



## **Mendocino County Health & Human Services Agency**

*Healthy People, Healthy Communities*

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## **Press Release**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care (MCHSCoC) Board Meeting - April 15th, 2019**

The Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care monthly public meeting will be held on Monday, April 15th, 2019 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m, at 747 S. State Street, Ukiah, in the Big Sur conference room. There will be an update on Homelessness Definitions, a presentation on Rapid Rehousing, and discussions on staffing and appointments. Please see accompanying Agenda for more information.

The Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care program is a collaboration of individuals, and agencies committed to the goal of fighting homelessness in our community. This group is instrumental in bringing Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding into the county to assist families and individuals experiencing or at risk of homelessness, to gain access to stable housing. This group focuses on developing solutions to homelessness that also positively impact the larger community. Community members and agency staff interested in understanding some of the issues of homelessness in Mendocino County, and in working on solutions to fight homelessness, are welcome to attend these public meetings.

**For more information, please contact Dennie Maslak by emailing [maslakd@mendocinocounty.org](mailto:maslakd@mendocinocounty.org) or call (707) 467-5851.**

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## **Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care Board Meeting Agenda**

**Date:** Monday, April 15, 2019

**Time:** 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

**Location:** Mendocino County Social Services, 747 S. State St., Big Sur Conference room

**A. Call to order**

Verify a quorum is present in order to conduct business  
(One half of voting members plus one)

**B. Public Comment**

MCHSCoC welcomes public comment on non-agenized items.

**C. Approval of Minutes**

March 18, 2019 minutes

**D. Reports**

1. Update from Ad Hoc Cmte on Homelessness Definitions – Carla Harris
2. Rapid Rehousing Program Presentation – Sage Wolf (Max 15 minutes)
3. Trainings Reminder: Coordinated Entry Training on 4.30.19

**E. Board Protocols and Governance**

1. Discussion: Lead Agency staffing update and role of the Secretary
2. Discussion and Possible **Action:** Review Board vacancies and agree on a plan for nomination and voting.
3. Discussion and Possible **Action:** Consider and develop a resolution process to support and document funding decisions made by the MCHSCoC.
4. Veterans Administration announces the appointment of Sandra Stolfi fill the remainder of the term of the CoC Board seat.

**F. Funding**

1. California Emergency Solutions & Housing (CESH) – State funds
  - a. Round II funding announced. Application due date is May 6, 2019.
  - b. Discussion and Possible **Action:** Consider combining Round One \$927,488, and Round Two \$494,582 for a total of \$1,422,070. Administrative Entity costs (at 5%) \$71,103 results in a combined total of \$1,350,966 for CESH allowable projects. (Reminder: Total of Activity 4 - Operating Support for Emergency Housing Interventions- may NOT exceed 40% of the total funding or \$568,828.)
  - c. Recommended **Action:** Authorize Lead Agency to submit application to the state for Round Two CESH funding.
2. Emergency Solutions Balance of State Grant (ESG BOS) – Federal funds
  - a. Notice of Funding Availability announcement and timeline.
  - b. Possible **Action:** Consider requiring all applicants to include 5% of total request for collaborative HMIS expenses.

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Thank you and welcome!*

- c. Possible **Action**: Confirm the percentage of the allocation to be set aside for non-competitive Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) program applications.
- d. Recommended **Action**: Approve timeline and direct the Application Review Committee to review applications, rank them, and make recommendations to the CoC Board at the May meeting.
- e. *Reminder*: Application Review tools and process should be reviewed.
- 3. Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP)- State Funds-no update
- 4. Family Unification Program (FUP)- Federal Funds- no update
- 5. Housing & Urban Development CoC Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) – Federal Funds
  - a. Review funding debrief from HUD.
  - b. *Reminder*: Application Review tools and process should be reviewed
- 6. Other

## G. Projects

- 1. Point-In-Time (PIT) Count Report for 2019
  - a. Recommended **Action**: Approve PIT Count report for submission to HUD.

