

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

and for Special Districts, Agencies and Authorities Governed by the Board

Adopted this Resolution on 06/26/2018 by the following vote:

AYE: **John Gioia**
Candace Andersen
Diane Burgis
Karen Mitchoff
Federal D. Glover

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

RECUSE:



Resolution No. 2018/237

In The Matter Of: Endorsement of the Richmond/Contra Costa Continuum of Care Homeless Coordinated Entry System.

WHEREAS, the 2018 Homeless Point in Time Count identified 2,234 people who were homeless in Contra Costa; and

WHEREAS, the Richmond/Contra Costa Continuum of Care served over 8,000 people in FY 2016-2017; and

WHEREAS, the Richmond/Contra Costa Continuum of Care began implementing Coordinated Entry in February 2017; and

WHEREAS, Coordinated Entry is a centralized or coordinated system designed to streamline participant intake, assessment, and provision of referrals into homeless services; and

WHEREAS a Coordinated Entry System covers a specific geographic area, is easily accessed by individuals and families seeking housing or services, is well advertised, and includes a comprehensive and standardized assessment tool; and

WHEREAS, the Coordinated Entry System covers the full geographic areas of Contra Costa County; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of a Coordinated Entry System is to ensure that all people experiencing a housing crisis have fair and equal access and are quickly identified, assessed for, and connected to housing and homeless services based on their strengths and needs; and

WHEREAS, Coordinated Entry uses standardized tools and practices, incorporates a system-wide Housing First (no barriers to entry) approach, and, in an environment of scarce resources, coordinates housing support so that those with the most severe service needs are prioritized; and

WHEREAS, implementing Coordinated Entry is a federal requirement for several federal programs under the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa Health, Housing, and Homeless Services Division (H3) provides operations and oversight support, including a Coordinated Entry System Manager and oversight of compliance with HUD requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa Council on Homelessness provides advice and input on the operations of homeless services, program operations, and program development efforts in Contra Costa County, including the Coordinated Entry System; and

WHEREAS, the Coordinated Entry Oversight Committee is a subcommittee of the Contra Costa Council on Homelessness, and serves as the connection between the various Coordinated Entry committees and workgroups and reports to the Contra Costa Council on Homelessness; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa Council on Homelessness, through the Coordinated Entry Oversight Committee, has oversight responsibility for the Coordinated Entry System, ensuring compliance with HUD requirements, and WHEREAS, the Richmond/Contra Costa Continuum of Care Homeless Coordinated Entry System meets the requirements of the HUD Continuum of Care Interim Rule 24 CFR 578, and all Notices issued by HUD regarding establishing and operating a Coordinated Entry System; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County hereby endorses the Richmond/Contra

Costa Continuum of Care Homeless Coordinated Entry System.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

Contact: Lavonna Martin, 925-608-6701

ATTESTED: June 26, 2018

David J. Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

cc: L Walker , M Wilhelm , J Jennett

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