



Merced City and County Continuum of Care Board Meeting

Date: September 7, 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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| 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
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Approval of Agenda B. Approval of Minutes: August 3, 2023 | Matt Serratto |
| VI. | Community Projects
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Merced Navigation Center B. Emergency Housing Vouchers C. Distributive Housing D. Homeless Court E. Housing Developments | Jennifer Carr
Jesenia Aguilar
David Carr
David Carr
Maribel Baron |
| VII. | Chair Comments | Matt Serratto |
| VIII. | Action Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. General Membership Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Second Chance for Women 2. Fresh Start Recovery Program B. Board Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NOFO Recommended Applicants | Collaborative Applicant |

- IX. Board Information & Possible New Action Items** Collaborative Applicant
- X. Collaborative Applicant Report Out** Collaborative Applicant
 - A. NOFO Status
 - B. NOFA RFP
 - C. Outreach RFP Awardee
 - D. 1213 V St. Rapid Rehousing RFP Awardee
- XI. CoC Committees Report Out**
 - 1. HMIS
 - 2. CES
 - 3. Youth
 - 4. Health
 - 5. Faith

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

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

 - 6. Sustainability
 - 7. Planning and Development
 - 8. Outreach
 - 9. Lived Experience
- XII. CoC General Membership Comments** Matt Serratto
- XIII. Adjournment** Matt Serratto

Next meeting: October 5, 2023 11:00am – 12:30pm, Microsoft Teams



Merced City and County Continuum of Care General Membership Meeting

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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 11:05am on August 3, 2023, via Microsoft Teams by Steve Tiejten.

II. **Roll Call**

Continuum of Care Board Members in Attendance:

Stephen Hammond, Jennifer Mockus, Josh Pedrozo, Steve Tietjen, Matthew Serratto

Continuum of Care Members in Attendance:

City of Los Banos, Healthy House, Central California Alliance for Health, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, Merced County Community Action Agency, Mission Merced Inc., The Dr. Jennifer Jones Foundation, Turning Point, and Valley Crisis Center.

Non-Member Community Organizations in Attendance:

Central California legal Services, Merced County Adult Protective Services

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

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V. **Consent Agenda Items**

Approval is sought for the May 4, 2023, meeting’s agenda, and minutes.

Steve Tietjen move to approve.

Stephen Hammond seconded. Non opposed.

Motion passed unanimously at 11:13 am.

VI. **Community Projects**

A. ***Merced Navigation Center***

Jennifer Carr: Currently at full capacity with 76 participants and 12 dogs. 727 participants since opening and housed 65 individuals.

B. **Emergency Housing Vouchers**

Jesenia Aguilar: Currently housed 51 clients with vouchers. 3 vouchers pending approval/denial. 4 vouchers are pending with other agencies. 3 vouchers pending to be picked up by another agency. 7 vouchers are out in the community looking for housing.

C. **Distributive Housing**

David Carr: Distributive housing served 311 clients, permanently housed 45. For the City of Merced, have two beds open. For the City of Los Banos, it is at full capacity.

D. **Homeless Court**

David Carr: Graduation was last month, July 2023, with 10 graduates.

E. **Housing Developments**

Maribel Baron: 1213 V St. project is moving along. The project received capital funding from BHRS that allowed them to finish up the remaining units. Now all units will be housing quality standards once opened, slated to open late October of this year, with the leasing beginning shortly right after. Individuals have already begun to be identified. Community Action Agency is working with the providers and the communities to get these individuals document ready. The first intakes may begin August 7th to start the process of leasing for this property.

Three Home Key applications were submitted on July 27th. Shangri-La Development submitted a Home Key round 3 application for 80 units at the Motel 6 on Child's Avenue. 915 Custom Container submitted their application for 57 units on East Child Ave. The Tiny Homes project and City of Los Banos submitted their applications for 60 units. Congratulations for everyone.

VII. **Chair Comments**

Matthew Serrato: From 2022 to 2023 Point in Time Count had an 8% overall drop in homelessness in Merced County compared statewide there was an 8% increase. Once these Home Key projects start, we have an opportunity to drive down that even further. We have a long way, but it is encouraging to show that we got a lot of good people doing good work on it and to congratulate everyone for their hard work and big projects coming.