## H. Announcements

## I. Adjourn

Confirm next meeting date and agenda items

Next Meeting date: May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at Social Services

<b>Judy Albert – Project Sanctuary</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Victims of Domestic Violence	<b>Blythe Post - MCOE</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Unaccompanied Youth or TAY
<b>Heather Blough - CDC</b> Public Housing Authority, MCHS CoC <b>Co-Chair</b>	<b>Carla Harris – Mendocino Coast Hospitality Cntr</b> Shelter Representative - Coast
<b>Open</b> Org. addressing needs of Seniors	<b>Waiting on appointment</b> Collaborative Applicant
<b>Jacque Williams – Ford Street Project</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Persons with Chronic Substance Abuse	<b>Waiting on appointment</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Veterans
<b>Libby Guthrie - MCAVHN</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Persons with HIV/AIDS	<b>Donald Damp</b> Homeless or Formerly Homeless Individual
<b>Zenia Leyva Chou – Mendocino Cmty Health Clinics</b> Org. Providing Health Care Services to the Homeless	<b>Sage Wolf – Redwood Cmty Services</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Chronically Homeless
<b>Paddy Michalski - Manzanita Services</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Persons Seriously Mentally Ill	<b>Amanda Archer - MCYP</b> Shelter Representative – North/ Inland
<b>Open</b> Shelter Representative - South	<b>Open</b> Organization serving the needs of Children (0-5)?
<b>Waiting on appointment</b> County of Mendocino and Human Services Agency	<b>Open</b> Other Government Agency in Mendocino that is the authoring agency of the consolidated plan and/or addresses the needs of the homeless
<b>Open</b> Homeless or formerly homeless TAY	

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# Mendocino County Homeless Services

## Continuum of Care

### Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Monday, March 18, 2019

**Time:** 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

**Location:** Mendocino County Social Services, 747 S. State St., Big Sur Conference room

<b>1:30</b>	<b>A. Call to Order &amp; Introductions</b>
	<i>10 of 12 board members present. Others present on sign in sheet. 1:34 called to order. Quorum present.</i>
<b>1:35</b>	<b>B. Announcements</b>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cultural Diversity and Suicide Prevention Trainings on 3/29- encouraged for CoC Board members,</li> <li>2. Coordinated Entry Training on 4/30/19 which is a requirement for agencies and staff of agencies completing assessments for input into HMIS and Coordinated Entry or pulling from the By Name List</li> <li>3. Other announcements from the CoC  Heather Blough from CDC announced that TBRA will pulling from BNL in 30 to 60 days  Judy Albert of Project Sanctuary announced that April is sexual assault awareness month. Project Sanctuary is focusing on training to increase awareness  Mary Buckley of Plowshares announced that she is acting as interim director, while Plowshares is looking for permanent Executive Director. Plowshares has been able to expand to offer some weekend meals. Adventist Health is providing sandwich lunches on Saturdays- 3:00 to 3:30 for family and 3:30 -4:00 for general public. Hoping to pull in other faith based organizations for Sundays.</li> </ol>
<b>1:45</b>	<b>C. Public Comment</b>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jonathan Plank: Hiring event March 27<sup>th</sup> Ukiah Valley Casino and on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at the College</li> <li>2. John McCowen: Complimented staff on Hand Up Not Hand Out website.</li> <li>3. Sarah Marshall, North Coast Opportunities: is working on a project to improve bike access in Mendocino County. Riding from Ukiah to SF to raise money for bike access for Mendocino County and the goal is to install 3 fix it stands in Mendocino County for phase one (3 locations, Ukiah, Fort Bragg, and either Hopland or Willits), phase 2 bike access for those in need, highest priority to homeless folks as well as Transitional Age Youth- email for info: <a href="mailto:smarshall@ncoinc.org">smarshall@ncoinc.org</a></li> <li>4. Brian Klovski and Denice Gorney: Announced some training opportunities, the first is QPR, which is a training to prevent Suicide (MCHSCoC board members are strongly encouraged to attend) and a webinar series on extending CalFresh to SSI recipients</li> <li>5. Sage Wolf, RCS, requested to add an agenda item or about 15 minutes for Rapid Rehousing to give a brief update on how Redwood Community Services and Mendocino Coast Hospitality Center are working to make sure their programs and practices are aligned.</li> <li>6. Debra Rogers- Manzanita: described success in housing a person within one hour.</li> </ol>

