

# HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE AGENDA

## VOTING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

City of Cathedral City  
Councilmember Chuck Vasquez

City of Coachella  
Councilmember Emmanuel Martinez

City of Desert Hot Springs  
Mayor Pro Tem Karl Baker

City of Indian Wells  
Councilmember Patrick Mullany  
**VICE CHAIR**

City of Indio  
Councilmember Lupe Ramos Watson  
**CHAIR**

City of La Quinta  
Councilmember Kristy Franklin

City of Palm Desert  
Councilmember Jean Benson

City of Palm Springs  
Councilmember Ginny Foat

City of Rancho Mirage  
Councilmember Alan Seman

County of Riverside  
Leticia De Lara, Legislative Assistant

## NON-VOTING EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Coachella Valley Rescue Mission - Darla Burkett

Episcopal Community Services - Chuck Johnson

Jewish Family Service of the Desert - Dan Bass

Jewish Family Service of San Diego - Linda Barrack

The Well in the Desert - Le McClellan

Martha's Village and Kitchen - John Wolohan

The Salvation Army - Lothar Vasholz

City of Palm Springs - Dale Cook

## SUPPORT STAFF:

County of Riverside

Dr. Ron Stewart, Administrative Manager  
Maria Marquez, Mental Health Services Manager

## CVAG

Larry Parrish, Interim Executive Director  
Aurora Wilson, Director of Community Resources  
Amanda Keil, Management Analyst  
Valarie Franklin, Program Assistant

PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY ITEM LISTED ON THIS AGENDA (ACTION OR INFORMATION) MAY RESULT IN ACTION TAKEN AT THE DISCRETION OF THE HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE.

## THIS MEETING IS DISABLED ACCESSIBLE

The next meeting of CVAG's Homelessness Committee is as follows:

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2009**  
**10:00 A.M.**

**CVAG OFFICES**  
**73-710 FRED WARING DRIVE**  
**CONFERENCE ROOM 119**  
**PALM DESERT, CALIFORNIA**

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Lupe Ramos Watson, Councilmember, City of Indio

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 3. ROLL CALL

### 4. FINALIZATION OF AGENDA / ADDITIONS & REVISIONS

The Committee may add an item to the agenda after making a finding that there is a need to take immediate action on the item and that the item came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. An action adding an item to the agenda requires 2/3 vote of the Committee. If there are less than 2/3 of the Committee members present, adding an item to the agenda requires a unanimous vote.

### 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is the time and place for any person to speak on items not on the agenda, but within the purview of the Homelessness Committee.

6. **COMMITTEE MEMBER / EX-OFFICIO AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

8. **MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Minutes from the March 18, 2009 meeting will be presented at the May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

9. **RIVERSIDE COUNTY UPDATE**

9A. **FACILITY DESIGN UPDATE**: Facilities Management/WWCOT

9B. **COLD WEATHER SHELTER UPDATE**: DPSS Homeless Programs

9C. **UPDATE ON SAFE HAVEN PROGRAMS**: Department of Mental Health

9D. **HOMELESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING PROGRAM**: Economic Development Agency

10. **SOLICITATION FOR HOMELESS DONATIONS**

Staff will provide a verbal report.

11. **PROGRAM PLANNING UPDATE**

11A. **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

The Requests for Proposals for the Operators of the Desert Resource Center's Food Service and Shelter/Access Center were released in March. A pre-proposal conference will be held on site on April 13, 2009 at 1 pm. Proposals are due to CVAG by April 28, 2009 at 5 pm. The Proposal Review Subcommittee will meet in early May to create a recommendation to bring to the Homelessness Committee at the May 20, 2009 meeting.

11B. **TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM**

Staff has provided a written report.

**12. FUNDING UPDATE**

**12A. FUNDRAISING FOR FURNISHINGS**

A Furnishings subgroup was created at the March Homelessness Committee meeting. This subgroup is scheduled to meet on April 9, 2009. Staff will provide a verbal report.

**12B. FOUNDATIONS**

Staff will provide a written report **under separate cover**.

**12C. AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT**

CVAG Staff submitted the Desert Resource Center along with the list of “shovel ready” projects requested by the Economic Development Agency for submission to Dale Bonner, Secretary of California’s Business, Transportation, and Housing Agency. Funding for capital improvements in the amount of \$4 million and for operations in the amount of \$2 million were both listed. The submitted form is attached.

**13. BUS PASS PROGRAM UPDATE**

Staff has provided a written report on the Homeless Bus Pass Program.

**14. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

☞ The next meeting of the Homelessness Committee is scheduled\* for **10:00 a.m.** on **Wednesday, May 20, 2009** at the CVAG offices, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 119, Palm Desert, California. *\*(The Homelessness Committee has a standing meeting date and time of 10:00 a.m. the third Wednesday of each month, with the exception of months August and December when CVAG Committees are dark.)*

**15. ADJOURNMENT**