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OF

THE NEVADA INTERAGENCY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS TO HOUSING TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE

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The Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing Technical Assistance Committee was called to order by Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer at 1:05 p.m. on Tuesday, October 21st, 2025. This meeting is being conducted virtually. This meeting was noticed in accordance with Nevada Open Meeting Law and posted on <https://dss.nv.gov/Home/Features/Public-Information/> the Division of Social Services website.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Michele Fuller Hallauer, Owner, CEO, Chief Strategist, Winged Wolf Innovations LLC

Vice Chair Brooke Page, Western Region Managing Director, Corporation for Supportive Housing, Nevada

Dr. Pamela Juniel, McKinney-Vento Coordinator, Nevada Department of Education

Adrienne Babbitt, Deputy Administrator-Programs, Nevada Housing Division

Julee King, Sage Product Manager, The Partnership Center, Ltd

Dr. Dayona Turner, Title II-Part A State Director, Nevada Department of Education

Dr. Catrina Grigsby-Thedford, Executive Director, Nevada Homeless Alliance

Chris Murphey, Grants Manager, Churchill Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs DBA: New Frontier, Nevada

Austin Pollard, State Housing Manager for United Healthcare, Nevada

Arash Ghafoori, Chief Executive Officer, Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth (NPHY)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Alexis Ochoa, Social Services Chief, Nevada Department of Human Services Division of Social Services

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Carlea Freeman, Family Services Supervisor, Homeless to Housing, Nevada Department of Human Services Division of Social Services

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Agenda Item I. [Welcome, Call to Order, Roll Call]

Abigail Bagolor:

Good afternoon, and welcome to the meeting of the Governor’s Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing Technical Assistance Committee. This meeting has been publicly noticed in compliance with Nevada’s open meeting law. Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer will call the meeting to order.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Good afternoon. It is 1:05 p.m. on October 21st, 2025. I’d like to call the meeting of the Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing Technical Assistance Committee to order. Abigail, will you take roll, please?

Abigail Bagolor: [Roll Call. We Do Have Quorum.]

Agenda Item II. [General Public Comments]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Item number two on our agenda is public comment. No action may be taken upon a matter raised until the matter has been specifically added to the agenda. Comments are limited to three minutes. If you are making a public comment via phone, please call 1-775-321-6111, ID 489 058 294 followed by pound. We are now open to public comment. Please unmute yourself and state your name for the committee. Do we have any public comment?

Arash Ghafoori:

Thank you, Madam Chair. I want to thank the members on the committee for approving my application

and inviting me to join. I wanted to tell everyone that we have the Ninth Annual Nevada Youth Homelessness Summit occurring on November 14th at the Historic 5th Street School. I'd like to invite any member of this committee to attend pro bono on us from one of our donors. If any of you want to come, please reach out to myself or someone else on the NPHY team. You can go to Summit 25 and get all the information you need from us. You can have free registration. Also, something cool that we are doing this year is on November 3rd, we are doing a light up the Las Vegas sign in purple and gold in honor of Homeless Youth Awareness Month. If any of you are free on Monday, November 3rd from 8:00 am to 8:30, some commissioners and other invited guests will be out there celebrating the sign being purple and gold and raising attention and resources for young people experiencing homelessness and I would like to invite you. There will be free parking at the Harley-Davidson Store for anyone and everyone. That is all I have. Thank you, Madam Chair, for the time.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you, Arash, for letting us know of those activities. It's great that we have a lot of attention being given to our youth that are experiencing homelessness. Adrienne?

Adrienne Babbitt:

Hi. Good afternoon, everyone. I wanted to share that I've stepped into a new role and have taken on the Deputy Administrator of Programs at the Nevada Housing Division for about three weeks now. Thanks.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Congratulations, Adrienne. Anybody else?

Pamela Juniel:

Hello everybody. I wanted to share that the Nevada Compass app is set to be completed, hopefully by December, for launch. I wanted to thank this group for your input. We're currently in user acceptance training. I wanted to specifically thank NPHY. Arash, you were able to give me some good information when we were about to select our vendors. I wanted to let you and NPHY know that I appreciate that feedback. Everything is moving forward. We are also moving forward with a website. As you know, we have some hiccups with federal funding that caused some significant delays in getting some resources to the state. Once these resources get stood up, our goal is to make sure that ICHHTA and all our other partner organizations have the opportunity to take part and link resources. I wanted to share that information. Thank you for the invitation to the NPHY Summit.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you, Doctor Juniel. Anyone else? Abigail, did we have any emails with public comment come in?

Abigail Bagolor:

There is none.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you. With that, we will close this agenda item. There is another public comment at the end of this meeting if something comes up between now and then.

Agenda Item III. [For Possible Action – Discussion and Possible Approval of Minutes from August 19, 2025, Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing Technical Assistance Committee Meeting]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

If there are any discussion or concerns, I will take that discussion now. If not, I will entertain a motion for approval.

Arash Ghafoori:

I will abstain since I was not on the committee at the time.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you, Arash.

Julee King:

I make a motion to approve the minutes from the August meeting.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you. We have a motion for approval. Do I have a second?

