



Merced City and County Continuum of Care General Membership Meeting

Date: February 2, 2024
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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| I. Call to Order | Matt Serratto |
| II. Roll Call | Collaborative Applicant |
| 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 . | Collaborative Applicant |
| IV. Public Comment
Matters under the jurisdiction of the CoC and not on this posted agenda may be addressed by the general public at this time. The CoC governance charter prohibits the CoC from taking any action on a matter that is not on the posted agenda unless it is determined to be an emergency by the CoC. Any member of the public wishing to address the CoC during the “Public Comment” period is permitted to be heard once for up to three minutes, per person. Please state your name for the record. | Matt Serratto |
| V. Consent Agenda Items
A. Approval of Agenda
B. Approval of Minutes: October 5, 2023 & November 2, 2023 | Matt Serratto |
| VI. Community Projects
A. Merced Navigation Center
B. Emergency Housing Vouchers
C. Distributive Housing/Unincorporated Housing
D. Homeless Court
E. Housing Developments | Jennifer Carr
Jesenia Aguilar
David Carr
David Carr
Maribel McCarroll |
| VII. Chair Comments | Matt Serratto |
| VIII. Action Items
A. Board Vote
1. Outreach Committee Chair & Vice Chair
2. Kristynn Sullivan Board Member Application
3. Youth Homelessness System Improvement (YHSI) Grant

B. CoC General Membership Applications – General Membership Vote
1. Golden Valley Health Center Membership | Collaborative Applicant |
| IX. Board Information & Possible New Action Items
A. Regionally Coordinated Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) Round 5 Updates
B. Lived Experience Committee | Collaborative Applicant |

X. Collaborative Applicant Report Out

- A. Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan
- B. 2024 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count
- C. Merced Continuum of Care Website

XI. CoC Committees Report Out – *New Information*

- A. HMIS
- B. CES
- C. Youth
- D. Health
- E. Faith
- F. Outreach

Christy McCammond
Christy McCammond
Lucia Tejada
Donna Chin/Linda Dash
Lee Greenawalt
Sargeez Teimoorshahi

CoC Committees with Vacant Chair/Vice Chairs – No Report Out

- G. Sustainability
- H. Planning and Development Lived Experience

XII. CoC General Membership comments

Matt Serratto

XIII. Adjournment

Next meeting: March 7, 2024 11:00am – 12:30pm, Microsoft Teams

Matt Serratto



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MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC) was called to order at 11:05 am on October 5, 2023, via Microsoft Teams by Matt Serratto.

II. Roll Call

Continuum of Care Board Members in Attendance:

Josh Pedrozo, Margaret Simmons, Matt Serrato, Ray Reyna, Steve Tietjen, and Steve Roussos

Continuum of Care Members in Attendance:

ACE Overcomers, Aspiranet, Bethel Farms International, California Central Valley Journey for Justice, City of Los Banos, Fresh Start Recovery Program, Healthy House, Merced County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, Merced County Community Action Agency, Merced County Human Services Agency, Merced County Office of Education, Mission Merced Inc., Resource for Independence, Salvation Army, Sierra Saving Grace, The Dr. Jennifer Jones Foundation, Turning Point, and Valley Crisis Center

III. Notice to Public – Read by the Collaborative Applicant.

IV. Public Comment - None

V. Consent Agenda Items

Approval sought for this meeting's agenda and October 5, 2023 minutes. Motion from Steve Tietjen, second from Margaret Simmons. None opposed. Motion passed unanimously at 11:09 am.

VI. Presentation

Homebase shared a power point slide on Medi-Cal Renewals: ensuring people experiencing homelessness retain coverage since medical renewal process restarted in June of 2023. Homebase shared resources that could reach out to medical members who are without a current mailing address and are at risk of losing medical coverage.

VII. Community Projects

A. ***Merced Navigation Center***

Jennifer Carr, Director, stated the Navigation Center serviced a total of 752 clients, current bed count is 76, and at full capacity with 17 dogs. Housed 67 participants.

