to do more of this with our CAB*

6. DISCUSS board member training and recruitment.

- 1. Board member Praneeti has shared that she will need to step down from the board due to work conflicts. We can agendaize this and vote to approve at our next meeting.*
- a. This brings us down to the minimum of 9 members for our board*
- b. We did receive an application from an individual with lived experience this past Monday, we will invite him to the meeting next month.*
- c. Daisy shared our flyer with some of her connections*

7. DISCUSS future board meetings, all staff meetings, and the most recent site visit at El Portal Place.

- 1. Last clinic site visit the board attended was on June 16th at El Portal Place*
- 2. Next site visit tentatively scheduled for Brookside*
- a. Send out a poll to determine best time to schedule for the next month or so – waiting on list of times/dates - Tues/Thursday AM's ideal for most members*
- b. Civic Center (Hope Solutions) is going to be accepting new patients in August/September*

8. DISCUSS any updates to Health Care for the Homeless services and other programs.

1. *O'Neill shared July 25th there will be a free pancake breakfast from 10am-1pm at their Richmond Site – he will share the invite on Sunday*
2. *Curtis shared they are in the process of securing a house for their homeless vet program – can stay two years or however long it takes to get themselves ready*
3. *Daisy shared they are working with APS – any elder impacted by elder abuse or neglect can receive funding for food, housing, gas from Family Justice Center which has locations in Antioch, Richmond, and Concord*
9. DISCUSS the next meeting's agenda and potential items of discussion.

The next meeting is currently scheduled for August 19, 2026 at 11:00 AM.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 PM.

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