

### Orange County Continuum of Care Veterans Committee Special Meeting November 13, 2024

# Welcome and Introductions Beck Heyhoe-Khalil, Chair

In recognition of Veterans Day, we want to thank our Veterans for your service.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approve the Veterans Committee meeting minutes from September 19, 2024.

#### **BUSINESS CALENDAR**

- 1. Continuum of Care (CoC) Update Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination
- Veterans Affairs (VA) Update Kerry Winter, LCSW, HUD-VASH Intake Team Supervisor, Tibor Rubin Medical Center, Long Beach VA Health Care System
  - a. HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) Tenant-Based Vouchers
  - b. One Team Approach
- 3. HUD-VASH Project-Based Voucher Update Daniel Garcia, Coordinated Entry System (CES) Administrator, Office of Care Coordination; Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination; and Kerry Winter, LCSW, HUD-VASH Intake Team Supervisor, Tibor Rubin Medical Center, Long Beach VA Health Care System
  - a. CES Coordinated Vouchers
  - b. Public Housing Authorities (PHA) Updates
  - c. VA Vouchers
- 4. WelcomeHomeOC Program Update Becks Heyhoe-Khalil, Chair
- 5. CES Veteran Registry Data Update Daniel Garcia, CES Administrator, Office of Care Coordination



All are invited to stay after this meeting for the Orange County Veterans and Military Families Collaborative (OCVMFC) Housing Working Group

### **Public Comments**

### **Consent Calendar**

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### **Business Calendar**

# CoC Update

### Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination

#### **CoC Board Nomination and Election**

- The Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant of the Orange County CoC is facilitating the annual CoC Board Nomination and Election process.
- The CoC Board is charged with responsibilities and authorities on behalf of the General Members of the Orange CoC.
- The CoC is recruiting for seven (7) to eleven (11) members to serve a two-year term from January 2025 to December 2026 and is intentionally seeking people who hold the following identities and experiences, including but not limited to Black or African American, Indigenous/Native American, People of Color, LGBTQIA+ and people with lived experience of homelessness or housing instability.
- If you are interested in serving, please complete the Candidate Interest Form via SurveyMonkey by today, November 13, 2024: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/cocboard24</u>.

#### **Deadline Extended: Individual and Agency General Membership Applications**

- The CoC Governance Charter identifies that each Individual Member and Agency that is a General Member of the CoC will be allowed one vote for the CoC Board election.
- Interested candidates for the CoC Board should also be CoC General Members. The Office of Care Coordination can assist with confirming this process and provide guidance as needed. There is still time to become a CoC General Member if you are interested in applying for the CoC Board.
- You can view the CoC General Membership roster on the <u>CoC General Membership webpage</u>
- If you or your organization is not a General Member and wants to become one, please inform the Office of Care Coordination of your interest and fill out the <u>application</u> by **today, November 13, 2024**.

Please contact the Office of Care Coordination with any questions at <u>CareCoordination@ocgov.com</u> or 714-834-5000

#### **CoC Board Nomination and Election: Timeline**

Date*	Timeline Activity
October 29, 2024	Nomination period opens
November 5, 2024	Nomination period closes
November 13, 2023	Candidate Interest Forms are due; New & updated CoC Board General Membership Forms due
November 15, 2024	CoC Nominating Ad Hoc to recommend candidates for election by CoC General Membership
November 18, 2024	Candidate Meet and Greet; Voting Period Opens
November 27, 2024	Voting period closes at 5:00 p.m.
December 6, 2024	CoC Nominating Ad Hoc to finalize election results; Candidates notified of CoC Board Election results
December 18, 2024	CoC Board Meeting: Selected candidates are presented to the CoC Board for ratification
January 2024	CoC Board seating takes place. Outgoing CoC Board and Board staff will provide training and orientation for incoming CoC Board

\*Dates are subject to change, see continued updates on the <u>CoC Board Nomination and Election webpage</u>

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

- Service Provider Forum (IN PERSON): Thursday, November 21, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
  - Location: Fullerton Free Church 2904 Brea Blvd Fullerton, Room NC 190, Fullerton, CA 92835
- Lived Experience Advisory Committee (IN PERSON): Wednesday, December 4, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
  - Location: Orange County Housing Authority (OCHA) Large Conference Room 1501 East Saint Andrew Place, Santa Ana, CA 92705
- Policies, Procedures and Standards (PPS) Committee (IN PERSON): Tuesday, December 10, 2024, from 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.
  - Location: County Administration South (CAS) County Conference Center Rooms 104/106, 601 N Ross St, Santa Ana, CA 92701
- Housing Opportunities Committee (IN PERSON): Friday, December 13, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
  - Location: County Administration South (CAS) Multipurpose Rooms 103/105, 601 N Ross St, Santa Ana, CA 92701

#### **Business Calendar – Item #1**

#### The Office of Care Coordination is Hiring!

- The Office of Care Coordination is currently recruiting to fill one (1) Staff Specialist Extra Help position to support with CoC and CES projects and initiatives being led by the Office of Care Coordination.
- Please note, Extra Help or temporary/seasonal positions are estimated to last six months up to one year.
- The Staff Specialist Extra Help positions' responsibilities and job duties include, but are not limited to the following:
  - Analyzing, organizing and presenting data through various reporting tools.
  - Knowledge and understanding of the CoC, its structure and policies and procedures.
  - Knowledge and experience using the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).
  - Knowledge and understanding of the CES.
- If you have any questions pertaining to this recruitment or if you are interested in the employment opportunity, please contact or submit your resume to Aida Lomeli at <u>aida.lomeli@ocgov.com</u>.

