



Merced City and County Continuum of Care Board Meeting

Date: February 1, 2023
Times: 11:00am – 12:30pm
Location: Virtual Conference via Microsoft Teams
 Phone Number: 1 (323) 676-6251
 Meeting ID: 294 694 828 #
This meeting will be recorded

AGENDA

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| <p>I. Call to Order</p> | <p>Matt Serratto</p> |
| <p>II. Roll Call</p> | <p>Collaborative Applicant</p> |
| <p>III. Notice to Public
 At least 48 hours prior to each regular Board/General membership meeting, a complete agenda packet is available for review on the Merced CoC website at www.mercedcoc.org.</p> | <p>Collaborative Applicant</p> |
| <p>IV. Public Comment
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| <p>V. Consent Agenda Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Approval of Agenda B. Approval of Minutes: December 1, 2022 C. Review of Amended Minutes: November 3, 2022 | <p>Matt Serratto</p> |
| <p>VI. Disaster Response Update</p> | <p>Collaborative Applicant</p> |
| <p>VII. Community Projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Merced Navigation Center B. Emergency Housing Vouchers C. Los Banos Non-Congregate Shelter – Final Update D. Distributive Housing E. Homeless Court F. Housing Update | <p>Jennifer Carr
 Jesenia Aguilar
 Luke Brown
 David Carr
 Christy McCammond
 Christy McCammond</p> |
| <p>VIII. Chair Comments</p> | <p>Matt Serratto</p> |
| <p>IX. Action Items</p> <p><u>General Membership Vote</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. CoC General Membership Applications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agape Community Transitional Services Foundation 2. Livingston Community Health 3. The Dr. Jennifer M. Jones Foundation <p><u>Board Vote</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> B. HHAP Round 1 Funding | <p>Collaborative Applicant</p> |

X. Board Information & Possible New Action Items

Collaborative Applicant

XI. Reports

Collaborative Applicant

- A. CA Information Report Out
 - 1. Gary Brizee resignation from CoC Board
 - 2. 2023 PIT Count extended
 - 3. CoC Committees
 - 4. Merced City Town Hall meetings
 - 5. CDBG Meeting
 - 6. HHAP 4 Allocation
- B. Prioritization Update

XII. CoC General Membership Comments

Matt Serratto

XIII. Adjournment

Matt Serratto

Next meeting: March 2, 2023 11:00am – 12:30pm, Microsoft Teams



MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CoC BOARD MEETING AGENDA

December 1, 2022 | 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

301 E. 13th Street Room C207, Merced, CA 95341

Phone Conference Option: 1.323.676.6251 | ID: 294 694 828#

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Merced City and County CoC was called to order at 11:05 am on December 1, 2022 at 301 E. 13th Street Room C207, Merced CA 95341 and Microsoft Teams by Josh Pedrozo.

Roll Call

Board Members in Attendance:

Josh Pedrozo, Steve Hammond, Jennifer Mockus, Gary Brizee, Margaret Simmons

Continuum of Care Members in Attendance:

Aspiranet, Central CA Alliance for Health, Central CA Journey for Justice, Central CA Legal, Dignity Health, Healthy House, Livingston Community Health, Los Banos Police Department, MCCA, MCOE, Merced County Behavioral Health & Recovery Services, Merced County Department of Workforce Investment, Merced County Human Services Agency, Merced Rescue Mission, RH Community Builders, Salvation Army, Sierra Saving Grace, Turning Point

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- Simmons shared an update regarding an existing grant which Sierra Saving Grace has to renovate houses each year. Presently working on a 2-bedroom 1-bath unit with a separate unit in the back and attempting to convert the garage into a studio. Pedrozo asked to discuss after today's meeting to obtain a better understanding of the situation and determine next steps.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion to approve agenda first by Simmons, seconded by Hammond. Nay: 0, Abstain: 0

Motion carries at 11:11 am.

- Gloria Sandoval shared concerns about agenda items which were not discussed due to the abrupt ending of the November 3, 2022 meeting.
 - Maribel Baron confirmed these items were added to today's meeting.

Motion to approve November 3, 2022 meeting minutes, with the understanding that a date will be amended, first by Hammond, second by Simmons. Nay: 0, Abstain: 0. Motion carries at 11:13 am.

