

**AGENDA**

**Solano Children's Alliance Meeting**

**October 3, 2018**

*10:00am-2:00pm*

**Please Note: County Multi-Purpose Room**

675 Texas Street, Multi-purpose room.

Fairfield CA 94533

**Top Four priority areas: Child and Youth Safety, Quality Early Care and Education,  
Homeless Youth and Mental and Behavioral Health**

Members

Aaron Crutison  
Juan Cisneros  
Candy Pierce  
Gloria Diaz  
Pamela Dixon  
Lisette Estrella-  
Henderson  
Zoe Bartholomew  
Maurilio Leon  
Pam Posehn  
Adrienne Carson  
Stacey Burke  
Sharon henry  
Maria Vicondoa  
Jane Johnson  
Guadalupe Lopez  
Monica Brown  
Robert Tobin  
Candice Floyd  
Maria Guevara

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| <b>I.</b>   | <b>Introductions, Public Comment</b>   | <b>10:00</b>               |
| <b>II.</b>  | <b>Approval of October Agenda</b>  | <b>(Action Item) 10:05</b> |
| <b>III.</b> | <b>Approval of September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 minutes</b>  | <b>(Action Item) 10:10</b> |
| <b>IV.</b>  | <b>Alliance President Report:</b>  | <b>10:15</b>               |
|             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome</li> <li>• Membership Update</li> <li>• Executive Committee Report</li> </ul>   |                            |
| <b>V.</b>   | <b>Alliance Staff Report</b>   | <b>10:20</b>               |
|             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC) Update</li> <li>• Legislative Update</li> </ul>   |                            |
| <b>VI.</b>  | <b>Special Presentations: Homeless Children, Youth and their Families</b>  | <b>10:30</b>               |
|             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome – Board of Supervisors Chair John Vasquez and Suisun City Vice-Mayor Lori Wilson</li> <li>• Home Base – Chloe Noonan, Neighbors Helping Neighbors, 5-year regional strategic plan to respond to homelessness in Solano County</li> <li>• H&amp;SS – Jerry Huber, Director</li> <li>• Family Resource Center (FRC) Network – Susan Ferdinandi, FRC Coordinator, Children's Network, Homeless Prevention</li> <li>• Solano County of Education (SCOE) Presentation – Kim Govi</li> <li>• Solano Youth Voices – Alyssum Maguire Solano Youth Voices Coordinator, Children's Network and Beck, Solano Youth Voices Leadership Council Member, lived experiences</li> <li>• H&amp;SS Homeless Youth Outreach – Kristian Moore</li> </ul> |                            |
| <b>VII.</b> | <b>Lunch</b>   | <b>12: -<br/>12:30</b>     |

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- VIII. Special Presentations: Panel Discussion Community Based Best Practices with audience participation 12:30**
- Vacaville Homeless Roundtable – Dr. Raleigh Galgan, Pastor Valley Church Vacaville and, Capt. Ian Schmutzler Vacaville PD
  - Fairfield Homeless Roundtable –Officer Mike Ambrose and Officer Joey Uchishiba
  - Vallejo Together – Maria Guevara and Francie MacMillan
  - Faith based community – Pastor Buggs, Minister Director of Faith Bible Church Vallejo and Pastor Mulvey City Church Fairfield
  - Affordable Housing –Maurilio Leon with CHOC, Megan Joseph United Way Bay Area and Rise Together,
  - Resilience story – Roxanne Medearis
- VIV. Next Steps - Alliance Executive Committee 1:30**
- X. Adjournment 2:00**

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# Children's Alliance

A partner of the Children's Network of Solano County

## SOLANO CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE

### General Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2018

12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Solano Family and Children Services