VIII. **Action Items**

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

Two applications from Second Chance for Women and Fresh Start Recovery Program. Both are postponed to September meeting as there were no quorum for the General Membership.

B. **Board Vote**

The CoC requested approval from the CoC Board to approve the following CAIs:

1. Establishment of the Outreach Committee

Collaborative Applicant: The Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity (CA/AE) is requesting to establish the Outreach Committee. Per the Continuum of Care (CoC) Governance Charter 2022, Section 9.1 "Appointment to Committee", the "CoC Board will appoint committees, subcommittees, or working groups when necessary. This committee to facilitate outreach services has been requested by the CoC General Membership. This committee will allow for all organizations that provide outreach services to collaborate and leverage their efforts to maximize services and reduce duplication of efforts.

Josh Pedrozo: Want to make sure rules and regulations are being followed as we had one individual holding two committee chairs and this establishment is within ground rules.

Collaborative Applicant: We can have multiple individuals be chairs of committees, as long as they can fulfill their requirements of that committee.

Sargeez Teimoorshahi: We discussed this and I believe it was Margaret Simmons who brought up the idea. We have a lot of agencies right now who have outreach workers and we have a lot of resources that we did not previously. If we could coordinate these efforts to have all the average workers work together and assign specific areas in the City of Merced, Atwater, and different jurisdictions, we can make a bigger difference.

Luke Brown: How many average teams do we have?

Sargeez Teimoorshahi: There's a lot of different outreach teams as we have different agencies that have outreach workers and there has been some duplication of services. The first step is to determine how many outreach workers we have in which agencies and to meet to determine what the next steps will be.

Luke Brown: Once that is determined, can you work with me to make sure all these outreach teams are utilizing HMIS and clarity so we can have them in the system?

Sargeez Teimoorshahi: Yes, absolutely. That's going to be one of the main thing we focus.

Luke Brown: I appreciate it. Thank you so much.

Collaborative Applicant: If the approval of the committee is received today, the Collaborative Applicant will send out a request for volunteers for the committee. Once the committee meets, just like any other committee, the committee will need to then nominate a chair and vice chair that will come back to the board for approval. This will be a CoC committee, so all volunteers are going to be accepted and then will come back to the board to establish the chair and vice chair at that time.

Josh Pedrozo motion to approve. Jennifer Mockus seconded. No opposition. Motion passed unanimously at 11:24am.

2. Establishment of the Lived Experience Committee

Collaborative Applicant: The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) mandates that a CoC establish a Lived Experience Committee. This Lived Experience Committee will be comprised of individuals with past or current homeless experience who will partner with the community and local organizations to determine how the CoC can best meet the needs of the homeless population. Additionally, by establishing this committee, the Merced CoC will gain CoC Consolidation Application points and will ensure compliance with HUD requirements.

Jennifer Mockus motion to approve. Josh Pedrozo seconded. No opposition. Motion passed unanimously at 11:25am.

B3-B7. **Collaborative Applicant:** We asked to take together the following agenda items as they are the same agenda item for each committee. The Collaborative Applicant will read off the recommendations and then ask for one vote for B2-B7.

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. 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.

B2: CES Committee: Chair- Christy McCammond & Vice Chair-Iris Gunther Battle

B3: Health Committee: Chair- Donna Chin & Vice Chair – Linda Dash

B4: Youth Committee: Chair- Lucia Tejeda & Vice Chair- Jacqueline Villicana

B5: HMIS Committee: Chair- Christy McCammond & Vice Chair-Iris Gunther Battle
B6: Faith Committee: Chair- Lee Greenawalt & Vice Chair- Margaret Simmons

Steve Tietjen move to approve and Steve Hammond second. No opposition. Motion passes unanimously at 11:29am

IX. Board Information & Possible New Action Items – None

X. CoC Report Out

- A. Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity History Presentation
Collaborative Applicant shared a Power Point slide on the history of the CoC (see end of Minutes for PowerPoint slides).
- B. Community Outreach & Engagement RFP & 1213 V St. Rapid Rehousing RFP
Collaborative Applicant: Taking both B and C together as they both discuss RFP that recently closed. We received one application for the 1213 V St Rapid Rehousing and one application for Community Outreach and Engagement. Both entities have been contacted and are in the middle of contract negotiations. Once contracts are finalized, we will bring them back and let everyone know what the outcomes are and also post to our website.
- C. FY 2023 CoC Consolidation
Collaborative Applicant: We hosted our first workshop on July 19th. The clarification period has ended and all Q&As has been posted on the website. All responses are due by the end of August 18th. We received notification that ESG NOFA will be released on August 15th.