Pamela Juniel:

I second the motion.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

We have a motion and a second. All those in favor, please unmute yourself and indicate by saying “aye”.

Austin Pollard, Julee King, Dayona Turner, Catrina Grigsby-Thedford, Brooke Page, Adrienne Babbitt, Pamela Juniel:

Aye.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Any nays, please unmute yourself and indicate by saying “nay”. Any other abstentions?

Chris Murphey:

I will abstain. I was not at that meeting.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

We have two abstentions. Motion carried. Minutes are approved. Closing agenda item number three.

Agenda Item IV. [For Possible Action – Discussion and Possible Vote to Fill the Vacant Seats with Candidates Who Have Submitted Their Applications]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

At this point, I don't know that we have had any applications submitted for vote and possible approval. Is that right, Abigail?

Abigail Bagolor:

That is correct, Michele.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Unless there is any discussion, we will close this agenda item. Hearing none and seeing none, I'll go ahead and close this agenda item.

Agenda Item V. [For Information Only – Introduction of New and Continuing Members of the ICHH Committee for Technical Assistance]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Arash, unfortunately, was not at our last meeting. So, we held off on doing introductions since he is our newest member. We wanted to make sure that we all introduced ourselves to him and had him introduce himself to us. This is an opportunity for us to get to know each other. I will open the floor to see if anybody would like to be the first to introduce themselves, where they work, what they do and why they are here.

Brooke Page:

Hi everyone. Brooke Page. I use she and her pronouns. I'm the managing director of the Corporation for Supportive Housing or CSH. I want to welcome my fellow White Tiger, Arash, to this forum. Thank you so much for applying. We need your expertise and support to address youth homelessness and your expertise amongst all the hats you wear and the impact you make across the state. Thank you for joining.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you, Brooke. Doctor Dayona?

Dayona Turner:

Hi. Doctor Dayona Turner. I'm with the Nevada Department of Education. Hi, Arash. Nice to meet you. I'm new, myself. I work alongside Doctor Pam in Department of Education. I'm on the educator effectiveness side of programming, but I also work alongside with her in terms of making sure that our district's educators are aware of what's going on with our homeless students in the state from the professional development side.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you.

Julee King:

Hi Arash. I've seen you around campus for many years. Since June, I've been with The Partnership Center as the Sage Product Manager. I'm tasked with developing Sage, the repository.

Catrina Grigsby-Thedford:

This is Doctor Katrina. Welcome, White Tiger. I know you and I am new to this role, as well. Welcome to the group. Can't wait to hear your ideas, expertise and all that stuff moving forward. Welcome.

Pamela Juniel:

This is Doctor Pam Juniel, McKinney-Vento State Coordinator from Nevada Department of Education.

I've already been gushing over Arash. He has been super kind to me ever since I stepped into my role in 2022. I got to tag along as the little sister trying to keep up and watching the amazing work that NPHY has done over the years. I've learned so much and I appreciate being included in many of the events and projects that are going on. I also want to share that this warms my heart to see people who help me in the work. I can learn so much from them. This includes Doctor Catrina and Doctor Dayona Turner. This is one of those things I had hoped and prayed for, and it has come to pass. I must give it up to Chairwoman Michele Fuller-Hallauer. It was that fateful day at the NPHY Summit in 2022 where I met her for the first time. This is a full circle moment, and I am glad to see our amazing organization have these titans here. I also need to give a shout out to Brooke Page, because she was trying to help me get my life right when I was at these committee meetings and helped me with the rules. Thank you all so much and welcome to the new members. I'm honored to have been able to be on this side of it to vote you all in.

Austin Pollard:

Good afternoon, everybody. My name is Austin Pollard. I'm the manager of housing justice and NSDUH programs with Health Plan of Nevada Medicaid. It's a pleasure to have you all on. Looking forward to working with you.

Chris Murphey:

Hi, this is Chris Murphey with The Frontier. We provide services to homeless individuals over the past fourteen years. It's through SAMHSA PATH grant passed through the state, which we lost this past year, unfortunately, But we still provide homeless services. I'm happy to be here representing that community.

Adrienne Babbitt:

Arash, so happy to have you here on this council. I am representing Nevada Housing Division and all the HUD CPD formula funds, some DOE weatherization grants and the state investments in affordable housing through HMNI, the attainable account and the supportive housing development, among a few others. I'm anxious to see where I can align the strategic plan with the funding. Glad to have you as part of this conversation.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

I am Michele Fuller-Hallauer with Winged Wolf Innovations. I've been on the council since it was initially created and then the technical assistance committee with the most recent iteration of the Homelessness to Housing Council once it was put into statute. I've been working in homeless services for over two decades. As you know, we've worked closely in Southern Nevada. At this point, I'm the CEO and chief strategist for a technical assistance and consulting agency. We work on a national stage to be catalysts for innovative change and to help agencies and communities be their best selves so they can help the most vulnerable folks in their communities. We are thankful to have you at the table helping us in Nevada to make strategic changes and to help the most vulnerable here. Thank you, Arash. Tell us a little bit more about yourself.

