

## Fresno Madera Continuum of Care General Membership Meeting

<b>Date:</b>	February 10, 2022	<b>Type:</b>	General Meeting
<b>Time:</b>	8:30 a.m.	<b>Chair:</b>	Laura Moreno
<b>Location:</b>	BlueJeans Video Conferencing		

### 2022 FMCoC General Membership Attendance Log:

Committee Position	Director	Organization / Agency	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
	Debra Rush A: Tiffany Apodaca	Breaking the Chains	P	A										
	Tricia Herrera A: Robert Cortez	Central California Legal Services, Inc.	AP	P										
	Margarita Rocha A: Alma Aguilar	Central La Familia Advocacy Services, Inc.	AP	P										
Regional Rep.	Andy Haussler	City of Clovis	P	P										
Regional Rep.	H Spees A: Erika Lopez	City of Fresno	AP	AP										
	Esther Miramontes A: Gregory Coleman	Clinica Sierra Vista	P	P										
	Aprille Meza A: Kerin Blasingame	Clovis Unified School District, KIT Program	A	A										
	Magali Santos A: Ana Ibanez	Community Action Partnership of Madera County	P	P										
	Chelsea Aivazian A: Gayle Holman	Community Medical Centers	P	P										
	Abbie Velasco A: Veronica Pina	Comprehensive Addiction Program, Inc.	P	A										
	Susan Holt A: Jolie Gordon-Browar	County of Fresno Department of Behavioral Health	AP	AP										
Chair, Regional Rep.	Laura Moreno A: Shannon Duncan	County of Fresno Department of Social Services.	P	P										
Regional Rep.	Joel Bugay A: Matthew Treber	County of Madera	P	A										
	Roland Geiger A: Beverly Fitzpatrick	ECO Village Project of Fresno	P	P										
	Chia Thao A: Patricia Yost	Elder Abuse Services, Inc.	P	AP										
	Cassandra Parker A: Joanna Litchenberg	Focus Forward	A	A										
	Pamela Hancock A: Cheryl Vieira	Fresno County Superintendent of Schools	AP	P										
Treasurer	Misty Gattie-Blanco A: Chrystal Streets	Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission	P	P										
Collaborative Applicant Rep.	Doreen Eley A: Nicole Henson	Fresno Housing Authority	AP	AP										
	Keith Scott A: Cristina Scott	GraceBound Inc.	-	P										
	Julie Mendoza A: Yolanda Shahbazian	HOPE Sanger	AP	AP										
	David Bacci A: Valerie Norvell	Hospital Council of Northern and Central California	AP	AP										

	Massey Casper A: Crystal Cortes	Housing Authority of the City of Madera	A	A														
	Virginia Sparks A: Ana Cisneros	Kings View Behavioral Health	AP	AP														
	Andrea Shabaglian A: Ashleigh Rocker Greene	Made For Them	AP	P														
	Connie Moreno-Peraza A: Julie Morgan	Madera County Behavioral Health Services	A	A														
	Laura Lopez A: Leticia Campos	Marjaree Mason Center, Inc.	P	P														
	Edith Rico A: Malissa Holt	Mental Health Systems	AP	P														
	Rain Chamberlain	Navigating Structures	P	A														
Secretary	Sara Mirhadi A: Zach Darrah	Poverello House	P	P														
Member at Large	Katie Wilbur A: Wayne Rutledge	RH Community Builders	P	P														
	Tanesha Morris A: Suzanna Gamez	Resources for Independence Central Valley	P	A														
	Delfina Vazquez A: Brandi Garcia	Selma Community Outreach Ministries	P	P														
	Pao Yang A: Jensen Vang	The Fresno Center	-	A														
Vice Chair	Jody Ketcheside A: Latasha Hollins	Turning Point of Central CA, Inc.	A	P														
	Jessica Berzac A: Jeremy Matthews	Upholdings	AP	AP														
	Andrea Evans A: Joseph Evans III	Valley Teen Ranch	P	P														
Member At Large	MaryAnn Knoy A: Jenny Gonzalez	WestCare California Inc.	P	P														
Immediate Past Chair	Shawn Jenkins	WestCare California Inc.	P	P														
	Yolanda Randles A: Janice Boyd	West Fresno Family Resource Center	-	A														
	Jeannemarie Caris-McManus A: Nancy Peters	Westside Family Preservation Services Network	P	P														
	Zaven Kalebjian A: Tom Gray	Wings Advocacy Fresno	A	A														

Key: Present = P Alternate Present = AP Absent = A

**\* Due to the virtual nature of the meeting, only the names of the Directors and their Alternates will be captured and not the meeting participants.**

**Agenda:**

**Informational:**

**HUD's Community Workshops – TA Opportunity – Laura Moreno  
April Planning Meeting – Laura Moreno**

**FMCoC Elections – Laura Moreno**  
**Statewide Survey Update – Laura Moreno**  
**CA REAL Update – Doreen Eley**  
**Point in Time Count – Jody Ketcheside**  
**HMIS Data Presentation – Nicole Henson**  
**San Joaquin Valley Veterans Update – Angie Edwards**  
**Marjaree Mason Center Update – Laura Lopez**  
**County of Fresno Update – Shannon Duncan**  
**City of Fresno Update – Erika Lopez**  
**County of Madera Update – Magali Santos**  
**Unscheduled Announcements**

## **Minutes:**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Laura Moreno at 8:30 am.

A quorum was established.