Please assist us in sharing this employment opportunity with others!

## Veterans Affairs (VA) Update Kerry Winter, LCSW, HUD-VASH Intake Team Supervisor, Tibor Rubin Medical Center, Long Beach VA Health Care System

### HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) Tenant-Based Vouchers

### VA Long Beach Healthcare System

PHA Name	PHA Number	Total Allocated	Inactive Vouchers (Pending PBV)	Total Vouchers Allocated (HMLS 3 Denominator)	Current Number of Veterans Housed (HMLS 3 Numerator)	Vouchers Issued to Veterans but not yet Housed	Vouchers Reserved for Veterans Undergoing PHA Validation			Percentage of Vouchers Currently in Use	Percentage of Veterans Housed (HMLS3
City of Long Beach Housing Authority (LBHA)	CA068	920	0	920	677	39	41	757	85	90%	80%
City of Santa Ana Housing Authority (SAHA)	CA093	280	0	280	215	15	8	238	8	97%	87%
Orange County Housing Authority (OCHA)	CA094	1039	10	1,029	863	43	24	930	99	90%	84%
City of Anahime Housing Authority (AHA)	CA104	104	0	104	85	11	1	97	7	93%	82%
	Total	2,343	10	2,333	1,840	108	74	2,022	199	91%	83%





#### U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Veterans Health Administration VA Long Beach Healthcare System

### **One Team Approach**

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#### **CES Coordinated Vouchers**

#### HUD-VASH Project-Based Voucher Lease-Up Update

- At the September Veterans Committee meeting, an update was provided on Project-Based Voucher Lease-Ups for Veterans.
- The Office of Care Coordination, as the CES Lead, has seen two additional projects, Mesa Vista and Aurora Vista, finish lease up since the last meeting.
- Additionally, 16 Veteran households have moved into Estrella Springs since the last meeting.
- Please reference flyers for further information, including eligibility and referral processes:
  - Estrella Springs (Santa Ana)
  - Aurora Vista (Stanton)
  - Mesa Vista (Costa Mesa)

Property	Total VASH Units Available	Moved in	In Progress	Pending Application
Mesa Vista	30	30	0	0
Aurora Vista	10	10	0	0
Estrella Springs	34	24	4	6

\*Data current as of 11/8/24

#### HUD-VASH Project-Based Voucher Vacancies Update

- In recent months, the CES Lead has assisted in ongoing efforts to fill vacancies at existing projects with VASH vacancies.
- Since August, three VASH vacancies have been filled at Buena Esperanza, along with five at Heroes' Landing and one at Placentia Veteran's Village.

#### **Public Housing Authorities (PHA) Updates**

#### HUD-VASH Tenant-Based Voucher Update – Orange County Totals

Voucher Type	Housing Authority	Allocation	In The Pipeline	Vouchers Searching	Leased
Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing Voucher (VASH – Tenant-Based)	Orange County Housing Authority*	863	10	48	698
	Anaheim Housing Authority**	104	2	10	85
	Santa Ana Housing Authority***	171	0	10	139
	Garden Grove Housing Authority	N/A			
ΤΟΤΑΙ	1,138	12	68	922 (~81%)	

\*Data current as of 10-7-24 \*\*Data current as of 10-2/24

\*\*Data current as of 10-3-24

#### **VA Vouchers**

# WelcomeHomeOC Program Update Becks Heyhoe-Khalil, Chair

## **CES Veteran Registry Data Update** Daniel Garcia, CES Administrator and Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination

#### Veteran Registry Dashboard

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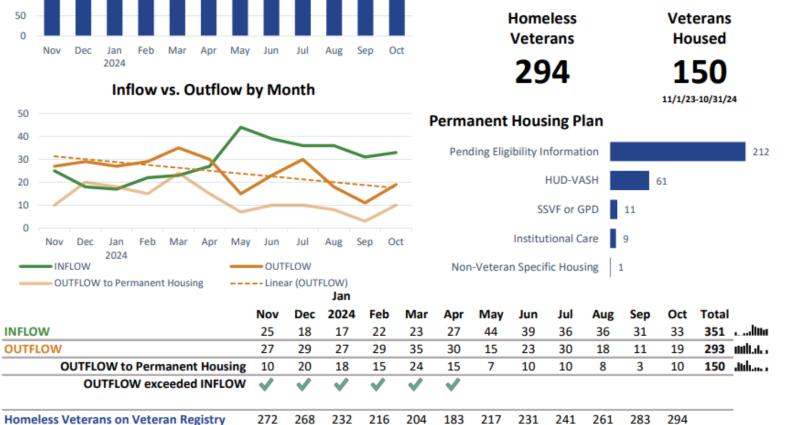
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Homeless Veterans on Veteran Registry

Currently, there are 294 veterans experiencing homelessness on the Veteran Registry. In the previous 12 months, 150 veterans have been housed in permanent, stable housing. Over 30 agencies, including the VA Community Resource and Referral Center, outreach providers, and shelter providers, continue to meet weekly to coordinate housing and services for veterans experiencing homelessness in Orange County. In the past 12 months, there has been a 8% increase in the number of veterans experiencing homelesness in Orange County.



### **Next Meeting:**

# *To be determined, pending 2025 CoC Board and Committee calendar approval*