Arash Ghafouri:

Yes, hello. Thank you all for providing a little more information about yourselves and for the kind words and niceties. It's an honor and privilege to be joining this ring of superstars. I've grown up in this work with several of you. I've been in this role at NPHY as CEO for around fifteen years. If we do the math, that means I got in the driver's seat at around twenty-eight years old. That's the first time

Michele met me. There is a world of difference now that I'm forty-three, but I've definitely grown up with some of you and have seen the amazing work that many of you on this committee have accomplished within your own rights as professionals and in the movement to address and end all forms of homelessness that's happening through all corners of our state. I tip my hat off to every one of you for the incredible game changing elements you bring to our great state. I started in the youth homelessness space a little over fifteen years ago and I'm still here at NPHY. NPHY has grown quite a bit over the years. I consider myself more of a social entrepreneur and youth advocate than I do a nonprofit leader. I still see myself as running a business. We're in the business of ending the issue of youth homelessness. Just like running any business, you need stakeholders, technical experts, supporters, fundraisers and everything in-between. NPHY is a grassroots organization that was founded in 2000. We're about to celebrate our twenty-fifth anniversary next year. There are two sides to our house. One is high quality direct services on the ground where we serve, on a given year, anywhere from 6 to seven hundred unduplicated youth through the course of fifteen thousand plus interactions and contact several thousand more young people on the streets in different settings preventative, street and community-based outreach. The other side of our hat is that we are also an advocacy organization. We were founded by getting a law passed to open our doors. Through the years, we started something called The Movement to End Youth Homelessness, originally in Southern Nevada. Now, it is a statewide movement. We've convened about eight or nine summits, brought together thousands of people, have gotten a couple state laws changed to benefit young people experiencing homelessness, and have done a lot of technical and system level advisory roles. Most importantly, at NPHY, we are of the belief that not one agency, funder or government sector can solve this issue alone. It does take technical expertise. It's not as simple as providing a roof and food and calling it a day. I'm preaching to the choir, which is to say, what a great segue to be on this committee which serves in a technical advisory capacity on behalf of our state so that we can make the system work better for the individuals that access it while we work on making programs also better for those people that access them. Thank you for having me on board. It's a pleasure and honor and hopefully I can keep up with all of you.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you, Arash, for being with us. We really appreciate having you join us. Let's go ahead and close that agenda item. We will move on to agenda item number six.

Agenda Item VI. [For Possible Action – Discussion and Possible Vote on All Scoring Criteria for New Members. Review Current Membership Representation and Any Lived Experience]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

The current scoring criteria is very broad and was created many years ago. It was a way to generally score folks to get them on the technical assistance committee. We have grown to be much more sophisticated. There's been some discussion in the group concerning what these categories mean and how to define them. They are very general and up to individual interpretation as you are reviewing the application and the letters we receive for people that are interested in being on the technical assistance committee. The discussion we had at our last meeting suggested that we wanted to review the scoring criteria and clearly define them to use for scoring and ranking new applicants.

The current criteria we look at are Lived Experience, Experience in Homeless, Mental Health or Substance Abuse Services, State Geographic Representation and Skills and Knowledge Expertise. That is very broad. We need to determine if we want to keep those areas. If so, we need to identify them. Do we want to add to them or get rid of any of them. The next step, once we determine those things, is to further define what we mean by the criteria we keep so that it is clearer for the scorer to understand what that means. Arash?

Arash Ghafoori:

The main data points come from the letter that the applicant submits and the questionnaire, is that correct?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Yes. And from the resume.

Catrina Grigsby-Thedford:

For the lived experience piece, a lot of people think that only means homelessness. They don't think about housing insecurity, substance use, justice involvement and mental health. A person can have many different lived experiences. This may come off, because of the name of the council, that we only need homelessness. Yet, the next criteria listed is experience in offering these other services. I don't know where it's written, but does lived experience have to be a scoring factor? If it needs to stay, can it provide more detail? A person can state that they have no lived experience and get a lower score, right? That means a lot. Unless it was a priority that anyone in this group have lived experience, it shouldn't really be rated. It could be something added for the knowledge of the people doing the scoring. We could ask if they have lived experience of homelessness, housing insecurity, justice involvement or mental health experience, if people are willing to share.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you, Katrina. That's a great point. Lived experience was put on here primarily because we did not have anybody on the technical assistance committee at that time who had any kind of lived experience of homelessness or poverty on the technical assistance committee. That was a priority for recruitment to ensure there was some type of representation. It doesn't mean we have to keep that criteria, but that was the purpose for including it. Chris?

Chris Murphey:

In scoring many of these over the years, what I find difficult about geographical representation is that a lot of people live in one community, so they service and have a lot of experience in that community. Since it's only one community out of the fifteen counties in Nevada, I would tend to score that lower. If they're coming from the rural, that's thirteen counties that the rural represent. That's kind of unfair. If we could add clarification to that, it would be helpful for me. Thanks.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Doctor Juniel?

