

# Lived Experience Advisory Committee Meeting May 7, 2025

#### **Welcome and Meeting Overview**

#### Agenda

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approve the Lived Experience Advisory Committee (LEAC) Meeting Minutes from April 2, 2025.

#### **BUSINESS CALENDAR**

- Continuum of Care (CoC) Strategic Plan Update and Discussion Robert "Santa Bob" Morse, Chair; Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination; and Cameron Pastrano, CoC Staff Specialist, Office of Care Coordination
- 2. **LEAC Member Vacancies Recommendation** Robert "Santa Bob" Morse, Chair and Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination
  - a. Approve Chair to bring forward nominations of individuals to fill current member vacancies, for approval by the LEAC membership.
- 3. CoC Updates Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination
  - a. April 23, 2025, CoC Board Meeting Recap

# **Public Comments**

# **LEAC Member Comments**

# **Consent Calendar**

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#### **Recommended Action**

1. Approve the LEAC Meeting Minutes from April 2, 2025.

# **Business Calendar**

## **CoC Strategic Plan Update and Discussion**

Robert "Santa Bob" Morse, Chair and Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination

# Strategic Plan Structure: Feedback & Implementation Timeline

#### November 2024

- Shared current Vision Ad Hoc vision for the Strategic Plan
- CoC Board & Committee Feedback

December 2024

- CoC Board voted to adopt Strategic Aims & Objectives as overarching framework.
- This includes adopting the Strategies & Actions as drafts that may evolve in the first part of 2025.

January – June 2025

- Finalize **SMARTIE** Goals
- Finalize Strategies & Actions
- Assign Strategy / Action Leads & Roles
- Determine implementation Timelines, and Metrics for success, and Progress Reporting process

July 2025-End of Strategic Plan

Implement Strategic
 Plan

#### **CoC Strategic Plan Recap**

#### 1. Background

- a. On December 18, 2024, the CoC Board approved the Strategic Plan, inclusive of the Strategic Aims, Objectives, Strategies and Action Steps, as a living framework set to undergo an additional six-month review at both the CoC Board and Committee level before implementation in July 2025.
- b. The Office of Care Coordination (OCC) presented the CoC Strategic Plan to the LEAC on February 5, 2025, and brought back a discussion analysis for further review on March 5, 2025.

#### 2. CoC Strategic Plan Working Session

a. On Wednesday, April 30, 2025, the CoC Board, CoC Strategic Vision Ad Hoc, and the Office of Care Coordination collaborated with AC Strategies consultant Aubrey Sitler to facilitate a working session focused on the actions outlined in the strategic plan.

#### 3. Next Steps

a. Additional analysis of the working session is needed to ensure the appropriate next steps are in place before implementation begins in July 2025.

#### **LEAC Member Vacancies Recommendation**

Robert "Santa Bob" Morse, Chair and Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination

#### **Previous LEAC Member Recruitment Processes**

- The <u>LEAC Committee Governance Charter</u> outlines the eleven (11) member composition for the committee, however, there is no identified procedure for recruitment of seat vacancies.
- April 2021: Recruitment for the LEAC
  - Initial public recruitment for the LEAC, facilitated by the Office of Care Coordination (OCC)
  - Application process included interest form and recruitment facilitated by OCC
- April 2022: Recruitment for North Service Planning Area (SPA) and Transitional Age Youth (TAY)
   Representatives
  - Public recruitment facilitated by OCC, unable to fill seat vacancies
- March 2024: Recruitment for TAY Representative
  - ❖ January 2024: Public recruitment approved by LEAC
  - March 2024: Created flyer, outreach to CoC, TAY providers, with deadline of April 5, 2024; application process included interest form, conversation with OCC and LEAC leadership, and opportunity to visit LEAC meeting before committing
  - June 2024: Selected TAY representative

#### **Previous LEAC Member Recruitment Processes**

- August 2024: Recruitment for Additional Seat Vacancies
  - March May 2024: Established LEAC Member Nominating Ad Hoc to have a public recruitment for vacant seats, collaborate on design of recruitment and application process
  - ❖ June 2024: Approved the OCC to partner with the LEAC Chair and Vice Chair to facilitate the recruitment process, inclusive of outreach, reviewing interest forms, and recommending representatives for the North SPA, Central SPA, and South SPA seats
  - July 2024: LEAC Nominating Ad Hoc convened to review and design application process
  - August 2024: Recruitment period opened
  - September October 2024: OCC worked with Nominating Ad Hoc to select recommended members, but were unable to reach consensus on Central and South SPA members
  - November 2024: Selected North SPA representative
  - ❖ December 2024: LEAC Nominating Ad Hoc concluded that none of the candidates in this round of recruitment would be the best fit to represent the two open seats. The ad hoc recommended reflecting lessons learned during the recruitment process, and creating a new LEAC Nominating Ad Hoc Committee in April or May 2025 and reopen recruitment

#### **Current LEAC Member Vacancies**

- At the April 28, 2025, LEAC Planning Meeting, Chair Robert "Santa Bob" Morse requested that the May 7, 2025, LEAC agenda include a recommended action to approve the LEAC Chair to nominate individuals to fill vacant committee seats, for approval by the LEAC.
- The LEAC is being asked to approve Chair Robert "Santa Bob" Morse's recommendation for filling the following seat vacancies:
  - Central SPA Representative: Individual with current or past experience of homelessness within the Central SPA
  - South SPA Representative: Individual with current or past experience of homelessness within the South SPA

#### **Recommended Action**

a. Approve Chair to bring forward nominations of individuals to fill current member vacancies, for approval by the LEAC membership.