B. ***Emergency Housing Vouchers***

Jesenia Aguilar stated there are 56 clients housed, 9 vouchers pending approval or denial, and 3 unexpired vouchers on hand.

C. **Distributive Housing**

David Carr stated served 337 clients and housed 50 clients. For Los Banos there is one bed available. For Merced there are two beds available. Luke Brown requested HMIS data for the individuals that were housed.

D. **Homeless Court**

David Carr stated graduated 25 people so far. This last month 9 individuals graduated. The program has been running for three months and averaging around 8-10 graduates per month.

E. **Housing Developments**

Maribel Baron stated 1213 V Street Project. Slated to open at the end of October 2023. Looking to house 95 individuals. Identifying individuals through the CES process. Matching individuals to the funding sources that they are eligible for. Hoping to be 90% occupied by the end of the year. For Home Key, we have not yet received any responses for the Home Key application. Anticipating for 60-90 days after the submission of an application. Application submission was July 28th. We did receive a response for the ERF Funding. Both City of Los Banos and Merced CoC did submit in separate applications for the encampment resolution. Neither application was funded at this time. Both applications are encouraged to reapply for the Round 3. The Merced CoC is getting ready with the City of Los Banos to gather the proper documentation to submit as soon as we get the application for Round 3.

Chirsty McCammond shared the City of Los Banos (LB) has requested an interview with CalICH for the next round of funding application as LB received a few points of feedback for Round 3. If the City of Merced or City of Atwater wants to coordinate, reach out to City of Los Banos.

Maribel Baron stated that Merced CoC submitted an application on behalf of the City of Atwater and it would be great to connect and take a look at doing a regional response.

VIII. **Chair Comments – None**

IX. **Action Items**

A. **Board Vote**

1. **2024 Homeless Summit**

The Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity (CA/AE) met with the Board in June of this year and one of the requests that was submitted was to see if the Merced CoC could host an annual homeless summit. After extensive research and review, the CA/AE found potential funding, themes, and more information on this request. The theme CA/AE came up for the homeless summit is "Perception vs. Reality". We hear stories after stories of individuals being put into a box because of stigma, so we thought let's get awareness and education on perception versus reality for these individuals that we're working hard to serve. The CA/AE is requesting for approval from the Board to authorize the CA/AE to host an annual Homeless Summit in April or May 2024. Motion: Steve Roussos, Second: Josh Pedrozo, Motion passed unanimously 11:38am.

2. **Emergency Solutions Grant Applications Recommended**

2023 Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG) Balance of State (BOS) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) recommended applications were brought forward to the Board along with the request for authorization for Collaborative Applicant to submit the Non-competitive and the Regional Competitive funding applications to HCD via the eCivis portal by October 16, 2023. Motion: Steve Tietjen, Second: Steve Roussos, Motion Passed Unanimously at 11:41am.

3. Racial Equity Improvement Plan

The California Racial Equity Action Lab (CA REAL) is a three-year initiative to eliminate racial disparities in community homelessness systems throughout the state of California. Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC) assists California cities, counties, and CoCs in developing racial equity goals and provides intensive support to a smaller cohort of communities. Each jurisdiction has been tasked by TAC to develop a Racial Equity Improvement Plan. These plans will be presented to the CA REAL team on October 26, 2023. CA/AE is requesting approval of the Racial Equity Improvement Plan to be presented to the CA REAL team on October 26, 2023, California Racial Equity Action Lab Community of Practice (COP) Session. Motion: Steve Tietjen, Section: Steve Roussos, Motion Passed Unanimously at 11:48am.

4. Mission, Vision, Values

The CA/AE is seeking Merced CoC Board approval and adoption of the Merced CoC Mission, Vision, and Values. The Merced CoC mission is to engage, align, and connect community partners to ensure safe and supportive housing for all. The Merced CoC vision is to collaborate effective partnerships to aid in preventing and ending homelessness. The values the Merced CoC will carry are Innovation, Collaboration, Compassion, Diversity, and Inclusion. Motion: Steve Roussos, Second: Ray Reyna, Motion Passed Unanimously at 11:52am.

