

**Alameda County Health Care for the Homeless Commission
Committee Report**

Committee:

- Executive:** Oversees Commission structure organized and moving; provides strategic guidance to staff. Meets monthly.
- Clinical Quality:** Recommends clinical measures to the full Commission; informs medical, dental, mental health, SUD programming. Meets quarterly.
- Budget and Finance:** Monitors HRSA grant budget vs actuals; recommends budgetary actions to the full Commission. Meets quarterly.

Commissioner liaison to the full Commission: Lois Bailey Lindsey	
Last meeting date: January 6, 2023	Current meeting date: April 7, 2023
Commissioners in attendance: Gregory Kats, Lois Bailey Lindsey	
ACHCH staff in attendance: David Modersbach, Alex Martin, Luella Penserga, Gil Palas, Qinglin Wu	
Absent: Commissioner Lynette Lee	

1. Items discussed:

- a. The group reviewed the agenda
- b. ACHCH Budget – Brief Overview
- c. GY 2022 HRSA Base Grant Spend Down & Rollover Report
- d. ACHCH Health Center UDS Contract/Staffing/Finance Overview CY2022
- e. HRSA COVID Funding Update
- f. ACHCH 2024-2026 HRSA Services Area Competition timeline

2. Informational item(s) to report to the full Commission:

- a. ACHCH is currently interviewing internal candidates to fill the vacant ACHCH Program Finance Manager position, formerly held by Janice Edwards who transferred to a different program in Oct. 2022.
- b. Luella Penserga presented the ACHCH Financial Report, which included a budget overview and expenditure information. The budget showed a significant increase due to one-time ARPA money, and the intra-fund transfer reflected an agreement between the County department and ACHCH,

mainly MHSA and SAMHSA funds from Alameda County Behavioral Health Services (ACBH) to support the Trust Clinic and associated street health services.

Commissioner Kats inquired about the budget amount of special department expenses. Alex Martin responded that this included administrative costs and staff salaries and benefits allocation.

Commissioner Bailey-Lindsey asked about the unknown expenses under Non-Discretionary Services. Alex Martin clarified that it referred to the space rental expenses associated with the building number.

David Modersbach mentioned that ACHCH had additional funding in the past years, which will soon end, and a budget issue may arise once fully staffed.

Commissioner Kats inquired about the long-term sustainability of the funding. Luella answered ensuring that staff are covered by ongoing revenue, and there are increased options to bill Medi-Cal for services. David mentioned that ACHCH had submitted two grant proposals in the past month to increase revenue.

- c. GY 2022 HRSA Base Grant Spend Down & Rollover Report.
- d. David Modersbach reported on the ACHCH Health Center UDS Contract/Staffing/Finance Overview. The first-year revenue was reported more than the cost. The charges to cost ratio was much lower than other health centers. ACHCH is getting closer to finding a more accurate way to track the cost and utilize revenue sources, which will help drive the future program.
- e. David Modersbach reported on the HRSA COVID Funding Update. There are three sources of COVID funding: American Rescue Plan act (ARPA) Health Center funding, ARPA Capital Improvement, and Expand Vaccination. ACHCH has received an extension to spend down the \$2.8 million ARPA fund until the end of September 2023. ACHCH is working with ACPHD to support further COVID vaccine pop-up activities at specified homeless shelters. Additional funds have been directed towards ACHCH nursing staff costs.

Commissioner Bailey-Lindsey inquired about how the topics discussed would be reflected in the strategic plan. Luella responded that Facente consulting would be meeting with the committee to gather opinions, and ACHCH would conduct the budget and resource analysis for the sustainability.

- f. David Modersbach reviewed the ACHCH 2024-2026 HRSA Services Area Competition timeline. The first draft of the budget, revenue projections, staffing, and contracts will be reviewed at the July meeting.

- 3. Action(s) recommended by the Committee for discussion/action by the full Commission at the next meeting:

ACHCH will request approval to contract Street Health services for Zone 11 (North/West Oakland). ACHCH staff currently serve Zone 11; the team will be focusing more on isolated individuals who are not necessarily associated with encampments. Recommend approving the award of contracts to Lifelong Medical in the North Oakland area.