



PINAL COUNTY COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS



Meeting Agenda/Minutes

Tuesday, August 12, 2025, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Virtual

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ide-phpi-vun>

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First Chairperson: Cinda Thorne; Second Chairperson: Sheryl Bigelow

Committed Agencies	Representative	Commitment	Present
A New Leaf	Michelle Boyle, Amanda Flores	2025	Christine
Against Abuse	Kiya Darlage, Dynia Abraham, Mary Duarte	2025	Kiya
AZ Complete Health	Melissa Dye, Kristi Denk	2025	Melissa, Kristi
Banner University Health Plans	Kayla McGhee, Jennifer Vargas	2025	Kayla
BCBSAZ Health Choice	Rose Kent	2025	Rose
Begin Again Homes	Maggie Berizzi	2025	
CAAFAs	Marin Lasater, Alicia Misilao	2025	
CAHRA	Jason Robert	2025	Teresa, Jason, Evelyn
CGA	Michael Robinson, Lydia Montano, Sarah Graham, Cowboy, Jose, Greta Edwards	2025	Greta, Michael, Sarah, Melissa, Cowboy
City of Casa Grande	Mary Kay Allen	2025	
Central Arizona Aging	Marla Pierce, Martha Meyers	2025	Marla
Compassion Connect AZ	Alicia Barela, Jennelle Esquivel	2025	Alicia
DES – DDD	Megan Akens	2025	Megan
EMPACT-Suicide Prevention Center	Erica Chestnut-Ramirez, Sarah Swonder, Samantha Gaskill, Cecilia Cardona	2025	Cecilia
Genesis Project	Trinity Frey, Sheryl Bigelow	2025	Sheryl
HOHP	Kim Vandenberg, Suzanne Payan	2025	Kim, Suzanne
Horizon Health and Wellness	Mary Jo Silcox, Robert Robles, Jennifer Luna, Ashley Salas, Stephanie Espinoza	2025	Stephanie, Ashley, April, Andrea
Mercy Care	Jennifer Page, Matthew Kelly	2025	Matthew
Molina Healthcare	Cinda Thorne, Veronica DeLao, Nicholas De La Garza	2025	Cinda
National Community Health Partners	James Moore, Olista Stewart, Nadine Vasquez	2025	
Pinal County Adult Probation	Scott Smith	2025	Scott
Pinal County Housing	Taliashiere Williams	2025	Tali
Pinal County Lead Agency	Heather Patel, Sherese Lipsey	2025	Heather, Sherese
Pinal County Public Health	Joanne Galindo	2025	Joanne
Pinal County Reentry/PCSO	Teresa Fuller, Erin Avilez	2025	
Pinal Partnership	Rina Rien	2025	Rina
Southern Arizona VA Healthcare Services	Jocelyn Muzzin, Cara Donnelly Kameil Nicholson	2025	Jocelyn, Cara
TLC-R	Kyron, Carlos	2025	Carlos
Tribal Representative	Monica Antone	2025	
United Way	Joseph Caruso	2025	Joseph

Other attendees: Amber Liermann, Richard Cunningham, Jodi Herfurth, Alesia Stanley, Irma Garcia, David Lies



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Call to Order by Chair Cinda Thorne at 1:00 p.m.

1. Attendance/Establish Quorum (24/30) 43 people present
2. Approval of minutes
 - June 10, 2025 – Sheryl moved to approve, seconded by Cowboy. Motion passed.
3. New Items for Discussion
 - Presentation from Casa Grande Alliance
 - A presentation was received from Sarah, Greta, Cowboy, Melissa, and Michael
 - Strategic Plan –
 - Workforce taskforce – Rina
 - AZ@Work webinar – a webinar will be scheduled in the coming months to introduce our agencies with AZ@Work.
 - Stakeholder Education - Cinda and Rose
 - The task force meets frequently and will create a presentation along with talking points for all members to share with stakeholders and community members. This will be presented to the coalition in December.
 - Prevention Services survey – Sherese
 - The prevention survey was share and its intended purpose. An email will be sent out. Please take the survey.
 - November HMIS training survey – Heather
 - We are trying to schedule another HMIS in-person training. A Doodle poll was sent out. Very few responses have been received. Please respond to the poll during this meeting.