	<p>7. Q- Apologized for potentially offending anybody when voicing concern about the definition of unhoused, which was distributed last month. He noted that most attendees are paid to attend this meeting, he is not, yet he will attend, because he wants to bring his lived experience to the meeting. Expressed disagreement with certain aspects of the Marbut Report. He appreciates the re-drafting and attention to the definitions document.</p>
1:55	<p><b>D. HMIS Phase II Update</b></p>
	<p>Brian Kloviski: \$150,000 application for HUD TA funding for HMIS has been applied for. CoC has passed phase 1, and Brian is now working on phase 2 which outlines how we would improve our HMIS system. Phase 2 due to HUD by March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Major components- increasing HMIS staffing, building out HMIS framework and data collection policies, implementing outreach, and have HMIS outside of current locations, and build custom data bridges to minimize duplication of data entry</p>
2:00	<p><b>E. Consent Items</b></p>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Minutes: January 14, 2019 and February 11, 2019 <u>Motion to accept the January and February minutes by Paddy Michalski, Sage Wolf second with amendment that Heather Blough was not present for January meeting. January Minutes: all yeas, with one abstention (Heather Blough). February Minutes: All yeas with one abstention (Maya Stuart)</u></li> <li>2. Affirmation of January and February Action items- motion to approve Action Items from January made by Patty Michalski, seconded by Jacquie Williams. <u>Motion made by Sage Wolf to re affirm the actions taken in February meeting, Carla Harris second. All yeas, with one abstention for January (Heather Blough) and one abstention for February (Maya Stuart)</u></li> <li>3. Ratify approval of the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) application as submitted online to the Business, Consumer Services and housing Authority in December 2018, discussed at the CoC full membership meeting on October 15, 2018 <u>Motion made by Jacque Williams to ratify HEAP application, Heather Blough seconded. Motion carries with 6 yeas, with three abstentions (Sage Wolf- Redwood Community Services, Carla Harris- Mendocino Coast Hospitality Center, and Judy Albert- Project Sanctuary.)</u></li> </ol>
2:05	<p><b>F. CoC Board Nominations (Action)</b></p>
	<p>Organization addressing the Needs of Seniors nomination: Nominee: Joel Soinila- Mr. Soinila stated that 65% of street medicine population are 55 and older, 80-85 % of street medicine are homeless. Members expressed concern about filling seat with a person who does not work only with seniors. People who are seniors who are at risk and currently experiencing homelessness will need to be this seat's focus</p> <p>Discussion about the overall nomination and voting process ensued. Members expressed concern that it was not totally clear who can vote and who cannot. Staff was directed to bring an up-to-date vacancy list to next general membership meeting, as well as clarify the voting process. Sage Wolf suggested that the CoC identify who can vote by name placards, similar to board member name places.</p> <p><u>Motion made by Jacque Williams to table votes on the nomination process until the next general membership meeting in June. Recommends leaving nominations open. Donald Damp seconded the</u></p>

	<p>motion. HHSA staff will assist with this. All yeas, with one abstention (Maya Stuart) Yeas 9, 1 abstention.</p>
<b>2:15</b>	<p><b>G. Homelessness Definition (Action)</b></p> <p>Discussion and vote on definitions of homelessness for triage and service referral.</p> <p>Maya Stuart introduced the item by stating that in order to have a thoughtful dialogue and then successful implementation of the Strategic Action Steps below, the community needs to have a common point of departure to include a common understanding of the different cohorts of individuals and an appreciation of the distinctions between these different cohorts. Overall, this researcher found a surprising high level of consensus around many of the issues facing Mendocino community. But, since the local residents use so many different terms to describe the same groups and/or issues, there is not an awareness of how similar the thinking is about issues facing the community. Furthermore, since so many different terms are being used to describe the different groups of individuals being studied, there are very blurred understandings of the root causes of many of the challenges facing the community. Increasing nomenclature clarity and understanding will improve the deployment of limited resources. Maya encouraged the Board to consider a specific connection to the community in the "Local" definition as part of our discussion today. Maybe "Transplants"? To stick with our roots theme. These are the different populations that we discovered while focusing on unsheltered individual homeless in proximity to service centers</p> <p>Mary Buckley stated that her take away from Marbut report was a recognition of limited resources so community needs to prioritize who gets resources. Recommends an And/or in A,B,C of Traveler definition.</p> <p>Paddy Michalski stated her desire to get an agreement on something, so agencies can use consistent definitions, in order to prioritize.</p> <p><i>Carla Harris made a <u>motion</u> to table the endorsement of definitions, and have another discussion as a sub-committee, and bring it back to next meeting for final approval. Paddy seconds the motion.</i></p> <p>Carla is willing to commit to facilitate this Ad-Hoc committee: she sees 3 issues: Federal, versus county, versus how to prioritize who we serve, individual nonprofits are mission based and this can create conflict.</p> <p>Susan, a member of the public, asked if the board ever had a discussion of these definition and sees them as divisive, as wanting to exclude.</p> <p>John McCowan recommended that the committee review Marbut's report and his recommendations.</p> <p>Judy Albert, wants to support what member of the public shared,</p> <p>Jacque Williams encouraged the Board would like to have folks rethink the impression, point out that Dr. Marbut is a data person, trying to help segment. Noted that our community has very homeless data on homeless families except at schools, and no info on families without school age children.</p> <p>Paddy Michalski wanted to clarify that this is to address how local agencies triage services they are able to provide.</p> <p><u>Motion to table approved:</u> Yeas: 7, Nos 2, Abstain: 1 (Maya Stuart)</p> <p>Adhoc committee created; Carla Harris to convene.</p>
<b>2:20</b>	<p><b>H. California Emergency Solutions and Housing (CESH) Program update</b></p> <p>1. Recommendations for funding will be made at the April meeting. (Update: Postponed to</p>