Pamela Juniel:

Maybe we should have a hyperlink to more information to provide context. I agree with Doctor Catrina's assessment of lived experience. Being a person with lived experience, I've experienced a couple of things, but, in a way, it's creating a false equivalence. There are some people who have served in those areas who may or may not have lived experience, too. There's a stigmatizing on both

ends. I appreciate what Chris said about the state geographic representation. As I was scoring some of these, it was hard. Within thirteen counties, Nevada is a majority rural. If a person is in an organization that serves the whole state, do they get an advantage because of geographic representation? For instance, I service the whole state, but someone who services the rural areas that might have deeper needs creates a false equivalence.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you, Doctor Juniel. Great ideas. Julee?

Julee King:

I'm glad that the lived experience thing was brought up. When I looked at that, I thought it was strictly talking about lived experience with homelessness. I hadn't thought of other systems or situations. That would change things if we're going to expand lived experience to include other situations. I like the idea of doing that. I would like some clarity on experience in homelessness services and the skills and knowledge expertise. How are those two different? I will comment, too, on the state geographic representation. I was never sure if that meant where the person was located and did it give this committee more representation throughout the state or was it where their work took them? Did they basically work in Southern Nevada agencies or with Southern Nevada clients or did they work with agencies across the whole state? That one was never quite clear to me on what and how we are defining.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Question to the group. Would you like me to give some historical context, or would you like to continue with the comments first and then I'll give some more historical context to Julee's question?

Catrina Grigsby-Thedford:

I would like the historical context now. It may clarify other questions.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Around the time when we were creating the original strategic plan, we needed some skill sets at the table. These skills are for creating and crafting the strategic plan and the work moving forward with addressing homelessness. These were not represented at the Technical Assistance Committee. So, that's where the skills and knowledge expertise came in versus just working in homeless, mental health and substance abuse services. We had folks at the table that worked in those services, but they didn't necessarily have skills, knowledge and expertise in developing and implementing a strategic plan or working at the systems level. There was a huge skill and knowledge gap that was taking place at the committee level. Regarding the state and geographic representation, we had a seventy-five to ninety percent representation on this group from Washoe County, but we know the bulk of the population is in Southern Nevada. There was one person representing the rural area. The group decided we needed a broader distribution of representation at the table across the state.. If a person is in an agency that is working statewide and can speak from that lens, that's great. We need to look at what the current composition is on the advisory committee to decide if we are heavy in one geographic area of representation and if we need people from another area. At one point, we had no representation from Southern Nevada, one person who was a statewide representative, one from the rural areas and everybody else was from the North. That's a discrepancy. We needed to make sure that there was a better geographic representation. Is there a better way to word that on

here? Probably not, but that's how it ended up being on there. Julee, did that answer your questions?

Julee King:

Yes. Thank you.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Doctor Dayona?

Dayona Turner:

When I applied to be a part of the committee, being new to Nevada, I had a misunderstanding of the state geographic representation and the work around homelessness that I did at the strategic level. I was really focused on the skills and knowledge expertise area. Having definitions and clear information connected to what those items are referencing would make it clear for us and the applicant as well, going forward. Without having personal lived experience but having worked in those spaces in Ohio, having those definitions would be beneficial both internally and externally.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Arash?

Arash Ghafoori:

I'm hearing two things. One, that there needs to be more of a common understanding of the definition of each of these things that we use on these four lines to score. Secondly, it seems like there is a discussion in terms of what type of composition this group is trying to achieve. For example, is it minimum thirty percent lived experience? Is it minimum one geographic representative of the five geographical priority areas? Eventually, if there are a lot of robust applicants, it would be something better to distinguish. If there are tons of people from Southern Nevada, we would need to focus on the rural areas. So, a person that is rural and has lived experience would score better than someone who, on face, looks just as good, but we are overrepresented in one area. Having information about what we want to achieve could help us better score this with common definitions, too, if that makes sense.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Yes, it makes total sense. We are now getting sophisticated enough that it makes sense for us to start moving in that direction. Thank you for that. Doctor Katrina?

Katrina Grigsby-Thedford:

Where is the guidance written that talks about the composition of this group? Is this group able to make recommendations to send to the other committee to change those? Lived experience should be extra points and not a point that is on the Likert Scale. People would score lower if people were just looking at a score. Of course, we've got to look at that as well as the information they email to make an informed decision. Lastly, for the experience in homeless and mental health services, we need to have a justice system there, as well, because they intersect. A person could have justice experience and not feel like they are a good fit for this group. I'm sure the outside individuals don't know that this is what we're scoring on. But it would be great to have that population of professionals in this room, as well. We could also include something around justice or prison involvement.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Great comments and questions. There is no guidance on the makeup of this group and how we determine who is part of it. We do that ourselves. We have carte blanche. That's why that's on our agenda for us to determine what we want to do. We can be as sophisticated or as low key as we determine that we want or need to be, as long as we are transparent. Doctor Juniel?

