



County of El Dorado

330 Fair Ln, Building A
Conference Room A
Placerville, CA 95667

Minutes - Final Community Action Council

Public Official Sector

George Turnboo, BOS Dist. II
Mark Treat, Dist. II (Alternate)
Wendy Thomas, BOS Dist. III
Karen Feathers, Dist. III (Alternate)
Kara Taylor, City of Placerville
Ellen Yevdakimov, City of Placerville (Alternate)
Tamara Wallace, City of S. Lake Tahoe
Brian Conway, City of S. Lake Tahoe (Alternate)
Lori Parlin, BOS Dist. IV
Shelley Wiley, BOS Dist. IV (Alternate)

Low-Income Sector

Rene Evans, Only Kindness
*Jaime Johnson, Marshall Foundation for
Community Health*
Susie Davies, M.O.R.E.
Kelly Krohn, Individual
*Rebecca Drahnann, El Dorado
Community Health Center*

Community Sector

Barbara Raines, Commission on Aging
Jude Wood, B&G Club of Lake Tahoe
Stephanie Lopez-Vasser, Salvation Army
Gerald Lillpop, Chair, Friends of Seniors
*Aaron Lungren, The Church of Jesus
Christ of Latter-Day Saints*

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

10:00 AM

<https://edcgov-us.zoom.us/j/84464381260>

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Public comment will be received at designated periods as called by the Commission Chair.

Individuals will have three minutes to address the Commission. Except with the consent of the Commission, individuals shall be allowed to speak to an item only once.

Individual Commission members may ask clarifying questions but will not engage in substantive dialogue with persons providing input to the Commission.

If a person providing input to the Commission creates a disruption by refusing to follow Commission guidelines, the Commission Chair may take the following actions:

Step 1. Request the person adhere to Commission guidelines. If the person refuses, the Commission Chair may turn off the speaker’s microphone.

Step 2. If the disruption continues, the Commission Chair may order a recess of the Commission meeting.

Step 3. If the disruption continues, the Commission Chair may order the removal of the person from the Commission meeting.

CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:02 AM

ROLL CALL

- Present:** 15 - Member Parlin, Member Thomas, Member Turnboo, Alternate Wiley, Alternate Treat, Alternate Feathers, Member Taylor, Member Wallace, Member Evans, Member Krohn, Member Drahmann, Member Raines, Member Lillpop, Member Lungren and Member Johnson
- Absent:** 5 - Member Yevdakimov, Member Conway, Member Davies, Member Wood and Member Lopez-Vasser

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

There was no public comments

A motion was made to Adopt the Agenda and Approve the Consent Calendar this matter. Motion passed.

- Yes:** 15 - Member Parlin, Member Thomas, Member Turnboo, Alternate Wiley, Alternate Treat, Alternate Feathers, Member Taylor, Member Wallace, Member Evans, Member Krohn, Member Drahmann, Member Raines, Member Lillpop, Member Lungren and Member Johnson
- Absent:** 5 - Member Yevdakimov, Member Conway, Member Davies, Member Wood and Member Lopez-Vasser

The Council may make any necessary additions, deletions or corrections to the agenda including moving items to or from the Consent Calendar and adopt the agenda and the Consent Calendar with one single vote. A Council member may request an item be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate Council action. At the appropriate time as called by the Council Chair, members of the public may make a comment on matters on the Consent Calendar prior to Council action.

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Approval Minutes 10.26.22

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

UPDATE BY MEMBERS:

Announcements, Information Sharing, Proposed Activities

None at this time.

GUEST SPEAKER

Tiffany Ramirez, Executive Director of Artisan Mind

Artisan Mind is a non-profit committed to honoring the dignity of individuals living with cognitive and physical challenges by nurturing their strengths, hope, and joy through creative and spiritually engaging experiences.

Creativity has a special way of reaching past cognitive decline to connect with a person's sense of meaning, purpose and value. Currently Artisan Mind serves El Dorado, Placer and Sacramento Counties.

We do this through programs such as:

- One on one personalized life enrichment sessions
- Art Appreciation group presentations called "Art Reveals"
- Hands-on art making
- Art Inspired Bible Studies
- Family support and senior care referrals
- Spiritual community Alzheimer's support

Their website is www.artisanmind.org. Please contact Tiffany Ramirez at tiffany@artisanmind.org for more information.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Star Walker shared the Informational Items

The Board approved the addition of a \$55,000 Security Camera System Project Fixed Asset in Fiscal Year 2022-23 for the Homeless Navigation Center at the old juvenile hall located at 295 Fair Lane. This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.

