



## **Housing Council *MEETING MINUTES***

February 7, 2019 | 3851 Rosecrans St. – Coronado Room | 11:30am – 1:00pm

**Attending member:** Valerie Arita (Access to Independence), Melanie Briones (CHIP), Ronda Brown (CRF), Renee Cookson (NAMI San Diego), Vianey Del Real Ochoa (MHS/SDES), Lisa Huff (Co-Chair), Liz Kruidenier (NAMI), Cory MacKinnon (RI Intl), Bernie Miles (ECS), Laura Nunn (SDHF) **Attending non-members/BHS staff:** Willy Barger (SDYS), Marty Dare (BHS), Michael Haigis (HIP), Melissa Hall (Patient Advocacy), Lana Lo (CHIP RRA), Aaron Mickaelian (Legal Aid/CCHEA), Lauren Quinlan (CSH), Melissa Roberts (HHSA), Simonne Ruff (CSH), Joel San Juan (BHAB), Angela Warneke (SDCPH)

AGENDA ITEM	SUMMARY
<b>I. Welcome and Introductions</b> <i>Adrienne Berlin &amp; Lisa Huff (co-chairs)</i> <b>11:30-11:35am</b>	Called to order at 11:33 AM by Lisa Huff.
<b>II. Review and Approval of Draft January 2019 Minutes</b> <b>11:35-11:40am</b>	January 2019 meeting minutes were approved.
<b>III. Public Input</b> <b>11:40-11:45am</b>	No public input.
<b>IV. Co-Chair Updates</b> <b>11:45-11:50am</b>	No update.
<b>V. Legal Aid Society of San Diego, Inc.</b> <i>Branden G. Butler</i> <i>Senior Attorney</i> <i>Fair Housing Center</i> <b>11:50 – 12:10pm</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by Legal Aid on Fair Housing <b>*Presentation available upon request.</b></li> <li>• Federal Law- The ability of persons of similar income levels who are seeking housing in similar housing market and who have like qualifications, to have available to them the same range of housing choices, regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status or disability.</li> <li>• Fair Housing Act of 1968- prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of “protected class status”: Race, Color, National Origin, Religion               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ In 1974, Congress amended the Act to include discrimination on the basis of sex.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• State of California Fair Housing Laws- More protected classes: Age, Ancestry, Marital status, Sexual orientation, Source of income, Arbitrary status, Gender identity, Gender expression, Genetic Information.</li> <li>• The State of California law was amended in 2000 to make significant changes to its disability laws. The definition of physical and mental disability was clarified to only require a “limitation” upon a major life activity, not a “substantial limitation” as required by federal law.</li> <li>• Reasonable Accommodation: a change in a rule, policy, practice, or service that may be necessary to allow a person with a disability the equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling.</li> <li>• Reasonable Modification: a physical change to a dwelling or common area.</li> <li>• Nexus required- There must be a connection between the disability, the requested change and the ability of the individual with disabilities to use and/or enjoy his or her housing.</li> </ul>



<p><b>VI. BHS Director's Update</b> Alfredo Aguirre &amp; Piedad Garcia <b>12:10-12:20pm</b></p>	<p>No update. <i>Alfredo Aguirre and Luke Bergmann will be at the Housing Council meeting in March.</i></p>
<p><b>VII. Membership</b> <b>12:20-12:25pm</b></p>	<p>No update.</p>
<p><b>VIII. MHSA Update</b> Marty Dare <b>12:25-12:30pm</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Human-Centered Design: Best practice model for development of MHSA Innovation proposals. BHS is developing a series of Human-Centered Design workshops in February and March. Open to the public, dates and registration are at: <a href="https://Behealth.today">https://Behealth.today</a>. The workshops are facilitated by the Social Policy Institute at SDSU: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ February 13, 2019 in Chula Vista</li> <li>➤ March 6, 2019 in Escondido</li> <li>➤ March 14, 2019 at the North Inland Live Well Center</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>IX. Stakeholder Updates</b> <b>12:30-12:45pm</b> <b>MHSA Housing Program</b> <i>Simonne Ruff</i> <b>Employment Update</b> <i>Vianey del Real Ochoa</i></p>	<p><u>MHSA Housing Program</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special Needs Housing Program (SNHP) developments: Ivy Senior Apartments, Trinity Place, Tranquility at Post 310, and Hollister Apartments. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 30-day posting has closed, and applications have gone to the State.</li> </ul> </li> <li>SNHP is being phased out as No Place Like Home (NPLH) is ramping up.</li> <li>The Beacon Apartments is a new development that will be opening this Summer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 22 units for MHSA-eligible adult clients.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Quality Inn is continuing to lease up. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Hotel conversion in Bankers Hill for adults and transitional age youth.</li> </ul> </li> <li>West Park Inn has had some delays and should be leased up by April. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Hotel conversion with strength-based case management clients.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> of February for the NPLH administrative process for the County of San Diego to receive the \$28 million.</li> </ul> <p><u>Employment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Work Well Committee meeting will <u>not</u> be held on February 12, 2019.</li> <li>Motivational Interviewing Training will be free of cost <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ February 11, 2019 from 9AM to 5PM at The San Diego Workforce Partnership at 9246 Lightwave Ave, San Diego, CA 92123.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>X. BHS Housing Council Workgroup</b> <i>Simonne Ruff (CSH)</i> <b>12:45-1:00pm</b></p> <p><b>Continued next page</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The City of San Diego- Homelessness Plan will be completed around July.</li> <li>Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) funding- Regional Task Force on the Homeless (RTFH) has the request for proposal out for \$8 million due by March 4, 2019. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Activities need to be underway by July 1, 2019.</li> <li>➤ Funds expended by 2021.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Money coming for Housing from the State: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Housing for a Healthy California</li> <li>➤ Document Recording Fee</li> </ul> </li> <li>Rent payment standards have been updated for the City and the County of San Diego. The City of San Diego payment standard did not go up as everyone was expecting them to do so.</li> <li>Vera Institute finished their work plan and have encouraged three main things for Housing Authorities to consider:</li> </ul>



- County of San Diego removing the hurdle of accessing housing vouchers if applicants have an arrest history.
- Marijuana question being removed from the application.
- 3-year criminal history check, instead of 5 years.
- In effect on June 1, 2019, Social Security recipients may receive Cal Fresh (\$130 more a month).
- Point-in-Time-Count might be lower than expected because methodology changed and that could affect NPLH funding.
- Possible properties throughout the County and funding for housing
- Innovation Housing Trust Fund application closes March 5, 2019.
  - \$25 million for affordable and supportive housing development.
- National Alliance and Homelessness Conference: Feb 20, 2019.
- Fair Housing Conference: April 4, 2019
- Housing California: April 15, 2019.
- CSH Summit: April 30- May 2, 2019.
- Housing Federation Conference: October 2019.

**NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2019**  
**11:30am–1:00pm, 3851 Rosecrans St – CORONADO ROOM C**