



## Housing Council *MEETING MINUTES*

May 3, 2018 | 3851 Rosecrans St. – Coronado Room | 11:30am – 1:00pm

**Attending members:** Valerie Arita (Access to Independence), Melanie Briones (CHIP), Renee Cookson (NAMI SD), Vianey Del Real Ochoa (MHS/SDES), Joseph Gavin (Serving Seniors), Ronda Gibbs (CRF), Lisa Huff (Community Housing Works), Izabela (Izzy) Karmach (SDCPH), Liz Kruidenier (NAMI North Coastal), Jeffrey Najarian (Recovery Innovations), Rich Penksa (MHS, Inc.), Whitney Wilson (JFS). **Attending non-members/BHS Staff:** Marty Dare (BHS-PPU), Burton Disner (NCHHP), Jason Hennick (Pathways), Jason Miller (BHS-AOA), Lauren Quinlan (CSH), Simonne Ruff (CSH), Amaris Sanchez (CSH), Lisa Thiel (NCMHC), Debbie Thiele (CSH), Raquel Vega (Access to Independence).

AGENDA ITEM	SUMMARY	ACTION
<b>I. Welcome and Introductions</b> <i>Adrienne Berlin &amp; Lisa Huff</i> (co-chairs) <b>11:30-11:35am</b>	Meeting called to order by Lisa Huff at 11:37am.	
<b>II. Review and Approval of draft April 2018 Minutes</b> <b>11:35-11:40am</b>	Minutes approved without corrections with one abstention (Renee Cookson).	
<b>III. Public Input</b> <b>11:40-11:45am</b>	Mental Health Awareness Month materials are available for attendees.	
<b>IV. Co-Chair Updates</b> <b>11:45-11:50am</b>	None.	
<b>V. MHSA Update</b> <i>Adrienne Yancey/Marty Dare</i> <b>11:50-11:55am</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is time “reload the pipeline” of Innovations proposals to be submitted to the State.</li> <li>For this round of Innovations proposals, the County requested permission from the State to use \$100K to implement a “human-centered design process,” which involves stakeholders and end users through each step of the design process. The State approved this request.</li> <li>This will be a separate process from the standard community engagement process, and will likely take place in the fall.</li> <li>The community engagement process for the entire system of care will take place in Aug/Sept.</li> </ul>	
<b>VI. Membership</b> <b>11:55-12:00pm</b>		<p><b>Action Item:</b> BHS to send list of members who have not attended recently to Lisa Huff. <b>Completed 5/11/18.</b></p> <p><b>Action Item:</b> Lisa Huff to reach out to member organizations that have not attended recently.</p>
<b>VII. Presentation</b> <b>12:00-12:30pm</b> <b>Mt. Alifan Apartments</b> Tricia Tasto Levien Supportive Housing Director Wakeland Housing and Development Corporation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wakeland is in the early stages of developing a permanent supportive housing (PSH) project called Mt. Alifan Apartments in Clairemont.</li> <li>Wakeland is partnering with PATH Ventures and PATH San Diego on the project.</li> <li>The earliest that construction would begin would be in the year 2020.</li> </ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wakeland is proposing 52 units of PSH that will be studios and 1-bedrooms.</li> <li>• The community wants to know what specific population(s) will be served, but it is too early in the planning process to know</li> <li>• The project has received significant opposition from the community, which has been covered in the news.</li> <li>• Opposition has formed a group and created a website (<a href="http://www.ClairemontCares.com">www.ClairemontCares.com</a>), which contains misinformation about supportive housing.</li> <li>• Wakeland hosted an “open house” and 200 community members showed up.</li> <li>• Council discussed fear and stigma as it relates to community opposition to PSH.</li> <li>• Wakeland is looking for service providers and affected individuals to share their stories.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>VIII. BHS Director’s Update</b> <i>Alfredo Aguirre &amp; Piedad Garcia</i> <b>12:30-12:40pm</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BHS continues to work with SDHC and HCDS on streamlining the housing application process.</li> <li>• BHS also continues to pursue the development of a landlord/unit pool to expedite housing placement.</li> <li>• ACT re-procurements: BHS is working with SDHC to ensure clients will continue to be housed if contracts are awarded to non-incumbents.</li> <li>• HCDS budget shortfall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ HCDS is suspending tenant-based Section 8 vouchers due to budget shortfall.</li> <li>○ HCDS will be sending written notification to providers.</li> <li>○ BHS/HHSA considering alternate ways to fund housing for clients in affected programs.</li> <li>○ Piedad recommends that providers speak to their CORs re: alternate options.</li> <li>○ HCDS also looking at whether clients qualify for other housing resources (e.g., VASH).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>IX. Stakeholder Updates</b> <b>12:40-12:50pm</b> <b>MHSA Housing Program</b> <i>Simonne Ruff</i> <b>Employment Update</b> <i>Vianey del Ochoa</i></p>	<p><u>MHSA Housing Program</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two hotel conversions in Bankers Hill (totaling 137 units, 48 for MHSA clients) will allow clients to move in starting in June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Quality Inn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Supportive services from Pathways Catalyst (TAY) and CRF Downtown IMPACT (adults)</li> <li>▪ 30-day posting will go live tomorrow</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ West Park Inn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Supportive services from County Case Management</li> <li>▪ 19 clients have already been matched (CES)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• Developments will also house clients from the VA, Serving Seniors, and PACE.</li> <li>• CSH just completed focus groups with clients who</li> </ul>	



	<p>are housed through the MHSA Housing Program, and feedback was very positive. CSH will provide summary notes at a future meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CSH is soliciting feedback of client success stories from service providers.</li> </ul> <p><u>Employment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individual Placement and Support (IPS) Advisory Meeting held on 4/27.</li> <li>• Employment Specialist (ES) Meeting will be held on 5/4. Topics to be discussed include: Description of active/inactive job seeker, ES caseloads, IPS fidelity scale, and IPS tracking tools.</li> <li>• IPS All-Staff Training will be held on 6/8 from 10-12 at the San Diego Foundation.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>X. BHS Housing Council Workgroup</b> <i>Simonne Ruff (CSH)</i> <b>12:50-1:00pm</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing Council co-chairs are in the process of signing letters that will go out to the 6 public housing authorities to thank them for support of supportive housing (for example, through landlord incentives), advocate for higher rent payment standards, and advocate for a landlord/unit pool.</li> <li>• NPLH update: NPLH court case continues. There is activity in the State Senate to put NPLH on the ballot in the fall to avoid the court validation process.</li> <li>• Jeff, Renee, Lauren, and Valerie will be talking about tenant supports and transitions, as well as clients maintaining boundaries.</li> <li>• SDCAA Expo was in April and FSPs staffed a table to provide info on supportive housing.</li> <li>• Lisa Huff to lead Workgroup meeting in June (during CSH Summit).</li> </ul>	

**NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, June 7, 2018  
11:30am–1:00pm, 3851 Rosecrans St – CORONADO ROOM C**