Riverside University Health System – Behavioral Health
Behavioral Health Commission – Housing Committee Meeting Minutes
Meeting was conducted virtually.
Tuesday, October 13, 2026

Members/Public Present	Chairperson	Staff Present	Guest Present
	Brenda Scott	**Alexandria Sanchez** **Alvaro Segura** **Coti Horn** **Cristine Lestage** **Dr. Lorissa Villarreal** **Marcus Cannon** **Michelle Downs** **Rachel Robbins** **Rachel Smith** **Randy Arambula** **Renae Balderas**	**Amy Konopka** **Carolina Ayala** **Devana Came** **Dennis Shepard** **Erica Humphreys** **Michelle Davis** **Rita Bendlin**

Item	Discussion	Action Follow Up
Call To Order and Introductions	Brenda Scott called the meeting to order at 11:01am. Roll call was completed for virtual attendance.	
Minutes	The meeting minutes for September 8, 2026, were accepted as written.	
Announcements	Brenda Scott – Shared that the Recovery Happens event was a great success and announced the upcoming NAMI Walk on November 14 at 8:00 AM. Devana – Greater Riverside Sober Housing Alliance meets every second Wednesday of the month on County Circle Road. The coalition currently includes approximately 30 sober living homes, both County-contracted and non-County-contracted, and provides opportunities for collaboration, education, and sharing best practices.	→ Devana to distribute flyer or informational materials regarding the Greater Riverside Sober Housing Alliance to BHC attendees.

Old Business	○ **Room and Board Update:** Presented by Rachel Smith ○ Rachel Smith reported no new updates regarding the Riverside County Room and Board Coalition. Lorissa reiterated the County's support for establishing a peer-led coalition. Rachel confirmed Riverside County providers are welcome to attend the San Bernardino Room and Board Coalition quarterly meetings and will share the meeting information. Amy K. asked about obtaining a list of Room and Board providers, and Lorissa clarified that the County can share its existing contracted provider list, while additional private-pay providers would require independent research. Brenda clarified the differences between Room and Board, Board and Care, and sober living facilities. Devana invited attendees to the Greater Riverside Sober Housing Alliance meetings, which include both contracted and private-pay providers. ○ **HHOPE Data Updates:** Randy Arambula presented stats on HHOPE Programs for the month of September. ○ **Housing and Bonus PSH**: 250% Units and 325% bed utilization ○ **HHOPE PSH 43:** 113% Units and 113% bed utilization ○ **PH Consolidated:** 96% Units and 85% bed utilization ○ **BHBH Transitional Housing**: 330 beds and 7,643 bed nights ○ **IEHP Community Supports**: 368 beds and 9,085 bed nights ○ **AB 109 Transitional Housing:** 86 beds and 2,109 bed nights ○ **MHSA & NPLH Apartments:** ▪ **Cathedral Palms:** 93% utilization ▪ **Vista Dorada:** 98% utilization ▪ **St. Michaels:** 96% utilization ▪ **Cedar Glen I:** 100% utilization ▪ **Cedar Glen II:** 100% utilization ▪ **Vista De La Sierra:** 97% utilization ▪ **Vista Sunrise II:** 93% utilization ▪ **Oasis Senior Villas:** 76% utilization ▪ **Rancho Las Bolsas:** 100% utilization ▪ **Tres Lago Apts.:** 96% utilization ▪ **Aloe Palm Canyon:** 96% utilization ▪ **Legacy Family Apts.:** 93% utilization ▪ **Perris Family Apts.:** 93% utilization ▪ **Rancho Dorado:** 100% utilization ▪ **Vineyards at Menifee:** 100% utilization ▪ **Vintage at Snowberry:** 100% utilization ▪ **Verbena Crossing Apts.:** 100% utilization ▪ **MHSA Apt Total:** 103 units & 105 clients ▪ **NPLH Apt Total:** 527 units & 668 clients ▪ **FY 25/26 Summary:** 3,453 beds and 555,826 bed nights ○ **HHOPE**: 2,320 calls; 37 less than last month ○ **HomeConnect**: 2,412 calls; 127 less than last month ○ Michelle Davis asked about the low IEHP Community Supports referral numbers, and Randy and Lorissa clarified the referral process. Devana and Amy asked about the Mead Valley Wellness Village, provider referrals, and higher-level care placements, with Lorissa confirming that referrals would not be impacted and explaining the appropriate crisis and case management resources. Carolina Ayala asked about housing resources for individuals with immigration status barriers, and Lorissa confirmed that a resource flyer would be included in Coti's follow-up email.	→ Rachel Smith to provide the San Bernardino Room and Board Coalition meeting information to Coti for distribution to interested BHC attendees. → MHSA has changed to BHSA for future meetings. → Coti to distribute the immigration-related resource flyer.

New Business	**Senior Peer support specialist – presented by Alvaro Segura** Alvaro provided an overview of the Peer Support Specialist role within behavioral health clinics and programs, highlighting how lived experience with mental health and/or substance use recovery allows specialists to provide hope, encouragement, advocacy, and person-centered support to members. The presentation covered the importance of maintaining professional boundaries, confidentiality, ethical practices, and understanding mandated reporting responsibilities. Alvaro also emphasized that Peer Support Specialists support members in their individual recovery journeys by respecting their autonomy, meeting them where they are, and recognizing that recovery looks different for everyone.	→ Alvaro to send the presentation slideshow to Coti for distribution. → Brenda Scott to send the Peer Support Classes flyer to Coti for distribution.
Deputy Director Administrator Report	**Presenter: Dr. Lorissa Villarreal** • **Vendor Quarterly Meetings / BedTrac Implementation** o Quarterly vendor meetings are being held to provide updates and ongoing support. o The Recovery Residence (RR) meeting took place this morning in preparation for BedTrac going live on Thursday, October 15. o BedTrac will allow referrals, reservations, entries, and exits to be tracked in one centralized platform for improved accountability. o FAQs are being prepared based on questions received from vendors, and training materials and video links have been distributed. o Recovery Residences will serve as the pilot, with the goal of eventually expanding BedTrac to additional housing providers. • **RFP Updates** o Two RFP deadlines are approaching: o The Place: October 15 at 1:30 PM. o Mead Valley Wellness Village: October 29 at 1:30 PM. o The program looks forward to seeing which organizations participate in the opportunities. • **Behavioral Health Services Supervisor (BHSS) Recruitment** o Interviews are scheduled for next week for the Western Region BHSS position. o The selected supervisor will oversee the AB109, Community Supports, and Recovery Residence teams.	
Non – Agendized	No non-agendized items were discussed.	
Public Comments	No public comments.	
Next Meeting	The next BH Commission Housing Committee meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 10, 2026.**	
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm.	