



San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership

Mountain Regional Steering Committee

Monday, June 1, 2020 • 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Via Zoom Teleconference

pursuant to the provisions of Governor Newsom's executive order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, which suspends certain requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act in response to the COVID-19 emergency

Teleconference info: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/438823325>

Dial-in Info: (669) 900-6833 • Meeting ID: 438 823 325

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AGENDA

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER
A. Call to Order (3 minutes) B. Welcome and Introductions (10 minutes)	Wendell Wilson / Richard Arnold
CONSENT	PRESENTER
C. Approve the minutes from the May 4, 2020 Mountain Regional Steering Committee meeting	Wendell Wilson
DISCUSSION	
D. Review of state/county/City of Big Bear Lake efforts E. Additional discussion of priorities pursuant to COVID	Wendell Wilson
ACTION ITEMS	
None	Committee Members
CLOSING	
F. Public Comment (3 mins) (Please EMAIL to PaulF@MtnHomeless.com , labelled MRSC PUBLIC COMMENT) G. Adjournment	
Next Meeting: Mountain Regional Steering Committee will next meet on: Monday, July 6, 2020 Via Zoom Teleconference https://us04web.zoom.us/j/438823325 Dial-in (669) 900-6833 • Meeting ID 438 823 325 Immediately following Mountain HPN Meeting 12 noon to 1:30pm (same teleconference info)	

Mission Statement

The Mission of the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership is to provide a system of care that is inclusive, well planned, coordinated and evaluated and is accessible to all who are homeless and those at-risk of becoming homeless. THE SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY HOMELESS PARTNERSHIP MEETING FACILITY IS ACCESSIBLE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. IF ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES OR OTHER AUXILIARY AIDS OR SERVICES ARE NEEDED IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PUBLIC MEETING, REQUESTS SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH THE OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES AT LEAST THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE PARTNERSHIP MEETING. THE OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES TELEPHONE NUMBER IS (909) 386-8297 AND THE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT 303 E. VANDERBILT WAY SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415. <http://www.sbcounty.gov/sbchp/>

AGENDA AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION CAN BE OBTAINED AT 303 E VANDERBILT WAY, SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415 OR BY EMAIL: HOMELESSRFP@HSS.SBCOUNTY.GOV.

Minutes for San Bernardino County Office of Homeless Services Mountain Regional Steering Committee (MRSC) Meeting

Date May 4, 2020
Time: 1:30pm – 3:30pm
Location: Zoom Meeting #: 438 823 325

Minutes Recorded and transcribed by: Paul Fournier, Secretary, MRSC

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
Call to Order Welcome and Introductions	Wendell Wilson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. by Wendell Wilson. ▪ This meeting was conducted via teleconference pursuant to the provisions of Governor Newsom’s executive order N-29-20 dated march 17, 2020, which suspends certain requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act in response to the COVID-19 emergency. ▪ Attendees were welcomed and roll call of members was taken <p>Attendance (QUORUM PRESENT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Voting Members present: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Harris – City of Big Bear Lake • Carol Kinzel – Rim Communities Resource Network • Aaron Scullin – Rim Family Services • Quinton Page - DOVES • Paul Fournier – Mountain Help • Wendell Wilson – Mountain Homeless Coalition • Shonda Szabo – Bear Valley Unified School District • Tristin Alfred – DBH HOST Team ▪ Voting Members absent: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Arnold – City Rep • Jamalia Torbett – Mountains Community Hospital
CONSENT ITEMS		
Approval of April 6, 2020 minutes		Motion to approve by John Harris. Second by Aaron Scullin. Approved.
Nomination of Michael Beavers, Mountain Counseling & Training, Inc., as voting		Wendell Wilson moved that Michael Beavers, LMFT, CEO of Mountain Counseling & Training, Inc., be accepted as a voting member of the steering committee. Second by Paul Fournier

