



MHSA-SG MEETING

ALAMEDA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE
SERVICES, MHSA DIVISION

4TH FRIDAYS EVERY MONTH, 2-4PM

FACILITATOR/COORDINATOR:

MARIANA DAILEY MPH, MCHES

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COMMUNITY AGREEMENTS/DTA

Atmosphere?

The feeling we want to create

Thrive?

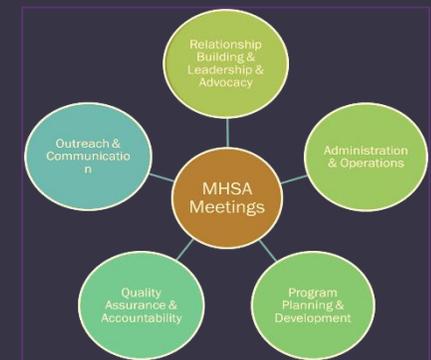
What we need to do our best work

Deal with Conflict?

How we'd like to handle difficulties/conflicts

MEETING OBJECTIVES

- Welcome & Introductions
- Housing & Homeless Presentation
- Administrative Updates & Announcements
- Wrap-Up/ Summary



HOUSING & HOMELESS SERVICES

Robert Ratner, Director

PRESENTATION AGENDA

- Homeless & Housing Reorganization
- Continuum of homeless services
- State funding decisions related to the \$550M towards license board and care
- Land trust
- How can the MHSA-SG be involved
- MHSA-SG Questions
- MHSA website update (Mariana)

REORGANIZATION

- December 2019 - Alameda County Board of Supervisors authorized the creation of a Office of Homeless Care and Coordination (OHCC) within the Health Care Services Agency that includes Behavioral Health
- Goal = Centralize efforts in building a robust, integrated, and coordinated system for housing and homelessness services and to strengthen coordination with other County agencies and departments, cities, community-based organizations, and other external partners
- New office will bring together efforts in Health Care – the [Behavioral Health Housing Solutions for Health Work](#) and [Alameda County Health Care for the Homeless](#)
- New office will also be responsible for managing “coordinated entry” – a federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) term that refers to standardizing assessment, prioritization, and matching to resources in the housing support system
- New office will be supported by MHSA and other funding including potential local sales tax revenue (Nov. 2020 ballot)

CONTINUUM OF HOMELESS SERVICES

- ❖ Policy, Planning, Education and Advocacy, e.g., [Independent Living Association](#)
- ❖ Cross-System Coordination and Collaboration
- ❖ Workforce development, training and education
- ❖ Street health/psychiatry outreach + links with integrated primary care
- ❖ Housing Problem Solving/Service Access Points
- ❖ Emergency/crisis housing including COVID-19 non-congregate shelter
- ❖ Housing navigation/care management services
- ❖ Permanent Housing – rapid re-housing, targeted affordable, shallow subsidy
- ❖ Permanent Supportive Housing
 - Supportive housing community land alliance/land trust
 - Buildings and scattered site housing subsidies
 - Licensed board and care subsidies

FUNDING

- Licensed board and care homes – rates not keeping up with costs of doing business; significant economic and operational stressors on operators due to COVID-19
- Advocacy groups lobbied for \$500-\$550M dollars to help increase rates in homes to prevent further closures
- No formal state action taken to date on licensed board and care issue
- Looming housing financial crisis for renters and some property owners due to eviction moratorium
- One-time state funding to address homelessness – Project Homekey, CARES Act, HHAP, and others

LAND TRUST

- ❖ MHSI Innovation Project in Alameda County (funding to support start-up of new entity)
- ❖ Form a new non-profit focused on preserving and creating supportive housing for individuals with serious mental health issues
- ❖ Northern California Community Land Trust selected as an incubation and support agency
- ❖ FUSE Fellow – to work for one –year with ACBH to help get organization started
- ❖ Starting conversation to explore acquisition of a licensed board and care for sale
- ❖ Board of Directors formation – looking for family and consumer representation
- ❖ Stakeholder/focus groups part of organization formation
- ❖ Innovations – ownership models, mixed use properties, nonprofit ownership of licensed care homes, specialized property management

MHSA WEBSITE: HOUSING RESOURCES

Housing Solutions for Health Office

Housing Resources

Community Services & Supports Prevention & Early Intervention Workforce Education & Training Innovation & Community Learning Capital Facilities & Technology

Housing Resources

- › Affordable and Specialized Housing Search Websites
- › Living with Others Resources
- › Re-Entry Housing Resources
- › Temporary Housing Resources
- › Domestic Violence Shelters and Services
- › Housing-Related Time-Limited Financial Assistance
- › Housing-Related Legal Assistance
- › Housing Education and Counseling

Affordable and Specialized Housing Search Websites

- www.achousingchoices.org – this site contains links to other housing search websites; can be accessed by calling 2-1-1 or (888) 886-9660
- housing.alc.gov – new, developing website for learning about and applying for affordable housing in Alameda County
- housing.sfgov.org – San Francisco portal for applying for affordable housing; working toward a bay area wide version of this; Alameda County will have its own version
- www.calqualitycare.org – for skilled nursing and residential care facilities with some reviews
- www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/Community-Care-Licensing/Facility-Search-Welcome – California Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing Division for finding licensed residential care facilities
- www.alamedacountyia.org – Independent living homes (shared living) for seniors and people with disabilities; site contains a listing of membership homes that agree to meet certain quality operational standards
- ebho.org/resources/looking-for-housing – East Bay Housing Organizations (EBHO) is a consortium of affordable housing developers in the East Bay. Site provides useful tips and links to developer websites where those searching can sign-up for announcements about opportunities to apply.

Living with Others Resources

- www.fremont.gov/2375/Home-Sharing-Program – City of Fremont-sponsored Home Sharing Program covers Fremont, Newark, and Union City
- www.miraclemessages.org – program to help homeless individuals reconnect with lost loved ones
- www.roommates.com – service for individuals looking for roommates
- www.silvernest.com – Home Sharing service and matching online

Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)
Alameda County Behavioral Health

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alameda county behavioral health
MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES

Community Services & Supports Prevention & Early Intervention Workforce Education & Training Innovation & Community Learning Capital Facilities & Technology

Housing Solutions for Health Office

Home / Housing Solutions for Health Office



Overview

What is the Housing Solutions for Health Office?

The **Housing Solutions for Health Office** is a Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)-supported unit of the Alameda County Health Care Services Agency focused on ensuring people living with a serious behavioral health condition have a place to call home.

The Office currently supports the following efforts:

- ★ Creating new and supporting existing permanent supportive housing and licensed board and care opportunities for people living with a serious mental illness that are homeless or at-risk of homelessness;
- ★ Funding and coordinating supportive services for homeless individuals with serious mental illness

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

- ❑ MHSa Three-Year Plan Public Hearing
- ❑ MHSa Legislative Update: SB803
- ❑ New member application: Cicely Winston
 - ❑ Contestation: Kimberly Graves
- ❑ County Announcements
- ❑ MHSa-SG Announcements (1 minute)

THANK YOU

Next Meeting:

PEI & Family Empowerment PRESENTATION

October 23, 2020

2:00 pm– 4:00 pm

Location (Virtual)

** Stipends: Follow-up with Nellie Bagalso**