- Minutes must reflect accurate "next meeting date" listed in the Adjournment section. Minutes will be amended and brought back to next meeting for review but are presently approved.

Community Projects

Merced Navigation Center

Tracey Dillard reported the facility is remaining at capacity. No other updates at this time.

Emergency Housing Vouchers

None present to report; item will be pushed to next agenda.

Los Banos Non-Congregate Shelter

Baron reported this shelter closed October 31, 2022. Residents in this shelter were transitioned to other shelters. Contract for funding ended November 30, 2022 to allow for various final administrative costs. Total number of clients served to date will be provided at next meeting.

Distributive Housing

Tracey Dillard reported they are remaining at capacity. A couple beds are currently available but they are being filled today. Waiting on contracts, hoping to be up and running January 1, 2023.

- Pedrozo asked what the delay is regarding the contracts.
 - Dillard stated he isn't certain, but it may be general finalization of the contracts.
 - Baron informs the group that this contract is with the Collaborative Applicant and involves PLHA funds. Hold up involves budget allowances according to the State but a consensus has been reached. At this time, the contract is in the final review process.

Homeless Court

Christy McCammond reported the Homeless Court is seeking qualified individuals who are experiencing homelessness for certain misdemeanors to be considered for payment or restitution through public service. This is a wonderful program that Judge Lo and the Public Defenders Office has been working towards for well over a year. A new Public Defender, Todd McLean, has recently replaced Kimberly Boortz. Over the past 30 to 45 days there have not been any candidates. The Homeless Court Oversight Committee meets on a monthly basis and is presently working on revamping pieces of the program to streamline and allow for expansion. Christy states she remains in close contact with the Public Defender's office to determine how HSA's Housing and Homeless Services branch can best support considering many program-eligible individuals are in our emergency shelter response system.

- Gloria Sandoval asked how many cases have gone through the Homeless Court this year.
 - McCammond shares she is seeking this data as well; Mr. McLean is looking into it. McCammond acknowledges the necessity of an accurate and regularly updated data repository.

Chair Comments

No chair comments were given at this meeting.

Action Items

CoC General Membership Application and Board Application – Ray Reyna (001-12-01-22)

Baron informed attendees that this is a General Membership Action Item. Baron read aloud the Executive Summary as well as the recommended actions as written. Pedrozo opens for public comment.

- Sandoval asked if the passing of this will result in a total of two police or law enforcement from the Los Banos area on the CoC Board.
 - Baron explained that at this time Chief Brizee is not stepping down but he will eventually, this is the reason for adding Commander Reyna.
- Sandoval recommended postponing the approval of Commander Reyna following Chief Brizee's board resignation.
 - Pedrozo responded by reiterating Chief Brizee's intentions to leave soon. Pedrozo also expressed it is in the board's best interest to have both individuals now instead of waiting to appoint Chief Brizee's replacement following his resignation since there are administrative procedures in place which will inevitably result in delays for Board approvals. Pedrozo reminds the group there is a motion and a second so we will rule on this.
 - Baron elaborated on the aforementioned administrative procedures, stating Board resignations are effective immediately upon verbal or written communication to the Collaborative Applicant. According to the Governance Charter, adding a new Board member can take up to a month since and in this case, it would take longer since there is no meeting in January. Because of the existing process, if Chief Brizee were to step down

- before Commander Reyna were to be appointed, the CoC Board would be left with nine members instead of ten and without representation from the Los Banos Police Department.
- Sandoval asked if the CoC is looking for other participants from the Los Banos area to join.
 - Baron confirms the CoC is always seeking memberships and organizations from every geographical area to be part of the General Membership. When recruiting for the Board and General Membership, Los Banos is targeted.
 - Simmons shares concerns over the precedent which may be set to allow more than one member of an organization to sit on the Board.
 - Pedrozo understands this concern but still sees this as a good move considering Chief Brizee's extensive background and knowledge which will allow Commander Reyna the opportunity to learn from Chief Brizee and facilitate a smooth transition when the Chief is ready to step down.
 - Chief Brizee stated this is not an attempt to take over more than a fair share of the board. Chief Brizee shared he plans to retire in the 2023 calendar year but plan to take care of some medical issues in the coming months and anticipates being less available. Commander Reyna was recommended by Chief Brizee as a fantastic addition to the Board and encourages the CoC to welcome him with open arms since the intention with this move is simple to continue representation and have a voice for the homeless on the CoC Board.
 - Pedrozo thanks Chief Brizee and proceeds with a vote from the General Membership.

