

***The San Diego Regional Human Trafficking –  
Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children  
Advisory Council***



**Meeting Minutes**  
December 14, 2022  
1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.



**Via Webex**

## **Minutes**

1. Vice-chair welcome

- Susan Munsey welcomed and opened the meeting with an inspirational quote from Dietrich Bonhoeffer:
  - “We must learn to regard people less in the light of what they do or omit to do, and more in the light of what they suffer.”
- Susan Munsey announced that the January meeting would be cancelled with February meeting occurring at COC due to a conflict with the Board of Supervisors meeting. Some meetings in 2023 may occur at One Safe Place in North County.

2. Roll call

- Melissa Haupt, Amy Sharpe, Trish Martinez, Carli Richie Zavaleta, Joanna Tol, Susan Munsey, Carolyn Matzger, Alicia Brav, Samson Pak, Violeta Mora, David Oates, Danica Law (Proxy for Mary-Ellen Barrett), Monica Ulibarri, Jesse Leon, Charlotte Macera, Marjorie Saylor

3. Approval of November minutes

- Approved

4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda items

5. AB 2449: New Brown Act rules, 2023 meetings

- Guy Nelson reported on changes to the Brown Act regarding teleconferencing
  - New teleconferencing rules will require boards and commissions subject to the Brown Act to meet in person unless certain conditions are met.
  - New rules are also in place for virtual participation by the public.

- Susan Munsey asked what happens if a member of the body does not notify the board they are attending. Guy Nelson will follow up with County Counsel.
6. San Diego County Legislative Program, Matt Parr, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs (EDGA)
- EDGA absorbed legislative monitoring duties including priorities for federal and state legislation set annually by the Board of Supervisors. More information and listservs can be accessed on the EDGA website.  
<https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/cao/edga.html>
  - County policies M-1, M-2, and A-74 provide process for advocating legislation. Individual citizens can advocate through elected representatives.
  - Susan Munsey asked where human trafficking sits on the board's priority. Matt Parr responded that with broader and more encompassing priorities, human trafficking can be included in priorities for ensuring safe communities and early care and education.

## 7. Subcommittee updates

### Community

- Trish Martinez expressed thanks for the backpack donations from Generate Hope that led to filling five backpacks for youth in need.
- Alicia Brav provided the following update.
  - Jan. 19th at 3pm: Online Safety and Prevention from Exploitation (Zoom) -Youth (7-12th grade) and adults. Register here: <https://forms.gle/G9Vj5dBpHyJo9vyW7>
  - End of Year Giving Nonprofit Wish Lists: <https://mailchi.mp/b3f68765b1a7/we-have-a-few-more-wish-lists>
  - Emergency Backpacks will be donated to San Diego Human Trafficking Task Force in late January. Please contact [SDCommunityinfo@gmail.com](mailto:SDCommunityinfo@gmail.com) to coordinate your donation.

### Child Welfare

- Joanna Tol shared information about how CWS implements legislation changes.
- California Department of Social Services (CDSS) received new funding specifically to create housing options for youth experiencing CSEC.
- CDSS continues to host Advanced Caregiver trainings in multiple formats. They added a new format that breaks up the training in 2-hour modules:  
<https://mailchi.mp/westcoastcc/p01gdbrrmz-9250891?e=7dc79054e8>
- San Diego Youth Services CSEC Response Team served 70 youth last fiscal year providing 24-hour advocacy services and support.

## Health

- Katarzyna LaLicata discussed collaborating with one of the community clinics on providing vaccines for Hepatitis A, HPV, etc.
  - Amy Sharpe suggested coordinating with a Family Justice Center.
- Amy Sharpe suggested placing an item on an upcoming agenda on why vaccines are important for human trafficking survivors.
- Amy Sharpe reported on a meeting with detention center caregivers to connect them with the survivor services subcommittee and other stakeholders.

## Research and Data

- Carli Richie-Zavaleta reminded everyone of the last quarterly meeting for HT RADAR on December 15.
- An internship opportunity is available for a project involving previous participants of the kNOw MORE! program in order to update our assessment instruments. Seeking individual who is a graduate student or an undergraduate senior with research familiarity.

## Survivor Services

- Melissa Haupt provided an update on the November meeting.
  - The Victim Services subcommittee changed the name to Survivor Services.
  - Representatives from the national human trafficking hotline were present at the last Survivor Services meeting & shared a number of changes to the hotline to address issues of concern.

## Law Enforcement

- Samson Pak provided an update on Home for the Holidays rescue and recovery operation. Twenty-one were offered services and five were arrested.

## Business

- David Oates stated that the subcommittee has ten members now.
  - Subcommittee is developing a financial literacy and job interview skill set.
  - Subcommittee wants to be more involved in mentorship and provide a play book for others.

## Prosecution

- Danica Law provided an update on RISE court. Numbers are down significantly, and the DA's office is exploring possible causes.