1. Meeting called to order via Zoom at 9:31 by Chair, Anahid Brakke.

2. Authorization of Teleconferencing Meeting Option Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e), was approved with all Board Members present voting yes.

3. The May 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes were approved, with all Board Members present voting yes.
4. Public Comments:
   - Amanda Berry of District 3: Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer’s office shared the upcoming the County of San Diego Budget Hearings for FY 22/23 and public participation opportunities, as well as the timeline to when the budget voting and when it will take effect.

5. Information Item: Update on Local Response to COVID19 Emergency for all Public Assistance Programs, Waivers, Enrollment, Service Delivery, Data: Assmaa Elayyat, Chief, Self-Sufficiency Services, Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). Ms. Elayyat provided updates on CalFresh, Medi-Cal, CalWORKs and General Relief flexibilities, waiver expirations and extensions and the recently budgeted CFAP program expansion.

6. Discussion Item: Baby Formula Shortage: All SSAB Members. Dr. Kelly Motadel of the County of San Diego’s Medical Care Services Department shared a California Health Alert Network (CAHAN) Memo on the nationwide shortage of infant formulas and its increased risk for inadequate nutrition in infants. This information included the situation/background of the shortage, requested actions of provider and resources for families.

7. Information Item: National Refugee Month: Albert Garcia, Chief, Self-Sufficiency Services, Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). Ralph Enriquez, Director, Refugee and Immigrant Services, Catholic Charities Diocese of San Diego and Dennis Crosby, Program Manager, Afghan Support Investment Program (ASIP), Catholic Charities Diocese of San Diego. Mr. Ismael Lopez shared the County’s opportunity to provide support for the Afghan Evacuees, seeing a total of over 600 individuals over the 2-week event in May. Mr. Dennis Crosby shared the background of the Afghan Support and Investment Project (ASIP) and their main function of providing eligible clients with funding housing assistance for Afghan families transitioning to the United States. Mr. Enriquez shared the San Diego Newcomers Project (SDNP) and the services provided to promote economic and social self-sufficiency among refugees and asylees.

8. Presentation Item: First Quarterly Report on Plan to Implement SSAB Eligibility Task Force (ETF) Recommendations: Dr. Alberto Banuelos, Assistant Director, Self-Sufficiency Services, Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) and Assmaa Elayyat, Chief, Self-Sufficiency Services, Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). Dr. Banuelos and Ms. Elayyat presented the Board Letter draft memo that will be shared with the Board of Supervisors on June 15, 2022 where the department is highlighting a very high-level implementation plan with projected implementation dates, following the initial Board Letter presented on March 15, 2022. The SSAB requested detailed information on the high-level implementation plans, with Self-Sufficiency Services agreeing to return with more information as requested in their Board Letter. The SSAB also requested to discuss metrics to be tracked. For example, for under reasons for denial due to failure to provide, that Self-Sufficiency Services to explore the possibility to look at the denial rate by race and ethnicity.

**ADJOURNMENT/SET NEXT MEETING:**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m. Next regular meeting will be held on July 13, 2022.