



**San Bernardino County Homeless
Partnership East Valley Regional Steering
Committee**

Thursday, August 17, 2023 • 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Joshua Tree Community Center
6171 Sunburst Street, Joshua Tree, CA 92252

AGENDA

Opening Remarks

- A. Call to Order
- B. Welcome and Introductions (10 minutes)

Presenter

Astrid Johnson
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Consent Agenda

- C. Approve Meeting Minutes from July 20, 2023

Astrid Johnson

Reports/Updates

- D. ICH/HPN Update
- E. Morongo Basin ARCH

Astrid Johnson
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Discussion

- F. Built For Zero

Astrid Johnson

Closing

- I. Public Comment (3 minutes)
- J. Steering Committee Comments
- K. Future Agenda items
- L. Adjournment

Astrid
Committee Members
Astrid
Astrid

Closing

Next scheduled meeting: East Valley Regional Steering Committee
Thursday, September 21, 2023 • 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
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Mission Statement

The Mission of the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership is to provide a system of care that is inclusive, well planned, coordinated and evaluated and is accessible to all who are homeless and those at-risk of becoming homeless.

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**Minutes for San Bernardino County Office of Homeless Services
East Valley Regional Steering Committee Meeting**

July 20, 2023
10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.
Joshua Tree Community Center

Opening Remarks	Presenter	Action/Outcome
<p>Call to Order</p> <p>Welcome and Introductions</p>		<p>The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Astrid Johnson.</p> <p>Attendees were welcomed to the meeting.</p> <p>East Valley Regional Steering Committee roll call:</p> <p>Jim Schooler, (co-chair) – not present</p> <p>Astrid Johnson (co-chair)—present</p> <p>Octavious Scott (Councilmember, City of Twentynine Palms)— present</p> <p>Glen Harris--(Supervisor Rowes Office)— present</p> <p>Meghan Cosgriff (Dept. of Aging & Adult Svcs)- present</p> <p>Shelley Licata — present</p> <p>Robin Schlosser (Reach Out Morongo Basin)— present</p> <p>Faith Nicholson (Valley Star) – present</p> <p>Astrid welcomed everyone to the meeting. Went around the room with attendee introductions.</p>

Reports and Updates	Presenter	
Interagency Council on Homeless Update	Astrid Johnson	Provided a brief update.
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Morongo Basin Arch	Astrid Johnson	Provided a brief update.
Consent Items		
Approve Meeting Minutes from June 1, 2023		Recommendation by Shelley Licata to approve minutes, 2 nd from Glen Harris. Roll call vote taken; motion passed unanimously.
Presentation		
Discussion	Charles Karsch	Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County
	Astrid Johnson	Committee discussion on the request from the Office of Homeless Services for information for the Homeless Summit on November 8, 2023.
Closing		
Steering Committee Comments		<p>Shelley Licata would like to see the website as a recurring topic. Also, MBTA applications are out for bus passes.</p> <p>Robin Schlosser – Cooling Center is open, hosted 30 people over the last three days.</p> <p>Meghan Cosgriff – Reminded everyone that Adult Protective Services is available 24 hours a day.</p> <p>Octavious Scott – Approved transfer of funds for affordable housing behind City Hall. I was changed from three stories to two stories.</p> <p>Glen Harris – Reminder that the next open house with the 3rd District Supervisor is on Thursday, July 27th at 4:30pm. Also, the next Job and Resource Fair for the Morongo Basin will be held on Wednesday, September 20th at CMC.</p> <p>Kristine Perrance – Backpack extravaganza for K-6 will be on August 5th at the Lighthouse Christian Center in Joshua Tree.</p>
Public Comments		

Item 1

San Bernardino, CA

Introduction to BfZ

July 26, 2023



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HOMELESSNESS IS SOLVABLE

Built For Zero

A movement to measurably and equitably end homelessness

Communities in the Built for Zero movement are proving it.

