

# County of Riverside Continuum of Care (CoC)



## AGENDA

Board of Governance (BoG) Meeting  
June 18, 2020 | 9:00 -11:00 a.m.

### WebEx/Teleconference Information:

<https://countyofriverside.webex.com/countyofriverside/j.php?MTID=mb51210144de7a2c61c4b34f6bdd402d8>

Toll Free Dial in Number: **415-655-0001**; Attendee access code: **747 044 983 #**

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**Tammy Marine**, Chairperson

**Leticia DeLara**, Vice-chairperson

**1.0 Call to Order:** Welcome & Introductions – Roll Call

**2.0 Minutes Approval**

2.1 Approve the April 16, 2020 meeting minutes

**3.0 Public Comment on Any Item Not Listed on Agenda:** Members of the public are encouraged to address the Board on any item not listed on the agenda. Each public comment received by email will be read aloud.

**4.0 Old Business**

4.1 Update on Corona Virus (COVID 19) and Homeless Populations **Carrie Harmon, Assistant Director Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions Department**

**Background:** Riverside County continues to lead the local response to COVID 19 which includes responding to the unique needs of the homeless population and homeless service providers.

*Public comment for this item only.*

#### 4.2 Update on COVID-19 Emergency Homelessness Funding

**Tanya Torno, CoC Program**

**Background:** At the BoG Special Meeting on April 1, 2020, the board approved the allocation of \$547,812.48 in Emergency Homelessness Funding to emergency shelter providers, to help protect the health and safety of people experiencing homelessness during the COVID-19 pandemic and direct staff to work with the providers on the necessary sub-recipient agreements regarding such funding,

*Public comment for this item only.*

#### 4.3 Update on California Emergency Solutions and Housing Program (CESH II)

**Background:** On March 18, 2019, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) released the Notice of Funding Availability for CESH Round 2. The County of Riverside CoC CESH Formula Allocations is \$747,716. On May 16, 2019, the BoG approved DPSS to submit the CESH application for all eligible activities. The application was submitted on June 25, 2019. The CESH II Standard Agreement, 19-CESH-12967 was executed on February 25, 2020 for an award of \$747,740.

*Public comment for this item only.*

#### 4.4 Update on Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP)

**Background:** The HHAP program is administered by the California Department of Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency (BCSH) and serves to provide one-time flexible block grant funds to continuums of care, large cities (population of 300,000+) and counties to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address immediate homelessness challenges. An application for HHAP was submitted on February 15, 2020. On April 14, 2020 Riverside Continuum of Care was awarded a HHAP grant in the amount of \$3,311,372.74.

*Public comment for this item only.*

#### 4.5 Update on 2020 State Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

**Background:**

On February 28, 2020, the California Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) released 2020 ESG Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). An application for the CoC allocation of \$301,695 was submitted on May 25, 2020 of which \$117,282 (minimum of 40% for RRH); \$175,923 (for other activities), and \$8,490 (admin).

*Public comment for this item only.*

#### 4.6 Update on BoG Strategic Planning

**Tammy Marine, BoG Chair**

**Background:** LeSar Development Consultants was selected to facilitate the strategic planning process from November 2019 to April 2020. The BoG conducted a Strategic Planning Retreat on February 26, 2020. On June 6, 2020 LeSar Development Consultants submitted their final draft of the BoG Strategic Plan.

**Recommended Motion:** Authorize chairperson to form an ad hoc committee to develop content for Phase II of the BoG's Strategic Planning efforts.

*Public comment for this item only.*

## 5.0 New Business

### 5.1 Emergency Solutions Grant – COVID-19 – Request for Applications

**Tanya Torno, CoC Program**

**Background:** The California Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) has set aside approximately \$42 million in federal funds for the Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Stimulus (CARES) Act enacted March 27, 2020. Riverside County’s Continuum of Care is eligible to receive a total of \$1,477,800. ESG-CV funds may be used for five program components: street outreach, [emergency shelter](#), homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing assistance, and [HMIS](#); as well as administrative activities. Funds can also be used to provide temporary emergency shelter with resources to prevent, prepare for and respond to the corona virus. The application is due to the State on July 20, 2020 by 5 PM. Funds are available from 6/4/2020 through 7/30/2022.

**Recommended Motion:** Approve the release of Request for Applications to select providers qualified to deliver eligible activities in the CoC service areas.

*Public comment for this item only.*

### 5.2 2019 HUD CoC Program NOFA Debrief

**Linda Salas, CoC Program**

*Public comment for this item only.*

## 6.0 Consent Items

### 6.1 CoC Grant Expenditures Report

**Brandon Trahan and Connie Hill,  
CoC Program Fiscal Supervisor**

The report includes:

- HUD CoC and State Emergency Solutions Grant
- Total Expended to Date
- Projection on Unspent Funds

*Public comment for this item only.*

## 7.0 Announcements

### 7.1 BoG Election – June 24, 2020 CoC Meeting

- 4 open seats: 2 Public, 1 Private, 1 Non-Profit
- BoG members with terms ending on June 30, 2020 are:
  - Public Sector – Rusty Bailey (not on the ballot)
  - Public Sector – Sabby Jonathan
  - Private Sector – Bill Blankenship
  - Non-Profit Sector – Susan Larkin
- New term: July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2023

## 8.0 Call for Agenda Items for Next Meeting

**9.0 Next Meeting:** The next regularly scheduled BoG meeting is **August 20, 2020** from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Until further notice, all meetings will take place by web and/or teleconference.

## 10.0 Adjournment