

BRIDGING THE GAP

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

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Mar 2nd, 2022 – 9am-12pm

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Hawai'i County:	1 2 3 4	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 Tony Symons, Uluwini Family Assessment Ctr
Kaua'i County:	5 6 7	Makana Kamibayashi, Family Life Center (BTG Secretary, Chapter Chair) Melody Lopez, Catholic Charities Hawaii (Chapter Treasurer) Ashton Varner, Kauai County Rep (Chapter Vice-Chair)
Maui County:	8 9 10	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:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scott Morishige, Gov's Coordinator on Homelessness • Harold Brackeen III, HPO Administrator • Mary Lowe, HPO-Federal Programs • Elizabeth Murph (CCH-Big Island) • Monique Ibarra (KHAKO-Maui) • Mary Nakooka (KHAKO-Maui) • Kurt Schmidt (KHAKO-Maui) • Marc Malate (VA-Kauai) • Tasha Ham-Deponte (Maui County DHC) <i>joined 9:20am</i> • Members Present: 10 of 10 @ 9:03am • Recorder: M. Kamibayashi

Agenda Topic	Discussion	Outcome/ Action
Meeting Date	Wednesday 3/2/2021 via Zoom, 9am-12pm Site: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/422792008 Meeting ID: 422 792 008	
Welcome & Housekeeping	<p>1. Introductions: BTG Chair Maude Cumming conducted roll call and having determined quorum was met, called the meeting to order at 9:03am. Roll call conducted, 10 of 10 members present.</p> <p>2. Review and approve BTG Meeting Minutes of 1/5/2022. <i>(Minutes emailed to the group 2/2/22 for review)</i></p>	<p>1. Quorum Met, Meeting Called to Order @ 9:03am</p> <p>2. Approval of 2/2/22 BTG Meeting Minutes with revisions Motion: Brandee M. 2nd: David N.</p>

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		Vote: Approved 2/2/22 BTG Minutes with revisions
<p>Governor's Coordinator – Scott Morishige</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Star Ad had an editorial that focused on income discrimination, and it really highlighted what advocates are doing. • Also been producing a series on Ohana Zones efforts. • Interested in being Medicaid providers? CIS to pay for housing supports sent link, thanks Brandee • Continuing to approve Medicaid providers, email Scott so he can check on the status if you've applied. • Upcoming trainings sent out via email • National Fair Housing forum for assistance animals, etc. • Draft 10-year plan for HICH, take a look and provide feedback. • Staffing changes: Jason Kasamoto, leaving to private practice as an attorney. Not sure if his position will rehire or if there'll be shifts in their office. • Maude: thanks for the link to the National CoC dashboard • HUD put out the CoC comparison 	
<p>HPO Homeless Programs Office – Harold Brackeen III</p>	<p>1. Introduction of Mary Lowe – Federal Programs, retired military continued to work with Fed Gov, FEMA completing assessments and working with communities in natural disasters. Also did program contracts for federal gov. Brings many years of diverse experience with her. Been with HPO for 2 weeks. Has been reviewing invoices. Judy Ishida is helping to train Mary. Will be working with both ESG & HOPWA funded programs</p>	
<p>Advocacy & Awareness Committee:</p>	<p>1. A & A Committee-Brandee Menino</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIC & BTG A & A Joint meeting every Friday at noon • Hawaii County Bill 111 will be heard on 2/23 AM by the full Council to be able to dedicate at least 75% of revenue from a new residential property tax tier for second homes over \$2m to County homeless programs. This revenue could be \$5-7m annually for the next five years. • Do other Counties have an annual report and ask for data?? How do they use the data? What do they ask for? Metrics that matter would narrow the data down to the important information. • Paul: Is it possible to integrate orgs that are not funded for Homeless Programs to be seen in HMIS, now that this bill has taken off, is this a opportunity to be able to grow the system to include outside providers. • RYSE Report, Mark Patterson who runs the Youth Correctional Facility is looking for information from the neighbor islands to be able to help. RYSE is a drop-in center on Oahu. Mark has asked to be at the BTG mtgs to be able to share and gather info. 	