Pamela Juniel:

I appreciate everyone's addition to this conversation. I appreciate, Arash, how you framed the dual purpose of the scoring. I appreciate, Doctor Turner, sharing your experience as you were applying. That also helps. Doctor Catrina, I appreciate you reiterating the point that it is important to emphasize the lived experience. It is important that we have some written foundation for things. I'm coming from being a teacher. If I were to look at this as a student, I would be confused as to what I was supposed to do with it. Having guidance and information on it is important. One of the things I appreciate is that Arash brought up not only using this to accept members, but it would also be a living, breathing tool. As our composition of committee members changes over time. Things change and representation may or may not fall off or be concentrated in different areas. This tool should have foundational explanations and that is why I was talking about hyperlinks. If we were to link it, it would move to the FAQ or explanation page to include the purpose of the scoring tool and the process that is being used. That would be an elegant way to allow people to feel free to move about the cabin while also showing that committee and our public-facing partners that we are being intentional about the selection of our committee members.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

What I'm hearing from the group is that we want to document what we feel the makeup of this group should be. Then, we should create the scoring tool to go along with that concept to achieve the best makeup. In doing that, we should document how we get there by describing the process and details of scoring in some type of standard operating procedure. That will allow us to achieve more equity when we're scoring and be more transparent for future applicants and reviewers. Is that a fair summation of our conversation?

Arash Ghafoori:

Sounds about right to me.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

We can't vote on the makeup of the group at this point, but we can continue some discussion around what that would be, because it does roll into scoring criteria. I would like to recommend that we continue this discussion about what we think the makeup of the group might be and what we might need to capture for our next meeting. We should agendize more conversation and a vote at the next meeting for the makeup of the group, scoring and all of that. We can take the conversation from today and summarize that, along with the conversation we have at the next meeting. And try to come up with a more cohesive agreement on what we want. I'm open to anybody's suggestions or ideas.

Brooke Page:

What is missing is the context in terms of what our working group is intended to solve for and the expertise that we need at the table to achieve that. The direction from the Interagency Advisory Council will help hone the role that we should be playing as a technical assistance working group.

This is to align what is needed from us and identify whether we have that expertise on this committee to meet that expectation. In the past, we have been asked to write a strategic plan. I'm not sure how many of you are writers on here, but that's an important skill set that will help with research, evaluation or update versions, if that's expected of us.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

That's a great point. Are you on the next ICHH agenda to get some direction from the ICHH?

Brooke Page:

I couldn't tell you. Doctor Catrina, if you could leverage your role on that committee to give us some ideas of how we can better assess how we get that information. I know that you've attempted to put that out for the committee. I'm not sure if folks are deliberating now or if there's a report back on their future agendas. I haven't necessarily gotten clear direction. I know the chair wasn't at the last meeting I was at, and I don't know if we had quorum. Those kinds of nuances would be helpful to understand how we get direction that we need to move forward.

Catrina Grigsby-Thedford:

From what I've seen, there's no interaction, engagement or conversations between meetings. I'll make sure to bring that up to the committee and see if anyone bites. Our next meeting is coming up on November 20th. I'll email the chair and ask a few questions to see where we're at.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

The meeting is the 29th of October.

Abigail Bagolor:

Yes, the ICHH is set to meet on October 29th at 1:00 pm. They have it on their agenda. It's only for a discussion. They are not allowed to act, but there is going to be a discussion regarding the direction to the ICHHTA.

Brooke Page:

Thank you.

Adrienne Babbitt:

Abigail, do they need to vote on an action item before there is clear direction on moving forward or is discussion enough for us?

Abigail Bagolor:

It was requested to be a discussion only. It's not on the agenda to take any action or to vote on anything. We will have to reach out to the District Attorney General's office to confirm if they're able to do so.

Pamela Juniel:

It's almost counterproductive when the technical assistance committee that was created to inform the council to do work is only being discussed, but there are no actions being taken. I notice that we have our TA meetings, and the council meetings are a week later. We have not had the opportunity to move forward with a lot of items that could have made more of a sustained impact. As a committee member, I'm wondering what we are here for.

Brooke Page:

Thank you, Doctor Pam. The timing of the two meetings should be considered. If we want to provide information or agendize a topic, there isn't enough timeline with open meeting law to do that. That is something that should be considered. Again, it goes back to what is the role of the technical assistance working group. To help inform and prepare the council for their meetings. Is it that we are supporting the following month's meeting? All those questions and support and guidance would be helpful.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

All your comments are valid. I'm not sure that the ICHH knows how they could best utilize the technical assistance committee. There are better and more effective ways that the council could utilize the technical assistance committee and make great strides towards addressing homelessness statewide. We have very smart people at this table. I don't know what that looks like. Doctor Pam?

Pamela Juniel:

I appreciate this discussion. This has come up several times. I do appreciate those of you who are on the technical assistance committee who are also on the ICHH for sharing what you could with regards to what's going on. That also gives us space to hopefully make some recommendations so that we can get moving on a few things. We can't get time back. We're at a crisis point when we're looking at the data and what's going on, not only in the country but in the State of Nevada. Thank you for the opportunity to discuss this.