Please respond to the two polls being conducted during the meeting:

 - 1. Which date is a preferred date to offer an in-person HMIS training?
 - 2. If you are an agency that does not use HMIS, but are interested in learning more, would you be interested in an introduction new user training?
 - Funding opportunities – Cinda and Meredith
 - A task force meeting is being scheduled. If you are interested in joining, please contact Sherese at sherese.hicks@pinal.gov.
 - Housing inventory –
 - This task force is seeking volunteers to update our HIC. If you are a housing service provider, please contact Sherese at sherese.hicks@pinal.gov.- Elections October 2025 (update) – Sherese
 - Sherese reviewed the election process. A voting ballot will be sent electronically to PCCEH committed agency representatives only. If you wish to vote, please complete a membership form. If you wish to run, please contact Sherese at sherese.hicks@pinal.gov.
- 4. Committee report outs facilitated by the Chair (3 min. each max.)
 - a. Membership Committee -
 - a. Total number of members = 30
 - b. Membership form due in January
 - b. Statewide CoC Governance Advisory Board - Heather
 - a. GAB meeting was held 8/5/25
 - b. Key initiatives
 - i. DWEL data sharing agreements and reporting
 - ii. New system for HMIS
 - iii. HUD contract status and funding
 - iv. Executive Order – Ending Crime and Disorder on America's Streets 7/24/25



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- c. State LCEH Leads Meeting – Cinda
 - a. ADOH received its HUD contract.
 - b. HMIS data collection changes regarding gender, eliminating anything other than male and female. At this time, clients can still self-identify.
 - c. H2O BNL example, which includes HMIS#, H2O enrollment agency, and entry date. They are asking if we want this info included in our BNL. Are we willing to prioritize the H2O people on our BNL? There will be further discussions at the HMIS/Coordinated Entry Committee meeting next week.
 - d. DWEL metrics for the statewide active homeless list.
 - e. ADOH shared the by-county PIT numbers.
 - f. With the FY2027 NOFO coming out, we need to find some bonus projects in Pinal County!!!!
- d. PIT Committee - Suzanne
 - a. 2025 PIT – 261 surveys OFFICAL RESULTS 219 surveys/279 people were confirmed
- e. HMIS/CE/CC Committee - Jocelyn
 - a. Meet every other Thursday at 1pm
 - b. Completed an equity review
 - c. Shared the Solari website for a BNL dashboard <https://community.solari-inc.org/reports/>
 - d. DV procedures are being updated by Cinda and Kiya.
- f. Strategic Planning Committee – Sarah
 - a. Items identified in the strategic plan are discussed in the regular agenda.
- g. JEDI Committee – Heather
 - a. The committee is scheduling presentations by members agencies regarding the resiliency of the people we serve.
 - b. Seeking agencies to present on the following populations
 - i. CAAFA and AAI (DV), including VAWA, Transfer Plan, and process
 - ii. Seniors – Marla with CAA
 - iii. Veterans - HOHP
 - iv. McKinney Vento liaison – Irma Garcia (Coolidge)
- h. Casa Grande Coalition to End Homelessness/CG Helps - Jason
 - a. Upcoming events/offerings –
 - b. Important initiatives –
- i. Apache Junction Coalition to End Homelessness/AJ Resource Center – Sheryl
 - a. Upcoming events/offerings – Project Connect 10/22/25
- j. Reentry –
 - a. Strategic Task Force - Teresa
 - b. 3rd Annual Roundtable Planning team – CGA
 - i. this group is currently meeting
- 5. Agency Announcements/Agency Updates
 - a. Veteran Stand down 10/11/25 at HOHP Transition Center
 - b. Pinal County Family Resource event 11/15/25 in Florence
 - c. CAA's 6th Annual Senior Spotlight 10/21/25 at CAC
 - d. TLC-R Resource Roundup 8/28/25 in CG
- 6. Next Meeting – Tuesday, October 14, 2025 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. IN-PERSON
- 7. Adjourn at 2:42 p.m.



