

# Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care

## CoC Board Meeting

June 22, 2022

### NOTES

**Members Present:** Daphne Adams, Katherine Bisson, Marqus Butler, Daphne Jackson, Daisy Lopez, John Meier, Kyle Moore, Andrea Omojola, Dee Ross, Linda White

**Members Absent:** Courtney Douangdara, Tavia Hatfield, Pamela Segura, Natasha Hayden, Nora Vargas

**Staff Present:** Kraig Blaize-Fiero, Margaret Hill, Lindsay LaGrange, Marissa Ortega, Mary Stahlke, Jim Ward

Topic	Discussion Summary	Action/Next Steps
Welcome	Meeting called to order at 2:02	N/A
Consent Agenda	The board approved the Consent Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>5/25/2022 Board Meeting Notes</li><li>May CoC Lead Agency Report</li></ul>	Staff will post 5/25 meeting notes on THN's website
CoC Board Elections	Staff presented the 2022 CoC Board Election process for the approval of the board. The board voted to approve the process. One goal for this election is to have the board demographics match those of the CoC as a whole,	Staff will announce to the CoC that board nominations are open.
System Performance Measures (SPMs)	Staff presented the new System Performance Measures (SPM) results for 2021 and how they compare to the 2020 SPMs. The biggest changes were due to COVID and people coming into Texas at the Mexico border: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Length of time looks shorter because of COVID</li><li>Large increase in first time homelessness because of people coming over the border and entering the homeless services system only briefly; mostly people entering emergency shelter for short stays and then moving to other cities</li></ul>	N/A
CoC Program	Staff presented: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A report from HUD summarizing the CoC's scores from the previous CoC Program competition; Domestic Violence Bonus funding ended up not being as competitive as we assumed;</li><li>Overview of upcoming CoC Program competition.</li></ul> Also: HUD has just released a NOFO for new funding and vouchers specifically for unsheltered homelessness in rural communities; staff are not sure yet how the timeline for that NOFO will align with the CoC Program timeline	N/A

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Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) Program	<p>Staff presented updates on the EHV Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two new staff members hired to assist self-referred voucher recipients to find housing</li> <li>• 366 referrals, mostly self-referrals, since the portal re-opened</li> <li>• The portal is now closed and staff are focusing on assessments</li> </ul>	N/A
CoC General Members Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board members are asked to create an intro video about themselves for the CoC General Member Meeting at the upcoming annual conference on September 28th. Andrea will be coordinating this effort.</li> <li>• There are other roles that board members could fill: meeting introduction, community conversation, year-in-review introduction, hosting table discussions</li> </ul>	Staff will reach out to board members interested in helping with meeting. Board members will work with Andrea to coordinate on videos.
CoC Board members Topics	<p>This is new section of the meeting agenda will be led by board members. The floor was opened for members to discuss any topic. The board members discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The challenge of working with EHV clients not participating in programs, reassessing prioritization to make sure vouchers are being used effectively</li> <li>• Lack of housing supply and importance of maintaining good relationship with landlords to keep housing available</li> <li>• Linda White announced her resignation from Board Seat 7. She is moving and is no longer able to commit to serving on this board.</li> </ul>	<p>Staff will follow up with board members to discuss prioritization.</p> <p>Staff will follow up with the Executive Committee for direction about filling Seat 7.</p>
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 3:28 PM	N/A

**Next Board Meeting: July 27, 2022, 2:00 P.M.**