

Governance Board Meeting  
January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
9:30 AM

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Members – Monica Rego, Madelyn Sutton, Jennifer Hiros, Malika Morris, Kevin Dowd, Vivienne Stewart, Lila Myers, Todd Wirth, Anna Payano Cotton, Ashni Mathews

1. Call to Order – Open Public Meetings Act read at 9:38 AM
2. Roll Call – Monica Rego, Madelyn Sutton, Jennifer Hiros, Malika Morris, Kevin Dowd, Vivienne Stewart, Lila Myers, Todd Wirth, Anna Payano Cotton, Ashni Mathews
3. Public Comment – Madelyn Sutton read the receipt of Public Comment.
  - a. Stephanie Summers and Mark Harding from the public. – No public comments were made.
4. Reports
  - a. Housing HUB Report – The Housing Hub continues to see clients within the lobby. There has been a push back from clients who do not want to go into congregate settings due to Covid – 19. Communication with Code Blue housing assistance advocates has been outstanding. Emergency Housing Voucher applications closed on Friday, January 22, 2022. Department of Community Affairs (DCA) is not accepting applications at this time, but will hold the list for a year should the Vouchers open again.
  - b. Community Development and Housing
    - i. Cares Act – The Cares Act CV1 & CV2 funds through DCA are being dispersed to eligible recipients. The office is working with Community Grants Planning & Housing (CGP&H) to assist residents with mortgage and utility assistance. Roughly, 60 residents have been assisted with back mortgage and utility payments.
    - ii. Home – The American Rescue Plan (ARP) – The HOME ARP funding allocations have been announced. Planning is beginning with the strategic planning and gaps analysis required for the Counties to be able to accept the funds.
    - iii. CDBG – The Annual plan application is out for bid. Applications have come in and are in the preliminary review phase. The General Advisory

Council will make recommendations for the next steps. The Community Development and Housing planning is ongoing, and grants are moving forward as usual.

- c. Social Services for the Homeless – In the process of closing out 2021 contracts. Now standing up contracts for 2022.
5. Action Items
    - a. Motion to create a Letter of Consistency for:
      - i. Solider On; Mark Harding – Motion to accept request Anna Payano Cotton, Vivienne Stewart seconded the motion. No abstentions. Motion carried.
  6. Closed Session (if necessary) – Madelyn Sutton stated that two Code Blue agencies would operate Code Blue Shelters. There is difficulty locating churches to host due to Covid-19. Madelyn Sutton asked the Board if anyone knows of any churches to let Monica Rego know.
  7. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Respectively Submitted

*Loretta Robinson*

Loretta Robinson, Secretary