	<p>May meeting.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Health &amp; Human Services Agency would like to retain the 5% admin (\$46,000) allowable for staffing and fiscal services.</li> <li>Staff requests contractor commitment of 75% services to Established individual/families as a condition of CESH funding - requires Board approval for inclusion in contracts.- HHSA is requesting that contracts for CESH include definitions as approved, 75% of services be provided to the definition of established households, as in the presented definitions. Does the board want to pursue this or leave it on the table? Board noted that definitions may be finalized in a future meeting, and might be enough time for the Board to give direction to put these definitions into contracts.</li> </ol> <p>Heather Blough commented that if the CoC wanted to direct funds to local people, it might have been better to be in the initial request for projects.</p> <p>Decision tabled because definitions were not confirmed. (See Item I above.)</p>
<b>2:25</b>	<b>I. Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) contracts (Action)</b>
	<p>Budgets and Scopes of Work were presented to the Board for approval. Budgets &amp; Scopes Of Work have been accepted by the contractors, but require COC Board approval for signature. Contracts from four organizations are ready to move forward to Board of Supervisors: Project Sanctuary, Mendocino Coast Hospitality Center, Redwood Community Services, and Mendocino County Office of Education. The contracts for Danco and RCHDC were not included as there are steps specific to the new construction projects that must be completed prior to contracts being issued and presented to the CoC.</p> <p>Maya Stuart thanked Megan Van Sant for the tremendous amount of work done to bring these contracts forward.</p> <p>Megan Van Sant reviewed contract language to go to the Board of Supervisors for approval.</p> <p><i>Jacquie Williams made a <u>motion</u> to approve the four contracts ready to move forward to the BOS. Second by Heather Blough. Motion carries; 7 yeas, 3 abstain- Carla Harris, Sage Wolf, Judy Albert</i></p>
<b>2:30</b>	<b>J. Committee Recruitment</b>
	<p>Per last meeting it was suggested to disseminate a listing of committees for general membership to sign up during the CoC meeting and be collected by Garry Colson for follow-up.</p>
<b>2:50</b>	<b>K. Reports</b>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on who has been housed – (Max 3 minutes) 3 through rapid rehousing, RCS- Sage Wolf</li> <li>Point in Time (PIT) count update – Garry will share next meeting</li> <li>Committee Activities</li> <li>Website update: Website is live, but is a work in progress, will be updated continuously. <a href="http://www.handupnothandoutmendo.com">www.handupnothandoutmendo.com</a></li> </ol>
<b>3:10</b>	<b>L. Discussion/Announcements</b>
	<p>Staff update, observations &amp; suggestions- Maya Stuart is leaving employment with the County of Mendocino at the end of the month. Heather Blough will be chair (need a new Chair, or Co Chair)</p> <p>Maya's suggestions: Focus on HMIS and Coordinated Entry AND Discharge Planning. Make your bureaucracy as small as possible. Advocate for our community by protecting your Board seats and including people who truly represent and are committed to evolving understanding of the specific</p>

	population they serve. Hold yourselves accountable to the community. Set goals that are Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant and Timely. Get outside of Mendocino County and learn from others.
<b>3:25</b>	<b>M. Adjourn- at 3:30</b>
	Confirm next meeting date and agenda items- same time same place
<p align="center"><b>Next Meeting of MCHS CoC Board meeting – April 15, 2019</b>  <b>Location:</b> Social Services, 747 S. State St., Big Sur Conference room</p> <p align="center"><b>Please Note: No video conferencing is available for any public participation</b></p>	