105

communities are participating in Built for Zero

147,000+

individuals housed by Built for Zero communities since 2015

14

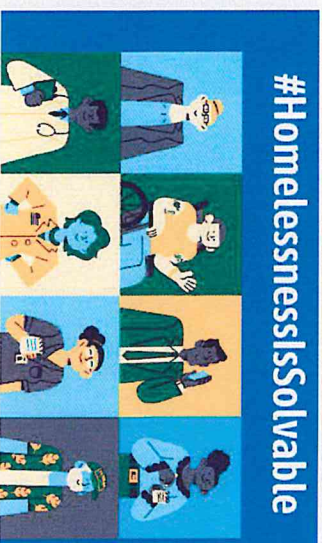
communities have functionally ended homelessness for a population

64

communities have achieved quality real-time data

42

communities have achieved a measurable reduction



[Homelessness is a Solvable Systems Problem - YouTube](#)

Imagine a future where anyone experiencing homelessness is quickly known, and a system is in place to connect that person with the support they need to access a safe affordable place to live.

Imagine a future where cities and counties of all kinds — big and small, urban and rural, red and blue — have made homelessness rare and brief. Homelessness is no longer seen as intractable, and ending it is no longer seen as exceptional. It's expected.

This future is not an impossible dream.

It is exactly what the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation had in mind in 2021, when it awarded Community Solutions \$100 million over five years to support Built for Zero, a movement of communities working to create a tipping point where homelessness is rare and brief.

The goal: accelerate an end to homelessness for at least 75 populations in 50 U.S. communities by 2026.

Community Solutions aims to create a tipping point in the United States by July 31, 2026, in which the conditions are primed for any community to create a lasting end to homelessness.

Systems designed to equitably get to zero.



LEARN ABOUT THE METHODOLOGY

[Solving homelessness with Built for Zero - YouTube](#)

Built For Zero

A movement to measurably and equitably end homelessness

Built for Zero is a movement, a methodology, and proof of what is possible.

Over 100 cities and counties have committed to **measurably and equitably ending homelessness** for entire populations.

Using data, these communities have changed how local homeless response systems work and the impact they can achieve.

Together, they are proving that we can build a future **where homelessness is rare overall and brief when it occurs.**

[How to build a system to end homelessness - YouTube](#)

Ensuring no one is left behind.

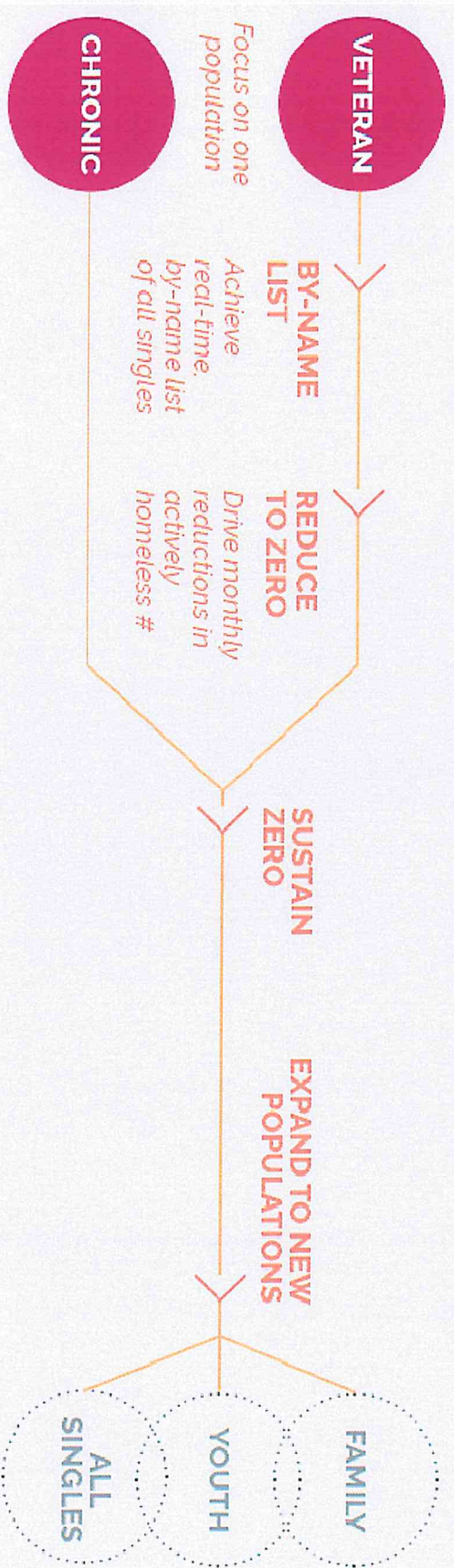
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Built For Zero

Built for Zero communities work to render homelessness rare and brief for populations, by reaching functional zero, a dynamic end state when they can sustain “net zero” homelessness, where fewer people are experiencing homelessness than can routinely exit homelessness in a month.