CoC General Membership application – Ray Reyna: motion to approve first by Hammond; seconded by Mockus. None opposed. Motion passed at 11:29 am.

CoC Board Membership application – Ray Reyna: motion to approve first by Hammond; seconded by Pedrozo. None opposed: 0. Motion passed at 11:36 am.

2023 PIT Count Survey (002-12-01-22)

Baron read aloud the Executive Summary as well as the recommended actions as written. Baron asked the CoC members if there are any questions they would like to add to the 2023 PIT Count and informed this group that Phil Schmauss wasn't able to attend today's meeting but will answer questions and relay information back to him.

- Suggestions for #23 included adding options such as "I don't know" and "refused."
- Pedrozo asked if #12 is required, Baron confirms HUD requires it for purposes of racial equity.
- Mockus suggested adding the question "Are you aware of services available to secure housing?"
- Sandoval suggested adding the question: "What would help you to get into housing?"
- Sargeez Teimoorshahi asks if the CoC can ask jurisdictions to not conduct sweeps or cleanups during the month of January 2023 so we may have an accurate PIT count.
 - Baron stated the CoC can provide the feedback and communicate the request via email.

Motion to approve first by Mockus; seconded by Hammond. None opposed. Motion passed at 11:48 am.

Board Information & Possible New Action Item

Homeless Tax Credit

Mario Pena of the Merced County Department of Workforce Investment presented an overview of California's Homeless Hiring Tax Credit. Following the presentation, Pena invited the group to reach out if they have questions.

Reports

CA Information Report Out

2023 CoC Meeting Schedule

A meeting schedule for 2023 was added to the meeting packet and will remain in all meeting packets for the year. There will not be a meeting for January or July. All 2023 meetings will be held online only since the option to meet in person has been eliminated. This will be reevaluated toward the end of 2023 for 2024.

2023 PIT Count Volunteers

A volunteer registration form was sent out for the upcoming PIT Count. Prior to this meeting, Phillip Schmauss shared there are currently 38 registered individuals. By this time last year there were 60 registered individuals. Another 64 individuals are needed for the Merced area, all of the outstation areas are covered. This group was invited to share this volunteer opportunity within their organizations. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Collaborative Applicant.

Prioritization Update

Luke Brown was not available to provide a prioritization update; this item will be postponed to the next meeting agenda.

CoC General Membership Comments

- Sandoval shared her concerns of two deaths on the streets over the past two weeks, stating it's important for the public to know the facts since it's likely to motivate something to be done. Sandoval specifically asked if the CoC could help with obtaining relevant information.
 - Pedrozo said he doesn't know about this or how much information can even be shared but urged Sandoval to contact law enforcement to obtain any information. Information like this is often private and the CoC does not, and would not, have access to that.
 - McCammond informed the group that cause of death and death census is not under the purview of the interim rule within HUD and not in the CFR's under Section 578. McCammond advised against the CoC breaching these boundaries.
- Sandoval asked if there is an existing emergency plan for cold and rainy weather, available sites, and how these are being publicized.
 - Pedrozo said this is something the CoC can probably put something together to inform the public.
- Helidee Millan-Govea shared updates on various projects Livingston Community Health is working on, including routinely offering basic needs to the unsheltered homeless populations in smaller communities on a bimonthly basis and providing flu and COVID-19 vaccinations for individuals staying at the Navigation Center.

Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 12:10 pm. The next CoC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 2, 2023 at 11:00am.



MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CoC BOARD MEETING AGENDA

November 3, 2022 | 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

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Roll Call

Board Members in Attendance:

Matthew Serratto, Candice Adam Medefind, Steve Tiejien, Josh Pedrozo, Gary Brizee, Margaret Simmons

Continuum of Care Members in Attendance:

Central Valley Journey for Justice, Merced County Human Services Agency, Merced County Behavioral Health & Recovery Services, Merced County Housing Project Management, Merced Rescue Mission, Turning Point – New Direction II, Healthy House, Livingston Community Health, Merced County Department of Workforce Investment, A.C.T.S. Foundation, Los Banos Police Department

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Gloria Sandoval: Commented on recent article which reports Governor Newsom halted \$1 billion for homelessness spending, stating the plans submitted were not aggressive enough to curb homelessness, wondered if our CoC had anything to do with this and what is planned.