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member		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If motion is successful, Mr. Beavers will not become a voting member until there is another government-based member added to the board. ○ Mr. Beavers shared his qualifications: He has lived on the mountain for 30 year, CEO of Mountain Counseling & Training for 8 years, which currently does about \$1.5 million in revenues, primarily from DBH children’s contracts. He is a member of the board of the Inland Empire Community Collaborative, which specializes in nonprofit capacity building, and is the president elect of ACBO, the Association of Community-Based Organizations, which consists of DBH contractors. <p>Motion was carried successfully.</p>
DISCUSSION ITEMS		
Review of recent county developments	Wendell Wilson, Co-Chair	<p>COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Roomkey – Governor’s response • Statewide 1600 rooms, a hospital, etc. • Rented the Sure Stay Hotel on Hospitality Lane – 42 registered. Had to be relocated. • Still looking for other options, including the mountains. • DBH doing daily checks. Meals being provided. • Effect on steering committee – delay of vote and funding regarding priorities.
	Paul Fournier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mountain Homeless Coalition has had a definite uptick in calls • Have been speaking to hotels. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motel 6 declined. ○ Have had conversations with one hotel in Big Bear, one on the west side, regarding housing older and medically fragile homeless clients. • Businesses in the distribution chain are crying for employees. Amazon, Instacart, Doordash, Stater Brothers, drug stores. Some clients are earning decent money right now. • Links on www.MountainHomelessCoalition.com to mass hiring, virtual jobs, etc. • Dept. of Aging and Adult Services published a number recently to call if they are in crisis. • 24/7 online AA meeting available – great environment.
	Quinton Page	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trying to stay as close to business as usual during COVID. Office is primarily closed to the public, but everyone still coming in. • Legal services and therapy department still working – videoconferencing when it is an option. • Biggest shift – cannot operate their thrift store. Selling some items online, but it has affected their budget.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rotary has been donating lots of masks and gloves • Their rural clinic is offering COVID testing 4 days per week
	(Mountains Community Hospital)	
	John Harris – Big Bear Lake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reopening task force has been authorized. • Loosening of restrictions as early as this weekend • Trying to play by the rules • Caution about opening too early • Some businesses have hired a lawyer.
	Carol Kinzel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crestline senior lunches Tue, Thu, Fri – at Leisure Shores • Hearts and Lives needs assistance – clients are primarily children, but the parents and the caregivers actually need the help <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Have depleted all resources • Thursday, 5/7 – DBH meetings
	Kent Paxton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public health department having a hard time getting masks, sanitizers, gloves.
	Aaron Scullin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office closed to the public. Using telehealth/Zoom. • People anxious to get out. Lots of fear/anxiety. • Running at about 80% of capacity. • Some clients don't have the technology.
	Shonda Szabo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distance learning being employed • Providing lunch for all kids zero to 18, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BB High School, North Shore Elem, BB Elem ○ \$2,700 in gift cards received, giving out mostly to McKinney Vento families. • Lending out hotspots, chromebooks to families lacking technology. • Principals handling these issues.
	HOST – Tristin Alfred	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doing project roomkey, also Glen Helen • Delivering food every 2 weeks to consumers in DBH Programs.qq
	Bill Treadwell – COAD/VOAD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with EOC Food distribution • Working with Catholic Diocese <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No urgency on food right now.
	Marisela Manzo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bigger need for food than homelessness • Standby for ESG and CDBG funds • More funding for recovery and prevention services coming • COVID <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Another motel online soon – located in SBD ○ 65+, severe health problems

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	Michael Beavers – Mountain Counseling & Training.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can serve any kids served by Medi-Cal – with mental health needs. • Telehealth, some home visits (carefully) • PPP – Payroll protection plan – lending group did their application, just received funding. Recommends them.
	Tori Dang - InnRoads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food insecurity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ No-contact food drops • COVID testing • Food Insecurity Strike Team
BOARD COMMENT		
	Paul Fournier – Mountain Homeless Coalition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large uptick in calls from people concerned about potential eviction due to impaired income due to COVID. Expect the situation to get worse. • Housing about 9 household units in hotels. • Initial order from county did not make a provision to allow hotels to house the homeless. A March 27 revision from the County Public Health Officer remedied that omission. Hotels and AirBnBs generally prohibited from taking in new guests, other than essential personnel. • As a mountain community or communities, where will we be putting homeless individuals affected by COVID-19. • State issued a flowchart on how to prioritize COVID cases <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ We need to understand the issues, and how to take care of it ◦ Mountains more likely to be hit by the economic effects of COVID than the healthcare effects of it. ◦ There is a DELAY on evictions by order (approx.. March 17-19) from the Governor's office, but no relief from ultimate responsibility to pay rent, and everything must be done in writing. No real protections, but some legal opinions
	Marisela Manzo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ESG – increasing income limits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Previously 30% of ◦ Increased to 50% ◦ Should be available with HHAP. Not in yet.
DISCUSSION OF MOUNTAIN HOMELESS PRIORITIES		
	Kent Paxton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rapid rehousing • 25% increase in unsheltered numbers year over year • Prevention side

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	Wendell Wilson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preference for elderly, • Preference for families with Children
	Marisela Manzo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rapid Rehousing • Prevention • Flexibility
	Carol Kinzel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevent from slipping into homelessness • Training, education, support
	Paul Fournier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convince county agencies, such as workforce development, to make it easier for mountain residents to keep appointments, with accommodations such as telecommunication suites in remote/rural (or all) communities. • Or provide an office for multiple agencies to come to on a rotating basis.
	Kent Paxton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regarding services to remote areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Used to come to Bear monthly (1990s) ○ Use unemployment, poverty data to make your case. ○ Used to be a TAD office in Big Bear. • Good topic to bring up with CaSonya Thomas, Janice Rutherford, Dawn Rowe
	Carol Kinzel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training, education. • Open to arranging a presentation regarding remote services to DBH
	Shonda Szabo/ Bonnie Shaffer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With the Zoom-type technologies we have been using during the COVID crisis, could solve some long-felt needs
Adjournment	Wendell Wilson	Meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM
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Attendees:

First	Last Name	Organization	Email Address	Best Phone
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