Brooke Page:

It would be advantageous for someone on this committee to go back to the legislation when it was passed. This is to review the minutes from the hearings to understand the intent of the bill and the legislation. It was set up with these various working groups for a reason and purpose. Bringing that back from historical context would give us the answers we need.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you for this robust discussion. I am hearing that we are done with the discussion around the scoring criteria until we get some further guidance. Think about the makeup of the group as we know it and as we know the work that we have to do. Start thinking about what we need for this group. Be prepared for our next discussion and we will come back to this conversation. Doctor Juniel?

Pamela Juniel:

Thank you, Madam Chairwoman. As the conversation went forward and we went back to the scoring grid, I was doing a self-assessment to see where I land comparing the time I was voted on with now. I lightly suggest that we all reflect on that. That will give us a loose picture of the overall representation. Our group dynamic and representation have changed over time with our new members and different things of that nature. That would help the conversation going forward.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you. Arash?

Arash Ghafoori:

Is there anything glaringly obvious that's missing from the type of membership we're seeking or the composition of it, or something that can't easily be honed out from these four buckets between lived x, experience, geography and skills? We don't want to overcomplicate the rubric but what I'm

hearing is to flesh it out more. I'm curious if there's anything missing that we're not capturing one of these four areas.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

That's a great question. Doctor Catrina did identify earlier about justice experience.

Pamela Juniel:

Operationalizing or adding the additional narrative of explanation with some bulleted list and other explanations that people had already brought forth would be ideal.

Dayona Turner:

I'm willing to look into the legislation and try to find details around when the committee was created and some of that language. Once I gather that information, please let me know who I submit that to or do I just hold onto it and place it as an agenda item. Just advise me on how to do so.

Brooke Page:

Thank you, Doctor Turner.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

That would be great. Just send an email to me, Brooke, Abigail and team that you've got that research and we will put that as an agenda. Then, you can report that back to us during a meeting. Anything else on this agenda item? With that, I'm going to close this agenda item.

Agenda Item VII. [For Possible Action – Review the Current Strategic Plan and Discuss Any Revisions That Need to Be Made. Follow-Up on the Outcome of the Direction for the ICHH]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

I want to share with you that I added the information that Doctor Juniel sent and from the last legislative session to the workbook. I will send this workbook to Abigail and ask her to send it to the full committee. This displays our comments and the 2025 legislative bills and laws status toward our plan. Some of them aren't labeled yet, but we're getting there. My research team went through and made some comments. They did some research about things that have passed or what happened during the legislation, how it might apply to each of the strategic issues and actions, and what we might want to do over the next ninety days or so. In the comments section, you'll find a lot of information that may or may not be helpful to us for our next steps. What I really want to share with you is the different legislative bills that have now become laws. We identified what the bill is, a summary of the impact and if it is helpful. We've put that into the activity that we think it applies to. Sometimes there's a law that applies to multiple activities. We might not have gotten it right over time. We've got these in housing, homeless prevention, and wrap-around services. We didn't identify any laws that really hindered us. They might have missed some, but I didn't identify any that really were harmful. This was populated by Doctor Juniel.

Pamela Juniel:

I would love it if other people would look at it too, because there may be some things I may have missed. Feedback and suggestions are always welcome.

Adrienne Babbitt:

Do we have any goals or actions around fair housing in Nevada? I thought we did, but I couldn't find it.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Brooke, you were over the housing group, weren't you?

Brooke Page:

There wasn't anything that comes to mind related to fair housing. Maybe in the policy tab, things around tenant protections came up in conversation, but nothing specific. There are fair housing violations.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Identify who is responsible for fair housing violations in Nevada and determine what is being done.

Brooke Page:

Yes.. I thought that actually lived with the housing division Adrienne. So, that'd be interesting to know if that's the case or not.

Adrienne Babbitt:

Nevada does not have FHAP, which is a fair housing equivalent to FHO or HUD. We have NERC.

Pamela Juniel:

Yes. Nevada Equal Rights Commission.

Adrienne Babbitt:

They're the state appointed organization to do fair housing, but they're not considered a fair housing equivalent for HUD like fair housing investigations and complaints. Given the recent reduction in staff with HUD fair housing intake and investigations teams, that could be an area that we could look at. I just wanted to see if that was on there because that would be a recent change. Given the fair housing memos that have come out indicating prioritization or lack of complaints, the state does not have an equivalency for investigations.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

What are our next steps?

Adrienne Babbitt:

We don't have any next steps until we can get more guidance. Our hands are tied on what we are allowed to do until the ICHH meets and formally votes on the actions this committee is allowed to take.

Brooke Page:

I agree with Adrienne. We don't want to continue to invest time and resources into updating a document or providing information if that's not something that is going to be leveraged or used at the ICHH level. It would be helpful, with that direction and guidance, we could divide and conquer. Ideally, it would be great if this body was helping to update that action plan, leverage our existing access to help inform that action plan. Then, provide what decision points need to be made from the ICHH for them to help figure out how to solution some of the challenges that are raised in that action

plan. Until that is formalized and adopted, it's hard to put in all that work not knowing if that's going to be supported at that level.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

That is correct. Doctor Juniel?