<b>MCHS CoC Governing Board Members - March 18, 2019 Meeting</b>	
<b>Judy Albert - PRESENT</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Victims of Domestic Violence	<b>Blythe Post - ABSENT</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Unaccompanied Youth or TAY
<b>Heather Blough - PRESENT</b> Public Housing Authority, , MCHS CoC Co-Chair	<b>Carla Harris- PRESENT</b> Shelter Representative/Coast. MCHS CoC
<b>Open</b> Org. addressing needs of Seniors, MCHS CoC	<b>Maya Stuart - PRESENT</b> Collaborative Applicant, MCHS CoC Chair
<b>Jacque Williams - PRESENT</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Persons with Chronic Substance Abuse	<b>Open</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Veterans
<b>Libby Guthrie - ABSENT</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Persons with HIV/AIDS	<b>Donald Damp - PRESENT</b> Homeless or Formerly Homeless Individual
<b>Zenia Leyva Chou - PRESENT</b> Org. Providing Health Care Services to the Homeless	<b>Sage Wolf - PRESENT</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Chronically Homeless
<b>Paddy Michalski - PRESENT</b> Org. Addressing Needs of Persons Seriously Mentally Ill	<b>Amanda Archer - PRESENT</b> Shelter Representative – Inland MCHS CoC



# MCHSCoC Governing Board

Role	Organization/Agency	Individual	Date Term Began	Date Term Ended
Collaborative Applicant - HHSA	HHSA	Vacant	7/17/2017	7/17/2020
Homeless or Formerly Homeless Individual	N/A	Donald Damp	4/16/2018	4/16/2021
Shelter Representative – Coast	Mendocino Coast Hospitality Center	Carla Harris	4/16/2018	4/16/2021
Shelter Representative – South	Vacant			
Shelter Representative – North/Inland	Mendocino County Youth Project	Amanda Archer	4/16/2018	4/16/2021
Public Housing Authority	Community Development Corporation	Heather Blough	4/16/2018	4/16/2021
Organization addressing the needs of the Chronically Homeless	Redwood Community Services	Sage Wolf	3/18/2017	3/18/2020
Organization addressing the needs of unaccompanied or Transition Age Youth (TAY)	Mendocino County Office of Education	Blythe Post	3/18/2017	3/18/2020
Organization serving the needs of the Elderly Population	Vacant			
Organization serving the needs of Families with Children	Vacant			
Organization addressing the needs of Individuals with Serious Mental Illness	Manzanita Services	Paddy Michalski	4/16/2018	4/16/2021
Organization addressing the needs of Persons with Chronic Substance Abuse	Ford Street Project	Jacque Williams	4/16/2018	4/16/2021
Organization addressing the needs of Veterans	Venter's Administration	Sandra Stolfi	4/16/2018	4/16/2021
Organization addressing the needs of Persons with HIV/AIDS	MCAVHN	Libby Guthrie	4/26/2018	4/16/2021
Organization addressing the needs of Victims of Domestic Violence	Project Sanctuary	Judy Albert	4/16/2018	4/16/2021
Organization providing Health Care services to the Homeless	Mendocino Community Health Clinics	Zenia Leyva Chou	3/18/2017	3/18/2020
County of Mendocino, Health and Human Services Agency	Health and Human Services Agency	Vacant		
Other Government Agency in Mendocino County that is the authoring agency of the consolidated Plan and/or addresses the needs of the homeless	Vacant			
Homeless or Formerly Homeless TAY	Vacant			

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CESH FUNDING DECISIONS AND COMBINING TWO ROUNDS OF FUNDING INTO ONE ROUND OF CONTINUUM OF CARE RFP PROCESS:**

**Whereas**, the Housing and Community Development department of the State of California has issued funding opportunities under the California Emergency Solutions and Housing Program (CESH); and

**Whereas**, the CESH program requires that local Continuums of Care make funding awards that meet local community needs with respect to ending Homelessness; and

**Whereas**, the Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care for is the local Continuum of Care in Mendocino County; and

**Whereas**, the MCHSCoC issued a request for projects on January 20, 2019, which have not been awarded yet, and

**Whereas**, an additional amount of CESH funding was announced by the State on March 21, 2019; and

**Whereas**, the response to the initial request for projects exceeded the amount available under the first round of CESH funding available;

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the MCHSCoC will review applications submitted under the first round of funding and determine if they meet the criteria for the second round of funding and award funding as appropriate.

