



**ATTACHMENT A
MINUTES
Siskiyou County Advisory Board Meeting
May 6, 2026
1:30pm – 3:00pm**

Red Oak Room, Behavioral Health, 2060 Campus Drive, Yreka

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87395135252?pwd=TWcPbTguEJWBbbYCYQRTljhd4DeWaX.1>

Teleconference locations:

Karuk Tribe
635 Jacobs Way
Happy Camp, CA 96039

Dunsmuir City Hall
5915 Dunsmuir Avenue
Dunsmuir, CA 96025

United Way of Northern California
3300 Churn Creek Road
Redding, CA 96002

- 1. Call to Order/Quorum
Established/Introductions**
Nancy Ogren, Michael Aiuto, Christina Brown, Sara Johnson, Sarah Collard, Josh Tygart for Mark Gilman, Steven Bryan, Corey Middleton, Denise Patterson, Sara Spence, Andrew Lewis for Ashley Lemos, Carla Charraga
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April and January (Attachments A and B)**
Board members will review and approve minutes from April 1st and January 7th, 2026.

Motion made by Sara Spence, seconded by Christina Brown

Ayes: Ogren, Aiuto, Brown, Johnson, Collard, Tygart, Bryan, Middleton, Patterson, Spence, Lewis
Nays: None.
Abstain: Charraga
- 3. Public Comments (limited to 3 mins. per comment)**

Advisory Board Members:

Nancy Ogren, Chair
Siskiyou Co. Board of Supervisors

Michael Aiuto
Homeless Advocate

Trish Barbieri
Social Services Division

Christina Brown
Fairchild Medical Center

Vacant
United Way

Sara Johnson
Siskiyou Co. Office of Ed

Sarah Collard, Ph.D.
Health and Human Services Agency

Mark Gilman
Yreka Police Department

Steven Bryan
Community Resource Collaborative

Corey Middleton
City of Yreka

Denise Patterson
Yreka Food Bank

Sara Spence
Karuk Tribal Housing Authority

Ashley Lemos
Youth Empowerment Siskiyou

Vacant
City of Dunsmuir

Carla Charraga
Siskiyou Domestic Violence & Crisis Center



Members of the public will have the opportunity to address the Board on any issue within the jurisdiction of the Board. Speakers will be limited to three minutes.

Maddelyn Bryan stated that others must notify her about who their alternate is, and that person stays their alternate until she is notified of a different alternate.

4. Committee Updates

a. Executive Board Update—Maddelyn Bryan

The last meeting doubled as the CoC All Members meeting, so all Advisory Board members were in attendance, and there have not been any updates since.

b. PIT Committee—Steve Bryan

There are discrepancies in data and will need to be cleaned up. However, the data is generally accurate and reliable. The PIT Committee also wanted more help with the Good Hope mission in Redding.

c. HMIS Committee—Maddelyn Bryan/Erika Cavener

There was limited information as Maddelyn Bryan was not available at a previous meeting and Erika Cavener was not present. The HMIS staff have been trying to submit all information to HUD, specifically the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and the Point-In-Time Count. The Coordinated Entry policy was approved.

d. Data and Performance workgroup—Maddelyn Bryan

This specific group is not about drafting policy but reviewing performance. If there is anything unclear about HMIS, Maddelyn Bryan encouraged people to attend more meetings to learn and show up whenever they can.

5. New Business

a. Action Item: Select HMIS/CES Committee Alternate Member—All

Steven Bryan nominated Katie Eastman, seconded by Nancy Ogren.
Ayes: Ogren, Aiuto, Brown, Johnson, Collard, Tygart, Bryan, Middleton, Patterson, Spence, Lewis, Charraga
Nays: None.

b. Discussion: Member Training Needs—Nancy Ogren/Maddelyn Bryan

Discussion ensued on engaging with people more, and Nancy Ogren asked what might be of interest to others as far as the CoC goes. Ogren said that she wanted to make sure others understand what is going on and wanted to know what others do not know.

Maddelyn Bryan asked if there are things people do not understand about how the CoC works, such as acronyms or specific terminology.



The Board discussed what they would like to know more about, such as data, performance, training, acronym meanings, website navigation, and how they can contribute, engage, and help more.

One suggestion is for an orientation for new members, and another suggestion made by Sasha Hight is for an acronym cheat sheet.

Joel Newlyn said that he learned a lot from the website and points out it would be helpful to know more about how to navigate the website. Due to concerns about the website not posting things enough or having unclear instructions on where to find resources, Joel suggested a website navigation tutorial on a projected screen as a solution.

Discussion was then held on providing an orientation package or handout for new members, and for more interactive discussions where people can ask questions.

Nancy Ogren said it would be great for each meeting to have someone present a short piece to others, so other members can ask questions and go through things, with the presenter rotating each month. This way, people will also understand what they do not know, and build up muscle memory over time.

Sara Johnson mentioned that schools receive a limited amount of funding, so if she has a better understanding of what the county has to offer, the better she can support students.

Maddelyn Bryan suggested some kind of set schedule that allows different people to do different presentations, as a way of getting people to know each organization's programs and services and keeping everyone on the same page.

