

**South Bay Coalition to End Homelessness General Meeting &  
Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority's (LAHSA) Quarterly Community Meeting Minutes**

Host: Torrance Memorial Medical Center

Health Conference Center Room 1, 3330 Lomita Blvd, Torrance, CA

Wednesday, August 22, 2018 ~ 9:30 am – 12:00 pm

**Attendees:** Guest Speakers: Ronson Chu (Homeful LA); LAHSA: Saba Tekle, Jose Delgado, Alison Korte, Jonathan Hans, Saira Cooper, Tim Kirkconnell, Daniella Alcedo, Alison Korte, Dalma Diaz. Members: Co-Chair Nancy Wilcox (St. Peter's by the Sea), Sharon Novalez (Office of Samoan Affairs), Roslyn Fanello (League of Women Voters), Shari Weaver (Harbor Interfaith), Rose Ibanez (HCID-LA), Ken Deemer (MB Rotary), Elizabeth Eastlund (Rainbow Services), Courtney Reed (PATH), Antonio Tate (PATH), Ed Gonzales (1736 FCC), Janet Kelly (Sanctuary of Hope), Cinder Eller (Inglewood PD), Jessica Flores (1736 FCC), Sid Wilson (Walteria UMC), Grace Farwell (SBCCOG), Barbara Berry (PATH), Darryl Gardner (ACOF), Zhenia McCollum (DMH), Tom Hoffarth (Am Martyrs), Alejandra Sanchez (Rainbow Services), Kelli Michaeau (HIS), Tyquaise Monette (PATH), Michelle Kotval (Community Legal Services), Veronica Aguilar (DMH), Vikki Westerskov (SoCal ROC), Nicole Powell (Supervisor Ridley-Thomas), Chuck Scarpaci (Community Member), Maria Walton (Alliance for Housing & Healing), Gabriel De La Mora (AHH), Edith Vega (LA Mayor Garcetti), Lori Jones (City of Inglewood), Michael Brooks (United Friends of the Children), Carmen Pinela (PATH), Javier Belran (LAFLA), Ronson Chu (Homeful LA), Dolly Kase (1736 FCC), Mary Agnes Erlandson (St. Marg's), Keith Bennett (City of Carson), Haley Fuseher (PATH), Nina Dooley (LINC Housing), Alecea Bakoh (Downtown Women's Center), Mychel Castillo (Exodus Recovery).

1. **Welcome & Introductions.** SBCEH co-chair Nancy Wilcox opened the meeting at 9:42 a.m. Attendees introduced themselves.
2. **Meeting Minutes Review.** The July 2018 meeting minutes were approved without change.
3. **Advocacy Report Back.** Paul Stansbury, chair of our Advocacy Committee, (1) gave background on Proposition 1 and 2 that will provide funding for supportive housing. Nancy publicly endorsed both on behalf of SBCEH. (2) The state bill allowing services to be provided without participant consent is felt to be too vague in its key definition of "gravely disabled." An LA County pilot will be held.
4. **Homeful.LA Presentation.** Ronson Chu explained Homeful.LA is an opportunity for organizations to promote the need for volunteers. Its upcoming "Weekend to End Homelessness" event, being held October 19-21, will provide opportunities countywide for the general public to tour service provider agencies and supportive housing, and to participate in donation drives. There are "anchor events" being held in SPA 4 and Supervisor Solis' district so far in the planning. Homeful.LA is an Inner City Law initiative and is partnered with LAHSA and United Way's Everyone In campaign.
5. **Co-Chair's Report.** Nancy asked if people wanted the SBCEH "pocket (resource) guides" updated. There was a general feeling this would be helpful. She is also starting assisting the South Bay Cities Council of Governments on its regional homelessness planning, which will be developed with Measure H funds next year.
6. **Member Agency Announcements.** The following announcements were made:
  - Mychael Castillo is moving to Central California. He thanked everyone for their collaboration and will let us know who his Exodus Recovery replacement will be.
  - Tyquaise Monette is SPA 8's new "housing locator" working for PATH under its countywide contract to help identify new landlords. A new app has been developed that will disseminate this information.
7. **Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) Quarterly Community Meeting.** Sabe Tekle welcomed everyone and introduced the LAHSA team members in attendance. (The notes below are supplemental to

the information provided in LAHSA's attached briefing. The City/Community Level Homeless Count Data Navigation section was not discussed due to limited time. The Policy & Legislative Affairs Updates handout was not briefed.)

- a. Measure H Updates. Jose Delgado reviewed the expenditure history beginning with the 2015 summit public meetings that allocated the \$365 Million to 21 homeless initiative strategies for the first three years (FY 2017-FY2019). He emphasized the \$89 Million revenue shortfall expected to appear in Measure H's Year 3.
- b. State Homeless Emergency Assistance Program (HEAP). He continued by explaining HEAP was a way to fill this funding gap. In order to secure these state funds, cities must declare a "shelter crisis." Because the 5% admin cost cap is low, the Board of Supervisors are open to using Measure H funds to supplement this. Persons with lived experience were also asked for feedback on how these funds could be used. Questions were raised about: (1) the LAHSA proposed uses because this is one-time funding, especially for long term uses like new access sites; (2) the HEAP Bridge Home allocation was funding in addition to what Mayor Garcetti has already allocated; (3) HEAP funds will be distributed through LAHSA, both through existing contracts and via RFPs; (4) that LAHSA consider using this funding to pilot initiatives.

Alison Korte quickly reviewed the LAHSA proposed uses for HEAP. Flipcharts for each strategy were preplaced around the room, and she invited everyone to put their comments on them.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 am

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Wilcox.