B. General Membership Vote – None

X. Board Information & Possible New Action Items

A. HHAP 5 Application

CA/AE shared HHAP 5 notice of funding availability was released on Friday, September 29, 2023. The submission date will be March 27, 2024. This round will include the regional coordinated homelessness action plan as well.

B. Housing Support Program Presentation

Housing Support Program (HSP) shared about the reduction of HSP allocation for FY 23/24 and adjustments for HSP services effective October 2, 2023. The CA/AE sent an email with more details on October 4, 2023.

XI. Collaborative Applicant Information Report Out

A. HUD Consolidated Notice of Funding Opportunity

CA/AE shared all applications for HUD Consolidated Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) has been submitted as of September 26, 2023.

B. October Monitoring

CA/AE will be launching the October monitoring. All letters of intent to monitor have been mailed and all vendors have been contacted. This monitoring is following 24 CFR 578.7(5).

XII. CoC Committee Report Out

A. HMIS

Christy McCammond shared HMIS submitted committee report at the last meeting. Submitted paper report. Made 10 recommendations for the board to review the committee charter. The committee will be changing to meeting once a month and will focus on 2024 HMIS Data Standards.

- B. CES
Christy McCammond shared CES committee charter is similar to HMIS committee. CES is here to advise, assist, and take on any action items that are needed to support the CES lead. CES will be changing to meeting once a month and submitted 11 recommendations to the CES Lead and CoC to review.
- C. Youth
Lucia Tejada shared Youth committee have been meeting monthly with the exception of last month (September 2023). The committee is scheduled to meet again on October 27th from 2pm-3pm.
- D. Health
Linda Dash shared Health Committee is meeting again this month and will have more to report next month.
- E. Faith
Margaret Simmons shared Faith committee has been meeting and intend to meet again this month. Faith committee have been compiling a list of religious organizations and support systems who are doing things that help the homeless, bringing out food, and more.

CoC Committees with Vacant Chair/Vice Chairs – No Report Out

- F. Sustainability
Steve Roussos shared there are two members in the sustainability committee: Tammy Millard and Steve Roussos. The CA/AE would like to be involved within this committee.
- G. Planning and Development – None
- H. Outreach
Sargeez Teimoorshahi shared the Outreach Committee met on October 4, 2023 in person, with 22 attendees and discussed what items carry with to outreach events and who is missing from the table. If there is anyone that provides services to the homeless committee to contact or email Sargeez Teimoorshahi. This can be an ongoing spreadsheet that is updated with relevant resources.
- I. Lived Experience- None

XIII. CoC General Membership Comments

- A. Jennifer Jones shared The Jennifer Jones Foundation will be hosting an event that is in alignment with the presentation that Homebase presented on. An updated flyer will be distributed. Saturday November 4th at Applegate park MOAT, set up starts at 9am. Anyone who wants to volunteer to contact Jennifer Jones.
- B. Gloria Sandoval shared self-report card for our areas. This could be something that is included within the homeless summit. We need to have measurable goals and objectives.

XIV. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 12:19 pm. The next CoC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 11:00 am.



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III. Notice to Public – Read by the Collaborative Applicant.

IV. Public Comment – Gloria Meneses-Sandoval, California Central Valley Journal for Justice, requested for the CARE Program updates be added as a future agenda item. At 11:10 AM, Gloria expressed interest in seeing periodic status reports as the California Central Valley Journey for Justice (CCVJJ) would like to use the information from the seven participating counties as an information source. No additional comments were made.

V. Consent Agenda Items

At the time of the meeting, Maribel McCarroll established the lack of quorum for the Board or the General Membership. Steve Tietjen seconded. No opposition. Consent Calendar agenda items were postponed to the February 1st, 2024 board meeting.

VI. Community Projects

A. ***Merced Navigation Center***

Jennifer Carr, Director, reported the Navigation Center has housed 68 and serviced a total of 761 clients since opening. The current bed count is 76 and is at full capacity with 13 dogs.

B. ***Emergency Housing Vouchers***

Jesenia Aguilar reported there are 56 clients housed since opening and stated that there are 13 vouchers pending approval or denial and 2 unexpired vouchers on hand.