## **Action Items:**

**Approval of February Agenda, January Minutes, and Financial Report – Laura Moreno:** Laura Moreno, FMCoC Chair, presented the February agenda, January minutes, and Financial Report for approval. The minutes were approved with the addition of the Marjaree Mason Center’s recommendation to the City of Fresno at the January FMCoC General Membership meeting. The recommendation was to increase the City’s ESG financial allocations for emergency shelter to 60%.

**Motion:** Margarita Rocha

**Second:** Katie Wilbur

**Abstentions:** None

**Approved**

**Approval of the County of Fresno HUD ESG Program Year 2022-23 Funding Recommendations – Cynthia Cardenas:** Cynthia Cardenas, with the County of Fresno Department of Social Services, presented the County of Fresno HUD ESG Program Year 2022-23 Funding Recommendations for approval. The County of Fresno receives HUD-ESG funding annually to engage homeless individuals and families living on the street, improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families, help operate the shelters, provide essential services to shelter residents, rapidly rehouse homeless individuals and families, and prevent families and individuals from becoming homeless. The County of Fresno is recommending utilizing the 2022 funds for Rapid Rehousing and Administrative purposes. The funds will be used to assist and transition individuals and families from emergency shelters into permanent housing. The 2022 allocations have not been released by HUD, and the County will use their 2021 allocations in percentages as an estimate. Actual amounts will be adjusted based on the awarded amounts. The County will use 92 ½% for Rapid Rehousing and 7 ½% for Admin.

**Motion:** Jody Ketcheside

**Second:** Misty Gattie-Blanco

**Abstentions:** Laura Moreno – County of Fresno Department of Social Services, Jolie Gordon-Browar – County of Fresno Department of Behavioral Health

**Approved**

## **Informational Items:**

1. **HUD’s Community Workshops – TA Opportunity – Laura Moreno:** Laura Moreno, FMCoC Chair, shared information on the upcoming HUD Community Workshops. HUD has given communities across the Country the opportunity to participate in a 12-

week TA workshop. The General membership was informed that the workshop is a commitment and attendees will need to participate the entire time. The workshop will run from February through June 2022 and will be used to expand communities' understanding of how to advance racial equity. The workshop is based on five topics including two around Coordinated Entry. The workshop is open to CoCs and ESG funded jurisdictions and will require 3-4 participants per jurisdiction. Those interested in participating can email Laura Moreno at [lhaga@fresnocountyca.gov](mailto:lhaga@fresnocountyca.gov).

**2. April Planning Meeting – Laura Moreno:** Laura Moreno, FMCoC Chair, provided an update on the April Planning Meeting. An extended meeting will be held on April 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am to 11:30am. Misty Gattie-Blanco, FMCoC Treasurer, will send out an adjusted meeting invitation for April. The meeting will focus on the 2022 FMCoC Strategic Plan that was reviewed at the January General Membership meeting along with other topics. The April meeting will also begin a series of introducing the FMCoC's agencies.

**3. FMCoC Elections – Laura Moreno:** Laura Moreno, FMCoC Chair, shared information on the upcoming FMCoC Elections. The elections will be conducted in April for the Chair and Secretary positions. Nominations, and self-nominations, will be called for at the March General membership meeting. The Chair is responsible for leading the FMCoC, setting the agenda for the Board of Director and General meetings, and leading the meetings. The Chair operates on behalf of the FMCoC with regards to local, State, and Federal questions and interactions. The Secretary position is responsible for tracking records and participation and oversees the minutes. All communication that comes in through the CoC goes through the Secretary for triaging. Qualifications for the positions can be found in the FMCoC Bylaws. The two Members at Large positions and Treasurer positions will be up for reelection in 2023.

**4. Statewide Survey Update – Laura Moreno:** Laura Moreno, FMCoC Chair, provided an update on the Statewide Survey. It was announced last year that the State was partnering with UCSF through Benioff Homeless and Housing Initiative to conduct a state-wide survey on homelessness. Eight counties were selected for the survey including the Fresno/Madera area. The survey team will be in the Fresno/Madera area April 4<sup>th</sup> through 22<sup>nd</sup>. Laura has been meeting with the UCSF team regarding the survey and Sara Mirhadi, FMCoC Secretary, shared an email with information on the survey with the General membership. The UCSF team will be reaching out to a few agencies in the area.

**5. CA REAL Update – Doreen Eley:** Doreen Eley, with Fresno Housing, provided an update on the California Racial Equity Action Lab (CA REAL). The State of California, in conjunction with HHAP funds, is having communities look at racial equity within their communities. The CA REAL meetings began the end of January and will go through February. Bridgework is involved in the meetings, and the first assignment has been started. A goal will be developed by the end of the February meeting. Information from the meeting will be shared with the General membership.