- Matthew Serratto asked John Ceccoli to follow up with Gloria offline.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion to approve agenda and minutes first by Dr. Tiejien, seconded by Josh Pedrozo. Nay: 0, Abstain: 0
Motion passes at 11:16 am.

Community Projects

Merced Navigation Center – reported by David Carr

74 participants at the Navigation Center, 11 dogs. Only one bed currently open, expecting to fill it today.

Emergency Housing Vouchers – No report shared as none present

Los Banos Non-Congregate Shelter – reported by John Ceccoli

Project was funded through October 31, 2022. John has not spoken with Luke to determine how many people have transitioned back into unsheltered homelessness. Anticipating an update next week, continuing to look for long term solutions in Los Banos for the individuals experiencing homelessness.

Distributive Housing – reported by David Carr

City of Merced has three beds available, 22 occupied. Los Banos has one bed available, 9 occupied.

100-Day Challenge – reported by John Ceccoli

Governor's 100-Day Challenge ended on October 13th. Goal was to house 100 children and youth under 24 years old in 100 days. We were able to successfully exceed the goal, housing 116 (48 families, parents were not included in the total). Compared to another 100-day span from January 6 to April 14, we housed 46 children so we have more than doubled the number of children being housed in a similar time frame.

Success was made possible through coordinated community effort and the opening of an affordable housing complex. Key components include our Housing Support Program, our partnership with the Housing Authority, and the ending of the eviction moratorium. As we move through our sustainability phase, we are re-evaluating and carrying forward our best practices from the Challenge. The floor was opened to questions and comments.

- Gloria Sandoval asked for clarification on the total of 116 kids due to the mention of 46 children between January and April.
 - John Ceccoli says the 116 children and youth was a cumulative total from July 6 to October 13. The mention of 46 children housed in the January 6 through April 14 100-day timeframe was meant to offer some context of why we chose the audacious goal of housing 100 children for this Challenge.
- Gloria Sandoval asked if there's a particular reason why we're seeing such an increase.
 - John Ceccoli states there is speculation around availability and affordability. Regarding availability, normally we do not see much turnover or availability, anecdotally it's around 1% to 3% availability. During COVID, it was even less due to the eviction moratorium so there wasn't much turnover in units becoming available. Regarding affordability, in the last three years we've seen an increase in fair marker rent from 29-34% across a studio to four-bedroom units, according to HUD's annual report.

Homeless Court – reported by John Ceccoli

Back in April, our Homeless Court Navigator position became vacant. We had an agreement with Workforce Investment so for the past six months or so we've been searching for someone who could fill that role. We've engaged with a couple of community-based organizations and by next month, we hope to be able to announce who that might be in order to really coordinate this. There has not been much participation or many referrals, but those we've received have been able to successfully navigate through the Homeless Court Program.

- Gloria Sandoval asks if any funds have been expended since the program has not been running.
 - John Ceccoli states this is an in-kind contribution. We have points of contact at the Public Defender's office and at the District Attorney's office, the Super Courts set up this specialty court. No funds have been expended for the navigation part, what we're doing right now is identify funding and an organization, and an individual who would be that Court Navigator, a point of contact between the individual who has the charge, the organization that providing them supportive services, and then the justice system through the District Attorney and a public defender.

Housing Developments – reported by John Ceccoli

Only update at this time is regarding the two City of Merced Home Key Projects, 96 units of supportive housing at 1213 B Street and 20 units of permanent housing for veterans on R Street. The projected opening dates are now early January, but this is likely to be delayed a bit more.

Highlighting the success of moving folks from unsheltered homelessness into sheltered homelessness through the Navigation Center and distributed homes. During the 2022 Point in Time Count, we did see a 19% reduction in unsheltered due to an increase in shelters. These projects are important to getting folks permanently housed and off our Point in Time Count.

John reminded all present of the other projects in progress which have no updates at this time.

Chair Comments

Matthew Serratto: 2023 Point in Time Count is taking place on January 26, 2023. Hoping to see a drop in the count as we did last year. Thanks were given to Phil Schmauss and everyone else involved and the group was encouraged to volunteer in the effort.

Action Items

HHAP Round 4 Action Plan and Funding (001-11-03-22)

Open for public comment – No comments or questions.