6. Old Business

a. Discussion and possible action: Local CoC Policies for Siskiyou County—Maddelyn Bryan

CoC staff and the HUD TA said that counties are not required to develop local policies. However, Siskiyou County may develop its own policy, and CoC staff and the HUD TA are available to help through June. There is ambiguity regarding how membership in the Advisory Board is determined and how meetings are structured, such as how many members there should be, attendance requirements, and what happens if someone switches organizations.

Sarah Collard said that the Board has gone through many transitions, and having some kind of structure that is specific to local culture would be helpful during tense phases of meetings, when things are more challenging. She suggested moving forward with it, just so the Board has that foundation.



Discussion is held on how membership needs to be more properly defined. The Advisory Board's own rules cannot be inconsistent with, or more lenient than, the CoC.

Nancy Ogren stated that moving forward, details must be more stringent, and that the Board could potentially start with a draft. Alternatively, members could first be asked what their ideas are before a draft even begins.

Moving forward, details must be more specific, with Nancy Ogren stating that the Board could potentially start with a draft. Discussion ensued with alternatives, such as first asking members what their ideas are, or consulting with Shasta County on how they run things.

Carla Charraga suggested creating a small committee to present ideas to the Board, due to the large size of the Board and the possibility of items being repeatedly postponed on the agenda. If the workers from HUD can come next month with documents for the Board to edit into the Board's own documents, it would be a good way to start.

b. Warming/Cooling Center Updates/Ideas/locations—Workgroup Leads

Steven Bryan says that the Resource Center is a cooling and warming center during regular business hours. Maddelyn Bryan mentioned that someone told her that there are few resources for warming/cooling centers after business hours.

Genevieve Eller pointed out that those experiencing homelessness are spread out across the county, and it will be difficult to reach out to those who need warming/cooling centers.

Corey Middleton said that the majority of the Yreka City Council would like to see more pallet shelter homes, and less temporary homes/tents.

Nancy Ogren said that a campground for those experiencing homelessness would be quite costly, take a long time, and may lack trust with the public. If a nonprofit would be willing to step in, that would make things easier. For now though, Yreka will have to focus on other kinds of housing that take longer to build. Sarah Collard says that she does not believe they will ever do an urban campground because the goal is to get people into more permanent settings, not to mention funding will not allow for it.

Nancy Ogren and Katie Eastman discussed standing down on the workgroup for warming/cooling centers due to the lack of input. Ogren said that trying to stand up a warming shelter would be really important.

7. Member Updates

a. Yreka Basecamp—NVCSS



Jaz Johnson from Yreka Basecamp said that the BSCC (Board of State and Community Corrections) will be doing a site visit. Johnson is working with the marketing team of NVCSS to ask for food donations. A donation of a refrigerator would also be appreciated.

b. County staff updates—Maddelyn Bryan

The new housing analyst Eric Yan was introduced.

Rico Gutierrez is retiring next June.

Erika Cavener is transferring to Child Welfare.

The new peer support specialist Lindsey Jenner was introduced.

Right now, housing staff have been spread out in different units, but they will be consolidated soon to streamline access and care, improve coordination and communication, and get clients faster access to resources. The consolidated unit will be in 750 S Main St, Yreka.

Sarah Collard also brought up that Maddelyn Bryan has been promoted to Program Manager.

c. Other Updates—All Members

Denise Patterson said that Yreka Food Bank is hosting a fundraiser on May 7 from 5:30 to 7:30.

Steven Bryan said that SCRC elected a new president, and is moving forward with a community kitchen.

Carla Charraga said that on May 11, Siskiyou County Domestic Violence & Crisis Center is co-hosting a Missing and Murdered Indigenous People Event at College of the Siskiyous in Weed. It starts at 11 am, at the Student Union. The Siskiyou County Domestic Violence & Crisis Center is also having its annual fundraiser in July, a golf tournament, the weekend after the 18th.

Corey Middleton said that Yreka has a new City Manager, and will also be hiring a new Police Chief. Yreka will be constructing a new Fire Department, and Greenhorn Park will be getting renovations. Yreka will also be replacing its water tanks.

Sasha Hight said that May is Mental Health Awareness Month for Six Stones Wellness Center, and they will do an annual Break The Stigma talk on May 19th, at 2 pm. Also, the mayor of Yreka has been spending time volunteering at Six Stones and getting to know the people.



Carla Charraga said that her organization is having a mental workshop class on how to make relationships healthy, and then transition to a community circle.

Steven Bryan said that if one were to call the Dunsmuir Community Resource Center, they can give a link to an online mental health workshop series on Tuesday mornings from 10:30 to 12.

7. Discussion Items for Next Meeting

Rico Gutierrez said that on June 3, Behavioral Health will be hosting a BBQ for clients, an annual event.

Josh Tygart will replace Mark Gilman and will need to fill out an application.

8. Adjournment

Nancy Ogren made a motion to adjourn the meeting at around 3:03 pm. Sarah Collard seconded.

Ayes: Nancy Ogren, Danielle, Christina Brown, Sara Johnson, Sarah Collard, Josh Tygart, Steven Bryan, Corey Middleton, Denise Patterson, Sara Spence

Nays: None.

Next Meeting

June 3rd, 2026

1:30pm-3:00pm

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