

Sacramento County Human Services Coordinating Council

Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2021

Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 161 861 3883

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Facilitator: Raymond Kemp, Chair

Staffed by: Gloria Bedford

Meeting Attendees:

- **HSCC Members:** Raymond Kemp (Chair), Melinda Avey (Vice Chair), Jessica Sankus (Secretary), Debra Bonner, Randy Hicks, Lourdes Santana-Sanchez, Loran Sheley, Paul Tanner, Angelina Woodberry, Linda Howe-Ram, Reggie Nelson
- **Ex-Officio Members:** Emily Halcon, Homeless Initiatives; Martha Haas (for Michelle Callejas, DCFAS),
- **Guests/Public:**

Absent Members:

- **HSCC Members:**
- **Ex-Officio Members:** Eduardo Amenyro (for Ann Edwards, Human Assistance), Julie Gallelo, First 5, Xochitl Gomez, Bd. Of Supervisors, Chevon Kothari, Health Services; Bruce Wagstaff, Countywide Services

	Chair, Raymond Kemp, called meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.
Approval of November 18, 2021 Minutes	Approval of November 18, 2021, minutes moved and seconded. No corrections. No abstentions.
2022 Executive Board Elections	The following members were elected to the 2022 Executive Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair: Jessica Sankus • Vice Chair: Loran Sheley • Secretary: Melinda Avey
ARPA Funding	The County is receiving \$150 million in ARPA funds. A second allocation of \$150 million is expected mid-year. Discussions with the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors regarding how funding will be allocated begin in January 2022.
January Retreat/ Expectations	The retreat will be virtual due to the COVID-19 Omicron variant. Possible speakers: Supervisor Don Nottoli; Chevon Kothari, Director, Health Services; Bruce Wagstaff, Deputy County Executive, Social Services Goal: Identify HSCC focus areas for 2022. Possible focus areas include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget process/priorities • Alternative to 911, from mental health perspective
Chair Report	Recent crackdown on homeless population in Sacramento – removing encampments, moving vehicles. Will this be the new normal? Homeless Initiatives: Our understanding is that was a City of Sacramento local action. County Homeless Initiatives moves encampments only if blocking street, etc. Encampment clearing may be a civil rights issue. Bridgette Dean, Director of Department of Community Response, City of Sacramento: bdean@cityofsacramento.org

	<p>Would like to begin the Heroes of Human Services Awards in March rather than waiting until the end of summer.</p>
<p>Member Advisory Board Reports</p>	<p>Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board – Participated in Racial Equity Board. Did outreach and added two African American members.</p> <p>Doing outreach on fentanyl crisis. Reaching out to neighborhood watch groups, community groups, etc.</p> <p>Criminal Justice Committee working on standardizing the language used by law enforcement, mental health, and social services.</p> <p>Used to have waiting list for women to get into treatment. County has relieved that, so there is no longer a wait. There is still a long wait, 8-10 weeks, for men. On 11/16/21, the Bd. Of Supervisors approved WellSpace Health to provide methamphetamine treatment program.</p> <p>Another approach is to request BOS increase funding for sober living facilities; especially helpful for homeless individuals.</p> <p>Children’s Coalition –</p> <p>Disability Advisory Commission – Continuing to work on self-evaluation. Finalized work plan and ADA form.</p> <p>Mental Health Board – Developed recommendations for the Wellness Crisis Response Call Center. Discussion on Dec. 15, 2021.</p> <p>Adult & Aging Commission – New chair Dr. Katherine Koss. Focusing on age-friendly communities for Sacramento.</p>
<p>Public Comments</p>	<p>Older citizen had problem with complaints re: trash removal/garbage smell. After checking with several agencies, she was told she could not receive help if not on Medi-Cal or Section 8.</p> <p>Senior Link phone number: 916.369.7872</p>
<p>Meeting Adjourned</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.</p>