

BRIDGING THE GAP

The Hawaii Neighboring Islands' Continuum of Care (Hawaii, Kauai, Maui)

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 3rd, 2021 – 9am-12pm

Meeting ID: 422 792 008

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Attendees: Hawai'i County: Brandee Menino, Hope Services Hawaii (BTG Advisory, Chapter Co-Chair)
Paul Normann, Neighborhood Place of Puna (BTG Vice-Chair, Chapter Co-Chair)
Sharon Hirota, Hawaii County Rep
Toni Symons, Hawaii RISE

Kaua'i County: Makana Kamibayashi, Family Life Center (BTG Secretary, Chapter Vice-Chair)
Melody Lopez, Catholic Charities Hawaii (Chapter Chair)
Ashton Varner, Kauai County Rep

Maui County: Maude Cumming, Family Life Center (BTG Chair, Chapter Vice-Chair)
Thelma Akita-Kealoha, Catholic Charities Hawaii (BTG Secretary, Chapter Chair)
David Nakama, Maui County Rep

HMIS Lead / Collaborative Applicant: Carlos Peraro, Ka Mana O Na Helu
Alison Hinazumi, Ka Mana O Na Helu

Guests: Scott Morishige, Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness
Adam Roversi, Kauai County
Elizabeth Murph, CCH (Hawaii)

Recorder: Thelma Akita-Kealoha
Makana Kamibayashi

Agenda Topic	Discussion	Outcome/ Action
Meeting date	<p>Wednesday 3/3/2021 via ZOOM 9am-12pm https://us02web.zoom.us/j/422792008?pwd=dEoyZHFmYnBJdE90SGxpVGZ0OXBiZz09 Meeting ID: Passcode:</p>	
Welcome & Housekeeping	<p>1. Introductions: BTG Chair Maude Cumming conducted roll call and having determined quorum was met, called the meeting to order at <u>9:07am</u>. Attendees introduced themselves for the record.</p> <p>2. Review and approve 1/6/2021 BTG Meeting Minutes of February 6th, 2021. <i>(Minutes emailed to the group 2/1/21 for review)</i></p>	<p>1. Quorum Met in attendance at 9:07am</p> <p>2. Motion: Brandee 2nd: Paul Vote: 2/3/21 BTG Minutes Approved</p>
Guests: HPO Governor's Coordinator	<p>1. Advocacy/Awareness Committee (Chair, Ashton Varner)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Harold – HPO, out sick so not attending today's meeting b) Issues (shared by Scott Morishige) 	

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<p>Updates – Scott Morishige</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Scott has joined all local charters/CoCs in the Balance of State, finishing up the MHA paperwork2. Continuing to support legislative efforts, PIC and BTG, anyone interested in participating please let him know3. HB 7294. There is homeless funds in the budget, coming out of House Finance5. # of bills, HB 1297, 1298, 1299, Special Funds okay for now, only inactive funds will be scooped up for now6. SB 1127 – emergency appropriation, impact GA benefits decreased and want to bring this back up7. SB 199 Community treatment – moving through8. SB 36 is going to cross over to the House9. HB 282 minor consent for emergency shelter10. SB 391 – OHA expungement now dead, lots of opposition to this bill11. Budget bill HB 200 will be heard next week.12. Followed up with Medquest Division - reimbursements, information on this is in the chat. Enrollment through HOKU, the link is in the chat. Point of contact: Kelly Ann Kotmatsu also in the chat13. Kauai (?) County asking about Mental Health Services – meeting yesterday, County Coordinators and Ohana CCS in attendance. They can document chronicity, specific instances of homelessness through their case management. This has been accepted as chronic homeless for PIC agencies.14. Partner with neighbor island chapters – some of the major health plans. Health plans will be required to support in some areas of homelessness. United Health Care trying to figure out how they can better connect with the NI CoCs15. Dept of Hawaiian Home Lands, wants to connect with BTG regarding serving beneficiaries16. Monthly webinars, co-brand webinars between PIC/BTG. Average 150 participants, highlight great work with both CoCs. Suggestions for this monthly meetings let Scott know.17. Providers asking about rent assistance and eviction moratoriums due to COVID/CARES funding which is impacting coordinated entry, staff dealing with landlords and clients who are feeling entitled to not	<p>See chat for names and phone numbers and links</p>
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	<p>pay rent due to assistance and they are trying to keep these folks in housing. Scott stated that LASH finding LL are evicting tenants due to other reasons not non-payments - evictions seem to be increasing. Congress looking into another large appropriation, may also impact homeless services – potential increase in homelessness. Making sure there is data to support information, is there an opportunity to reach out to property managers, track data, etc. James Koshiba – COVID lessons learner report available.</p> <p>18. CCS provider, services, referrals – billing for services. Scott can reach out to organize a training. Scott will email everyone with health care providers. 1147?</p> <p>19. Hawaii Cares line, mental health – mobile outreach, training opportunity to navigate clients to case management and health services. What does DOH offers.</p> <p>20. COVID Vaccine coordination is a concern for homeless individuals. District Health Officers are in charge of vaccinations on the neighbor islands. Concern over one shot, two shots, talking story with individuals so they can understand about the vaccination</p>	
<p>Committee Reports</p>	<p>1. Advocacy Committee – Brandee Menino Brandy (to email out a tracking sheet of Priority Bills) Who on the neighbor islands want to be included in the meetings on Friday with Scott. The budget bill is not on this sheet but all the other bills are on this. There are additional bills on this sheet, BTG wants to approve these additions. Will update the expungement bill - HB 381</p> <p>2. Vaccine – take action on the position of BTG, a) use of Johnson and Johnson one time vaccine and make the two shot vaccine available if the individual wants that vaccine, b) c) access of vaccine – make that available for homeless clients d) having space, place or shelter available for individuals so can monitor reactions. It will be client choice. Motion amended to add a number 5, urges DOH to have a plan for oversight, tent, shot and meals for 48 hours with medical monitoring.</p> <p>3. CES Oversight/Data Committee – Carlos Peraro Updates CoC registration for the 2021 competition, no date for NOFA, unsure if will go through with full NOFA process. Looks like a completion but not sure when.</p>	<p>BTG to accept and support the slate of bills on the BTG Priority Bills. Motion: Paul Second: Toni Motion carries Vaccine Motion: Paul Second: Sharon Brandee introduced amendment, Second: Makana Motion carries.</p>