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Automatically generated attendance record from Google

First name	Last name
Megan	Akens
Casa Grande	Alliance
David &	Angela
Alicia	Barela
Dani	Batriz
sheryl	bigelow
Cecilia	Cardona
Joseph	Caruso
Richard	Cunningham
Kiya	D
Andrea	Davis
Kristi	Denk
Melissa	Dye
Stephanie	Espinoza
Carlos	Flores
Joanne	Galindo
Sarah	Graham
Casa	Grande Alliance
Sherese	Hicks
Matthew	Kelly
Rose	Kent
Kayla	McGhee
Melissa	OSullivan
Pinal	Partnership
Heather	Patel
Suzanne	Payan
Marla	Pierce
Michael	Robinson
Ashley	Salas
Joyce	Sanchez Torres
Scott	Smith
Kim	Vandenberg
Taliashiere	Williams
Alesia Stanley	
Amber Liermann	Open Arms Vocational Living Center
April Ward	
Cara Donnelly	
Christine Schubach-Kunze	
Cinda Thorne	Molina Healthcare
Irma Garcia	
Jocelyn Muzzin	
Jodi Herfurth	
Teresa Tapia	
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Chat section of the meeting

Thank you for joining us. Please place your name and agency in the chat.

At your convenience, but before the end of the meeting, please respond to the polls.

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Scott Smith, Adult Probation

Sheryl, Genesis Project

Cara Donnelly- SAVAHCS

Jocelyn Muzzin Southern Arizona VA

Kayla McGhee, Banner University Health Plans, Housing Program Manager - kayla.mcghee@bannerhealth.com

Kim Vandenberg/HOHP

Taliashiere Williams, PCHA

Amber Liermann Open Arms Vocational Living Center in the City of Maricopa

JoAnne Galindo

Richard Cunningham, Catalysts Helping Increase Potential (CHiP)

Ashley Salas- Horizon Health and Wellness

Greta Edwards, Casa Grande Alliance

Joanne Galindo, Pinal County Public Health

Melissa Dye, Arizona Complete Health

Jodi Herfurth, Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation

Christine Schupbach-Kunze A New Leaf

Hello! Sarah Graham, Casa Grande Alliance/CGA, Inc.

Melissa O'Sullivan, Casa Grande Alliance

Rose Kent, BCBSAZ Health Choice

Kiya Darlage, Against Abuse

Suzanne Payan HOHP

April Ward with Horizon Health & Wellness Crisis Outreach in Casa Grande

Michael Robinson, Casa Grande Alliance

Rina Rien Pinal Partnership

Alesia Stanley, USDA Rural Development

Megan Akens DDD

CARLOS FLORES Treatment Service Coordinator, Transitional Living Center Recovery Cell: 928-246-5780

Kristi Denk, Housing Management Specialist AZCH-CCP Kristi.denk@azcompletehealth.com

Cinda Thorne - Molina Healthcare

Joseph Caruso, United Way of Pinal County, joseph.caruso@unitedwayofpc.org

Cecilia Cardona La Frontera-EMPACT-SPC

Alicia Barela with Compassion Connect. Can I confirm that I have submitted the form?

Cowboy Wernet - Casa Grande Alliance - Veterans Resource and Recovery Navigator

Cinda Thorne - Molina Healthcare

Irma Ana Garcia- Coolidge Unified School District 21

Marla Pierce, Community Outreach Liaison for Central Arizona Aging.

Teresa Tapia Online now with new staff the Program Manager for the Homeless Jason Lohlman and Evellyn Ray other Homeless Services Coordinator are also joining us.

David Lies with A Servant's Hands

HOHP Cup O'Joe Veterans Coffee Club - 100 E. Florence Blvd., Casa Grande 8AM

Stephanie.Espinoza@hhwaz.org Horizon Health and Wellness

HOHP Eagles Landing Veteran Center "Coffee with Joe" meeting on Tuesday Morning at 8am - 9am at 100 E. Florence Blvd. Casa Grande, AZ. 85122 (520) 338-2568

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A gap with some of our participants, in the past 3 months, is seniors who are now homeless due to not being able to afford housing. These are participants who are not addicted, no criminal background, not from an abusive situation. I would love to reach out to a group that is similar to Oxford house but for Seniors.

<https://community.solari-inc.org/reports/>

13th Annual Pinal County Veterans Stand Down October 11