



**Housing Stability and Homelessness  
Prevention Committee**

**September 23, 2026**

**1:00-2:00 PM**

**Agenda**

**Link to Zoom Meeting**

**Phone: 1 386-347-5053**

**Meeting ID: 821 9992 1254**

Meetings are public. Alameda County residents with lived experience of homelessness are encouraged to attend. Public Comment will be taken at the beginning of each meeting and is limited to 2 minutes per person.

**Helpful links:**

- **Google drive folder** for the Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention Committee:  
[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1zPoP9Q\\_HT-Q9rCaXvKazzIURH-vfndxt?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1zPoP9Q_HT-Q9rCaXvKazzIURH-vfndxt?usp=sharing)
- **Website page** (on EveryOne Home website) for the Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention Committee:  
<https://everyonehome.org/about/committees/housing-stability-and-homelessness-prevention-committee/>
- **Acronyms and Glossary:**  
<https://everyonehome.org/main/continuum-of-care/coc-member-resources/>

**Committee Purpose**

The purpose of the Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention Committee is to develop strategies and collaborations to prevent new homelessness, including for formerly homeless people who have moved into housing. Learn more about the Committee's purpose [here](#).

## Meeting Purpose / Overview

The purpose of this meeting will be to: and (1) Learn more about the Evidence-Based Solutions Committee project, (2) approve the Housing Stability and Homelessness Prevention 2026 Workplan, (3) get a brief update on the H&H Prevention Framework, and (4) follow up on the Tips & Tricks Project.

## Agenda Items

### 1. Welcome/Introductions (Kelsey Knutson, BACS; Co-Chair)

- a. Introductions made in the chat
- b. Reminded everyone of shared Committee agreements
- c. June 24th, 2026 Minutes were approved

### 2. Public Comment (Kelsey Knutson, Co-Chair)

- a. Didn't receive any written public comment. Below are the verbal public comments shared during the meeting:
- b. **Ms. Shelley:** Reminded everyone that we are occupying different seats at different tables and want everyone to share with each other about what everyone is working on. Even without an agenda items but being able to share what is happening across committees (for example Ms. Shelley is now an ESC co-chair w/ Lynette). Helpful to just be able to connect the dots and invite everyone to be peer mentor minded.
- c. **Delilah Aviles:** New committee member. Wanted to share that she is with East Bay Artworks, transitional shelter for youth 18-25. Is the org's community organizer as well as on the Alameda county YAB and National Council for Youth Homelessness. Young Gen Z organizer in East Oakland trying to figure out how to make the world a better place and happy to be on HSHP.
- d. **Richard Nudelman:** Oct 14<sup>th</sup> AC transit is having a proposed contingency service plan and may be cutting a lot of lines and services for the bus system. Information can be found [here](#).

### 3. Announcements (All)

- a. The draft Home Together 2030 Plan has been released for public comment. Led by H&H in collaboration with the Continuum of Care, the Plan was developed with guidance from people with lived experience of homelessness, housing and service providers, city and county staff, community partners, and subject matter experts. The H&H team is gathering online feedback, leading Community Meetings in partnership with the Board of Supervisors (go to webpage to learn more and register) and holding drop-in hours at access points to help people complete the feedback form. H&H is asking for feedback by October 1, 2026. Go to [the Home Together 2030 page here](#) to download the plan, reference the appendices, and submit your feedback through the online form.
- b. **Save the date for our next EveryOne Home Community Meeting: Tuesday, December 8th!** To help us plan our agenda and meeting format, we're asking folks to fill out [this quick survey to share](#) your feedback on past experiences and input on the upcoming event. Please fill out the survey by **October 9th**.
- c. The HUD 2026 CoC NOFO has been reactivated. On Wednesday, September 16th a federal appeals court stayed the lower court's injunction stopping the FY 2026 CoC NOFO process. This decision allows HUD to resume the 2026 CoC competition. On Friday, September 18th, HUD announced the NOFO is once again open, with a submission deadline of September 30, 2026.
- d. The Leadership Board is meeting today to approve the final project priority list. At this time, the CoC is also soliciting Letters of Interest (LOIs) for projects serving individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to, or fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. LOIs are due by September 23, 2026, at 5:00 p.m
- e. **Committee announcement:** The HSHP Committee has an opening for a public-sector co-chair seat. The nominees must be voting members of the committee and work for a government agency. Co-chair terms are 2 years. Kelsey and Homebase staff will share more about the duties of a co-chair during the meeting.