Ending homelessness begins by knowing each person experiencing homelessness by name, in real-time, and designing racially equitable systems that account for every single person.

Communities start with a shared goal of reaching functional zero for either veteran or chronic homelessness.



Communities in the Built for Zero movement are proving homelessness is solvable.

[Built for Zero leaders share why homelessness is solvable - YouTube](#)

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14 communities have achieved functional zero for at least one population

Functional zero is a milestone that indicates that **fewer people are experiencing homelessness than are routinely exiting homelessness** at any given time.

It also helps communities understand if they are achieving racially equitable systems. Functional zero is not a one-time achievement, but a sustained reality.

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Communities are participating in Built for Zero

These communities are dedicated to measurably and equitably ending homelessness.

44 communities have achieved a measurable reduction

Communities in Built for Zero have often described the shift in approach from *responding* to homelessness to *ending it*. Part of this work is making sure all their efforts are actually adding up to fewer people experiencing homelessness — also known as population-level reductions.

105 communities have adopted the collaborative, public health approach to homelessness represented by Built for Zero. They have formed community-wide teams around the shared aim of ending homelessness.

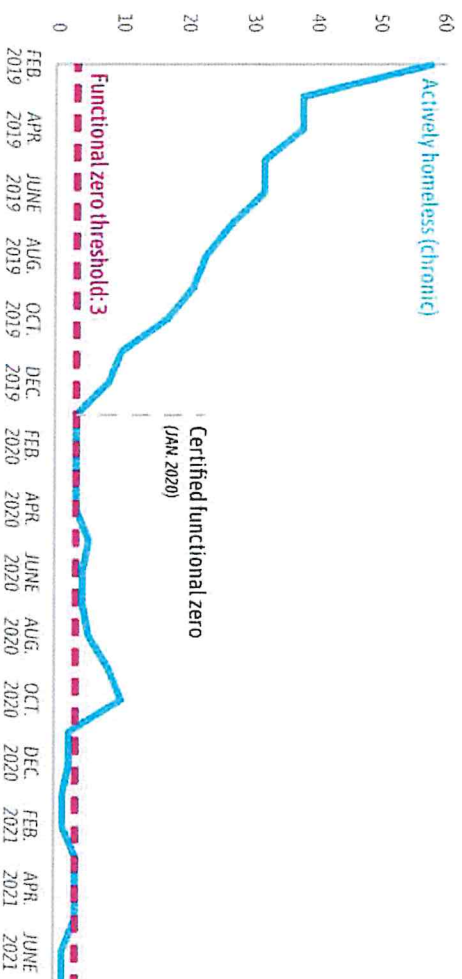
They know each unhoused person by name, in real-time. And guided by this information, they target resources to drive measurable reductions toward reaching functional zero homelessness, adjusting their strategy as the dynamics of homelessness in their community move and change.

163,000+

people have been housed by Built for Zero communities since 2015

BAKERSFIELD/KERN COUNTY ACHIEVES FUNCTIONAL ZERO FOR CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS
Built for Zero has certified Bakersfield, California as the fifth community in the United States to receive this certification for making chronic, or long-term, homelessness rare.