Pamela Juniel:

Because of the amazing work that we've already done, is there any way to be able to pivot to some of our representatives on freestanding organizations who have been able to move things forward? Would we be in a position to continue to advise and inform our outside agencies with this information, because it is very valuable, until the council decides to act? This way, at least we are acting, but in a different capacity, in terms of providing foundational information. I say this with an example of NPHY's ability to help us move forward with things like AB 197 and other pieces of legislation.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

There's a couple things to note. One, the strategic plan is a public document. I believe the work plan, as it stands, is also a public document. There's nothing to be said that anybody in the community and the state can't be working on addressing the activities, goals and strategic issues of the strategic plan or the work plan. I just did a presentation to the statewide CoC on our work plan and what we need to complete within the work plan on who needs to do what, who needs to own what, how we're going to measure, who the collaborating entities are and all those vacant boxes within. I've been asked by the Northern Nevada CoC if I would be willing to come and do a specific presentation to them about the work plan. The Southern Nevada CoC asked for permission to share the work plan with their full CoC. The CoCs are interested in the work plan and how they can start implementing and working on the work plan. To your point, Doctor Pam, there are people on the ground that are close to the work that's being done that don't want this to just be a document that sits and no movement happens. They want things to keep moving forward and to see progress. It's just that our ICHH has not been moving at the same pace and giving us concrete direction on how to help them move forward and give direction to those folks that are closer to solving the issue or closer to the problem.

Pamela Juniel:

Madam Chair, thank you for that insight. That gives me a little more consoling. That way, our technical assistance part is moving forward. Thank you for sharing that this is public information that the public can act upon.

Arash Ghafouri:

Chairwoman and group, considering I'm a new member of the group, what's the quickest way to download on where we are with the plan? That would help me suggest or even have input. Do we need to review this document to see what actions should happen on the ground that are aiding and abetting some of the existing goals? Is it time to start thinking about modifying the goals? I'm not sure if it's done once every five years or how that works. How can I download in terms of where we are, where we've been and where we're going with the concept of plans and these presentations and our role into that?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

I don't think it's in a succinct document or type of place for you to identify where we're at right now. It's taken us a year-and-a-half to two years to develop the work plan. It's still not complete on how we're going to measure it. We're still working on the work plan that goes with the strategic plan. The strategic plan does need to be updated every five years. The strategic plan was adopted in 2022. It's been a slog to get to where we are today and we're still slogging through the muck to get where we are. We still need to finish populating the work plan to figure out how we're going to get the work done. We've identified that there are areas within the work plan that are duplication of activities within the strategic issues. One of the areas that has been identified is that this is a volunteer group with people who work other jobs. Nobody is paid to be here except for the DSS staff. They are admins who are not allowed to do anything that is substantive to the content of the work. We've asked about that and have been told that is the case. We've also inquired about there being money to hire a contractor or somebody to help us get these things completed. So that we could have a complete work action plan to put out to the CoCs and the rest of the stakeholders, and ICHH has not come up with anything to pull that together. It continues to be a slow-moving boat.

Arash Ghafouri:

That was helpful. I knew some of the higher-level moving pieces. That makes a lot of sense. Rest assured that I, by osmosis, will join the slogging along as fast as I can. The only thing that I'll offer up as a potential placeholder is that the movement's busy doing a lot of statewide work in a variety of ways on youth homelessness. That's everything from building new statewide and regional boards to policy work, as Doctor Juniel alluded to. We have a significant piece of funding from the federal government to start a statewide standalone plan process to further the work of DSS in terms of statewide needs assessment. That needs to be executed, revisited, prioritized, leveraged and all that stuff. Undoubtedly, one of the reasons I was excited to join this group is because I see there's a lot of alignment. To your point, Michele, we don't want to duplicate anywhere that we can take work that could meet the objectives or help with the work plan that's already being done. I'm happy to figure out how to align those things. It would be in our best interest, at least from the youth homelessness part, to help in this bigger conversation.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Thank you, Arash. Anything else on this agenda item? I sent Abigail the workbook that I was showing you that my team has worked in, and that includes Doctor Juniel's information. Her team should be sending that out to you all shortly.

Arash Ghafouri:

That's impressive work of your team, Michele. Thank you.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Sure. I will pass that along. Last call on this agenda item. Seeing none, hearing none, we will move on to agenda item number eight.

Agenda Item VIII. [For Information Only – Discussion of Agenda Items for the Next Meeting on November 8, 2025]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Just for everybody's edification, I will not be at that meeting. I will be at a conference.

Arash Ghafoori:

I also will not be able to attend the next meeting.

Brooke Page:

I, too, will not be able to attend that meeting. I'm not sure if it makes sense for us to propose changing that meeting date or canceling at this point. I'm not sure if we'll have quorum.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

I have a feeling Doctor Catrina won't be able to, either. It's Project Homeless Connect and Clarity Connect. There are multiple things going on. It sounds like we need to consider a different date. What about the 28th? Would people be available on the 28th?

Pamela Juniel:

After Thanksgiving?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Yes, that would be after Thanksgiving.

Adrienne Babbitt:

I'm not available that day.

Pamela Juniel:

That's Family Day.

