



# Joint Office of Homeless Services

Community Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2024

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

[draft]

Attendance:

Committee Members: Christine Hermann, Mallette Faherty, Lisa Drennan, Nicki Dardinger, Nathan Williams, Cameron Foster, Amanda Garren, Daniel DeMelo

JOHS & County Staff: Bill Boyd, Malka Geffen, Antoinette Payne, Lori Kelley, Amara Perez (OCI)

Agenda Item	Discussion Points	Decision/ Action
Welcome	Brief welcomes	
Approve 11/18/24 meeting minutes	Minutes approved: Christine Hermann, Mallette Faherty, Lisa Drennan, Nicki Dardinger, Cameron Foster, Amanda Garren, Daniel DeMelo all voted 5 through the <a href="#">First to Five decision making tool</a> ; Nathan Williams abstained.	
Committee introduction to new OCI Director	<p>Welcome from OCI Director, Amara Pérez, confirmation and overview of OCI's support and work on CBAC process improvements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Amara will be facilitating the Central CBAC; first meeting in January</li> <li>● Need one representative to the Central CBAC from the JOHS CBAC; doesn't need to be the chair</li> <li>● New CBAC participants will be appointed, and first reading of CBAC code changes, on Jan. 23; Jan. 30 is the second reading and decision</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● What is the purpose of the Central CBAC and what will our input look like?</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Help give guidance on what central CBAC process will look like going fwd</li> <li>○ Will do reading across dept letters and look for themes to share with Chair</li> <li>● HRAP CAC is distinct from this CBAC? How do we connect? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Yes; that's a process in the works, but no formal structure yet. The HRAP CAC doesn't do direct budget work, but there's overlap.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
New member update	<p>Update on the process of identifying new members for the committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Four other new members who aren't in today's meeting</li> </ul>	
Update on CBAC Chair and Central CBAC representative	<p>What we know and possible next steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Primary Chair tasks: collaborative role to collect and represent the voice of the committee with JOHS staff, including agenda content, meeting facilitation, supporting welcoming inclusive space on committee.</li> <li>● By fist-to-five consensus, CBAC will select a Chair in January, when additional new members can be present <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Nikki to help Bill plan January meeting</li> <li>○ (Christine Hermann, Mallette Faherty, Lisa Drennan, Nicki Dardinger, Nathan Williams, Cameron Foster, Amanda Garren, Daniel DeMelo all voted 5 through the <a href="#">First to Five decision making tool</a>)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Daniel will continue as representative to Central CBAC</li> </ul>	
Budget Process Updates	<p>Current status of County budget process, with key dates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● FY 2026 CBAC Budget Kickoff slides shared</li> <li>● County's budget constrained 8% (versus 3% last year)</li> <li>● SHS forecast for 2026 is lower than prior years</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Why are departments being asked to make such steep reductions given the projected shortfall? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ constraints on general fund, coming mostly from property taxes, not on entire \$4 billion budget</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Can CBAC get the budget before 2/21 to start reading it and have time to go in-depth with it, before having to submit our letter? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ JOHS staff will do our best to get info to the CBAC early</li> </ul> </li> <li>● What is JOHS internal budget process? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ In February, we review our program offers; in a constraint year and losing ARPA funds, decrease in SHS, we are prioritizing our services based on Chair's guidance, HRAP, and SHS LIP.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Do we anticipate eliminating programs? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Still being worked out, but some opportunities via state budget dollars</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p>Review and Discussion of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Homelessness Response Action Plan</li> <li>- SHS Local Implementation Plan</li> </ul>	<p>High-level review and discussion of the two key plans that guide JOHS budget (Slides shared)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Plans are tools the CBAC can use in process</li> <li>● HRS &amp; SHS staff can come back to answer questions that come up via email or at next meeting</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Does most of JOHS data come from HMIS? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Info about homelessness, yes; but there isn't strong integration with other data systems</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Health outcomes flow into HRAP dashboard from elsewhere</li> </ul>	<p>HRAP Performance Dashboard  <a href="https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/homelessness.response/viz/HRAPDashboard/LandingPage">https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/homelessness.response/viz/HRAPDashboard/LandingPage</a></p>
<p>Review and next steps</p>	<p>Ability to move to in-person meetings? Twice a month?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Will look for opportunities to connect in person</li> <li>● Will check with other new members as well</li> </ul>	
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>MLK jr Holiday is 1/20/2025...  Meet 1/13/2025 AND 1/27/2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Maybe one of them in person</li> </ul>	