The Board: 1) Designated HHSA to continue to serve as the Administrative Entity for the El Dorado Opportunity Knocks Continuum of Care (CoC) to continue to participate in the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) Program, administered by the California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH); 2) Delegate authority to HHSA to submit a joint application on behalf of the County and the CoC in the estimated amount of \$2,300,000 for the HHAP Program Round 4 funding administered by the Cal ICH. This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.

AGENCY REPORT

Star Walker presented the Agency Report

1. Agency Update

a. An interim HHS Director was appointed on 12/13/22. Olivia Byron Cooper will lead the agency until a new director has been appointed.

b. Senior Services Program Manager first-round interviews will be conducted on 12/14 & 12/15.

2. LIHEAP Program

a. Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP). The HEAP Program is extremely busy. The program is currently offering 2021 ARPA and 2022 HEAP. The 2023 HEAP will be open in January 2023. The 2023 HEAP grant is approximately \$2.5 million dollars. HEAP staff has been busy meeting with clients and processing applications. Since July 2022, staff has processed over 2057 HEAP applications. Changes are coming to the HEAP program as soon as the 2023 HEAP program opens is clients receiving wood and pellets will get a flat \$1000 per grant. Clients receiving propane, kerosene, and oil will receive grants between \$500-\$1000. Historically these fuels granted a flat \$600. These changes will affect all open HEAP grants.

b. The SLIHEAP funds the agency received are fully expended. The agency assisted 203 households. 2023 SLIHEAP funds will be released in late 2023.

c. The Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) offers payment assistance to families that have their water/sewer bills in arrearage. Starting in late January 2023, the program will open to assist all income-qualified families with water bill assistance. We have assisted 103 households since the program opened on July 26, 2022, totaling over \$66,000 in funds. The agency still has over \$230,000 to spend by August 31, 2023. The agency will receive a new set of LIHWAP funds this summer.

3. Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

a. Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) 2022 Discretionary Work Plan was approved by CSS. Program staff is providing grant assistance up to \$3500.00 with assisted transportation and the purchase of hearing aids and dentures.

b. The Community Action Plan and Needs Assessment 24/25 template has been released. The plan will be due back to CSD on June 30, 2023. Star will be providing more details on the plan in the coming months and be reaching out to members for their participation.

4. Senior Nutrition Program

a. The Senior Nutrition Program served 16,107 meals in November. The average daily meal count was 848 meals for the month of November. Voluntary nutrition donations averaged \$1.15/meal (home-delivered/congregate).

5. Public Housing Authority/Housing & Homelessness

a. The Public Housing Authority (PHA) continues to support clients with rental assistance to very low-income families, individuals experiencing homelessness, the elderly, veterans, and persons with disabilities to obtain decent and safe housing through multiple voucher programs, including the Emergency Housing Vouchers, which is accessed through the Coordinate Entry System (CES), The Front Door. More information is available at the following website:

<https://www.edcgov.us/Government/HumanServices/Housing/Pages/EHVs.aspx>.

b. Annual review of PHA Admin plan has been complete, went before the BOS on 12/13/2022 and will now be submitted to HUD.

c. PIT Count Data was released by EDOK CoC on 11/2/22. The full report is available on their website under the Data and Statistics tab.

d. The temporary Navigation Center is on track to open by its targeted date of mid-January.

6. Senior Day Care Program

a. The Club continues to see increased participation and is averaging 16-20 members per day. The Club and congregate mealsite in EDH remain closed due to staffing shortages, however, we are getting closer to preparing for reopening. The Club continues to increase its volunteer base, is re-forming connections with partner community organizations, and continues to strategize on ways to keep the program staff in the current job market.

3. [22-2262](#)

Star Walker provided an overview of the YTD CSBG budget reports.

PUBLIC OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Gerald Lillpop noted he will be reaching out to Star Walker to obtain meeting summary notes to share with local media outlets.

OPEN FORUM

There was no public comment.

Open Forum is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Council on subject matter that is not on their meeting agenda and within their jurisdiction. Public comments during Open Forum are limited to three minutes per person. The Council Chair may limit public comment during Open Forum.

ADJOURNED MEETING AT 11:04 A.M.