



**San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership  
Desert Regional Steering Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, August 13, 2024, • 02:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Life Church 12199 Industrial Blvd.  
Victorville, CA 92395

**AGENDA:  
Desert Regional Steering Committee**

**THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA  
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e)**

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER
A. Call to Order (3 minutes) B. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation C. Welcome and Introductions (10 minutes) D. Protocols	Sharon Green Designee Board Members Sharon Green
PUBLIC COMMENTS	
<p>Open to the public for comments. Members of the public wishing to address the Regional Steering Committee Board will need to submit a request to speak before the time the Chair calls for public comment. The public can submit a <i>Public Comment Request form</i> or if virtual by typing in the <i>chat box</i> that you have a public comment. The Chair will call on you in the order that the requests are received. Once your name has been called, please stand, or unmute yourself and you will then have up to 2 minutes to speak.</p>	<p align="center">Public</p>
REPORTS & UPDATES (35 mins)	
<b>E. Regional Board Member Representatives (3 mins each)</b> a. City of Hesperia Representative b. City of Barstow Representative c. Town of Apple Valley Representative d. City of Victorville Representative e. City of Adelanto f. Assemblymember Carrillo Representative g. Sheriff's HOPE Team h. GoGo Barstow i. Desert HPN Chair / Regional Steering Committee j. Family Assistance Program k. Victor Valley Family Resource Center VVFR/Countywide Chair l. Rescue Mission	Member/Designee Member/Designee Member/Designee Member/Designee Member/Designee Member/Designee Member/Designee Member/Designee Member/Designee Member/Designee Jimmy Waldron/Designee Kevin Mahany/Designee Sharon Green/Designee Dawn Quigg/Designee
CONSENT ITEMS (5 mins)	
<b>F. Approve Minutes from the June 11, 2024, Meeting</b>	Leslie Earl
PRESENTATIONS (30 mins)	
<b>G. CES Desert 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr report (7 mins)</b> <b>H. CoV Wellness Center Report (10 mins)</b> <b>I. My Place Youth Shelter (10 min)</b> <b>J. Park House</b>	S Waldron/Family Assistance Program William & Ed/City of Victorville Nike & Fatima/ FAP James Park

<b>DISCUSSIONS (30 mins)</b>	
K. Roundtable Discussion on <b>Committee Member reporting expectations</b> L. Update HHAP 4 funding/rescoring and recommendations	Roundtable Discussion Sharon Green
<b>CLOSING</b>	
M. Adjournment	HPN Members/Attendees Sharon Green
Next Meeting: High Desert Regional Steering Committee will next meeting: Tuesday, September 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2024, 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	

**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 Desert Regional Steering Committee Meeting

June 11, 2024  
2:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.  
Life Community Church  
12199 Industrial Blvd., Victorville, CA  
92395

Minutes were recorded and transcribed by Leslie Earl/designee, Victor Valley Family Resources

	PRESENTER	OPENING REMARKS
Call to Order	Sharon Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m.</li> </ul>
Opening Prayer	Paul Courtney	
Invocation/Pledge	Paul Courtney	
Welcome and Introductions		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Attendees were welcomed.</li> <li>▪ Sharon Green/Designee – Victor Valley Family Resource Center</li> <li>▪ Kevin Mahany – Family Assistance Program</li> <li>▪ Elizabeth Givens – Go-Go Barstow</li> <li>▪ Antoinette Jackson – Symba Center</li> <li>▪ Dawn Quigg – Victor Valley Rescue Mission</li> <li>▪ Jimmy Waldron – High Desert Homeless Services</li> <li>▪ City of Barstow – Dr. Paul Courtney</li> <li>▪ Town of Apple Valley – Kanisha Withers</li> <li>▪ City of Hesperia – Melinda Sayre</li> <li>▪ Hope Team – Mike Otey</li> <li>▪ City of Adelanto – Absent</li> <li>▪ Juan Carillo’s Office – Resa Barillas</li> </ul>

