

EQUITY COMMITTEE

## Tuesday, February 11, from 2 pm – 4 pm 2400 Bisso Lane, Concord (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

Zoom Registration: Virtual: <u>https://homebaseccc.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZctcOCuqzItGNaAB8uy-</u>JVxgiXIKuxUWPyX

**Purpose:** Increase awareness, community dialogue, and lead concrete actions to achieve equity throughout the homeless system of care.

**Committee Members**: Juno Hedrick, LeAnn Matthews, Leslie Gleason, Nicole Green, Rina Criswell, Yahel Moreno

## AGENDA

TIME		AGENDA ITEM		PRESENTERS
2 pm	10	Ι.	Welcome and Roll Call	Jaime Jenett, H3
	10	I.	Learn: Equity Committee 101	Alex Michel and Mark
				Mora, Homebase
	15	Ι.	Learn: Funding 101	Jamie Schecter, H3
	30	II.	Input: Satisfaction Survey	Jamie Schecter, H3
	45	III.	Input: Framework for Equity Dashboard	Janel Fletcher, H3
	5	IV.	Next Steps	
	115	V.		

## 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	The interactions between people - both within and across racial groups.			
Racism				
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.			