421 Executive Ct. N

Fairfield, CA 94534

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pam Posehn, Pamela Dixon, Adrienne Chambers, Candy Pierce, Lisette Estrella-Henderson, Maria Guevara, Francie MacMillan, Zoe Bartholomew, Juan Cisneros, Gloria Diaz, Rafael Hernandez (alternate for Guadalupe Lopez), Kelly Dwyer (alternate for Supervisor Monica Brown), Candice Floyd, and Kathy Lago

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:** Maria Vicondoa, Stacy Burke, Aaron Crutison, Sharon Henry, Robert Tobin, Jane Johnson and Maurilio Leon

**GUESTS ATTENDING:** Lisa Eckhoff, Victor Romualdi and Gene Ibe

**STAFF:** Alan Kerzin, Susan Ferdinandi and Jessica Gabbart

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEMS
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm	
I. Introductions, Announcements, and Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introductions</li> <li>• Kathy Lago announced the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of SFCS at the Vacaville Opera house on Thursday October 11, 2018</li> <li>• Candy Pierce September 23<sup>rd</sup> from 12-6PM Mare Island come and support CASA</li> </ul>	
II. Approval of (September Agenda) (Action Item)	No changes requested	Lisette Estrella-Henderson moved to approve the September agenda. Candy Pierce seconded the motion. The motion carried, and the September agenda was approved as written.
III. Approval of (August Minutes) (Action Item)	Lisette Estrella- Henderson request for August minutes to reflect that Victor Romualdi be added to guest attended	Pam Posehn moved to approve the August minutes with adjustment. Pam Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried, and the August minutes were approved with the adjustment.

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<p><b>IV. Alliance President Report:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The Alliance completed new members orientation before the Alliance meeting from 11-12PM.</li> <li>○ The Alliance has a vacancy under category Member at Large. If you know of anyone interested, please let Alan or the Executive Committee know.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Executive Committee Report-</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Juan opened the floor to members to reflect on the last meeting for feedback regarding the panel and topic of immigration and the trauma experienced by immigrant families.</li> <li>○ Juan mentioned that there is a possibility of bringing the topic back for another meeting on Supporting Immigrant Families</li> <li>○ Pam Posehn thought it was an amazing meeting and loved the format and speakers, Francie agreed.</li> <li>○ Maria Guevara liked the meeting and thought it was very inspiring</li> <li>○ Lisa Eckhoff mentioned that she felt that all were very passionate</li> <li>○ The Executive Committee discussed upcoming meeting topics such as SafeQuest on Human Trafficking, Northbay Regional Center on updates and a CAPC topic. The December meeting will be our resource fair and a time to celebrate our success</li> <li>○ Pam Dixon plans to retire in December but would like to stay involved but on a volunteer bases. December will be her last meeting on the council</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>V. Alliance Staff Report</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CAPC Update-</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Alan welcomed Susan Ferdinandi back as FRC Coordinator</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Legislative Platform</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Alan shared a short PowerPoint presentation on the State Legislative Platform and how it aligns with the priorities of the Alliance.</li> <li>○ Alan asked if anyone had any suggested changes for the 2019 platform and recommended Alliance approval.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Pam Posehn moved to approve the State Legislative Platform as is. Maria Guevara seconded the motion. The motion carried, and the State Legislative Platform was approved as is.</p>

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<b>VI. Special Presentation</b>	<p><b>Special Presentations: 5 Protective Factors- Susan Ferdinandi</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Parental resilience</li> <li>○ Social connections</li> <li>○ Knowledge of parenting and child development</li> <li>○ Concrete support in times of need</li> <li>○ Social and emotional</li> </ul> <p><b>For more information regarding the 5 Protective Factors please contact Susan Ferdinandi at <a href="mailto:Sferdinandi@childnet.org">Sferdinandi@childnet.org</a></b></p>	
<b>VII. CAPC Advocacy and Legislation Workgroups</b>	<p>The two Workgroup met for about 20 minutes. No report out was made</p>	
<b>VIII. Adjournment</b>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm</p>	