Abigail Bagolor:

That is also a holiday for the state.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

I meant the 25th. I'm sorry. I was in the wrong month.

Arash Ghafoori:

I can do the 25th.

Julee King:

I can do the 25th, as well.

Brooke Page:

I can, as well.

Pamela Juniel:

I can, as well.

Austin Pollard:

I'll be out all that week.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Do we just skip November?

Pamela Juniel:

As a former educator, they usually refer to this month as No School November because there is the smallest amount of instructional days during that month. I do know that school will be out, as well, for a certain amount of time for some districts. Are there any pressing items that need to be addressed that require quorum?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

I don't believe so. We are still waiting on direction from the ICHH. If it's ok with everybody, we can identify what we want to put on our agenda for December. Does everybody think that they will be here on December 16th?

Julee King:

I will be.

Dayona Turner:

Yes.

Arash Ghafoori:

Yes.

Pamela Juniel:

I will be available.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

What do we want on our next agenda?

Arash Ghafoori:

There was a possible action related to the rubric and candidacy considerations, correct? Wasn't there also somebody doing some recon with the actual committee on where they're at and how they want us to behave moving forward? And possibly what Brooke said about aligning meetings to meet with open meeting law in a way that work can be done in between the interplay between the committee and our group. That's a very long agenda item. Michele, the group is proposing to meet on December 16th?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Yes. We always meet on the third Tuesday of every month. What I heard is that we cancel November's meeting and we resume in December at our regularly scheduled meeting.

Arash Ghafoori:

Understood.

Dayona Turner:

The information that I'm going to be looking up for the legislation, can that be sent out to everyone and you can review? Or if that should be an agenda item for a discussion since someone's still going to get with the council to see our direction. I don't know if that's internally for us to look at the legislation.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Doctor Juniel?

Pamela Juniel:

Thank you, Doctor Turner, for making that suggestion. Given that we won't be meeting in November, I would say we should capitalize on the time, if it is appropriate for the committee rules, to be able to look at it and be prepared to discuss it at the December meeting. I would love to get feedback from the committee on that.

Dayona Turner:

Are we saying to go ahead and place that as an agenda item for December?

Pamela Juniel:

Yes, but only if Madam Chairwoman would be able to clarify if we're able to have it shared so we can review it. That way, not only will we be discussing it, but we'll have a quick review. Madam Chairwoman, could you let me know if we can look at it or could it be shared?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

It's public information, when she finds it. All she would have to do is send it to Abigail and team. She can send a copy to myself and Brooke. Then, Abigail or the team can send it out to the full work group. It would need to come from Abigail's team, and they can send it out the group to review. We cannot respond to that email, we can just have that information to review. Then, at the next meeting, we will have a discussion.

Pamela Juniel:

Thank you, Madam Chairwoman, for that full clarification.

Dayona Turner:

We had a discussion around some of the definitions for the scoring criteria. Will that be worked on during this time? Will those definitions be presented as an item? I don't know how far we got with that part of establishing the clarity. Who's going to work on that part? Is it going to be an actual agenda item or is someone going to further define those and share them out through Abigail?

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

I would like to recommend you all send any specific thoughts on how we should define those areas in a bullet pointed message to Abigail. Abigail, can you and your team compile that information? I'll work with you on what that looks like in presenting it at the next meeting, so that we can make this as quick as possible for getting clarification of the definitions.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

OK. Anything else?

Chris Murphey:

I thought we were going to do something about what we wanted the committee make-up to be and what we wanted that to look like.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Yes. I have that.

Chris Murphey:

OK.

Chair Michele Fuller- Hallauer:

Thank you. Hopefully we can get some direction from the ICHH. We'll put a placeholder for a report on any direction we get from the ICHH. OK. Last call. If you come up with anything between now and the beginning of December, send us an email. Let us know what your thoughts are that you would like to have on the agenda. We have to make sure that we have enough time for Abigail and team to process the agenda and get it approved and posted. We don't want to bog them down. With that, I'm going to close this agenda item.

Agenda Item IX. [General Public Comments]

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

Item number two on our agenda is public comment. No action may be taken upon a matter raised until the matter has been specifically added to the agenda. Comments are limited to three minutes. If you are making a public comment via phone, please call 1-775-321-6111, ID 489 058 294 followed by pound. We are now open to public comment. Please unmute yourself and state your name for the committee.

Arash Ghafoori:

I want to extend that invite to our summit one more time. If anyone wants to go, you can reach me at my email address, and I'll help you get connected. It's November 14th. Our lighting ceremony is on the 3rd. Thank you, Madam Chair.

Chair Michele Fuller Hallauer:

Thank you. Any other public comment? I am seeing none. Abigail, has anything come in via email or otherwise during the meeting?

Abigail Bagolor:

There is none.

Chair Michele Fuller-Hallauer:

With that, I am going to close this agenda item, and we will move to agenda item number ten. It is now 2:49 pm and I will adjourn this meeting. We will see you on December 16th. You all have a wonderful Thanksgiving and enjoy the youth summit.

Agenda Item X. [Adjournment: 2:49 PM]

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