

SOUTHERN NEVADA HOMELESSNESS CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
May 14, 2025

In attendance:

Amy Jones, Social Service provider
Angela Ranck, HMIS Lead
Arcelia Barajas, City of Las Vegas
Brenda Barnes, CoC Director, Collaborative Applicant
Davion Smith, Youth Action Board
Donica Martinez, Lived X Consultants
Elizabeth Jarman, Veterans Administration
Hayley Jarolimek, City of Henderson
Jamie Sorenson, Clark County, NV
Kevin Murray, SilverSummit Healthplan
Lauren Boitel, ImpactNV
Martin Castro, Lived X Consultants
Miguel Davila Uzcategui, Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada
PJ Moore, Coordinated Entry Lead Entity
Wilson Ramos, City of North Las Vegas

Absent:

Dr. Albert D. Chavez, Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada

Agenda Item 1. Call to Order.

The meeting of the Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care Board was called to order at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 14th 2025, at the Clark County Government Center.

Agenda Item 2. Approval of the minutes from the April 23rd, 2025 SNHCoC Board meeting; for possible action.

Laure Boitel made a motion to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3. Approval of the Agenda with the inclusion of any emergency items and deletion of any items; for possible action

A motion was made to approve the agenda. The motion was approved.

Agenda Item 4. Receive a report on the activities of the Continuum of Care Committees; for possible action.

Karla Amezcua, Collaborative Applicant provided an update on the activities of the Programs Committee. The Point and Time Count (PIT) deployment time has been moved from the evening to the morning of January 29th. Moving the pit count will help jurisdictional partners with union policies regarding employees and overtime. Jurisdictional partners will draft a letter to the community shelters asking them to hold clients until 8 am on the morning of the count to prevent duplications in data. The programs committee has also decided not to have CCSD conduct their own count. CCSD will run a report instead of conducting a survey.

Miguel Davila, Board Chair, Regional Transportation Commission, asked "What are we weighing when it comes to either morning or evening PIT count?"

Karla Amezcua, Collaborative Applicant, responded "The biggest thing was the Union employees for other jurisdictions and the city of Henderson wanted to conduct a service count the following day."

Davion Smith, Board Member, President Youth Action Board (YAB), shared that YAB will be holding a Justice Camp that will focus on Anti- Violence Intervention. The camp will be held on May 15th from 9 am to 4 pm and May 16th from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Members will be hosting a community baby shower in honor of one of their members. YAB will be conducting a training that will take place on the first and third Monday of the month. Also, YAB has added 5 new members the Board.

Agenda Item 5. Receive a report on activities of the Collaborative Applicant; for possible action.

The CoC team received a debriefing from HUD regarding the FY 2024 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) application and guidance on how to strengthen future submissions. Southern Nevada received a total score of 154.25 out of 200, a decrease from 170.5 in FY 2023. While the community sustained strong performance in areas such as HMIS implementation, healthcare coordination, and rapid

rehousing bed availability, there was a notable decline in the System Performance Measures category, which dropped by 10 points. This area, along with monitoring, was also identified as a weakness in the FY 2023 NOFO. In response, the 2025 monitoring plan will directly address these long-standing challenges, with a more comprehensive approach being developed for 2026 to improve outcomes and strengthen overall system performance. The HMIS Steering Committee and the Board will collaborate to provide a presentation to the membership on System Performance Measures. Angela Ranck, HMIS Lead, to provide a timeline during next meeting on when HMIS Report can be completed by Bitfocus.

Agenda Item 6. Presentation by the City of Henderson and the City of Las Vegas on current Housing projects; for possible action.