2018 SOLANO COUNTY STATE  
LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM  
HIGHLIGHTS FOCUSING ON  
THE HOMELESS

October 3<sup>rd</sup> Solano Children's Alliance Meeting

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PRIORITY ISSUES- CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

- ◆ Support Legislation and budget efforts that support children, youth and families, including restoring and quality child care and preschool opportunities.
- ◆ Increase funding for homeless youth, promoting safety for all children, supporting mental and development health prevention and early intervention activities.
- ◆ Advocate for dedicated funding streams for child abuse and youth violence; prevention efforts.
- ◆ Collaborate with regional offices, schools and health care systems to expand resources for parents with special needs children.

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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

- ◆ Support grants and funding for programs to address homeless and related services.
- ◆ Work with cities and other community partners to access and expand affordable housing for low income population.

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**HOUSING, COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC  
AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

- ◆ Support housing opportunities for low-income individuals and families (such as permanent, transitional housing and rental assistance programs)
- ◆ Support funding opportunities to assist cities in providing affordable housing for low-income and homeless individuals

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# FIVE WAYS TO ADVOCATE FOR HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IN YOUR COMMUNITY

1

Evaluate your community's performance on affordable housing.

- Has your community met its affordable housing goals? See how well your community performed in meeting its housing goals between 2007 and 2014: [https://www.abag.ca.gov/files/RHNAProgress2007\\_2014\\_082815.pdf](https://www.abag.ca.gov/files/RHNAProgress2007_2014_082815.pdf)
- Research local affordable housing controversies from the past five years. What housing programs or policies were proposed? Which were adopted vs. defeated, and why?
- Check local media stories to assess potential roadblocks and opponents to housing development. Identify concerns/arguments most commonly voiced by opponents. (Common objections include increased traffic, school crowding and parking issues.) What is the opposition narrative in your community, and how influential have these opponents been?

2

Assess your local decision-makers' attitudes and actions around affordable housing

- Key decision-makers for housing include city council members, county board of supervisors, city/county planning commissions, city/county housing authorities, housing advisory councils and city staff from planning or economic development departments. Study each elected officials' interests based on your local city council's/board of supervisor's web portal.
- Identify which department(s) in your local government promote, fund, build and/or administer affordable housing.



3

### Help push for local “inclusionary housing” ordinances.

Inclusionary ordinances require a certain percentage of affordable housing (up to 15%) in new housing. Does your city or county have an existing inclusionary zoning ordinance? If so, does it need to be more robust? If not, whom (among the decision-makers and community allies identified through your research) can you collaborate with to advocate for the adoption of a strong ordinance?

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### Learn about state policy efforts you can support to make a difference. For example:

- Prop 1: \$4 billion bond measure to support affordable housing and veterans' home loans.
- Prop 2: No Place Like Home: Allocates \$2 billion from the state's Mental Health Services Act revenue (funded via a tax on high-income earners) for bonds to fund supportive housing for residents who need mental health support.  
*Props 1 & 2 joint campaign:* <https://www.vetsandaffordablehousingact.org/>
- Prop 10: Repeals existing Costa-Hawkins law; and gives local communities more voice in shaping their locally adopted rent control measures.  
*Prop 10 campaign:* <https://voteyesonprop10.org/>

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### Get involved in these existing affordable housing advocacy groups:

- Non-Profit Housing Association of Northern California (NPH) ([www.nonprofnhousing.org](http://www.nonprofnhousing.org))
- East Bay Housing Organizations ([www.ebho.org](http://www.ebho.org))
- Housing Leadership Council of San Mateo County (<http://hlcsmc.org/>)
- SV@home (<https://siliconvalleyathome.org/>)
- SF Council of Community Housing Organizations (<http://www.sfccho.org/>)
- Pico California (<http://www.picocalifornia.org/>)
- Rise Together Bay Area ([www.risetgetherbayarea.org](http://www.risetgetherbayarea.org))