The foregoing resolution was introduced by Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ and passed and adopted on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2019.

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstained:

**Whereupon** the Chairperson declared Resolution \_\_\_\_\_ adopted and so ordered.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Chair

Mendocino County Homeless Continuum of Care  
Overview of Current Funding Streams – draft2

Name	Source of Funding	Purpose and Eligible Uses	CoC Involvement	Current Total Funding
California Emergency Solutions & Housing Program CESH	State: Department of Housing & Community Development - HCD	CESH program funding provides to assist persons who are experiencing or are at risk of homelessness. 1) Rental assistance, housing relocation, and stabilization services 2) Operating subsidies for permanent housing units 3) Flexible housing subsidy funds for the provision of rental subsidies 4) Operating support for emergency housing interventions 5) Systems support for Coordinated Entry and HMIS 6) Developing or updating a Coordinated Entry Systems 7) Developing a housing plan	The COC must recommend and approve projects for funding.	\$1,422,070  Funding can be spent for a term up to 5 years.
Emergency Solutions Grant ESG	State: Department of Housing & Community Development - HCD	1) Engaging individuals and families experiencing homelessness; 2) Improving the quality of Emergency Shelters 3) Rapid re-housing of individuals and families experiencing homelessness 4) Preventing families/individuals from becoming homeless	The COC must recommend projects for funding.	\$262,127  Annual funding for 2019  (Additional competitive funds possible)
Homelessness Emergency Aid Program HEAP	State: Department of Housing & Community Development - HCD	The parameters of the program are intentionally broad. Proposed activities must be directly related to providing immediate emergency assistance to people experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of homelessness, and that those uses are aligned with California's Housing First policy.  Eligible uses include services, rental assistance or subsidies, and capital improvements.	The COC must recommend and approve projects for funding.	\$4,927,488  One-time funding with potential for a second round. Must be spent by June 2021.

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Overview of Current Funding Streams – draft2

Name	Source of Funding	Purpose and Eligible Uses	CoC Involvement	Current Total Funding
<b>Family Unification Program FUP</b>	U.S. Department of Housing And Urban Development	Promote family unification and housing stability for families involved with Child Welfare Services. 1. A child is at imminent risk of placement in out-of-home care, or that a child in out-of-home care and under the supervision of the public agency, may be returned to his or her family; or 2. A youth is at least 18 years and not more than 24 years of age (has not reached their 25th birthday), who left foster care, or will leave foster care within 90 days, in accordance with a transition plan described in Section 475(5)(H) of the Social Security Act and is homeless or at risk of becoming homeless at age 16 or older.	Required partner	New grant. \$156,156 annually estimated in rental assistance
<b>Continuum of Care Funding</b>	Federal: Housing & Urban Development - HUD	The annual CoC Program Competition provides the opportunity to apply for a small variety of funding sources to support project administration, project planning, Coordinated Entry support, and other administrative tasks of the CoC. Other CoC funds support services, and largely rental assistance for chronically homeless (permanent supportive housing.)	CoC must register and serve as applicant organization for these funds.	2018 allocations:  Planning: \$47,107 Coordinated Entry: \$93,312 TRA Renewal: \$1,479,283
<b>HMIS Capacity Building Project Grant</b>	Federal: Housing & Urban Development - HUD	Funding will be used to support CoCs in need of assistance with improving their HMIS systems	CoC serves as applicant organization for these funds.	Minimum of \$20,000 and maximum of \$150,000. (Still pending)
<b>Others?</b>				

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

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March 29, 2019

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** All Potential Applicants

**FROM:** Mark Stivers, Acting Deputy Director  
Division of Financial Assistance

**SUBJECT:** Emergency Solutions Grants Program  
Balance of State Allocation  
Notice of Funding Availability

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is pleased to announce the availability of approximately \$5 million in new federal funds for the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program. Funding for this NOFA is made available pursuant to Subtitle B of Title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 11371 et seq.

