



NorCal CoC PIT Committee Special Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

2:30 to 4:30 pm Via Teleconference

1. Call to Order and Roll Call (Quorum Established)

Meeting was called to order at 2:31 pm by Duane Kegg, Committee Chair.

Quorum was established.

Members on the phone: Duane Kegg (Siskiyou), Jennie Neal (Shasta), Misty Malloroy (Del Norte), Jessica Stading (Lassen Alternate), and Cathy Rahmeyer (Plumas)

Lead Agency: Medea Henderson

Other Attendees: Jessica King (Del Norte Alternate), Dawn Pittore, Lourdes Manzo (Shasta Alternates), Kristen Quade (Plumas Alternate), and Joanne Delgado (Field Representative for Senator Diane Feinstein's Office).

2. Approval of Minutes for October 13, 2020 meeting.

Motion to Approve: Jennie Neal

Seconded: Grace Poor

Roll Call vote was taken. All approved, none opposed.

3. Public Comment Period: None

4. HMIS Lead Agency Updates

a) Ms. Henderson provided updates regarding HUD Guidance for Unsheltered Count and HUD Office Hours Meeting. A summary was provided to the Committee on options that HUD provided and guidance's. The Point in Time Sheltered Count would proceed as normal. If the CoC decided to proceed as normal with the unsheltered count, then no exceptions or additional modifications would be needed to the proposed NorCal CoC PIT Methodology and Survey Questions. The NorCal Executive Board wanted this Committee to review and discuss the HUD guidance and make a recommendation if the CoC would seek an exception to the unsheltered count. The following exceptions were presented and discussed:

i) Ask to not complete the unsheltered at all.

- ii) Complete an observational, head count only. Per HUD guidance, this type of count should be completed within 1 to 2-day period.
- iii) Complete a brief survey of fewer questions that are typically required by HUD with the possibility of extending the amount of time to collect surveys up to 14 days.
- iv) Briefly described a survey by Sampling which appears to be more appropriate for metropolitan areas.
- v) Briefly described doing a count by other data sources like HMIS. HUD recommended that if this type of data was to be used that the CoC would have to be prepared to present data to show the reliability of the data.

After a discussion of the pros and cons to each, an opinion was expressed by some that they were concerned that if our PIT count was not done with a survey, the count numbers would be significantly impacted which in turn would impact funding over the next 2 years. It was requested the Ms. Henderson seek clarification that if we did not complete the count, that the 2019 or the 2020 PIT count numbers would be used for future NOFA's. It was discussed that if during the planning of the count, if capacity of conducting the unsheltered count was negatively impacted, that this Committee would support a brief survey. Since will allow for an exception up to mid-January, the Committee decided to wait until January to exercise the decision to request an exception, if it is warranted.

5. New Business – Action Items

a) 2021 PIT Methodology

Cathy Rahmeyer made a motion to continue with the existing proposed 2021 PIT Methodology, seconded by Jennie Neal. Roll call vote was taken, all approved none opposed.

b) 2021 PIT Survey

Cathy Rahmeyer made a motion to continue with the existing planned 2021 PIT Survey, seconded by Jennie Neal. Roll call vote was taken, all approved none opposed.

6. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Continued discussion on the planning of the PIT Unsheltered count.

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:42 pm by motion made by Misty Malloroy, seconded by Cathy Rahmeyer. Roll Call vote was taken, all approved none opposed.