XI. CoC General Membership Comments

Collaborative Applicant: The committees are up and running. The Collaborative Applicant Administrative Entity has been at some of the meetings to facility to help get them up and running. We will no longer continue to attend those meetings as that is a CoC General membership item and we want collaboration between the committee members. Once the members meet, they can submit their recommendations to the Collaborative Applicant. All committee have to meet at least once a quarter. Starting next month, we will ask for a small report out from every committee.

Dr. Jennifer Jones: Dr Jennifer Jones with the Legacy Project will be conducting an outreach event at Applegate Park on November 4th with Alliance and HSA team at Castle. There will be flyers coming out.

Josh Pedrozo: There is a Loaves and Fish village in Austin, Texas that is built as a community first village and what they're doing is they have these miniature houses, RV, and they're printing 3D houses to include more people into their neighborhood.

XII. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 11:54 pm. The next CoC meeting is scheduled for September 7, 2023, at 11:00 am.

MERCED CITY AND COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE

CA 520

COLLABORATIVE APPLICANT/ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY

AGENDA

- Mission, Vision, Value
- CoC Board and Staff
- History
- CA / AE Responsibilities
- Funding
- Advantages & Disadvantages
- Areas of Focus

MERCED COC MISSION, VISION, & VALUE

Mission:

The Merced Continuum of Care engages, aligns and connects community partners to ensure safe and supportive housing for all.

Vision:

The Merced Continuum of Care collaborates effective partnerships to aid in preventing and ending homelessness.

Values:

Innovation | Collaboration | Compassion | Diversity and Inclusion

Merced City and County Continuum of Care Board Members

BOARD MEMBERS

	<p>Matthew Serratto Chairman City of Merced Mayor SerrattoM@cityofmerced.org</p>		<p>Steve Tietjen Vice Chairman Merced County Superintendent STietjen@mcoe.org</p>
	<p>Steve Roussos Secretary Program Director Compass Health Career Pathways SRoussos5@gmail.com</p>		<p>Allen Brooks Real Estate Agent AllenBr555@gmail.com</p>
	<p>Candice Adam-Medefind Executive Director, Healthy House Candice@healthyhousemerced.org</p>		<p>Jennifer Mockus Community Care Coordination Director JMockus@ccah-alliance.org</p>
	<p>Josh Pedrozo Merced County District 2 Supervisor Josh.Pedrozo@countyofmerced.com</p>		<p>Margaret Simmons Siera Saving Grace Vice Chairman MargSim76@aol.com</p>
	<p>Ray Reyna Commander Ray.Reyna@LosBanos.org</p>		<p>Steve Hammond Pastor LBPastor44@yahoo.com</p>

MEET OUR TEAM

MERCED COUNTY COC STAFF



**JOHN
CECCOLI**

DEPUTY
DIRECTOR



**MARIBEL
BARON**

PROGRAM
MANAGER



**SEE
HER**

STAFF SERVICES
ANALYST



**JEWEL
WISE**

STAFF SERVICES
ANALYST



**TIFFANY
MILSTEAD**

SECRETARY

“ THE MERCED COC FOLLOWS
ETHICAL, RESPONSIBLE, AND
SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES. ”

- Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity

HISTORY

MCAG:

July 1, 2005 –
June 30, 2016

United Way:

July 1, 2016 –
June 30, 2018

Merced County
Human Services
Agency:

July 1, 2018 –
Current

HISTORY CONTINUED....

27 Mar. 2018

BOS authorizes the Merced County HSA Department to assist as the CA for up to three 3 years while the community develops capacity for a community alternative.

23 Mar. 2021

BOS authorizes the Merced County HSA Department to continue to assist as the CA for up to 2 years allowing more time for a community alternative can occur.

9 May 2023

BOS authorizes Merced County HSA Department to continue to perform the duties of CA/AE.

BOS approves Merced County HSA Department to a new agreement with the City of Merced for the Continuum of Care.

18 Dec. 2018

BOS ratified the designation of the Merced County HSA Department as the Administrative Entity as of December 18, 2018.