A complete original application and one USB flash drive of the hardcopy application with signatures must be received by HCD no later than **5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on Thursday, May 30, 2019**, delivered by a mail carrier service that provides date stamp verification of delivery, such as the U.S. Postal Service, UPS, FedEx, or other carrier services. Personal deliveries will not be accepted. No facsimiles, late applications, incomplete applications, application revisions, electronically submitted, or walk-in application packages will be accepted. Applications must be mailed to the following address:

Department of Housing and Community Development  
Division of Financial Assistance, NOFA Unit  
Emergency Solutions Grants Program  
2020 W. El Camino Avenue, Suite 500  
Sacramento, CA 95833

**Any applications received after 5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on Thursday, May 30, 2019, will not be accepted.**

The ESG application form along with federal and state regulations are posted on the [ESG website](#). To receive ESG NOFA FAQs, notice of the NOFA workshops, and other program information and updates, please [subscribe](#) to the ESG listserv. For questions, or assistance, please email [ESG@hcd.ca.gov](mailto:ESG@hcd.ca.gov).

Attachment

Emergency Solutions Grants Program  
Balance of State Allocation  
CA-509 Time-Line

WHO	WHAT	WHEN
California Department of Housing & Community Development (HCD)	Emergency Solutions Grants Program Balance of State Allocation Notice of Funding Availability	Released: March 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2019
ESG Applicants	ESG Applications due to the review team! Please email your applications to: <a href="mailto:Klovskib@mendocinocounty.org">Klovskib@mendocinocounty.org</a>	Due: 7:00 AM, May 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2019
Application Review Team	Review, rate and rank applications. Prepare recommendations for the Board	By May 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2019
MCHSCoC Board	Discussion and Action on Application Review Team ESG recommendations.	MCHSCoC meeting, 1:30 PM, May 20, 2019
Lead Agency staff	Upload applicant information to ESG website	Friday, May 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2019
ESG Applicants	ESG Applications <b>DUE by snail mail!</b>	Thursday May 30, 2019 by 5 PM

# Continuum of Care Program Competition Debriefing

# FY 2018

CoC Name: Mendocino County Continuum of Care

CoC Number: CA-509

This document summarizes the scores your Continuum of Care (CoC) received during the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 CoC Program Competition and includes:

1. High Priority CoC Application Questions;
2. CoC Scoring Summary—on the four sections of the application; and
3. Overall Scores for all CoCs—including highest and lowest scores.

The scores are organized in the same manner as the CoC application. HUD included a FY 2018 CoC Application NOFA Cross Reference in the Detailed Instructions of the FY 2018 CoC Application which indicated how the CoC application questions relate to the NOFA for the FY 2018 CoC Program Competition.

1. High Priority CoC Application Questions		
CoC Application Questions	Maximum Score Available	CoC Score Received
<b>1E. Continuum of Care (CoC) Project Review, Ranking, and Selection</b>		
This question assessed whether a CoC used objective criteria and past performance to review and rank projects. To receive full points, CoCs would have had to use performance-based criteria to at least partially evaluate and rank projects. Examples of performance criteria include reducing the length of time people experienced homelessness and the degree to which people exited programs for permanent housing destinations.	18	15
1E-1. Project Ranking and Selection. Applicants must indicate whether the CoC used the following to rank and select project applications for the FY 2018 CoC Program Competition: (1) objective criteria; (2) at least one factor related to achieving positive housing outcomes; (3) a specific method for evaluating projects submitted by victim services providers; and (4) attach evidence that supports the process selected.		
1E-2. Severity of Needs and Vulnerabilities. Applicants must describe: (1) the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities the CoC considered when reviewing, ranking, and rating projects; and (2) how the CoC takes severity of needs and vulnerabilities into account during the review, rating, and ranking process.	4	4
<b>2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Bed Coverage</b>		
2A-5. Bed Coverage Rate. Using 2018 HIC and HMIS data, applicants must report by project type: (1) total number of beds in 2018 HIC; (2) total beds dedicated for DV in the 2018 HIC; and (3) total number of beds in HMIS.	6	6

