

# **Leadership Council Meeting**

Wednesday, March 25, 2020 | 1:30-3:00 PM

Monterey County Government Center

168 West Alisal St., Salinas, CA 93901 for Public Comment and

Via Zoom Conference for members

**Leadership Council Co-Chairs:** Luis Alejo (Monterey County Board of supervisor)

**Members Present & Affiliations:** Joseph Gunter (Mayor of Salinas), Mike LeBarre (Mayor of King City), Ian Oglesby (Mayor of Seaside), Robin McCrae (Community Human Services), Dana Cleary (CHISPA), Lori Medina (Monterey County Dept. of Social Services), Dan Baldwin (Community Foundation for Monterey County), Kurt Schake (Veterans Transition Center), Enrique Arreola (San Benito Health & Human Services), Mick Erickson (Hospice Chaplin VNA), Rafael Hernandez (Monterey Bay Economic Partnership), Elliott C. Robinson (Former Director of MC-DSS), Elsa Jimenez (Monterey County, Health Dept.), Maria Orozco (Mayor of Gonzales)

**CHSP Staff:** Roxanne Wilson, Katrina McKenzie, Reham Abdallah, Nykole Sakihara

**Guests:** Pamela Weston, Anna Foglia (Sun Street), Glorietta Rowland (County of Monterey), Wes White (Salinas Homeless Union), Reyes Bonilla (Community Homeless Solutions), Eric Johnson (Community Homeless Solutions), Jill Allen (Dorothy's Place), Shawn Stone (Community Human Services), Tina Le Perle (City of Salinas), Georgina Alvarez (CCCIL), Marisol Vasquez (YWCA Monterey County), Anastacia Wyatt (Monterey County Administrative Office), Chris Schmidt (City of Monterey), Gloria De La Rosa (City of Salinas), Alexa Johnson (Housing Resource Center), Linda Gonzalez (Supervisor Alejo office), Nick Chiulos (Monterey County), Donna Smith (Monterey County Office of Education), Megan Hunter (City of Salinas), Maria Gurrola (CSUMB Social Work), Christina Soto (Community Homeless Solutions), Jess Gutierrez (HRC), Erica Parkere, Steve Stewart, Denese Sanders, Jack Murphy (Veterans Transition Center), Christopher Valenzuela.

1. **Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements:** The meeting began at 1:35 pm. Introductions made to keep order to the call.

2. **Additions/Modifications to the Agenda:** None

3. **Public Comment:** The public is encouraged to attend Leadership Council meetings to observe council activities. Members of the public are asked to sign in so that the record reflects their presence. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker.

None.

4. **Consent Agenda:**

a) January 22, 2020 Leadership Council Minutes (attachment)

**Motion to approve meeting minutes made by Mayor Gunter. Second by Elsa Jimenez, No abstentions.**

**Motion carries unanimously.**

- **Luis Alejo** (Monterey County Board of supervisor)
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- **Rafael Hernandez** (Monterey Bay Economic Partnership)
- **Elliott C. Robinson** (Advocate),

## 5. **Brief Updates**

Wilson provided the Council with the following updates:

- **CoC new grant**  
HUD announced another CoC- funding stream targeting unsheltered persons. At this time there is no further information.
- **YHDP/100 Day Challenge**  
CA-506 to participate in the 100 Day Challenge to End Youth Homelessness, which is an activity across the nation that significantly positions ourselves to compete for the YHDP grant. If approved, the YHDP grant will bring in no less than \$1m into our community and will eventually roll into the CoC program.
- **COVID-19 Update**  
CHSP is working very closely with EOC on getting Project Roomkey and the COVID+ response stood-up.
- **HHAP Updates**  
CHSP officially released the NOFA. Bidding conference held on Thursday, March 19, 2020. Wilson reported that although the State is encouraging CoCs to use the money of HHAP & HEAP for COVID-19 response, she is working with the County to find other funding streams to address the crisis.