**6. Point in Time Count – Jody Ketcheside:** Jody Ketcheside, FMCoC Vice Chair, provided an update on the Point in Time Count. The first training was held on Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> and has been recorded for those that were not able to attend. There will be additional trainings on February 11<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. 90 volunteers attended the first training, and as of February 9<sup>th</sup>, 170 individuals have signed up. Sara Mirhadi, FMCoC Secretary, will send out the training registration link to the General membership and their alternates.

**7. HMIS Data Presentation – Nicole Henson:** Nicole Henson, with Fresno Housing, shared a presentation on sheltered homelessness from October 1, 2020, through September 30, 2021. The last PIT count was conducted on January 28, 2021, and the 2021 PIT Sheltered Homeless Data included 893 individuals, including families and adults only, in emergency shelter and 106 in transitional housing. The total amount of sheltered homeless on that night were 999. For Fiscal Year 2021, there were a total of 2959 clients served in emergency shelter. This number included 2464 single adults, 476 children and adults, and 18 youth within HMIS. 611 persons were served in transitional housing including 186 single, adults only, and 425 children and adults. The FMCoC 2-year initiative was reviewed during the presentation. The initiative aims to reduce family homelessness by 35% by December 2023 and to reduce single adult homelessness by 20% by December 2023. HMIS-related recommendations were also reviewed. The recommendations include obtaining more qualitative data, additional HMIS data entry including case notes and service transactions, the inclusion of CES Project Data, and non-HMIS participating projects entering into HMIS.

**8. San Joaquin Valley Veterans Update – Angie Edwards:** Angie Edwards, with the San Joaquin Valley Veterans program, provided an update on the program’s census. As of January, the program served 99 veterans including 77 rapid rehousing and 22 homeless prevention. Of those that were rapid rehousing, 4 went into permanent housing. There was a total of 12 rapid rehousing enrollments in the month of January and 17 were exited. 3 homeless prevention households were also exited. There are currently 14 veterans on the program’s by-name list. The program has three new staff including two new Case Managers for women and children. The program’s goal for the next six months is to house 80 veteran households. The program successfully applied for three apartment units for veterans.

**9. Marjaree Mason Center Update – Laura Lopez:** Laura Lopez, with the Marjaree Mason Center, shared updates on behalf of the program. The Crisis Response team received 257 hotline calls and there were 196 intakes at Marjaree Mason Center access points. 30% of the intakes were brought in for emergency services. The program has advocates at police departments. 75 clients were served through those advocates, and 200 safety plans and 8 restraining orders were completed. 218 individuals were seen through the emergency program, 44 were seen through the transitional program, and 132 were seen through rapid rehousing projects. 221 individuals and families were served through the program’s community case management and 20 are pending referrals. The program has 586 individuals active on the by-name list with 121 inactive individuals. 95 clients have been identified for housing and 37 applications for housing are waiting to get on the by-name list. The 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Top 10 Professional Women in Leading Business will take place on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at the Save Mart Center. Sponsorships and tickets will become available in July.

**10. County of Fresno Update – Dylan McCully:** Dylan McCully, with the County of Fresno Department of Social Services, provided updates on behalf of the County. The HHAP Round 3 Initial Disbursement Agreement was approved by the County of Fresno Board of Supervisors on February 1, 2022, and was submitted to the State on February 8, 2022. Once the State executes the agreement, the County of Fresno Department of Social Services will receive the initial grant allocation of approximately \$1.6M on behalf of the FMCoC and the County.

**11. City of Fresno Update – Erika Lopez:** Erika Lopez, with the City of Fresno, shared updates on behalf of the City. The PY 2022 HUD NOFAs were released on February 4, 2022, which include funding for homeless services, public infrastructure, and public and community services. The City will have NOFA Technical Assistance webinars the week of February 14, 2022, including the Homeless Service NOFA webinar on Thursday, February 17, 2022, at 2:00 PM. The NOFAs are due to the City on March 4, 2022, and a draft of the Annual Action Plan will be published for public comment from March 18<sup>th</sup> through April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The Annual Action Plan will be presented to City Council on April 28, 2022, for approval.

**12. County of Madera Update – Magali Santos:** Magali Santos, with the Community Action Partnership of Madera, provided updates on behalf of the County of Madera. As of January, the program had contact with 131 individuals. 10 households were transitioned into permanent housing and 4 others moved into permanent supportive housing. In December, 12 individuals moved into permanent housing, 5 individuals moved into permanent supportive housing, and 24 individuals were placed in emergency shelter. The program currently has 16 households in emergency shelter and are working with more households with priority to DV individuals and families.

### **Unscheduled Announcements:**

1. Esther Miramontes, Case Manager for Clinica Sierra Vista, shared that there will be a Covid-19 Vaccine Event on February 19, 2022, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. A flyer with additional information will be shared with the listserv once it is available.
2. Delfina Vasquez, with Selma Community Outreach Ministries, shared that the Salazar Center in Selma has begun their Anger Management class. The class is free and is available on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month. A flyer will be shared with the listserv.

**Meeting Adjourned at 10:09 am - Next meeting will be on March 10, 2022**

**(Meeting will be conducted via BlueJeans video conferencing until further notice)**