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3A. Continuum of Care (CoC) System Performance		
3A-1. First Time Homeless as Reported in HDX. Applicants must: (1) describe how the CoC determined which risk factors the CoC uses to identify persons becoming homeless for the first time; (2) describe the CoC's strategy to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and (3) provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time.	3	1
3A-2. Length-of-Time Homeless as Reported in HDX. Applicants must: (1) provide the average length of time individuals and persons in families remained homeless (i.e., the number); (2) describe the CoC's strategy to reduce the length-of-time individuals and persons in families remain homeless; (3) describe how the CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and (4) provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.	14	0
3A-3. Successful Permanent Housing Placement and Retention as Reported in HDX. Applicants must: (1) provide the percentage of individuals and persons in families in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing that exit to permanent housing destinations; and (2) provide the percentage of individuals and persons in families in permanent housing projects, other than rapid rehousing, that retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations.  Applicants must: (1) describe the CoC's strategy to increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations; and (2) describe the CoC's strategy to increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in permanent housing projects, other than rapid rehousing, retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations.	11	5.5
3A-4. Returns to Homelessness as Reported in HDX. Applicants must report the percentage of individuals and persons in families returning to homelessness over a 6- and 12-month period as reported in HDX. Applicants must: 1) describe how the CoC identifies common factors of individuals and persons in families who return to homelessness; (2) describe the CoC's strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to	8	2.5



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3A-5. Job and Income Growth. Applicants must: (1) describe the CoC's strategy to increase access to employment and non-employment cash sources; (2) describe how the CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families increase their cash income; and (3) provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to increase job and income growth from employment.	4	1
3A-6. System Performance Measures Data Submission in HDX. Applicants must enter the date the CoC submitted the System Performance Measures data in HDX, which included the data quality section for FY 2017. (mm/dd/yyyy)	6	6
3B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Performance and Strategic Planning Objectives		
3B-2.2. Applicants must: (1) describe the CoC's current strategy to rapidly rehouse every household of families with children within 30 days of becoming homeless; (2) describe how the CoC addresses both housing and service needs to ensure families successfully maintain their housing once assistance ends; and (3) provide the organization name or position title responsible for overseeing the CoCs strategy to rapidly rehouse families with children within 30 days of becoming homeless.	3	0
4A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Accessing Mainstream Benefits and Additional Policies		
4A-2. Housing First: Applicants must report: (1) total number of new and renewal CoC Program Funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC is applying for in FY 2018 CoC Program Competition; and (2) total number of new and renewal CoC Program Funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC is applying for in FY 2018 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach—meaning that the project quickly houses clients without preconditions or service participation requirements.	7	4
4A-3. Street Outreach. Applicants must: (1) describe the CoC's outreach; (2) state whether the CoC's Street Outreach covers 100	3	0

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percent of the CoC's geographic area; (3) describe how often the CoC conducts street outreach; and (4) describe how the CoC tailored its street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.		
4A-5. RRH Beds as Reported in the HIC. Applicants must report the total number of rapid rehousing beds available to serve all household types as reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) for 2017 and 2018.	10	0

2. CoC Scoring Summary		
Scoring Category	Maximum Score (Points)	Your CoC Score (Points)
Part 1: CoC Structure and Governance	52	37.5
Part 2: Data Collection and Quality	49	44
Part 3: CoC Performance and Strategic Planning	77	39.75
Part 4: Cross-Cutting Policies	22	5
Total CoC Application Score	200	126.25

3. Overall Scores for all CoCs	
Highest Score for any CoC	190
Lowest Score for any CoC	47.75
Median Score for all CoCs	160
Weighted Mean Score* for all CoCs	166.75

\*The weighted mean score is the mean CoC score weighted by Annual Renewal Demand. CoCs that scored higher than the weighted mean score were more likely to gain funding relative to their Annual Renewal Demand, while CoCs that scored lower than the weighted mean were more likely to lose money relative to their Annual Renewal Demand.

## **Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care**

### **Point-In-Time Count - 2019**

The Mendocino County Homeless Services (MCHS) Continuum of Care conducted its annual unsheltered Point-In-Time Count on January 23, 2019. The Point-In-Time Count is a requirement of United States Department of Housing and Urban Development funding, of which Mendocino County receives over \$1.5 million annually for housing and homeless services for people who are experiencing homelessness in our community. The data received through this count will help our local community to identify needs and develop planning to address those persons experiencing homelessness throughout Mendocino County.

The Point-In-Time Count for 2019 is due for submission to the Housing and Urban Development at the end of April. The PIT Count Committee is meeting on Thursday, April 11, 2019, in order to review and approve the draft submission to HUD. A written report will be provided to the CoC Board at their meeting on Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.