



Meeting Minutes - Draft

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY Los Medanos Healthcare Operations Committee

Supervisor Shanelle Scales-Preston, Chair
Supervisor Ken Carlson, Vice Chair

Monday, June 30, 2025

3:30 PM

1025 Escobar Conf. Rm 110A

Martinez, CA

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1. **The public may attend this meeting in person at either above location. The public may also attend this meeting remotely via Zoom or call-in.**
 2. Agenda Items: Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference of the Committee.
 3. Introductions
- Present:** District IV Supervisor Ken Carlson and District V Supervisor Shanelle Scales-Preston
4. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to two (2) minutes).

No public comment for items not on this agenda.

5. RECEIVE and APPROVE Record of Action for May 5, 2025 Committee Meeting

[25-2618](#)

Attachments: [LMHOC Meeting Minutes May 5, 2025](#)

This Discussion Item was approved.

6. RECEIVE AND ACCEPT the Los Medanos Health Advisory Committee recommendations for the fiscal years 2025/26 and 2026/27 Los Medanos Health Area Grants; REFER recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for final approval [25-2619](#)

Dennisha Marsh, Chair of the Los Medanos Health Advisory Committee (LMHOC) provided a report and the committee's recommendations for funding the Los Medanos Health Area Grant Program.

Ms. Marsh shared her concerns about the agencies that were recommended for funding. Ms. Marsh shared that she would like funding to local agencies from within the service area to have priority. She also would like to have more variability in funding amounts. Going forward Ms. Marsh requested the ability to have closed door review sessions. This would allow committee members the ability to have open discussions about the feasibility of programs and would allow the committee to adjust funding allocations as appropriate. Ms. Marsh criticized the LMHAC for not having critical discussions about the reviewed proposals. Ms. Marsh closed her report with a recommendation that the LMHOC not approve the recommendations from the LMHAC.

Sup. Scales-Preston shared feedback from LMHAC members that there were not enough programs approved that directly support the Bay Point area. The supervisor also had concerns about the larger agencies pushing out smaller agencies and that some approved agencies are not based in the health area. The Supervisor would like to come to a final grant process since the last two rounds were slightly different than this round.

The supervisors discussed possible revisions to the rubric, a review of the RFP and other possible changes to the overall process. Supervisor Scales-Preston requested that this process mirror the process that is used by the Keller Canyon Mitigation Fund.

Public Comment: Deborah Polk from Reading Advantage shared that this is the second consecutive year her organization has not been funded. Ms. Polk questioned why tutoring and reading are not considered part of health outcomes, given that 84% of children read below average. She would like explanation as to why her grant was not approved by the advisory committee for a second time.

Staff was directed to get information from CAO regarding the ability to review and update LMHAC bylaws. The Supervisors would like to plan a joint LMHOC/LMHAC workshop to review the RFP; Review the bylaws post-dissolution, and legal clarification about the ability to award grants only to agencies that are based within the health area.

Supervisor Scales-Preston moved to table this discussion pending additional feedback from CAO.

Supervisor Scales-Preston moved to table discussion pending further guidance from the County Administrators Office.

The next meeting is currently scheduled for July 7, 2025.

Adjourn

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