## 6. **CH Solutions Contract Amendments (Attachment) :**

CHSP received written notification that Community Homeless Solutions intends to forfeit all three of their 2019 HUD CoC grants. CHSP has worked closely with HUD to understand the limits in which the CoC can handle this situation and recommended the following for Leadership Council approval:

- 1- Homeward Bound (25 families/\$118,209) and MOST/Lexington (6 families/\$101,336) contracts to reflect Housing Authority as the agency responsible for administering grants (\$219,545).
- 2- Men in Transition (24 unaccompanied adults/\$169,772) to reflect Interim, Inc. as the grant administrator.

**Motion to approve made by Mayor Gunter. Second by Elliott, No abstentions. Motion carries unanimously.**

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**7. Approval of CoC Written Standards (Attachment):**

CHSP presented the final draft of the CoC Written Standards.

**Motion to approve made by Dan Baldwin. Second by Mayor Gunter. No abstentions. Motion carries unanimously.**

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**8. Approval of CoC Written Governance Charter (Attachment):**

CHSP presented the final draft of the written Governance Charter in last Leadership council meeting adding more categories to select more members from it (Homeless of formerly homeless persons, Representative of LGBTQ population).

**Motion to approve made by Elliott. Second by Dana Cleary. No abstentions. Motion carries unanimously.**

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**9. 10 Yr Plan Rewrite (Attachment):**

CHSP has been working with many County and City officials to review the effectiveness of the current 10 Year Plan and all entities agreed it is time to rewrite. CHSP requested the Leadership Council to authorize CHSP to

collaborate with the County of Monterey DSS, County of Monterey Housing Program, County of Monterey Health Dept., County of Monterey Behavioral Health, City of Salinas, and County of San Benito Dept. of Health and Human Services to completely rewrite the Lead Me Home 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness with Focus Strategies Consultant Company.

**Motion to approve made by Mayor Gunter Second by Dan Baldwin No abstentions, Motion carries unanimously.**

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#### **10. CESH/ESG NOFA :**

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), through the California Emergency Solutions and Housing (CESH) Program, has made funding available to the Salinas/Monterey, San Benito Counties Continuum of Care CA-506 (CoC) to provide grants to assist persons who are currently experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness. The City of Salinas (City) has been designated by the CoC as the Administrative Entity (AE) for CESH and as a result is issuing a competitive Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). The AE applied to HCD on June 28, 2019 and was awarded \$562,293 of CESH funding through HCD on October 7, 2019. The funding will be distributed between the eligible CoC service areas based on the percentage of homeless from the most recent 2019 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count. The AE will utilize the full 5 percent administrative allocation totaling \$28,114. The remaining CESH allocation may be distributed between Monterey and San Benito County based on the most recent 2019 PIT Count. Approximately \$479,179 is available in Monterey County and up to \$55,000 for San Benito County. CESH limits operating support for emergency housing interventions funding to a maximum of 40% or \$224,910.

City of Salinas requested the Leadership Council to approve the proposed timeline & authorize the City to publish the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) in April 2020.

**Motion to approve made by Mayor Gunter Second by Elliott Robinson. No abstentions, Motion carries unanimously.**

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#### **11. HEAP Update:**

Wilson provided an overview of the HEAP spenddown status.(Attached.)

- \$1.1M has been spent to date on HEAP funded projects "\$260k on Youth, \$665k on Capital, \$120k on Services, \$107k on RA/RRH".
- 400+ individuals and families served by HEAP funds.
- \$8.6M Allocated to capital projects for the building, rehabilitation, or acquisition of multiple housing types.
- 14 individuals and families have been housed using Rapid Rehousing/Rental Assistance HEAP funds.
- A total of 274 beds will be created and added to our housing inventory for people experiencing homelessness.
- 12 Youth receiving case management services through the Salinas Valley Street Outreach Program (SVSOP).

**Meeting adjourned 3:01 pm.**

**Minutes taken and prepared by Reham Abdallah.**