### 4. Evidence-Based Solutions Committee (ESC) Report Out (Elsie Lee, ESC Liaison)

- a. ESC liaison Elsie Lee shared the results of the ESC Survey findings
- b. Attendees can view the survey [project plan](#) here.
- c. Slides with the survey findings can be found [here](#).

**5. Action Item: Approve 2026 Workplan and 2027 Template** (Kelsey Knutson, Co-chair; Morgan Bernados, Homepage)

- a. Homepage staff and the co-chairs developed a draft workplan for the HSHP Committee to reflect the work done in 2026. This template is also being proposed to be used in 2027.
- b. Committee members reviewed the [draft workplan](#) and discussed feedback. Ms. Shelley suggested adding a column to capture status and any cross-committee work for the work plan items. HB will edit to add.
- c. **Action 1: Approve the 2026 workplan and template for 2027 as a living document to anchor the Committee's responsibilities and work.**
  - i. Kelsey Knutson moved to adopt the 2026-2027 workplan; seconded by Elsie Lee.
  - ii. Roll Call Vote:  
  
YES: Hugo Ramirez, Myette Anderson, Kelsey Knutson, Eleni Spiru, Ms. Shelley Gonzalez, Richard Nudelman, Elsie Lee, Delilah Aviles.
  - iii. Motion passed with 8 Yes votes, 0 No's, 1 Abstain. Quorum met (9 members present; Luke Barnesmoore arrived late and abstained from voting)

**6. Update: H&H Prevention Framework Implementation** (Lucy, Alameda County Health, Housing and Homelessness)

- a. Following their June update, H&H staff shared a brief round of updates with the committee regarding the implementation of the [Alameda County Prevention Framework](#).
- b. Will do a full update in October. This update is just a brief update as the phases just launched in July. Prevention is now a part of the suite of services offered at HRC's.
- c. Want to come back in October so there are a couple months of data about who is being served, what are the outcomes etc. as the HRC's staff up and engage in capacity building around this new area of service

- d. Looking for a Lead agency who will providing prevention services and providing training and technical assistance and the plan is to release the RFP next month so that prevention services can be fully launched by Jan 2027.
- e. Next month will share Q1 updates re: prevention in HRC's plus an update on the prevention contract RFP.
- f. Want to talk about agencies with prevention expertise help inform and bolster how we are collectively thinking about prevention. I.e. BACS has deep prevention expertise with Keep People Housed (KPH) and sharing that knowledge with HSHP.
- g. Kelsey: KPH has been around since 2023, in 4 different jurisdictions.
- h. Hugo: Shared that Harvard University Kennedy School performance lab did a deep dive on Alameda County's Homelessness Prevention Program and the HSHP committee did provide input but it has been a while so may need to revisit

#### **6. Discussion: Tips and Tricks Project and next steps** (Co-Chair, Homebase staff)

- a. HSHP Committee members have been working w/ Homebase's Criminal Legal System Initiative (CLSI) team on a [Tips and Tricks resource document](#) focused on practical advice to help individuals avoid homelessness.
- b. There was a focus group with community members with lived experience on August 31<sup>st</sup> that added additional resources and feedback on the brainstorming document
- c. **Next steps:** The Homebase [Criminal Legal System Initiative \(CLSI\)](#) will step back from working on the document and pass it back to the committee to get the final version finished. Elsie will lead a small working group to make final edits and they will present an updated version to the committee on October 28th. If you want to join the working group, please reach out to [alameda@homebaseccc.org](mailto:alameda@homebaseccc.org) by **Sept 30<sup>th</sup>** to join.