Motion to approve first by Steve Tietjen; seconded by Josh Pedrozo. Nay: 0, Abstain: 0

Motion passes at 11:35 am.

Board Information & Possible New Action Item

Tiny Homes MRM – Bruce Metcalf presented an overview of the tiny home project utilizing converted shipping containers. Floor was opened to questions, comments, and concerns.

- Josh Pedrozo shares interest in the idea but has concern about successful participation and is curious what the plan is to encourage engagement.
 - Bruce states the ground work is presently being done in partnership with the Navigation Center to build trust with the community so they are more likely to engage in the service once complete. Bruce recognizes that while not all will engage, they are confident that this project will be successful for many.
- Lanetta Smyth reinforces the importance of building trust and relationships with the clients, giving them the space and power to lead. Lanetta also reminds the group that this work takes time and change won't be seen overnight.

Adjournment

This meeting was unofficially dismissed around 12:00pm as a result of a fire alarm, requiring evacuation. Entry to the building was permitted at 12:20pm, at which time no one was present to continue meeting. Items not discussed will be moved to the next CoC meeting which is scheduled for Thursday, December 1, 2022 at 11:00am.



BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: February 2, 2023
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant
SUBJECT: Membership Application for Agape Community Transitional Services Foundation

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve the application from Agape Community Transitional Services Foundation to join the Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC) as an Organizational Member. A simple majority vote of fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) must be achieved in order to grant membership.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Agape Community Transitional Services Foundation has requested to join the CoC as an organizational member. Any interested members from a relevant organization or within the community of the geographic services area may request to become a member upon completing the requirements to attend one (1) meeting and submitting a membership application request to the Collaborative Applicant (CA). This requirement was met at the November 3, 2022 meeting.

Agape Community Transitional Services Foundation is a non-profit organization which provides support to low-income families and individuals including housing assistance such as assistance with rent, utility, or medical expenses, assistance with locating affordable housing, individual counseling, and educational workshops to improve credit and financial management.

CoC members are expected to carry out the mandate of the CoC to the best of their ability and to maintain the highest standards of integrity for communications and actions with other CoC

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STAFFING IMPACT: None by this action.

FISCAL IMPACT: None by this action.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Application

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Maribel Baron, Program Manager (209) 385-3000 Ext. 5210,
collabapp@countyofmerced.com

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (continued from page 2):

representatives, the CoC Board, service recipients, service providers, and members of the public.

Members are expected to conduct themselves with courtesy and respect, without harassment, physical, or verbal abuse. Personal relationships will not result in special considerations, including bias or favoritism, that influence the performance of their official duties in a manner contrary to the interest of the CoC. Members are expected to exercise adequate accountability over matters for which they are individually responsible.

MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

If you are interested in becoming a member of the CoC, complete this form and submit to the Collaborative Applicant via email: collabapp@countyofmerced.com

Type of Membership

- Individual Member-At-Large
 Organization

Individual / Organization Information

[Agape Community Transitional Services Foundation](#)

Individual or Organization Name

[2255 Sanders Ct.](#)

Street Address

[Los Banos](#) [CA.](#)

[93635](#)

City

State

Zip

Mrselizabethbenavidez@gmail.com

Contact E-mail

[831-673-7173](tel:831-673-7173)

Contact Telephone

Cbnvdz82@gmail.com

Organization Secondary Contact

[831-801-9071](tel:831-801-9071)

Secondary Contact E-mail

Member Affiliations or Potential Conflicts

Is the individual affiliated with one or more organizational member agencies of the CoC?

- Yes No If yes, identify organization(s) and relationship below:

Does the organization receive federal or state funding?

