

July 25, 2012

TO: Members of the MAG Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness

FROM: Joanne Osborne, Vice Mayor, City of Goodyear, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Meeting - 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, August 9, 2012

MAG- 2nd floor Saguaro Room

302 N. 1st Avenue

Phoenix, AZ 85003

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The next Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness meeting will be held at the at the time and place noted above. Members of the Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness may attend either in person or by telephone conference call. Supporting information is enclosed for your review.

The meeting agenda and resource materials are also available on the MAG website at www.azmag.gov. In addition to the existing website location, the agenda packet will be available via the File Transfer Protocol (FTP) site at: <ftp://ftp.azmag.gov/ContinuumOfCareRegionalCommitteeonHomelessness>. This location is publicly accessible and does not require a password.

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**MAG CONTINUUM OF CARE REGIONAL COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS
TENTATIVE AGENDA
August 9, 2012**

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Committee on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Committee requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard.

2. Information.

3. Approval of May 21, 2012, Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness Meeting Minutes

3. Approve the meeting minutes of the May 21, 2012 Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness meeting.

4. CoC Planning Subcommittee Report

Theresa James, Chair, CoC Planning Subcommittee, will provide a report on the June 11, 2012 meeting.

4. Approval of the June 11, 2012, CoC Planning Subcommittee Report.

5. Overview of HUD HEARTH Continuum of Care Program Interim Rule

HUD released the interim rule for the Continuum of Care Program Interim Rule on Saturday, July 14, 2012. The CoC rule expands and codifies into law the existing community-wide planning and application efforts of the Continuum of Care. The rule defines the Continuum of Care responsibilities and requires increased collaboration to ensure a

5. Information, discussion and possible action to take steps on implementing the Continuum of Care Program Interim Rule.

community-wide coordinated plan for homeless housing and services. An overview will be provided on the rule and major changes that will impact the Continuum of Care.

6. Continuum of Care Technical Assistance

Cynthia Nagendra, HomeBase Consulting, will provide an update on the progress made with the technical assistance being provided to the Continuum of Care on the Priority Action Items. Technical assistance is being provided to develop a Coordinated Assessment process, to improve performance of HUD funded transitional housing programs, and to enhance the Governance of the Continuum of Care.

7. Point-in-Time (PIT) Homeless Street Count Recommendations

Brande Mead, Maricopa Association of Governments, will present recommendations developed to improve the annual PIT homeless street count.

8. Arizona Coalition to End Homelessness Report

Joan Serviss, Executive Director, Arizona Coalition to End Homelessness will provide an overview on the National Alliance to End Homelessness conference held in Washington, D.C. July 16-18, 2012. Ms. Serviss will also offer an update on plans for the 19th Annual Statewide Conference on Homelessness, taking place October 16 and 17, 2012.

9. Partnerships to Demonstrate the Effectiveness of Supportive Housing for Families in the Child Welfare System Grant Overview

Amy Schwabenlender, Valley of the Sun United Way, will provide an overview on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Partnerships to Demonstrate the Effectiveness of Supportive Housing for Families in the Child Welfare System grant.

6. Information and discussion of progress on Continuum of Care Technical Assistance Priority Action Items. Possible action to approve next steps in the areas of developing a Coordinated Assessment Process, improving Transitional Housing programs, and Continuum of Care governance.

7. Information, discussion, and possible approval of recommendations to the homeless street count methodology.

8. Information and discussion.

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10. Collaboration with MAG Regional Domestic Violence Council

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Members will have an opportunity to discuss goals for collaborating with the MAG Regional Domestic Violence Council.

11. Request for Future Agenda Items

11. Information and discussion.

Topics or issues of interest that the Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness would like to have considered for discussion at a future meeting will be requested.

12. Announcements

12. Information.

An opportunity will be provided for Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness members to present a brief summary of current events. The Committee is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

13. Adjourn

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