		<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In person and online</li> </ul>
	<b>PRESENTER</b>	<b>REPORTS AND UPDATES</b>
	Karnisha Withers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Town of Apple Valley reported the City is preparing the release of their NOFA. The city also reported that they received their homeless count back from the PIT and they are down 4 from the prior year.</li> </ul>
	Elizibeth Givens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Go-Go Barstow report they are currently housing a family of 3 in their transitional housing program. Their transitional housing program is being funded through HHAP-3. They are currently navigating here into self-sufficiency by enrolling her in Barstow College while searching for FT employment. Go-Go Barstow continues to provide street outreach. They are also hosting life-skills workshops in their new headquarters located at 616 East Main Street, Barstow.</li> </ul>
	Kevin Mahany	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family Assistance Program (FAP) report that it is estimated it will take an additional 8 months to get the Youth Training Home Project that they have been working with the City of Victorville to open. The project will provide 10 additional beds for homeless youth. He also reported that FAP is taking a small building in Old Victorville and will convert that facility into a group shelter with a capacity of 10 + beds.</li> </ul>
	Jimmy Waldron	
	Dawn Quigg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Rescue Mission reported they are continuing to reach out to people for their shower program. They are planning their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary gala this fall. They are gearing up backpack giveaways with their partners in July.</li> </ul>
	Melina Sayre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The City of Hesperia reported their homeless count in Apple Valley is at 67.</li> </ul>
	Dr. Paul Courtney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The City of Barstow report that for the first time the City set aside funds in their Community Benefit Fund to hire a Homeless Coordinator to take a serious look at the homeless situation as it relates to Barstow. They received their homeless count numbers back. Dr. Courtney indicated he did not want to report the numbers, but it is public information.</li> </ul>
	Jimmy Waldron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High Desert Homeless Services reported they are working diligently at their thrift store and bringing in funds to lower the balances on their overdue bills. They are also working diligently so they can reopen the homeless shelter as soon as possible.</li> </ul>
	Antoinnette Jackson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Symba Center/Wellness Center reported they currently have 138. The family shelter has not opened yet. They are hoping to open soon. They did have a date for this week but they moved it for safety and security. They are hoping to open by the end of June. With the help of FAP they were able to identify 8 families. However, there are only 7 family pods. Symba will have 4 individuals (1 Case Manager and 3 Peer Support Workers) graduating on 6/12/24 from IEHP as CHW (Community Health Workers). The Symba Center also reported they were awarded \$200k from HHAP.</li> </ul>

	Mike Otey Leslie Earl/designee	The HOPE Team reported they are continuing to do outreach in the desert and the valley. Victor Valley Resource Center (VVFRC) reported they successfully transitioned 3 individuals into supportive permanent housing. VVFRC was also awarded HHAP-4 funding. The investment will be used for interim housing beds.
<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>		<b>CONSENT ITEMS</b>
F. Approval of Minutes of May 9, 2024, of the Desert Regional Steering Committee.  G. Assemblyman Carillo's Office		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A motion was made by Kanisha Withers to approve the minutes with two amendments recognizing that the City of Barstow (Dr. Courtney) was present but had to leave early. The second correction to the minutes corrected that Shannon Waldron gave the update on the CES. The motion was second by Dawn Quigg with the correction. The minutes were approved unanimously with the approved corrections. No discussions.</li> <li>▪ Pastor Green discussed the next agenda item recounting that the committee discussed that Assemblyman Juan Carillo's office, receiving the next highest number of votes, could serve on this Board. It was stated that all matters voted on regarding Family Assistance Program this seat must recuse themselves due to a conflict</li> </ul>
<b>PRESENTATIONS</b>	<b>PRESENTER</b>	<b>DISCUSSIONS</b>
H. Fair Housing Presentation	Detective Nathan Campos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Detective Campos discussed the recent publication of Fair Housing Laws published by the Community Affairs Division. The laws primarily impacted people with criminal records. The new laws took the place of Crime Free Multi-housing. Detective Nathan indicated this program has paused in the City of Hesperia. As he described the Fair Housing laws no allow landlords to discriminate again justice involved individuals or anyone with a criminal record. He discussed AB1418 which state local government cannot require landlords or housing providers deny housing to people with criminal histories. They are not allowed to evict tenants who have contact with law enforcement, and they are not allowed to have rules and regulations requiring providers to run criminal background checks on tenants or possible tenants. Detective Campos brought pamphlets on the program and guidelines.</li> </ul>
I. Adoption of the regional funding recommendations for HHAP-4	Dr. Paul Courtney and Kevin Mahany	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ HHAP-4 funding is to expand housing bed for those experiencing homelessness. Meeting attendees from the Symba Center, Victor Valley Family Resource Center, High Desert Homeless Services and Barstow Foursquare Church AKA New Life Fellowship stepped out of the room and recused themselves from this agenda item. The major discussion was to emphasize the accountability of each agency funding to the Regional Steering Committee each month/meeting. Dr. Courtney indicated that one of the grant recipients is not able to fulfill the mission, goals, and purpose of the funds, then that agencies funding will be split among the remaining 3 agencies. If two (2) agencies cannot fulfill the mission, goals, and purpose, then the remaining 2 agencies would split those funds. Kevin Mahany made a motion that any agencies funded must report before this body each month. Dr. Paul Courtney second. The vote was unanimously approved.</li> </ul>

J. CES Desert Regional Update	S. Waldron/FAP, Antoinette Jackson/Sy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Symba Center reported that in May 2024 they've had 24 intakes. Since opening the Wellness Center they've had 245 intakes. Of that 245:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 45% had chronic disorders.</li><li>○ 40% have mental health diagnoses</li><li>○ 30% are over the age of 55</li><li>○ 27 people have exited to permanent housing solutions</li><li>○ 21 people who have been at the center over 120 days</li></ul></li></ul>
Adjourned:	Dr. Paul Courtney	The meeting was adjourned at 3:26 PM