Bakersfield/Kern County, CA reaches functional zero for chronic homelessness



Bakersfield/Kern County, California, reached functional zero for chronic homelessness in January 2020, and they have continued to sustain it. [Learn more about how communities track and visualize this data.](#)

California

- [Bakersfield, Kern County](#)
- [Eresno, Madera County](#)
- [Marin County](#)
- [Nevada County](#)
- [Pasadena](#)
- [Placer County](#)
- [Richmond, Contra Costa County](#)
- [Sacramento City and County](#)
- [San Diego City and County](#)
- [Sonoma County](#)
- [Watsonville, Santa Cruz City and County](#)

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1008change

\$100 million to solve a critical problem

Community Solutions was awarded the MacArthur Foundation's 1008Change grant to help accelerate an end to homelessness in the United States

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Features of a system designed to reduce and end homelessness

- A shared aim and belief that homelessness is solvable
- A collaborative, community-wide team that is accountable for reducing and ending homelessness
- High-quality data systems that support a culture of continuous improvement
- An aligned and effective coordinated system whereby all providers 1) allocate housing and services through a single process and according to shared protocol (also known as a coordinated entry system) and 2) participate in recurring, problem-solving efforts to collectively remove barriers to housing (also known as case conferencing)
- Establishment of a racially equitable homeless response system
- Policy mechanisms to clear structural and administrative barriers to ending homelessness
- Strategic, data-driven investments to reduce homelessness long-term and flexible financial resources to clear immediate barriers to housing

HOW DO BUILT FOR ZERO COMMUNITIES WORK DIFFERENTLY?

THE PROBLEMS



No single actor is fully accountable for ending homelessness in a community. Each local agency or program holds its own small piece of the solution, but no one has their eye on how the pieces fit together.



Funders evaluate success on the performance of individual housing programs, not on whether a community collectively reduces homelessness. But single programs don't get us to zero — whole communities do.



An integrated, command center team. Key agencies, like the Continuum of Care, the housing authority, local government, and the VA, work together every week toward a shared definition of zero.



Community-level measurement. Built for Zero communities measure success by the total number of people experiencing homelessness, not by program outcomes. Data enables communities to rapidly test new ideas and understand if those efforts are working.



A once-a-year count of a problem that changes nightly. Annual street counts are a snapshot; your community needs a video. Getting to zero takes time of sight into how people move through your system over time.



Comprehensive, real-time, by-name data. Built for Zero communities know everyone experiencing homelessness by name, in real time. The result is more tailored solutions for individuals and a clearer picture of the system as a whole.



Housing supply paralysis. Expanded housing resources are crucial, but many cities have dramatically expanded housing supply without making a dent in homelessness. The reason? They never fixed the housing system.



Strategic, data-driven housing investments. Built for Zero communities use real-time data to secure the housing resources they need and target them for the greatest possible reductions in homelessness.

Community Support

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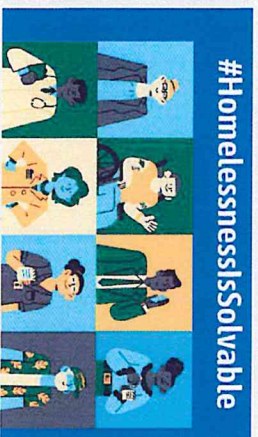
The support that BFZ provides to communities is designed to help establish strong and resilient systems and accelerate progress toward ending homelessness.

This support includes:

- Frameworks, data tools, and aligned content resources
- One-on-one coaching and facilitated support of local planning processes
- Group coaching, workshops, and training
- Facilitated Peer learning network that leverages the experience, expertise, successes, and challenges of others across engaged communities

System improvement advisors who are supported by subject matter experts from Community Solutions and the broader sector provide coaching around partner engagement and relationship management.

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What does it mean for a community to be a part of Built for Zero?

Joining **Built for Zero** means that the community has committed to measurably and equitably solving homelessness. By joining the movement, they are committed to implementing the **Built for Zero** methodology and redesigning their systems to reach functional zero.

Bringing **Built for Zero** to San Bernardino County

- July 26th **BfZ** intro at San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership Annual Convening
- August 1–17 **BfZ** presentations at SBCHP Regional Steering Committee Meetings
- August 17, 1:00pm CoC/Community Stakeholder **BfZ** Q&A and Strategy Discussion
- August 23, 9:00am ICH Meeting – Discussion & vote on SBC&C CoC joining **BfZ** movement
- August 24-Sept 14 Organize **BfZ** Improvement Team and Leadership Group
- September 20-22 **Built for Zero** Orientation / Learning Session in Washington D.C.

[The Movement - Community Solutions](#)