- Yes No If yes, identify the funding type:

[Not presently](#)

Organizational Profile

Type of organization: Public Private for Profit Not for Profit Other:

[Homeless and post homeless services](#)

Primary service or business of organization

Affiliations of Individuals or Organizations

The CoC is interested in having representatives from a wide variety of fields, interests, experiences, and professions in the community. Please indicate if you or the agency for which you work falls into one or more of the categories listed below by marking all categories that apply.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advocate | <input type="checkbox"/> Affordable Housing Developer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agencies serving survivors of Human Trafficking | <input type="checkbox"/> Business |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dept. of Human Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Disability Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Service Providers | <input type="checkbox"/> Elected Official |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EMT / Crisis Response Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Faith-Based Organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government Entity | <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Aid Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local Government Staff / Officials | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Jail / Dept. of Corrections |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Service Organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Housing Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School Administrators/ Homeless Liaisons | <input type="checkbox"/> Street Outreach Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse Services Organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> University |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utility Companies | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Organizations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce Development Employment Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Advocates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Homeless Organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

Description of Interest in CoC Membership

Please describe why you are interested in joining the CoC:

[To join our county's' fight against homelessness](#)

Merced City and County Membership Requirements & Commitments

- Commit to the CoC plan to end homelessness
- Attend meetings of the full membership or Board
- Participate in board advisory committees and or task groups
- Abide by the Conflict of Interest and Code of Conduct policies

Signature of Individual or Authorized Organizational Representative

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Date:

12/1/2022



BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: February 2, 2023
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant
SUBJECT: Membership Application for Livingston Community Health

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve the application from Livingston Community Health to join the Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC) as an Organizational Member. A simple majority vote of fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) must be achieved in order to grant membership.

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Livingston Community Health is dedicated to providing quality healthcare services to the community, regardless of an individual's demographic or any socioeconomic barriers. For the past two (2) years, they have been serving the homeless population of Livingston, Delhi, and Hilmar.

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If you are interested in becoming a member of the Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC) CA-520, complete this form and submit to the Collaborative Applicant via email: collabapp@countyofmerced.com

Type of Membership

- Individual Member-At-Large Organization

Individual / Organization Information

Helidee Millan Govea
Individual or Organization Name

Livingston Community Health
Street Address

600 B St. Livingston CA 95334
City State Zip

hgovea@visitlch.org
Contact E-mail

(209) 850-3500 Ext. 1417
Contact Telephone

(209) 226-5662
Organization Secondary Contact

lchevisitlch.org
Secondary Contact E-mail

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state & federal funding as available

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless Organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital & Health Care Providers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Aid Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local Government Staff / Officials | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Jail / Dept. of Corrections |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Service Organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Housing Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School Administrators/ Homeless Liaisons | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Street Outreach Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse Services Organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> University |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utility Companies | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Organizations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce Development Employment Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Advocates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Homeless Organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Health Center</u> |

Description of Interest in CoC Membership

Please describe why you are interested in joining the CoC:

Our mission is to serve everybody regardless of ability to pay, ethnicity or immigration status.

We have been serving the homeless population in Livingston, Delhi, Hillmar for the past 2 years.

Merced City and County Membership Requirements & Commitments

- > Commit to the CoC plan to end homelessness
- > Attend meetings of the full membership or Board
- > Participate in board advisory committees and or task groups
- > Abide by the Conflict of Interest and Code of Conduct policies

Signature of Individual or Authorized Organizational Representative

Signature [Signature]

Date: 12/21/22



BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: February 2, 2023
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant
SUBJECT: Membership Application for Dr. Jennifer Jones Foundation

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve the application from Dr. Jennifer Jones Foundation to join the Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC) as an Organizational Member. A simple majority vote of fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) must be achieved in order to grant membership.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Dr. Jennifer Jones Foundation has requested to join the CoC as an organizational member. Any interested members from a relevant organization or within the community of the geographic services area may request to become a member upon completing the requirements to attend one (1) meeting and submitting a membership application request to the Collaborative Applicant (CA). This requirement was met at the August 4, 2022 meeting.

Dr. Jennifer Jones Foundation is committed to having a greater impact on our community by building stronger bonds with other likeminded individuals and organizations within the CoC.

CoC members are expected to carry out the mandate of the CoC to the best of their ability and to maintain the highest standards of integrity for communications and actions with other CoC

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STAFFING IMPACT: None by this action.

FISCAL IMPACT: None by this action.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Application

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Maribel Baron, Program Manager (209) 385-3000 Ext. 5210,
collabapp@countyofmerced.com

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (continued from page 2):

representatives, the CoC Board, service recipients, service providers, and members of the public.

Members are expected to conduct themselves with courtesy and respect, without harassment, physical, or verbal abuse. Personal relationships will not result in special considerations, including bias or favoritism, that influence the performance of their official duties in a manner contrary to the interest of the CoC. Members are expected to exercise adequate accountability over matters for which they are individually responsible..