## **CoC Updates**

Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator,
Office of Care Coordination

#### CoC Board Updates (April 23, 2025, Meeting)

- 1. Good News Story: Families Forward Rapid Rehousing for Families Program
- 2. CoC Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
  - a. Following the second FY 2024 CoC Program funding award announcement, the Office of Care Coordination concluded that HUD did not award funding for projects listed in Tier 2 of the Orange County CoC Application.
  - b. The Office of Care Coordination extended an invitation to the three (3) agencies whose renewal projects were impacted Friendship Shelter, Inc. (Friendship Shelter), Orange County Housing Authority (OCHA), and Serving People In Need (SPIN) to create a one-page project analysis document on potential implications of the reduced funding that were shared.

#### 3. University of Chicago's Revised HMIS Data Request and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

- a. Approved University of Chicago revised HMIS data request for the period of May 1, 2018, through April 30, 2025, for a one-time export of data to be used for two research projects to increase understanding of homelessness and evictions in Orange County.
- b. Approved the Memorandum of Understanding between the U.S. Census Bureau and Orange County United Way for the purpose of the University of Chicago's HMIS data request.

#### **Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Website Updates**

- On Monday, March 31, 2025, HUD announced changes to the HUD.gov webpages.
- The website redesign broke existing links to familiar webpages.
- The Office of Care Coordination consolidated the most updated webpages:
  - HUD News: https://www.hud.gov/news
  - Continuum of Care Program: <a href="https://www.hud.gov/hud-partners/community-coc">https://www.hud.gov/hud-partners/community-coc</a>
  - HUD NOFOs: <a href="https://www.hud.gov/hud-partners/grants-info-funding-opps">https://www.hud.gov/hud-partners/grants-info-funding-opps</a>
  - FY 2024 CoC Program Competition Award Announcement: <a href="https://www.hud.gov/stat/cpd/fy2024-coc-competition">https://www.hud.gov/stat/cpd/fy2024-coc-competition</a>
  - SNAPS Competitions Listserv Signup:
     <a href="https://www.hud.gov/subscribe/signup?listname=SNAPS%20Competitions&list=SNAPS-COMPETITIONS-L">https://www.hud.gov/subscribe/signup?listname=SNAPS%20Competitions&list=SNAPS-COMPETITIONS-L</a>

#### Free Webinar: Creative Strategies to Enhance Your Budget

- Homebase is offering a free national webinar to support the financial planning needs of CoCs and CoCfunded organizations.
- This webinar will bring together expert panelists from nonprofit and philanthropic sectors to share practical insights, case studies, and resourceful approaches to financial sustainability.
- Key Topics:
  - Creative fundraising approaches
  - Diversifying revenue streams
  - Leveraging in-kind donations
- This webinar is ideal for CoC leads, homeless service provider leadership, fiscal managers, development staff and others responsible for managing homeless system of care funding.
  - **Date:** May 8, 2025
  - **Time:** 12:00 p.m. (PT)
  - Click here to register

#### Free Webinar: Transforming Housing Access - How Providers Are Ending Youth Homelessness

- This webinar will feature youth providers from across the country that are implementing ways to get young people housed and their recommendations for fellow providers.
- Join youth providers from across the country as they share strategies for connecting young people to affordable housing and offer recommendations for fellow providers. Participants will learn why increasing housing options and supportive services for youth is essential to ending homelessness and promoting long-term well-being.

Date: May 8, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m. (PT)

Click here to register

For any questions, please contact <a href="mailto:nn4youth@nn4youth.org">nn4youth@nn4youth.org</a>

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

- Coordinated Entry System Steering Committee: Wednesday, May 7, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
  - Location: Orange County Housing Authority (OCHA), Conference Room A, 1501 E Saint Andrew Pl, Santa Ana, CA 92705
- Policies, Procedures, and Standards Committee: Tuesday, May 13, 2025, from 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.
  - Location: County Administration South (CAS), County Conference Center, 425 West Santa Ana Blvd., Room 104/106, Santa Ana, CA 92701
- Service Provider Forum: Thursday, May 15, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
  - Location: OCHA, Conference Room A, 1501 E Saint Andrew Pl, Santa Ana, CA 92705
- Domestic Violence Committee: Tuesday, May 20, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
  - Location: The Village at 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Large Community Room, 1505 17<sup>th</sup> St., Santa Ana, CA 92705
- CoC Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 28, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.
  - Location: CAS County Conference Center, 425 West Santa Ana Blvd., Room 104/106, Santa Ana, CA 92701
- **Veterans Committee:** Thursday, May 29, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
  - Location: Orange County United Way (OCUW) 18012 Mitchell S., Conference Room, Irvine, CA 92614

# Thank you for joining!

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 4, 2025, Location: CAN Multipurpose Room 103/105, 400 W. Civic Center Dr., Santa Ana, CA 92701

