

September 5, 2023 ~ Meeting Summary

I. Welcome and Introductions

LEC Members:

- Antonio Pizano, Co-Chair
- Elizabeth (Ely) Muniz Palomera, Co-Chair
- Joey Carrizales
- Reggie Sironen
- Sally Griffieth

II. Introductions / Icebreaker

- Icebreaker Question – What is your favorite Fall activity?
- Review Meeting Group Agreements
 - Respect one another.
 - Be present during meetings – please mute cell phones and other distractions.
 - Speak one at a time.
 - There are no right or wrong answers or questions.
 - All thoughts and ideas are valued.
 - It is ok to have different opinions. We agree to disagree.
 - Please be respectful of time when speaking.
 - What is said here stays here; Stories stay – lessons leave.
- LEC Background
 - Elizabeth Muniz Palomera, Antonio Pizano, and Reggie Sironen share some historical and current events the LEC has engaged in and the purpose of the Committee.

III. LEC OUTREACH/STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY

- LEC Recruitment/New Applicants:
 - There were no new applicants present at the meeting.
- Co-Chair Candidates
 - Joey Carrizales was elected as the Co-Chair for the Committee and as the CoC Co-Chair Representative.

IV. ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT PLANNING

- HUD NOFO
 - Elizabeth Muniz-Palomera stated that the co-chairs had reviewed and signed the HUD CoC NOFO Letter of Support.
 - Questions about lived experience – this portion was removed from the agenda.
- ESG Balance of State NOFA – Review and Rank Panel Volunteer

- Reneé Parham reviewed the Emergency Solutions Grant Balance of State Notice of Funding Availability for 2023 and informed the group of the requirement of someone with lived experience of homelessness on the Review and Rank Panel. Discussion was had to identify an individual to be part of the panel.
- Medi-Cal Determination Presentation
 - Riley Meve shared a presentation regarding Medi-Cal redetermination that was taking place after being on hold for 3 years, and the impact this would have on those who are unable to receive mail, as this is the primary means of redetermination. Riley shared contact information and asked for proactive participation in helping those in the community.
- Identify dates for Training subcommittee
 - This portion was saved for a future meeting.
- Discuss providing training to Police Departments *2024 PIT Count
 - Conversation ensued regarding best ways to support local departments/organizations in knowing how to approach and deal with the homeless in the local community, such as motivational interviewing, trauma informed care, etc. especially in light of the upcoming 2024 Point In Time Count where communication will be key to obtaining data to help the community. Elizabeth Muniz-Palomera took down some notes to come back at a later date for further brainstorming.
- Dignity Day – September 9, 2023 10am – 2 pm
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V. LOGISTICS AND NEXT STEPS

- Next Closed Meeting: Tuesday, October 3, 2023, 1 pm – 3 pm
- Next Open Meeting: Tuesday, December 5, 2023, 1 pm – 3 pm

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.