



# CONTRA COSTA COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS STAFF REPORT

*Report for the December 5, 2024 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

### **Funding Committee**

- The purpose of the Funding Committee is to direct the community input process for several time-sensitive federal and state funding streams. The work of the Continuum of Care/Emergency Solutions Grant (CoC/ESG) Committee, namely updating materials and prepare for the annual Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Opportunity (CoC NOFO) competition, will now take place within the Funding Committee.
- There are no scheduled meetings for the remainder of 2024.



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## **Governance Committee**

- The purpose of the Governance Committee is to review and revise the [Governance Charter and Bylaws](#) to increase efficiency and impact in the Council on Homelessness. The Governance Committee Work Group met in March to discuss recommended revisions to the council bylaws.
- This ad hoc committee and work group convened monthly from February to March 2024 on the following dates. Recommended revisions to the Council on Homelessness Bylaws and Governance Charter were developed and were reviewed by County Counsel. The Council on Homelessness for reviewed and approved the revisions at the June meeting. The Family and Human Services Committee of the Board of Supervisors approved the proposed changes at their September 23, 2024 meeting and the changes were approved by the County Board of Supervisors on their consent calendar on October 8, 2024.

## **Nominating Committee**

- The Nominating Panel met two times in October to score and select candidates for the open Council on Homelessness seats in 2025. The Council on Homelessness approved the candidates recommended by the Nominating Panel at the November 7 meeting.
- There are no scheduled meetings moving forward. The committee will be convened again in mid-2025.

## **Oversight Committee**

- The purpose of the Oversight Committee is to review and assess the development, implementation, and improvement of: CoC, Coordinated Entry System, HMIS database, and System Outcomes.
- The next and final Oversight Committee Working Group will be VIRTUAL ONLY via Zoom, on December 19th, 11:30am - 1:30pm. [Please use this link to register.](#)
- Important highlights from the October Committee Meeting are the following:
  - Coordinated Entry Policies & Procedures revisions were approved and recommended for approval to the CoH
  - Written Standards revisions were approved and recommended for approval to the CoH

## **Plan to Accelerate Transformative Housing Innovations Committee**



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- In November 2024, the PATH Innovations Committee held a working group meeting. The group reviewed the unsheltered data dashboard, including prevention and Rapid Exit program data and Sherriff's Office eviction data from July to September 2024. The group received an update of work accomplished during 2024, including data improvements, community coordination, monitoring prevention and Rapid Exit programs, and monitoring resources to help reduce unsheltered homelessness. The group reviewed and provided feedback the draft 2025 PATH Innovations Committee workplan. The group received a presentation on the strategies utilized in and successes of CORE Mobile Outreach programs.

### Reporting to Board of Supervisors

- On October 8, 2024, because there was no August FHS meeting, the Board of Supervisors approved 1) the proposed bylaws changes; 2) the Quarter 2 COH report; 3) Changes to Expiration Dates for 3 seats (moving expiration dates for Dani Jimenez, Jazmin Ridley and Yahel Moreno from 12/31/24 to 12/31/25); and 4) the 2023 CoC Annual Report.
- At the November 25, 2024 FHS Committee meeting, the FHS voted to 1) Approve recommended candidates for eight (8) Council on Homelessness seats opening at the end of the year 2) extend the expiration date for the Federal Homeless and Housing Funding Administrator Representative seat currently held by Gabriel Lemus from the Contra Costa Department of Conservation and Development from 12/31/24 to 12/31/25 and 3) receive the Quarter 3 report from the Council on Homelessness. The items will be forwarded to the full BOS at their 12/17/24 meeting for final approval.
- At the November 25, 2024 FHS Committee meeting, H3 and Healthcare for the Homeless presented an annual report on homelessness to the Committee. They will be asked to provide a similar presentation to the full Board of Supervisors in early 2025.