



## **COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

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### **HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP September 2024 Meeting Minutes**

**DATE:** September 11, 2024

**TIME:** Scheduled 3 pm – 5 pm

**PLACE:** Virtual via Microsoft Teams

#### **HSAG Members Present**

- Stoney Brook
- Serg Kagno
- Lisa Smith
- Jennifer Anderson-Ochoa

#### **Human Services Staff Present**

- Randy Morris, HSD Director
- Adam Spickler, HSD Senior Analyst
- Heather Viola, HSD Executive Secretary

1. **Welcome and introductions** (upon opening of meeting at 3:05 pm)

2. **Director's Report**

- Review of Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors (Board) Action 9/10 to formally establish the HSAG.
- Review of County effort toward making stipends allowable for County Advisory Group members, pending future Board action.
- Review of Board accepted HSAG Bylaws, including review of minor adjustments since last reviewed by HSAG members, based on County Counsel feedback.
- Review of outcome of state budget process for FY 24/25, including the May Revise and social services impacts.

3. **Advisory topics of interest for round table discussion**

- Reviewed status of CORE Investments cycle 2025/28 to date, appreciation provided to those signed up to participate as CORE panelists.
- Reviews and updates provided on the recent Housing for Health strategic plan update to the Board.
- Review of HSAG next steps:
  - ✓ Advisory group interest and potential for future expanding of membership discussed.
  - ✓ Discussion on operationalizing recruiting for diverse representation in new members, as well as decorum/expectations for meetings.
  - ✓ Discussion on how we survey HSAG members in the future to learn what advocacy actions and engagement opportunities are of interest to each member, such as lobbying opportunities on local policy, understanding and leveraging or advocating for State legislation, etc.

#### **4. Potential public engagement opportunities**

- Members agreed it is too early in HSAG process to begin planning public forum/engagement opportunities.

Next meeting: will be determined by members via scheduling poll.