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	<p>2019-2020 dashboards, compiling reports, put this report on the website.</p> <p>Updates completed, BTG looks good.</p> <p>LSA 2019-2020, required annual report, information on system exit analysis, outcomes by demographic profile, based on HMIS data, length of stay but does not break out by County but groups it by CoC, good metrics over time on how the CoC is doing.</p>	
<p>KMNH – Alison Hinazumi & Carlos Peraro</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CoC Program Expenditures Report <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Sent out the December report, Most orgs are on track, spending down at a good rate b. Followed up individually with Steadfast and their utilization rate for EHA Program and Group homes. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How is funding being utilized 2. Draw down for EHA, we are now four months in to it 3. SHDC-Kauai has been trying to get program up and running. Program started in December, first referral made in November 19 but no one has not been housed as of February 3rd. 4. Extending the EHA program time of performance is not advised as it will impact BTG’s ARD for future NOFA. 5. Will be on a corrective action plan for both programs, timeline for this two weeks to respond on this action plan (EHA needs to increase capacity, Kauai project has not been responding to Carlos or Alison and no progress). Looking at \$80-90,000 left on the table. a. Maude suggested – by the next meeting we need to know what the corrective action is for the current funds and what the draws are, as this affects the ARD. BTG needs to show corrective action to this issue since this is our responsibility as board members. 2. Dashboard and Data Requests <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. CV b. Funding allocation data has been updated, have numbers now. Provider allocation is at \$400,000 now, invoices have increased, expecting Feb invoices will be higher. Need to spend \$250,000 for the next remaining months. c. Reports dashboard updated d. Modifications to CARES Act page on BTG website with links to SNAPS Resources and HUD Guidance e. In-flow and Out-flow thru 12/2020. Dashboards available for Rd 1 data (15 projects who received funding) including funding allocations, numbers served, exit destinations, etc. Will be updated monthly. 	

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. ESG CV Updates <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Rd 1 needs to be expended by 7/9/2021, any programs not on target need to ramp up or reallocation may be considered. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 20% (\$2m) of total (\$10m) spend-down deadline is 09/2021 2. KMNH will send out a form to all ESG-CV Rd 1 recipients for projections of their program spend-downs. Short turnaround time expected. 4. Updates on HUD CoC <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. HUD and HPO approved, waiting for sub - recipient agreements, waiting for direction from the State, hopefully sometime this week. b. Steadfast, HOPE, Kukui – funding did go up for FY 20 5. VI-SPDAT Discussion <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. 	
Next Agenda	If you have an agenda item you’d like to discuss please email Maude before the next meeting.	
Next Meeting	Wednesday, April 7th, 2021 9am-12pm via zoom.	
Wrap Up & Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 11:27 am	Adjourned @ 11:27am

County updates:

Big Island: (Paul) Active advocacy team and focused on Legislature

Maui

Kauai

Adjourned