11 Jan. 2022

COLLABORATIVE APPLICANT VS ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Design and carry out the collaborative process of the annual CoC application to HUD, as well as prepare and submit to HUD for program funds;
 - Evaluate outcomes of projects for which funds are awarded in the geographical area under the CoC and ESG program;
 - Participate in the consolidated plan;
 - Monitor sub-recipients of CoC funding and enforce compliance with CoC;
 - Develop communitywide process homeless response system with collaboration;
 - Conducted PIT as required by HUD; and
 - Develop a Continuum of Care system.
- Contract with sub-recipients determined qualified to carry out eligible activities;
 - Select qualified sub-recipients through a process that follows a fair and open process that avoids conflict of interest;
 - Ensure that expenditure of funds is consistent with grant requirements and for eligible activities;
 - Monitor the activities and expenditures of sub-recipients; and
 - Submit reports to awarding departments at prescribed intervals.

FUNDING

	HUD	CESH	CESH 2	ESG-CV	HHAP Round 1	HHAP Round 2	HHAP Round 3	HHAP Round 4	HHIP*	CDBG*	MHSA*
2018	\$749,892									\$38,000	\$40,000
2019	\$774,302									\$38,000	\$40,000
2020	\$889,550	\$1,045,611	\$592,252	\$3,170,000	\$716,227					\$38,000	\$40,000
2021	\$918,952	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	\$338,893				\$38,000	\$40,000
2022	\$801,558	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	\$909,988			\$38,000	\$40,000
2023	\$767,298	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	Monitoring Contracts	\$1,136,537	\$18,000	\$38,000	\$40,000

*Funding to the CA/AE for administrative functions

ADVANTAGES & DISADVANTAGES

Advantages are:

- Established formal procedures
- Number of new general applications have increased
- Grew our grant portfolio
- \$7.9 Million more in our CoC

Disadvantages are:

- Cannot accept donations the way a non-profit can.
- Timeliness due to following County processes for procurement and review.
- County staff have multiple assignment other than CA/AE

Challenges we encounter:

- Staff are Disaster Services Workers when needed.
- No dedicated funding.
- Deadlines (e.g. NOFO, NOFA, Fiscal Year End, Annual Reports)

Recent successes:

- More efficient website!
- Participated in City Town Halls for public invitation!
- CoC Committees meeting again!
- More HMIS projects and users enrolled! CA/AE strong collaboration with the HMIS lead agency.



AREAS OF FOCUS

CONTINUE TO GROW AND IMPROVE COC PROCESSES

- 19 Active Contracts
 - Established bi-annual monitoring
 - Established streamlined procurement processing.
- 11 funding sources
 - Creating streamlined monthly reporting/grantee reports.
 - Creating annual fiscal reports.
- CoC Accountability
 - Revising written standards
 - Reviewing charter annually
 - Reviewing and revising policies and procedures.

PRIORITIZE & EXPAND GRANT FUNDING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Researching new funding to support community projects:

- One Time ESG NOFA (HP)
- YHDP HUD Funding
- Continue to work with CSAC to identify future funding (Weekly Grants Update email).
- Encampment Resolution Funding Round 2 (ERF -R2)

IN SUMMARY

As the Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity, Merced County Human Services Agency staff will continue to strive and deliver on our responsibilities and report back to the CoC Board, general membership, and representatives from the public attending our meetings on our measurable outcomes.

We will present on an annual basis an overview of CA/AE activities and projects to the CoC Board, general membership, and representatives from the public attending our meetings.

THANK YOU

Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity

Email: collabapp@countyofmerced.com

Website: Mercedcoc.org



BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: September 7, 2023
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant
SUBJECT: Membership Application for Second Chance for Women and Children, Inc.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve the application from Second Chance for Women and Children, Inc. to join the Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC) as an Organizational Member. Majority vote of fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) must be achieved in order to grant membership.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Second Chance for Women and Children, Inc. (Second Chance) provides safe, temporary housing for women and children experiencing homelessness. In addition to temporary housing, the organization provides supportive services such as counseling, job search support, and financial and emotional support to aid toward self-sufficiency. The goal of Second Chance is to ensure every homeless woman can obtain permanent housing, employment, achieve self-sufficiency, and provide financial stability for their family.