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CES Oversight Committee	<p>2. CES Oversight Committee-David Nakama</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update at this time 	
HMIS Data Committee	<p>3. HMIS Data Committee-Carlos Peraro</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing new to report 	
KMNH – Alison Hinazumi & Carlos Peraro	<p>1. LSA & SPM’s</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Longitudinal Systems Analysis reports have been submitted • System Performance Measures • Dashboards were made available yesterday, compiling BTG data over the last year and making them available. • Saw increase in Exits to PH, LOS • HUD CoC System Performance Comparisons also added to the dashboards • Maude: LOS is often what HUD focuses on with the thought that if an ES or TH program reduces their LOS by half they could service more people instead of increasing the amount of beds. • Will start to reach out to providers as we notice really long LOS’s to clean up the data. <p>2. HUD EHV (Emergency Housing Vouchers)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moving in the right direction. • Recently homeless EHV’s have seen some hardship with leasing up and having LL’s comply. • Inventory in all County’s are limited. • Brandee: Is there a possibility to adjust our policy? Ex: Modular Housing Unit has 12 units for singles. • Alison: Is it possible to send EHV referrals for Single’s now rather than wait to keep the process moving? • Sharon: Have last 4 Families in the cue, will send over singles once cleared. <p>3. ESG CV Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Processed \$3.1m through to HPO that cover invoices through January. • All invoices received is just under \$3.6m. • 500k+ invoices are still in KMNH review. • HUD just released info that they WILL NOT be enforcing the 80% spenddown threshold (\$8m by end of March). No dates were provided as to the extension. • Stay focused on continuing spend-down • Will be sending back invoices that do not align, please review before submitting to avoid delays • KMNH does the 1st review and then HPO does an additional review. <p>4. NOFO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FY2021 BTG NOFO Review, Brandee provided the google sheets after last meeting. 	<p>10:02am Break 10:14am Return</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maude: All County's please enter your County's information in the spreadsheet for review at the April Mtg. • Brandee shared google sheets FY 2021 BTG NOFO Review, BTG Board to work on and update/revise before next BTG Mtg. <p>5. BTG Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly updates to reports were done. <p>6. HMIS Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both HH listings have a LOS column that track how long they've been in the respective program. Both=one program or multiple programs • Run your reports to make sure they're accurate • Data quality standards require 72 hours of data updates for exits, PITC revealed some lengthy LOS's. Be sure exits reflect accurate dates as it will affect LOS data. <p>7. PITC – update timelines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sheltered: completed • Unsheltered: still need to be cleaned • KMNH/BTG Report due to HUD May 14th. • 3/28/22: KMNH to send Draft Data Report to BTG Board • 4/1/22: Talking Points from County CoC's (Board Execs, closed mtgs) • 4/6/22: BTG Review County talking points for Press Release (Closed Board Mtg) • 4/7/22: BTG Press Release on Maui @ Ohana Zone Project • 4/11/22: CAP meets with Hawaii Island Delegation • Thelma, with Brandee's help to coordinate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Press Release Kit for county level press contacts • Schedule with Maui Ohana Zone project in Kahului • Event Time TBD in coordination with Hawaii Island travel times • Hawaii Island CoC – Paul & Brandee to determine who will attend and notify Thelma • Kauai CoC – Makana on island to attend • Maui CoC - All Leadership to attend • KMNH: travel reimbursement is available, submit receipts. <p>8. Street Outreach P & P's</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working on updating and hope to get a draft to BTG in 3 weeks before next meeting. • To help get structure and fidelity • Draft should be ready before next BTG mtg. 	
<p>Island Chapter Activities</p>	<p>Hawaii Island</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill 111 first significant attempt for the County to fund programs to reduce homelessness. • Legislation is going forward 	

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	<p>Kauai Island</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• HCV (HUD Section 8) vouchers released another bundle of packets• PHA is now fully staffed• TBRA (Homeless Preference) vouchers were also released• EHV vouchers also processing and have recently release• Market is flooded with all voucher holders, housing inventory battling to provide enough rentals. Increased struggle for homeless individuals to compete for housing. <p>Maui County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• At an impasse with complaints of encampments• MHA utilized powerpoint shared by Kauai-KCA to smoothly manage monthly meeting. Successful meeting and on-point. MHA Exec committee meets 1 week prior.• Topic of discussion: County Council Right to Shelter Bill wanting to be introduced. Trying to gather data to ensure proper thought and research. Currently it's a Bill to regulate and enforce providers on how to operate.	
Next Steps and Adjourn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meeting Adjourned @ 11:05am	Adjourn 11:05am
Next Meeting	Next BTG meeting, Wednesday, 4/6/22 9am-12pm via zoom.	