



In attendance:	
Jason Elzy, KimberLee Whitney, Angela Durant, Carrie Borgen, Melanie Doshier, and Melissa Markos	
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Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Chair Elzy at 2:01 PM.

- I. **Mission and Vision Statement/Strategic Plan** – The committee discussed the mission statement and strategic plan, including the following highlights:
 - The discussion highlighted the need for clearer language in the mission and vision statements to better reflect the organization's goals and values.
 - Members expressed concerns about the current statements being too focused on HUD mandates, which may limit the organization's broader aspirations.
 - There was a consensus on the importance of involving the executive committee in revising the statements to ensure they align with the strategic plan and community needs.
 - Committee members agreed to draft an amendment to be proposed to the board in April, with redlines due to Melissa by March 15.
 - The board expressed support for roughly 80% of the strategic plan and the board’s feedback will be used to revise sections that require more comprehensive alignment with community needs.
 - The DEI section is an area that requires clearer definitions to enhance understanding and effectiveness. Specific terminology should be refined to eliminate ambiguity and ensure inclusiveness.
 - Committee members discussed the need for clear and transparent communication regarding ACCESS’ role and funding in the CoC. Discussion included identifying direct staff roles related to the CoC and ensuring clarity on administrative costs and funding sources.

- II. **Regional Planning Discussion –Josephine County**—The Regional Planning and Coordination Workgroup discussed Josephine County’s amended homelessness policies, including resting spaces and the definition of functional zero. The workgroup's conversation moved to the potential of merging Jackson and Josephine counties. Additional highlights include:
 - Josephine County is with the Balance of the State.
 - The workgroup agreed to begin outreach with Josephine County service providers while continuing to have the conversation at the workgroup level.
 - Regionalizing the CoC to include Josephine County is driven by the need for better collaboration among service providers in both counties.
 - Many service providers operate across counties already.

- Concerns were raised about the potential impact on resources and workload for the existing CoC, emphasizing the importance of focusing on current initiatives in Jackson County.
- Partnering with Josephine County service providers to strengthen support without fully merging the CoCs at this time was discussed.

III. **CoC - Community Capacity Building Fund Ideas** – Melanie introduced budget ideas with additional funding through the long-term rental assistance program – there was a pause in the program which slowed down spending. Highlights:

- Funding is expected to range between 75,000 to 100,000, providing opportunities for various projects aimed at improving homelessness services.
- Organizations can propose creative ideas for using these funds, such as outreach, communication campaigns, and resource mapping.
- Proposed ideas included a media campaign, CoC vehicle purchase, and HMIS work.
- A media campaign would aim to enhance community awareness and engagement regarding homelessness issues and the services provided by the CoC.
- A vehicle purchase would facilitate outreach efforts and improve the visibility of the CoC's initiatives in the community.
- HMIS work would focus on improving data sharing and integrity among service providers, ensuring accurate tracking of homelessness services and outcomes.
- Sponsoring stakeholder trips to San Antonio to see Haven for Hope was mentioned.

IV. **Board Secretary**—Angela agreed to resume the role of Secretary, with Melissa's help producing agendas.

V. **CoC Board Meeting Agenda Building**

- Consent Calendar
- Budget Presentation
- Website Update
- Community Capacity Building Fund Recommendations
- Board Binders

VI. **Adjourn** – meeting adjourned at 3:32 PM

Next Board Meeting: March 5, 2025 @ 2:00 – 3:30 PM (hybrid)

Next Executive Committee Meeting: March 19 @ 2:00 – 4:00 PM (virtual)