C. **Distributive Housing**

David Carr reported Distributive Housing served 349 clients and housed 52 clients with two (2) beds available in the City of Merced. Los Banos is currently at capacity with no beds available, 12 people were served and they were able to reunite one person with their family. Unincorporated areas are currently full.

D. **Homeless Court**

David Carr reported 6 individuals had graduated, totaling 31 graduated from the Homeless Court.

E. **Housing Developments**

Maribel McCarroll stated 1213 V Street Project projected opening date is now December 1st, due to delays in construction The committee anticipates to house 95 individuals with approximately 5 couples. The rooms will measure 345 square feet and will be furnished with a bed, small dining table, small dresser and two chairs. Due to concerns with fire hazards, there will be no couches available to the units.

Housing Development: No updates are available for the Home Key applications.

VII. **Chair Comments – None**

VIII. **Action Items – Postponed to February 1, 2024 due to no quorum for the Board and General Membership**

A. **Board Vote**

Outreach Committee

Point-In-Time (PIT) Count Survey 2024

B. **CoC General Membership Applications – General Membership Vote**

Golden Valley Health Center Membership

IX. **Board Information & Possible New Action Items**

A. **Affordable Connectivity Program**

Tiffany Milstead introduced the Affordable Care Program (ACP) as a community focused agency that is intended to provide internet connection at a discounted rate. Eligibility is deterred by participation in federal assistance programs or income qualification and does not require legal status. The CPU is a long-term \$14 billion program funded by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Tiffany also stated that the program is underutilized, leaving \$1.15 billion per year and oncoming benefits. As of August 31, 2023, 43% of eligible Merced County households are not enrolled. Tiffany invited Board Members to attend a virtual broadband summit where digital equity and broadband access strategies would be discussed to increase affordable home internet adoption.

B. **HHAP 5 Updates**

Collaborative Applicant request for the December 2023 to be cancelled due to HHAP 5 application requirements that we go out to the public for three regional membership planning meetings.

C. **The Central California Alliance for Health (Alliance) Updates**

Maribel McCarroll informed that board that Jennifer Mockus, representative for Central California Alliance for Health, had officially resigned from the CoC board. The Central California Alliance for Health will continue to be a general member. Steve Tietjen reported that Kristynn Sullivan would also be in the running for representative. Maribel McCarroll stated the Governor's Charter requires a voting authorization form and official nominations from general members, board members or from themselves for each person running. Steve Tietjen moved to add the nominations and votes to a future agenda item. Maribel McCarroll seconded. Motion passed unanimously at 11:22AM.

X. Collaborative Applicant Information Report Out

A. 2023 Emergency Solutions Grant Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) Submission/Survey

Maribel McCarroll reported that the CoC has completed the 2023 Emergency Solutions Grant. A survey was sent to the board for both funding opportunities. The survey was due by November 14 and all members were urged to complete it.

B. 2024 Meeting Schedule

Maribel McCarroll informed the board that the CoC will not be meeting in the months of December 2023 due to the three regional plan meetings. For 2024, there will be no CoC Board meetings. For October 2024, it will be a hybrid meeting.

C. Voting Authorization Form

Maribel McCarroll reminded all members, including board members, that it was time to renew membership per Governance Charter. She informed members that the voting authorization form would be sent in the month of November for the 2024 year.

D. Introduce New Board Structure

Margaret Simmons inquired about the details of voting in a new board member (in reference to Jennifer Marcus resigning) as there was no longer a December or January meeting. Maribel McCarroll explained once nominations are received, the voting can proceed in February's meeting. A new board structure will be discussed in December during one of three Action plan meetings, allowing members to follow state requests at home plan and respect jurisdiction while getting holders involved.

E. October Monitoring

Maribel McCarroll reported the Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity (CA/AE) monitoring is nearing completion. The Collaborative Applicant Team was on site for every project and reviewed 376 participant files.

