

Sacramento County
Department of Health Services
HIV Health Services Planning Council
Affected Communities Committee

Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2023, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: 4600 Broadway, Sacramento CA 95820 Conference/Community Room 2020

Facilitator: Zach Basler – ACC Chair

Council Staff: Angelina Olweny

Meeting Attendees: Christopher-Kendrick-Stafford, Brad Bartholomai, Kelly Gluckman, Steve Austin, Zach Basler

Members Absent: Shy Brown

Excused: Richard Benavidez, Paula Gammell

Guests: Everardo Alvizo

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Service Concerns	There is a concern about how long it takes to get a referral, especially when there is an immediate need. There are also issues getting through to the pharmacy at OCH. The pharmacy is not returning phone calls. The HIV line has a two-hour wait time. In most cases, these calls are routed to the call center. Additionally, the grievance line at OCH does not return calls. Lastly, it was reported that one of the psychiatrists was late for appointments.
Reflectiveness Update	Reflectiveness is at 34.3%. The committee is looking to fill the transgender and the Native American seats preferably with individuals who receive Ryan White services.
CY24 Training Calendar	Everardo Alvizo will give a presentation at the Council meeting on April 24. Committee members suggested additional training sessions to include in the training calendar could be a presentation on doxy-pep and Women and HIV. Brad Bartholomai will follow up on the doxy-pep presentation and Kelly Gluckman will follow up on a presentation on Women and HIV.
CY24 Outreach	There is no targeted advertising on the Sacramento TGA website. NorCal AIDS Cycle will have a four-day event on May 16-May 19. There will be a half-day senior LGBT fair on April 28, from 10:00 AM -2:00 PM. The event will be hosted at the Senior Heart Center at Sacramento LGBT Center. There is a virtual Healing Waters open house on March 6 at 7:00 PM-7:45 PM. On March 10, will host a Healing Waters open house event at South Side Park from 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM. Healing Waters is looking for volunteers for the Healing Waters Wilderness Adventures event.
Community Conversation Discussion	The Community Conversation on March 13 will focus on HIV Women and Girls. The Community Conservation on May 29 will focus on Transgender and HIV.

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Housing Update	<p>Sacramento Steps Forward conducted a Point in Time Count to count the number of unhoused individuals in Sacramento. 800 volunteers participated in the Point in Time Count across 1,000 square miles in Sacramento. The Point in Time Count counted 9300 unhoused individuals in Sacramento. There are approximately 16,000-20,000 unhoused individuals at any night in Sacramento and about 2300 shelter beds in Sacramento.</p> <p>Sacramento Steps Forward and the Continuum of Care (CoC), the leading agency for the unhoused population applied for a Regional Coordinated Homeless Action Plan. The agencies received input from six public events on steps to address homelessness in Sacramento. Sacramento Steps Forward and CoC aims to implement the Regional Coordinated Homeless Action Plan in April.</p> <p>Sacramento Steps Forward and the CoC developed a nine-point plan to address homelessness. The nine-point plan is outlined below.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Modernize the 211-resource line to ensure that the unhoused population can get their calls returned promptly. 2. Coordinated outreach between organizations that assist the unhoused to minimize duplicative efforts. 3. Increase the number of beds in interim housing shelters to 2,600. 4. Expand medical respite centers. 5. Provide rehousing assistance that moves unhoused individuals from respite housing facilities to stable housing.

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	<p>6. Provide permanent supportive housing to the unhoused population that cannot care for themselves.</p> <p>7. Provide diversion and prevention assistance so that individuals released from prison have housing. This will prevent them from committing repeat offenses.</p> <p>8. Build capacity and regional training building capacity to increase the amount of available resources.</p> <p>9. Provide integrated services, given that community organizations specialize in specific program areas such as mental health services versus behavioral health services. System partnerships allow for a coordinated response plan for unhoused individuals.</p> <p>Unhoused individuals can call 311 and speak to homeless outreach workers who can help them obtain ID cards. They can also assist the unhoused with non-emergency medical needs.</p>
Public Comment-Non-Agenda Items	Committee members recommended meeting on a different day in the first week in April because the County is observing Caesar Chavez Day on April 1, which was the original date for the next ACC meeting.
Technical Assistance	For technical questions, reach out to Zach Basler.
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.