COMMISSION TO END HOMELESSNESS MEETING

Friday, January 27 2012 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Orange County Rescue Mission
Village of Hope
One Hope Drive, Tustin, CA 92782

MINUTES

Board Member Names and Affiliations

John M.W. Moorlach, Board of Supervisors, Chair

Allan Roeder, City Manager's Association
Tom Burnham, Orange County Business Council
Jim Palmer, H&CD Commission
Don Hansen, OC League of Cities
Larry Haynes, HomeAid Orange County
Kim Goll, OC Funder's Roundtable
Paul Walters, Police Chiefs/Sheriff's Association
Carolyn McInerney, County Executive Office
Bob Dunek, City Manager's Association
Bill Ford, Orange County Business Council
Scott Larson, H&CD Commission
Kathryn McCullough, OC League of Cities
Barbara Jennings, HomeAid Orange County
Sister Regina Fox, OC Funder's Roundtable
Wolfgang Knabe, OC Fire Chiefs Association
Mark Refowitz, Health Care Agency Behavioral Health

The Commission to End Homelessness welcomes you to this meeting. This agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The Commission encourages your participation. If you wish to speak on an item contained in the agenda, please complete a Speaker Form identifying the item(s) and deposit it in the Speaker Form Return box located on the side of the podium. If you wish to speak on a matter which does not appear on the agenda, you may do so during the Public Comment period at the close of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing in the agenda. When addressing the Commission, please state your name for the record. Please address the Commission as a whole through the Chair. Comments to individual Commissioners or staff are not permitted. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. Power Point and video presentations must be requested prior to start of meeting.

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: John M.W. Moorlach

Chair Moorlach called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Allan Roeder

Allan Roeder led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION: Allan Roeder

The invocation was provided by Allan Roeder.

ROLL CALL: Steve Kight

Present: Chair John M. W. Moorlach, Bob Dunek, Bill Ford, Sister Regina Fox, Kim Goll, Larry Haynes, Barbara Jennings, Scott Larson, Kathryn McCullough, Carolyn McInerney, Jim Palmer, Mark Refowitz, Allan Roeder, Paul Walters, Steve Kight

Absent: Tom Burnham, Don Hansen, Wolfgang Kanabe,

PRESENTATIONS: HEARTH Act Clinic – National Alliance to End Homelessness Presentation

Steve Kight and Katharine Gale did a presentation of the HEARTH Act Clinic that was held on January 25 & 26. It was a success and many speakers attested to that. Follow up meetings with stakeholders will be scheduled.

CONSENT CALENDAR:
All matters are approved by one motion unless pulled by a Commissioner for discussion or separate action. At this time, any member of the public may ask the Commission to be heard on the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. **Approve November 18, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes**

Chair Moorlach asked for a motion to approve the consent items. P. Walters made a motion; it was seconded by A. Roeder.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR:

2. **Update on Implementing Groups – Group Chairs or Designees:**

A. Larry Haynes, Implementing Group #1 (Outreach to Homeless/At-Risk of Homelessness)

Nothing to report at this time

B. Scott Larson, Implementing Group #2 (Improve Emergency Shelter/Transitional Housing)

Scott stated that they were working on the inventory count. The next step is to gather data from cities.

C. Allan Roeder, Implementing Group #3 (Permanent Housing/Resources to Remain Housed)

Allan feels that the Implementing Groups need to spend more time together to define responsibilities because the groups have responsibilities that overlap. . An SB2 Planning Director Meeting is scheduled on 1/27/11 in Huntington Beach.

D. Jim Palmer, Implementing Group #4 (Data/Community Support/Social Policy/Systemic Change)

Jim reported that OC Partnership and the review committee are working with finalists for HMIS services; also he would like to thank Sister Regina for sponsoring the HEARTH Act Clinic and Kim Goll for her assistance.

3. **Laura's Law Discussion**

A. Provide policy recommendation to the Board of Supervisors on the Health Care Agency "Discussion and Analysis of Assembly Bill 1421 – Laura's Law"

Mark Refowitz completed his presentation on Laura's Law.

Laura's Law expires on 12/31/12.

Chair Moorlach continued the item to the next meeting – March 23, 2012 – to allow additional time to weigh the costs and benefits of Laura's Law.

4. **OC Community Services Updates – Karen Roper**

A. Update on Board of Supervisors' January 24, 2012 Ten-Year Plan agenda item

Final Ten Year Plan was approved by the Board of Supervisors on January 24, 2012.

B. OC Housing Authority Waiting List

The waiting list is opening. OCHA will be accepting applications from February 15 through February 29, 2012 for 31 of Orange County's 34 cities. On line is the fastest way to apply. Community partners will be assisting the public with applications.

C. Continuum of Care Application – Ad Hoc Committee

Continuum of Care receives $13 - $16 million annually. OC Community Services serves as facilitator to apply for and disperse those funds. Ms. Roper requested an Ad Hoc Committee be appointed to serve as policy and decision making body for the application process and funding recommendations to the BOS, a role previously held by the Housing and Community Development Leadership Cabinet. Chairman Moorlach appointed Sister Regina Fox, Kim Goll and Scott Larson to serve on the committee.

D. 2011 Continuum of Care Renewal Awards

HUD awarded $13.7 million to local agencies for renewal grants. $2.9 million for new projects is still pending.

5. **Update from Executive Director - Steve Kight**

A. Update on Orange County Transportation Authority

Met with OCTA looking to get free bus passes or discounts for the homeless and other opportunities for partnership. Chair Moorlach mentioned that the empty bus station might be a viable place where the homeless might get shelter from the weather. It is currently for sale.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

At this time, members of the public may address the Commission regarding any off-agenda items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission provided that NO action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Comments shall be limited to three minutes per person and twenty minutes for all comments, unless different time limits are set by the Chairman subject to the approval of the Board.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Allan Roeder asked about expectations by the Board of Supervisors in terms of recommendations from the Commission to End Homelessness.

John Moorlach stated that there is no time frame for the recommendations.

ADJOURNED:

Chair Moorlach adjourned the meeting at 11:27 am.

NEXT MEETING: **March 23, 2012 9:00 am to 11:00 am**
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