



Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness
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C3H Policy Council
7/13/2017 Minutes for Approval

Thursday, July 13, 2017: 9:00 am – 11:00 am

County of Santa Barbara Administration Building,
Planning Commission Hearing Room
105 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, 93101

Joseph Centeno Betteravia Government Administration Building, Board of Supervisors'
Conference Room
511 E. Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria 93455

Present: *Chair* Supervisor Steve Lavagnino, Fifth District, County of Santa Barbara
Vice Chair Councilmember Cathy Murillo, City of Santa Barbara
Councilmember Jenelle Osborne, City of Lompoc
Mayor Helene Schneider, City of Santa Barbara
Supervisor Das Williams, First District, County of Santa Barbara

Absent: Councilmember Al Clark, City of Carpinteria
Councilmember Michael Cordero, City of Santa Maria
Mayor Paula Perotte, City of Goleta
Mayor Holly Sierra, City of Buellton
Councilmember Etta Waterfield, City of Santa Maria

Meeting Called to Order – 9:00 am -- No quorum, action items postponed to next meeting

1. **Public Comment** -No public comment
2. **Comments and Announcements from Policy Council Members**
 - Mayor Helene Schneider reported that the Santa Barbara City Council plans to begin implementing its over-sized vehicle ordinance on September 5th. Council and city staff are still working with New Beginnings Counseling Center to find daytime parking spaces for people living in their oversized vehicles. 10 spaces have been found so far, with 8 more in the pipeline. Reported that 10 more are still needed.
 - Vice-Chair Cathy Murrillo added that the City Council approved funding to the New Beginnings Counseling Center for daytime spaces. She also reported new spaces for nighttime use. She also added that she attended the emotionally-charged PATH Neighborhood Partnership meetings with Milpas business owners. She reported that concerns were expressed about an increase in homeless people on Milpas (who may not be PATH clients), and about how the PATH shelter is operated. In addition, she mentioned that this group is very concerned about pan-handling on Milpas Street.
 - Supervisor Das Williams reported that Board of Supervisors had recently completed its discussions of next year's budget.

C3H will harness all resources available to reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness, as well as minimize the impacts of homelessness in Santa Barbara County.

3. Consent Agenda

- **Action:** No action could be taken without a quorum. Minutes from 5/11/2017 and 7/13/2017 will be considered at the September 14th meeting.

4. New C3H Website & Housing Placement Report

- Chuck Flacks, Executive Director, presented the layout and organization of the new C3H website, and demonstrated how a count of the VISPDAT surveys and housing placement reports can be viewed.

5. C3H Administration

- Chuck Flacks introduced new staff member Maggie Elsousou, South County regional coordinator. He also presented the status on the budget for the end of the year and an update on fundraising for fiscal year 2017-2018. There were no comments from Policy Council.

6. C3H Staff Reports

Jeff Shaffer, Director Regional Coordinator, Maggie Elsousou, South County Regional Coordinator and Andrea Cabañas, 10 Now Santa Maria presented their updates

- **Santa Maria**
 - Knowing Everyone By Name – Care & Referral Centers at Library and Salvation Army (Coordinated Entry Points)
 - Knowing What They Want & What They Need – 70+ New VIs Completed in last 3 months! (Now in Service Provider System)
 - Lining Up & Expanding Resources – CenCal Care Coordination – Mental Health
 - Permanent Supportive Housing – 10 Now Report – Andrea Cabañas discussed connecting with new people through outreach and lining up the rental housing vouchers (Tenant Based Rental Assistance) through the Housing Authority. C3H and the County Housing Authority signed an MOU to provide the 10 vouchers.
- **Lompoc**
 - C3H had a successful town hall with Lompoc City Council that about 75 people attended.
 - Lompoc Coordinated Outreach Team – Includes partners: Public Health, Behavioral Wellness, Good Samaritan, Trinity Church, Planting a Seed, Americorps, Coast Valley Treatment Center, Lompoc Police Department
 - Jeff Shaffer shared a story about a successful outcome -- helping an elderly veteran get housing
 - Tiny Houses? – Lompoc? Santa Maria? Local partner can build them for \$15,000 ☺ Time to Be Creative!
- **Specific Ways the Policy Council Can Help in North County**
 - Visit a Coordinated Outreach Meeting or Care & Referral Center – Get a view from on the ground

- Connect us with interested community partners who have an interest in assisting with flexible local dollars
- Align local policy & funding with best practices & HUD mandates to help end homelessness
- Help find land for Tiny Houses – Our COT teams can be the supportive services team

- **Isla Vista**
 - Developing an ongoing coordinated outreach team with clients, case management, and documented outcomes
 - Ongoing care and referral at local church weekly
 - Continuing ongoing relationship with Pescadero Lofts
 - Working with Behavioral Wellness on increased street-level work with potential clients

- **Goleta**
 - Continuing weekly Coordinated Outreach Team with Goleta Mayor, Cottage Hospital, Safe Parking, Goleta Valley Neighborhood Clinic, Camino Real Marketplace, SB Sheriff's Department, community volunteers
 - Working on reserving two beds at Salvation Army for homeless people from Goleta.

- **Santa Barbara**
 - Homeless on State Street/Ambassador program --AmeriCorps members, C3H Supervision
 - Reprioritizing the Regional Coordination efforts
 - Reset and develop a better coordination strategy
 - Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital
 - Building a stronger relationship with Cottage Population Health
 - Applied for a research project
 - Weekly homeless roundtable

- **Carpinteria**
 - Showers of Blessing -- Bringing showers to Carpinteria
 - Fundraising-working with the City and volunteers
 - Behavioral Wellness Services -- trying to increase staff time, currently once-a-week for several hours
 - Shifting community attitude towards housing -- Educating and training community members about how just providing food and clothes is not enough

- Maggy intends to meet with Policy Council members in months to come and describe community needs.
- Policy Council comments:
 - Supervisor Lavagnino expressed support for the concept of tiny houses, but was concerned about restrictions on zoning

- Councilmember Osborne suggested that Lompoc may already have proper zoning and was worth considering tiny homes for future projects.
- Jeff Shaffer suggested that C3H could launch a pilot project.
- Chuck Flacks commented that investigations were underway in Carpinteria and Goleta for a pilot that might make use of state transitional housing funding for services.
- Mayor Schneider suggested that Tiny Homes be a topic for an upcoming City-County Regional Task Force on Affordable Housing.

7. Closed Session on Evaluation of Executive Director

- Because of a lack of a quorum, Policy Council postponed a closed session discussion. They requested that the Executive Committee conduct the evaluation meeting with Chuck Flacks in between Policy Council meetings.
- **Next Scheduled Meeting is September 14th, 9-11:00 a.m. (postponed to September 28th, 9-11:00 a.m.)**