XI. CoC Committee Report Out

A. HMIS

Vice Chair Iris Gunther-Battles spoke for the committee. Iris Gunther-Battles reported that there was not a report out for HMIS. The committee is currently waiting for 10 recommendations for HMIS and 11 recommendations for the CES to be reviewed and given feedback for.

B. CES

Iris Gunther-Battles shared CES committee charter is similar to HMIS committee. Iris Gunther-Battles conveyed CES is here to advise, assist, and take on any action items that are needed to support the CES lead. CES did not hold a meeting the month prior to this meeting. No updates.

C. Youth

None.

D. Health

None.

E. Faith

None.

CoC Committees with Vacant Chair/Vice Chairs – No Report Out

F. Sustainability

Maribel McCarroll reported that the sustainability committee met on October 25th and is currently composed of three individuals: Dr. Russo, Maribel McCarroll, and Tammy Millard. The objective of the committee is to ensure the sustainability of the CoC. This committee's mission is to make sure that funds allocated through CoC are utilized and to not lose money for the program. The current goals of the committee are to work with the CoC membership to improve capacity and to work with CoC members to ensure all funds are expended without risk of surplus funding returning to the state. Presently, there are three members of the committee. A chair and vice chair will be nominated once the committee has more members. Meetings will be held on Wednesday via Zoom.

G. Planning and Development – None

H. Outreach - None

I. Lived Experience- None

XII. CoC General Membership Comments

- A. Gloria Meneses-Sandoval asked about the status of a summit-style report to the committee. Maribel McCarroll reported that finances and programs were discussed, and a report was made for the board. This report is pending discussion with fiscal.

XIII. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned on November 2, 2023 at 11:49 AM. The next CoC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 11:00 am.



BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: February 1, 2024
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity
SUBJECT: Appointment of the Outreach Committee Chair and Vice Chair

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

- 1) Appoint Sargeez Teimoorshahi as Outreach Committee Chair
- 2) Appoint Kaylie Mello as Outreach Committee Vice Chair

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Outreach Committee met on September 20th, 2023, and nominated Sargeez Teimoorshahi for Chair and Kaylie Mello for Vice Chair.

Per the Continuum of Care (CoC) Governance Charter 2022, Sections 9.1 and 9.2, the Merced City and County CoC Board may appoint committees such as, but not limited to, the Health Committee, and the chairs and vice chairs of these committees “will be appointed by the CoC Board.”

Committee nominees are held to the same standards as CoC members. They 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 representatives, the CoC Board, service recipients, service providers, and members of the public. Continued on page 2

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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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (continued from page 1):

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.

Sargeez Teimoorshahi is the Program Director with New Direction and Turning Point Programs. Kaylie Mello is the Nursing Care Coordinator at Golden Valley Health Centers. As Chair and Vice Chair, they will lead the committee to collaborate and leverage their efforts to maximize services and reduce duplication of efforts to better communication and coordination among outreach in the Merced CoC.



BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: February 1, 2024
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant
SUBJECT: Continuum of Care Board Appointment

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

- (1) Appoint Kristynn Sullivan to serve as a Board Member of the Merced City and County Continuum of Care.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Pursuant to Merced City and County Continuum of Care (Merced CoC) Governance Charter, section 5.5 & 5.6, CoC Board members will hold office for a term of two years and may serve unlimited terms provided members maintain compliance with all other provisions of the Merced CoC Governance Charter. Vacancies among the Board may be filled by a vote of the simple majority (50%+1) of Merced CoC general membership at any meeting where a quorum has been established.

Nomination for Board appointment for Kristynn Sullivan was received by Supervisor Pedrozo on November 14, 2023, via email to the Collaborative Applicant. Kristynn Sullivan is the Program Development Director for Central California Alliance for Health that has been an established CoC general membership organization since 2018. Kristynn Sullivan has been listed on the 2024 voting authorization form, to represent and vote on behalf of Central California Alliance for Health, and has attended multiple Merced CoC meetings.

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STAFFING IMPACT: None by this action.

FISCAL IMPACT: None by this action.