Arcelia Barajas, Board Member, City of Las Vegas provided a presentation on current Housing projects. The City's Homeless Services Division employs a comprehensive wrap-around approach to combat homelessness, offering a continuum of care and support through multiple integrated programs. These efforts are designed to stabilize individuals, provide essential services, and transition them toward housing and self-sufficiency. Key programs and services: Courtyard Homeless Resource Center; Second Chance Employment Program; Ticket to Home Program; Arrow Transportation Shuttle; Multi-Agency Outreach Engagement (M.O.R.E.) Teams; Housing Services: Integrated Housing, Homeless Prevention, and Emergency Housing Assistance. Courtyard operations contract was formerly managed by Chicanos Por Las Causas (CPLC) from March 2020 - December 2023. Total Contract cost was \$10.16 million. CPLC delivered case management and coordinated partner services and served 25,256 unduplicated guest with up to 500 overnight stays. Currently the Courtyard is operated by Nevada Behavioral Health Systems (NBH) with a contract period of December 2023 – December 2028. Total projected cost to be \$35.51 million with expanded services to include behavioral health/therapy, insurance navigation, daily tracking, and housing support. The Recuperative Care Center (RCC) is a 40-bed medical respite facility for homeless individuals recovering post-hospitalization. The RCC is operated by HOPE Christian Health Center and features 24/7 medical care, case management, lab/pharmacy, transportation, and benefits access. Ten million in ARPA grant funds was awarded for expansion of the RCC. This expansion will increase capacity to 60 beds (10 for behavioral health). The Housing Safety, Preservation and Affordability Division in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management focuses on preserving and expanding affordable housing through key programs such as SHIFT (New Affordable Housing Program), Land Trust (Affordable Homeownership), Rehabilitation programs, and Neighborhood Stabilization.

The City of Henderson (COH) is actively engaged in several collaborative projects with other municipalities and the county to address housing, homelessness, behavioral health, and public safety. One such project is Vision's Park, located on Washington Avenue, which is being developed by the Blind Center of Las Vegas and will include 100 affordable housing units. This development is a joint effort among multiple municipalities. Another housing initiative, Sunrise Ranch Apartments on Boulder Highway, is being developed by Nevada HAND in partnership with the Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority (SNRHA). It will offer 144 units for low-income families, with 60 of those units specifically designated for youth aging out of foster care. In partnership with Ovation, COH is also planning the West Henderson Affordable Family Apartments on Las Vegas Boulevard, which will provide 389 affordable units for families. Alongside these developments, the City is analyzing current market conditions and housing inventory and is in the process of finalizing its comprehensive plan while awaiting federal approval for its Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

Hayley Jarolimek, Alternant Board Member, City of Henderson on the City of Henderson's (COH) housing programs. COH continues to support vulnerable populations through various outreach and service programs. The Homeless Response Team, funded through the City's general fund, works in partnership with the Salvation Army and the Office of Public Response (formerly code enforcement) to help individuals access immediate shelter using county navigation resources or the Salvation Army's inventory. This team operates Monday through Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The City has also established a Mobile Crisis Intervention Team focused on reducing unnecessary hospitalizations and incarcerations by connecting individuals experiencing behavioral health crises to community-based resources. This team includes five licensed clinicians and two peer navigators, with peer support provided by Foundations for Recovery. A pilot program with the Henderson Fire Department enables the team to respond to behavioral health calls across the community, including those involving unhoused individuals. In addition, COH is developing reentry initiatives aimed at improving healthcare and service access for individuals transitioning out of detention centers. These efforts are being carried out in partnership with the State of Nevada, Medicaid, and the Nevada Division of Financing. To address domestic violence, the City is implementing training for law enforcement to identify high-risk cases, increasing capacity for forensic investigations, and expanding trauma-informed care and community support for survivors. Lastly, the City is taking steps to prevent heat-related injuries and deaths by evaluating workplace policies and working with the county to establish additional cooling centers. These coordinated efforts reflect the City of Las Vegas and the City of Henderson's ongoing commitment to serving vulnerable populations through innovation, collaboration, and a strong infrastructure of care and housing services.

Agenda Item 7. Strategic Planning and skillset training; for possible action.

At the last meeting, the group identified several areas where support—technical or otherwise—could be beneficial. Key topics included implementing the strategic plan, particularly around monitoring progress and performance improvement planning. There was also a focus on enhancing engagement and communication, both with the broader community to raise awareness about homelessness and within the membership to strengthen collaboration. Members took part in an exercise to share one goal they hope to achieve within the Continuum of Care (CoC) over the coming year. The Board will continue this discussion at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 8. Identify emerging issues to be addressed by staff or by the Board at future meetings, and direct staff accordingly

Board members and CoC staff discussed next steps and future agenda items. Once approved staff will send out the Community memo regarding EO 14218 to the community. At the next Board meeting an overview of the spend down report will be provided to the Board and an update regarding the 2026 Point and Time Count will be provided. Board members will also continue the discussion regarding strategic planning and skillset training.

Agenda Item 8. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.