

## **CONTRA COSTA COUNTY**

# **Committee Meeting Minutes**

# **Los Medanos Health Advisory Committee**

**Tuesday, June 24, 2025** 

5:00 PM

2311 Loveridge Rd.

**Los Medanos Conference Room** 

Pittsburg, CA

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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

Present

Jelani Killings, Angelica Lopez, Lloyd Mason, Sefanit Mekuria, Christopher Pedraza, and Dennisha Marsh

2. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to two minutes).

No Public Comment

## 3. RECEIVE List of Agencies Ranked By Average Score

There was limited discussion about the program proposals and applicant agencies.

### a. Funding Cap

**Dentists on Wheels** and **St. Vincent de Paul RotaCare Free Clinic**-applied for an additional \$20,000 above the set per-agency funding cap.

### b. Geographic Equity in Service Delivery

Vice Chair Mason expressed concern that many funded agencies primarily serve Pittsburg, while the funds also originate from Bay Point. He suggested adding a requirement in the next funding cycle that a certain percentage of services be delivered in Bay Point. Chair Marsh supported this recommendation.

## c. Concerns About Out-of-Area Agencies

Chair Marsh shared concerns about funding organizations from outside the Los Medanos area, including West County and San Francisco, that may lack an established local presence. She emphasized that awards should prioritize agencies with strong community ties and expressed hesitation about granting funds primarily for staff salaries instead of direct services.

#### d. Grant Review Rubric

Mr. Pedraza noted that the current review rubric needs improvement. Mayor Killings agreed and suggested the rubric be revised to avoid reassessing each agency from scratch. He proposed awarding lower grant amounts to agencies based outside the service area in future cycles.

### e. Service Verification and Accountability

Vice Chair Mason requested improved verification that services are actually being delivered in Pittsburg and Bay Point. Chair Marsh agreed. Staff confirmed that contracts can be structured to ensure services are delivered within the designated service area. Mayor Killings inquired about the process for handling underperformance. Staff deferred to Mr. Pedraza, who confirmed that while terminating contracts is difficult, the County has procedures in place to cancel agreements if deliverables are not being met.

### f. Concerns About Specific Agencies

Chair Marsh mentioned that Bridge Builders, one of the applicant agencies, only works with approximately 20 students at Pittsburg High School, which may not justify the level of funding requested. Mr. Pedraza clarified that since the rubric-based scoring process has been completed, changes based on personal opinions are not permitted at this stage.

Staff was directed to forward the results to the Los Medanos Healthcare Operations Committee as an advisory measure.

#### This Discussion Item was received.

Motion to reduce the awards for Dentists on Wheels and St. Vincent de Paul RotaCare Free Clinic to the \$100,000 per-agency cap. The remaining funds—including the \$40,000 overage and an additional \$60,000—would be used to fully fund the 28th ranked proposal. The top 28 program proposals to be sent to LMHOC for their review and approval.

Motion: Mason Second: Pedraza

The next meeting is currently scheduled for July 8th at 5:00 pm..

## Adjourn

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