ATTACHMENTS: None

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: (continued from page 1)

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

The Merced CoC has established a Board of up to 19 (nineteen) members to act on its behalf using the process established as a requirement by §578.7(a)(3) and complying with the conflict-of-interest requirements at §578.95(b).

The Board must:

Be representative of the relevant organizations and of projects serving the homeless subpopulations; and be composed from the CoC general membership.

Board members must be able to meet all standards established by HUD Interim Rule 578.95 regarding conflict of interest.



BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: February 1, 2024
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity
SUBJECT: Youth Homelessness System Improvement (YHSI) Grant

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

- 1) Approve and authorize the Human Services Agency (HSA), acting as the Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity (CA/AE) for the Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC), to apply and accept the Youth Homelessness System Improvement (YHSI) Grant.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

After assessing the needs for homeless youth services in the county, the Collaborative Applicant has been researching the potential for starting a homeless Youth Action Board (YAB) for two major reasons: (1) To strengthen our youth homeless response system in our community; and (2) A YAB is a required component for dedicated youth funding such as the Youth Homeless Demonstration (YHDP) funds through the Merced CoC Consolidated Application. The YHSI Grant will enable the Merced CoC to start a YAB and youth homeless response system. This grant does not offer services to individuals; it's funding to build the capacity to begin offering services with other funding sources such as YHDP. The allowable activities are Planning and Partnerships, Data, Coordinated Entry, and Racial and Gender Equity.

The total grant application amount would be a grand total of \$1,100,000.

If approved this application is to be submitted by February 15, 2024 for grant consideration.

STAFFING IMPACT: None by this action.

FISCAL IMPACT: None by this action.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – Grant Application

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: February 1, 2024
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity
SUBJECT: Membership Application for Golden Valley Health Centers

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve the application from Golden Valley Health Centers to join the Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC) as an Organizational Member.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Golden Valley Health Centers is dedicated to providing quality healthcare & dental services to the community, regardless of an individual's demographic or any socioeconomic barriers. GVHC's mission is to connect to the community to secure resources to provide quality primary health care services to those who needed most, regardless of their financial ability.

Golden Valley Health Centers has requested to join the CoC as an organizational member. In accordance with Continuum of Care Governance Charter 2022, Section 4.2, 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 September 7, 2023 meeting.

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

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

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Merced City and County Continuum of Care General 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

Golden Valley Health Center

Individual or Organization Name

1910 Customer Care Way

Street Address

Atwater

City

CA

State

95301

Zip

Kmello@gvnc.org

Contact E-mail

209-417-0620

Contact Telephone

Stacey Kuzak

Organization Secondary Contact

skuzak@gvnc.org

Secondary Contact E-mail

Member Affiliations or Potential Conflicts

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

No

Yes

If yes, identify organization(s) and relationship below:

Does the organization receive federal or state funding?

No

Yes

If yes, identify the funding type below:

Federally qualified Health center that receives numerous federal & state grants including HRSA grant.

Organizational Profile

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

Primary service or business of organization:

Delivery of Healthcare & Dental 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.

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

Description of Interest in CoC Membership

Please describe why you are interested in joining the CoC:

I am interested in joining the coc to be more apart of our community, as well as be able to avocate for our community.

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

Kaylie Mellor

Date: 10/16/23



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2023 Written Authorization Form to Vote on Behalf of CoC Organization or as Community-At-Large Representative

Dear CoC Representative;

As noted in our Governance Charter, only one (1) representative from each organization may vote on behalf of the organization based on written authorization from the organization. All Community-At-Large members may also vote with a completed form on file.

Community-At-Large Member

Print Name: Kaylie Mello

Signature: Kayli Mello Date: 10/10/23

Organizational Vote- Name of Organization: Golden valley Health center

List no more than 3 person(s), in priority order, who may vote on behalf of the organization:

Kaylie Mello
Stacey Kurzak

Signature of Organization Signing Authority: Kayli Mello, LWN
Date: 10/10/23

E-mail the completed and signed PDF form to the Collaborative Applicant, collabapp@countyofmerced.com. Contact the Collaborative Applicant if you have any questions.