Second Chance 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 of attending one (1) meeting and submitting a membership application request to the Collaborative Applicant (CA). This requirement was met at the June 1, 2023 meeting.

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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

FOR COLLABORATIVE APPLICANT STAFF USE ONLY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (continued from page 2):

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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

Tammy Millard/Second Chance for Women and Children Inc.

Individual or Organization Name

PO Box 2172

Street Address

Merced CA. 95344

City

State

Zip

tammy.m.scwcr1@gmail.com

Contact E-mail

209-421-9360

Contact Telephone

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: Nonprofit

Primary service or business of organization

Our primary service is to provide community outreach services, resources, and temporary housing for homeless women and their children.

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 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 |
| * <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 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 |
| <hr/> <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:

Our organization is interested in joining the CoC to receive assistance and support with our Transitional Housing Program. We want to bring safe temporary to permanent housing to the community. We would like to receive the expertise of the agency.

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

X Tammy Millard _____ Date: __04/30/2023_____



BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: September 7, 2023
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity
SUBJECT: Membership Application for Fresh Start Recovery Homes

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve the application from Fresh Start Recovery Homes to join the Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC) as an Organizational Member. Majority vote of fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) must be achieved in order to grant membership.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Fresh Start Recovery Homes (Fresh Start) is a non-profit organization which offers supportive housing services. Fresh Start's mission is to collaborate with the community to provide affordable, supportive housing to individuals transitioning from homelessness or incarceration into sober, temporary living arrangements. They are interested in joining the CoC to meet and collaborate with local organizations with common goals.

Fresh Start 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 of attending one (1) meeting and submitting a membership application request to the Collaborative Applicant (CA). This requirement was met at the June 1, 2023 meeting.

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Merced City and County Continuum of Care General Membership Application

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Type of Membership

Individual Member-At-Large

Organization

Individual / Organization Information

Individual or Organization Name

FRESH START RECOVERY HOMES

Street Address

543 SPUR CT

City

MERCED

State

CA

Zip

95341

Contact E-mail

SMURRAY1209@GMAIL.COM

Contact Telephone

209-631-9093

Organization Secondary Contact

BICENTE BERMEJO

Secondary Contact E-mail

VINB209@YAHOO.COM

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:

Organizational Profile

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Primary service or business of organization:

**TO OFFER AFFORDABLE SUPPORTIVE HOUSING TO THOSE
IN NEED TRANSITIONING FROM EITHER HOMELESSNESS OR INCARCERATION**

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| <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 |
| <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 checked="" 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:

**WE WOULD LIKE TO MEET AND COLLABORATE WITH ORGANIZATIONS
THAT HAVE OUR SAME GOAL IN COMMON. REDUCING HOMELESSNESS
AND REENTRY INTO SOBER LIVING FOR RECENTLY INCARCERATED
INDIVIDUALS**

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

_____ SARAH MURRAY & BICENTE BERMEJO

Date: _____ 06/22/2023 _____



BOARD AGENDA ITEM

BOARD DATE: September 7, 2023
TO: Board of the Continuum of Care
FROM: Collaborative Applicant/Administrative Entity
SUBJECT: CoC HUD Application Responses

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Review and approve the recommended applications to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Notice of Funding Opportunity for Fiscal Year 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Renewal or Replacement of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants.
2. Authorize the Collaborative Applicant on behalf of the Merced City and County Continuum of Care CA-520 to submit the CoC application, CoC Planning Grant, and Tiered Applications to HUD e-snaps portal by September 28, 2023.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Each year, the Collaborative Applicant (CA), on behalf of the Merced City and County Continuum of Care (CoC), is required to administer the responsibilities for the annual U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) CoC application competition. On July 5, 2023, the HUD released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Renewal or Replacement of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants with Merced CoC Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) in the amount of \$767,298.00. The CA launched the Merced CoC Request for Proposal (RFP) on July 21, 2023, with a clarification period from July 21st - July 28th and a due date of August 18, 2023. The Scoring Committee reviewed, scored and tiered all responses submitted. The CA must provide all ranked responses and scores to the Merced CoC Board for review and approval. All project applications must be submitted prior to September 28, 2023, by 8:00pm EST.

STAFFING IMPACT: None by this action.

FISCAL IMPACT: None by this action.

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A – Summary of tiered applications

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