

# Siskiyou County Advisory Board Meeting October 2, 2024 1:30pm – 3:00pm Red Oak Room, Behavioral Health, 2060 Campus Drive, Yreka

### 1. Call to Order/Quorum Established/Introductions

Nancy Ogren, Member and Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM. A quorum was established.

Present: Members Michael Aiuto, Christina Brown, Mark Gilman, Steven Bryan, Nancy Ogren and Denise Patterson; Alternate Members Susan Cervelli, Maddelyn Bryan and Ryan Romero.

Staff/participants/public attendees: Therese Singletary, Bob Mason, Joel Newlyn, James Elliott, Luther Findley, Dawnmarie Autry, Lorenzo Love, Cal Conklin, Emily Tuholski, Rico Gutierrez, Eric Jauregui, Joanne Johnson, Alexandra Agron, Louise Gliatto, Amy Forrest and Michael McNair.

Zoom: Member Sara Spence.

Participants: Lisa O'Connell and Alan Barreca.

## 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from September (Attachment A)

Steven Bryan motioned to approve the meeting minutes from September 4, 2024. Susan Cervelli seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### 3. Public Comments (limited to 3 mins. per comment)

Dawnmarie Autry noted that Duane Kegg's Yreka City Council term ends in December 2024, and he is not seeking reelection. Ms. Autry stressed that the City Council needs a new homeless advocate to replace him.

Dawnmarie Autry shared that she is interested in becoming a member of the Advisory Board. Maddelyn Bryan

### **Advisory Board Members:**

Duane Kegg, Chair

City of Yreka

Michael Aiuto

Homeless Advocate

Trish Barbieri

Social Services Division

**Christina Brown** 

Fairchild Medical Center

Rachael Clem

**United Way** 

**Brittany Collier** 

Siskiyou Co. Office of Ed

Sarah Collard, Ph.D.

Health and Human Services Agency

Mark Gilman

Yreka Police Department

Steven Bryan

Community Resource Collaborative

**Nancy Ogren** 

Siskiyou Co. Board of Supervisors

**Denise Patterson** 

Yreka Food Bank

Sara Spence

Karuk Tribal Housing Authority

Barbra Risling

Youth Empowerment Siskiyou

**Dustin Rief** 

City of Dunsmuir

Carla Charraga

Siskiyou Domestic Violence & Crisis Center



responded that she would email her an application for membership.

Luther Findley mentioned that the Seventh Day Adventist Church serves dinner to the unsheltered population on Tuesdays. Recently, Mr. Findley has noticed an increased concern from individuals experiencing homelessness about the City of Yreka's enforcement of the encampment policy. The November first enforcement date, set by the Yreka City Council, is looming over the unsheltered community. Lorenzo Love agreed with Mr. Findley's observation and asked the Advisory Board to make a plan to aid the unsheltered community.

### 4. Committee Updates

### a. Executive Board update - Maddelyn Bryan

Maddelyn Bryan shared that Shasta County was oversubscribed for their CoC allocation of HHAP-4 funds. A local rating and ranking committee provided award recommendations to the Executive Board. The Executive Board awarded funds as recommended.

Ms. Bryan noted that Siskiyou County will need representation in the new Governance Charter. She asked the Board if they supported her appointment for this position. Nancy Ogren voiced her support. Members agreed.

Additionally, Ms. Bryan shared that HHAP grants switched from quarterly to monthly fiscal reporting.

### b. HMIS/CES Committee - Maddelyn Bryan

Maddelyn Bryan noted that there were some membership changes within the HMIS/CES Committee, however, Siskiyou County's representation remains the same.

### c. PIT Committee update - Duane Kegg

Duane Kegg was absent so Maddelyn Byran provided the PIT Committee update. The new PIT Administrator, Plumas Crisis Intervention & Resource Center, recommended updates for HMIS forms and submitted a schedule for the 2025 PIT Count. The PIT Committee approved the schedule. Ms. Bryan reminded the Board that now is the time that the County should be setting up the Siskiyou County PIT Workgroup to prepare for the January 2025 PIT Count.

### 5. New Business

### a. Presentation; Nation's Finest - Chris Nelson

Chris Nelson was unable to attend so he will present at the November Advisory Board meeting.



### b. Presentation; 211 - Michael A McNair and Amy Forrest

Michael A McNair presented on the progress of the 211 informational phone line. Mr. McNair showed statistics for Siskiyou County callers including caller age, race, location and type of question. He also showed a list of questions that 211 operators were not able to answer, recorded as an "unmet need". This information will be used to guide program improvements. Discussion ensued regarding release of information and how the Yreka Police can utilize 211.

### c. Membership application from Michael A McNair to replace Rachael Clem (Attachment B)

Steven Bryan motioned to approve. Susan Cervelli seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### 6. Old Business

### a. Discussion; Progress on communication with the unhoused community about encampment resolutions – Mike Aiuto/Duane Kegg

Mike Aiuto stated that there has not been any progress on this since the last Advisory Board meeting. Mr. Aiuto recommended a paper handout instead of a meeting to communicate information about encampment policies and options for unsheltered community members. Discussion ensued regarding Yreka Police enforcement of encampment policies and relocation options for the unhoused community. Mark Gilman noted that James Elliott, the Homeless Liaison Officer, will not be removing encampments. Officer Elliott's role is to provide support to individuals experiencing homelessness.

### 7. Member Updates

### a. Basecamp update - County staff/NVCSS staff

NVCSS staff were not in attendance so Maddelyn Bryan shared that Basecamp is still under construction.

#### b. Crossroads update - Sarah Collard

Maddelyn Bryan, Alternate Member for Sarah Collard, shared that some of the units are filled and Crossroads is processing applications for the remaining units.

### c. Pallet shelter update - Maddelyn Bryan

Maddelyn Bryan shared that this project is in progress and the City of Yreka has been helping to move this project along. The County plans to request an



extension for the November 30th deadline, as it does not anticipate completing the project within that timeframe.

### 8. Discussion Items for Next Meeting

Discussion item; Planning for warming shelters - Lorenzo Love

### 9. Adjournment

Maddelyn Bryan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 3:12 PM. Susan Cervelli seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **Next Meeting**

November 6, 2024 1:30pm-3:00pm

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