If you are interested in becoming a member of the CoC, complete this form and submit to the Collaborative Applicant via email: collabapp@countyofmerced.com

Type of Membership

Individual Member-At-Large
Organization

Individual / Organization Information

Individual or Organization Name Jennifer Jones & The Dr. Jennifer M. Jones Foundation

Street Address 3144 North G. Street Ste 125-208

City Merced **State** CA

Zip 95340

Contact E-mail DrJenniferJones4@gmail.com

Contact Telephone 323-571-6948

Organization Secondary Contact

Secondary Contact E-mail

Member Affiliations or Potential Conflicts

Is the individual affiliated with one or more organizational member agencies of the CoC?

Yes No If yes, identify organization(s) and relationship below:

Does the organization receive federal or state funding?

Yes No If yes, identify the funding type:

Organizational Profile

Type of organization: Public Private for Profit Not for Profit Other:

Primary service or business of organization

Human Services

Affiliations of Individuals or Organizations

The CoC is interested in having representatives from a wide variety of fields, interests, experiences, and professions in the community. Please indicate if you or the agency for which you work falls into one or more of the categories listed below by marking all categories that apply.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advocate | <input type="checkbox"/> Affordable Housing |
| Developer | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agencies serving survivors of Human Trafficking | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Business | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dept. of Human Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Disability |
| Services | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Service Providers | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Elected Official | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EMT / Crisis Response Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Faith- |
| Based Organization | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government Entity | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Homeless or |
| Formerly Homeless Persons | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Homeless Organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital & |
| Health Care Providers | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Aid |
| Services | |
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| Organizations | |
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Description of Interest in CoC Membership

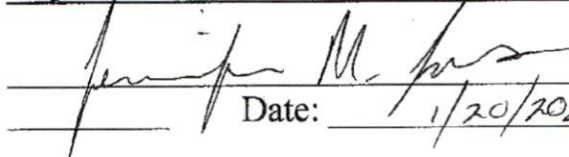
Please describe why you are interested in joining the CoC:

We are interested in joining the CoC to have a greater impact on the communities that we serve, by building stronger bonds with other like minded individuals and organizations.

Merced City and County Membership Requirements & Commitments

- Commit to the CoC plan to end homelessness
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Signature of Individual or Authorized Organizational Representative


Date: 1/20/2023



BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: February 2, 2023
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant/ Administrative Entity
SUBJECT: Use of CoC Funding for Landlord Engagement

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve the Collaborative Applicant/ Administrative Entity to use up to One Thousand (\$1,000.00) of HHAP Round 1 System Support for a homeless connect event.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC) is a recipient of Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 1 funding. HHAP is a block grant program designed to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address immediate homelessness challenges throughout the state.

The Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity (CA/AE) would like to use \$1,000 of System Support for Landlord Engagement Promotional and Informational items specially for a homeless connect event. Historically, Merced county has hosted a homeless connect outreach event. We would like to host an event this year indoors which can have a cost of up to One Thousand (\$1000.00) dollars. The event includes agencies, organizations, and vendors, providing services and supplies to those experiencing homelessness in Merced county, but also provides an opportunity to extend services to reduce the experience of homelessness throughout the county. Organizations and agencies offering services in case management, rapid, rehousing, and other services will be on site to connect and register people experiencing homelessness.

STAFFING IMPACT: None by this action.

FISCAL IMPACT: None by this action.

ATTACHMENTS: None

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Maribel Baron, Program Manager (209) 385-3000 Ext. 5210, collabapp@countyofmerced.com

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MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD

Monthly Grant Report Out

Organization/Project Name:	Mission Merced Incorporated		
Contact Person:	David Carr		
Report Month:	November 2022		
Grant Type:	HHAP		
Expenditures in Report Month:	\$3,216.50		
Total Grant Expenditures to Date:	\$10,559.88		
Remaining Funding Balance:	\$21,290.12		
Summary of Services Provided in Report Month: (Number of clients served, number of clients on waiting list, number of units available/vacancies, etc.)	4 Application Fees 2 Security Deposits 1 first month rent		
Related to the services reported here, did you receive or make referrals through the Coordinated Entry System (CES) process in the report month?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Related to the services reported here, did you enter new client information, and update existing client information in HMIS?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
If you answered no to any of the above, please explain:	N / A		
Comments/Additional Information:			

MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD

Monthly Grant Report Out

Organization/Project Name:	Healthy House Within a MATCH Coalition																										
Contact Person:	Nai Saechao																										
Report Month:	January 2023																										
Grant Type:	Housing for Homeless Elders or those at Imminent Risk (50+)																										
Expenditures in Report Month:	Click or tap here to enter text.																										
Total Grant Expenditures to Date:	Click or tap here to enter text.																										
Remaining Funding Balance:	Click or tap here to enter text.																										
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If you answered no to any of the above, please explain:	Click or tap here to enter text.																										
Comments/Additional Information:	3Food 4 RX presentation to resident doctors. Tobacco Cessation Southeast Asian COVID Vaccine & Booster Events																										

MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD

Monthly Grant Report Out

Organization/Project Name:	Mission Merced Bridge to Hope		
Contact Person:	David Carr		
Report Month:	December 2022		
Grant Type:	HHAP		
Expenditures in Report Month:	\$7,678.57		
Total Grant Expenditures to Date:	\$53,585.66		
Remaining Funding Balance:	\$53,035.57		
Summary of Services Provided in Report Month: (Number of clients served, number of clients on waiting list, number of units available/vacancies, etc.)	Number of clients served – 11 Number of clients on waitlist – 20 Number of beds available - 0		
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Comments/Additional Information:			

MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD

Monthly Grant Report Out

Organization/Project Name:	Mission Merced Incorporated		
Contact Person:	David Carr		
Report Month:	December 2022		
Grant Type:	HHAP		
Expenditures in Report Month:			
	0		
Total Grant Expenditures to Date:			
	0		
Remaining Funding Balance:			
	\$21,092.00		
Summary of Services Provided in Report Month:			
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Comments/Additional Information:			

MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD

Monthly Grant Report Out

Organization/Project Name:	Mission Merced Incorporated		
Contact Person:	David Carr		
Report Month:	December 2022		
Grant Type:	HHAP		
Expenditures in Report Month:			
	\$13,302.00		
Total Grant Expenditures to Date:			
	\$23,861.88		
Remaining Funding Balance:			
	\$7,988.12		
Summary of Services Provided in Report Month:			
(Number of clients served, number of clients on waiting list, number of units available/vacancies, etc.)	4 Application Fees 8 Security Deposits 4 first month rent		
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Comments/Additional Information:			

MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD

Monthly Grant Report Out

Organization/Project Name:	Mission Merced Incorporated		
Contact Person:	David Carr		
Report Month:	November 2022		
Grant Type:	HHAP		
Expenditures in Report Month:	0		
Total Grant Expenditures to Date:	0		
Remaining Funding Balance:	\$21,092.00		
Summary of Services Provided in Report Month: (Number of clients served, number of clients on waiting list, number of units available/vacancies, etc.)	0		
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Comments/Additional Information:			

MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD

Monthly Grant Report Out

Organization/Project Name:	Mission Merced Bridge to Hope		
Contact Person:	David Carr		
Report Month:	October 2022		
Grant Type:	HHAP		
Expenditures in Report Month:	\$7,836.67		
Total Grant Expenditures to Date:	\$44085.18		
Remaining Funding Balance:	\$62,536.05		
Summary of Services Provided in Report Month: (Number of clients served, number of clients on waiting list, number of units available/vacancies, etc.)	Number of clients served – 11 Number of clients on waitlist – 20 Number of beds available - 2		
Related to the services reported here, did you receive or make referrals through the Coordinated Entry System (CES) process in the report month?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
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Comments/Additional Information:			



Merced City and County Continuum of Care

2023 Meeting Schedule

All meetings are scheduled 11:00am – 12:30pm and are held on the first Thursday of the month unless otherwise noted.

January 5, 2023	No Meeting
February 2, 2023	Board Meeting
March 2, 2023	General Membership Meeting
April 6, 2023	General Membership Meeting
May 4, 2023	Board Meeting
June 1, 2023	General Membership Meeting
July 6, 2023	No Meeting
August 3, 2023	Board Meeting
September 7, 2023	Board Meeting
October 5, 2023	Board Meeting
November 2, 2023	General Membership Meeting
December 7, 2023	General Membership Meeting

Meeting Location/Options:

Video Conference: Microsoft Team

[Click here to join the meeting](#)