#### **7. Closing** (Kelsey Knutson, Co-Chair)

- a. The Committee members will review key takeaways and actions steps identified during the meeting.
- b. The Committee members will identify and discuss any agenda items for the next Committee meeting. You can also submit agenda ideas to [alameda@homebaseccc.org](mailto:alameda@homebaseccc.org).

c. **Next meeting will take place October 28, 2026.**

d. *Due to conflicts with holidays, HSHP will not meet in November and December.*

#### Committee Members

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| <b>Dylan Sweeney,<br/>co-chair</b>  | Alameda County Housing<br>and Community<br>Development (HCD)            | Absent  |
| <b>Eleni Spiru</b>                  | Swords to Plowshares                                                    | Present |
| <b>Hugo Ramírez</b>                 | City of Oakland                                                         | Present |
| <b>Myette Anderson</b>              | City of Berkeley                                                        | Present |
| <b>Jeannette<br/>Rodriguez</b>      | Alameda County Health,<br>Housing and<br>Homelessness Services<br>(H&H) | Absent  |
| <b>Kelsey Knutson,<br/>co-chair</b> | Bay Area Community<br>Services (BACS)                                   | Present |
| <b>Luke<br/>Barnesmoore</b>         | Home Match—Front<br>Porch                                               | Present |
| <b>Ms. Shelley<br/>Gonzalez</b>     | Leadership Board                                                        | Present |
| <b>Richard<br/>Nudelman</b>         | Community Member                                                        | Present |
| <b>Freeway</b>                      | Cadera Health                                                           | Absent  |

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| <b>Elsie Lee</b>       | Sistas With Voices,<br>Leadership Board        | Present |
| <b>Michael Esparza</b> | Tri-Valley Haven                               | Absent  |
| <b>Delilah Aviles</b>  | Youth Advisory Board,<br>Youth Spirit Artworks | Present |

### Committee Agreements

1. When you first speak, state your name, your pronouns if you have a preference, where you live or work, and your agency or organization. Members are also asked to introduce themselves in the chat.
2. One person speaks at a time. Raised hands are not required unless the moderator decides they are necessary in the situation.
3. This is a public discussion, not a debate. The purpose is not to win an argument, but to hear many points of view and explore many options and solutions.
4. Everyone is encouraged to participate. You may be asked to share what you think, or we may ask for comments from those who haven't spoken. It is always OK to "pass" when you are asked to share a comment. People can participate via chat and are not obligated to come off mute or turn their camera on.
5. No one or two individuals should dominate a discussion. If you have already voiced your ideas, let others have an opportunity. When you speak, be brief and to the point.
6. Commit to racial justice and equity in decision making.
7. Do your best to understand the pros and cons of every option, not just those you prefer. Be as objective and fair-minded as you can be.
8. Seek first to understand, not to be understood. Ask questions to seek clarification when you don't understand the meaning of someone's comments.
9. Assume good intentions. Handle one another with grace.
10. Acknowledge the biases you bring into the meeting, assume good intent, treat others the way they expect to be treated, respect is in the eye of the beholder. Honor your own trauma and don't hold others responsible for your triggers.

11. Address/name the harm/disrespect in the moment. You can drop an emoji like a skull or a stop sign in the chat to signify if you feel you've experience harm. If we don't have time to address it in that moment because of other time-sensitive items, then commit to it being the first thing that is addressed at the next meeting. If you don't feel comfortable naming the issue in the meeting space, you can share about the experience via email/phone call to Homebase staff and/or Committee co-chairs within 72 hours of the meeting and they will follow-up with you on how to address it.
12. 90 seconds for contributions, give everyone a chance to share before you shared a second time. The co-chairs are responsible for maintaining integrity of the meeting and keeping people on topic in a respectful way, reminding people of what's on the agenda and what the goal of the meeting is.