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MISSION

The mission of the SDYHC is to prevent and end youth homelessness in San Diego County by creating a multi-disciplinary, community-wide system, in alignment with San Diego's Youth Homelessness Response Plan (YHRP), to serve youth ages 26 and under.

VISION

Youth homelessness will decrease in San Diego County, and any housing instability faced by young people will be brief and non-recurring through our collective service efforts.

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – MAY 6TH, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

A steering committee meeting of the San Diego Youth Homelessness Consortium was held on 5/6/2026 virtually. Meeting start time was 9:03 am and was presided over by Jessica Rihan.

ATTENDANCE

- Voting members present: Ashley Frez-Clark David Baker, Gillian Leal, Haley Veniegas, Jessica Rihan, Krysta Esquivel, Mauricio Torre, Melissa Haupt, Nicole Lillie, Susie Terry & Tristin Berry
- Voting members absent:
- Proxy/Guests: None
- Quorum: Yes

OLD BUSINESS

- Vote: March agenda. Motion Passes

NEW BUSINESS

1	Welcome & Check In's	All
2	Vote: April Minutes Motion: Haley Second: Maurico Abstentions: Ashley Frez-Clark, Beth Davenport, Gillian Leal • Motion Passes	All
3	Vote: May Agenda Motion: Krysta Second: Ashely Abstentions: • Motion Passes	All
4	YHRP Review • Steering committee reviewed current draft of YHRP to identify needed updates. Updates will be shared with Erin E. for website • Priority areas: Streaming Access to Housing Support, Increasing the	David Baker

	continuum of Housing Resources, Building a Comprehensive System of Care, Data collection and analysis, Partner with Youth to Deliver Compassionate, High-Quality Care	
5	Sub- Committees Development - Steering committee discussed and identified the top 3 priority areas per committee: - Priority Setting Committees: - Identify and leverage existing funding streams available to support SDYHC priorities - Explore and secure a fiscal agent to support SDYHC operations, particularly policy and advocacy efforts - Increase funding opportunities that support cross-agency collaboration and joint initiatives - Advance coordinated policy and advocacy efforts to drive systems-level change - Strategies and Standards Committee: - Strengthen use of strategic data to inform Youth Homelessness Response Plan (YHRP) updates and emerging needs - Support the development and implementation of the Youth Homelessness System Improvement (YHSI) efforts - Identify and address key education-related needs and opportunities within the system - Consumer Committee: - Expand and diversify recruitment of young people to participate in SDYHC, YHRP, and YHSI efforts - Review and refine the youth compensation structure, incorporating existing recommendations (e.g., Berkeley model) - Engage young people to better understand and elevate needed supports and priorities - Membership committee: - Increase member engagement and expand outreach to new and emerging partner agencies - Assess current service representation and identify gaps - Develop a clear, concise membership brochure that outlines the value of SDYHC membership, benefits, and pathways to join - Subcommittees will work in breakout groups to create a workplan based on identified priorities	Jessica Rihan
6	Updates & Announcements	Jessica Rihan
7	Breakout Session with Sub-Committees	All

ADJOURNMENT: 10:33 pm