Notes on Santa Barbara 2013 Continuum of Care Performance Matrix By Geoffrey Gilbert, Ph.D. President Polis Consulting Group, Inc.

It is regrettable that the matrix is so long and complex but I have yet to find an alternate format that permits an evaluator to consider all variables simultaneously. The matrix is an important guide to making funding determinations for the Continuum of Care (CoC). Please note that the matrix is multi-colored. Projects are grouped by program type (Permanent Supportive Housing being yellow, Transitional Housing being shaded light green). This is done to help you focus on projects relative to others of that type. HUD's evaluation standards differ by program type so it makes sense to consider them this way. Also, you will see that some information is in red and other is in green. Red lettering indicates an unfavorable factor that may raise concerns that should be considered as part of the evaluation. Green lettering indicates a favorable factor that should also be included in your deliberations.

The key criteria by which you are to make your decisions are as follows:

- 1. <u>Program Type and Location</u>: you will have to rely upon your experience to determine what is most appropriate for you particular CoC with respect to the kind of programs needed, the population to be served, and their location.
- 2. <u>Funding Level</u>: the requests range from \$642,822 for rental assistance in Santa Barbara for disabled persons to \$19,210 for a dual diagnosis program in Santa Maria. The amount of funding is an important consideration as it sharpens discussions as to funding priorities.
- 3. <u>Population Served</u>: some populations may be in greater need of services and housing than other populations and the evaluation panel needs to consider this as well.
- 4. Percent of HUD Funding: a lower percent may indicate that the program has local support and has leveraged that for additional federal resources. A high percent indicates that the program is dependent upon HUD. In the case of Shelter Plus Care (SPC) rental assistance, a higher percentage should be ignored as each dollar of rental assistance is matched with an equal dollar amount of services.
- 5. <u>Proposed and Actual Beds</u>: the CoC is ever in need of additional beds so any beds/units included beyond what was initially proposed should be looked upon favorably. The number of beds is also important in that it speaks to the capacity of the Continuum in meeting the needs of homeless persons and families.
- 6. <u>Cost Per Bed</u>: cost effectiveness is of critical importance to the Continuum in that the current resources are insufficient to meet the need. It is thereby critical that every dollar spent is well spent. It should be noted that on a per client/space basis the annual

- program expenses range from \$9,610 (Casa de Mural) to \$437 (Clean and Sober). It is wrong to dismiss an expensive program out of hand; a program may have high costs because it has been designed for hard-to-serve clients.
- 7. <u>Numbers Served and Utilization Rate</u>: although a number of program and residential spaces have been developed (or have created access), not all programs fully utilize the resources it has on hand. Utilization rates range from a high of 100% at the Casa de Mural program to a low of 72% by the Santa Barbara *Shelter Plus Care* program.
- 8. <u>HMIS Participation</u>: the effectiveness of the Continuum and its capacity to plan depend greatly upon a fully functional Homeless Management Information System. Agencies are expected to participate by capturing data transmitted electronically to a server maintained by the County. In the past agencies have been informed that their continued participation in the CoC depends in part upon their involvement.
- 9. <u>Concerns</u>: the spreadsheet includes a brief narrative section as warranted. This section includes observations on program performance (as assessed by the Annual Performance Report).
- 10. Exits and "Stayers": HUD evaluates program performance largely considering outcomes, or things that can be measured upon exiting the program. It also looks at who stays in programs and regards a high retention rate as a highly favorable outcome. Contrariwise, HUD considers short stays in permanent housing to be problematic. The turnover rate provides a measure of housing stability and instability.
- 11. <u>Transitions to Permanent Housing</u>: accessing permanent housing is an important goal. On a Continuum-wide basis HUD expects to see 65% of all "graduates" of transitional housing enter a form of permanent housing. The programs requesting renewal funding range from 100% (Transition House) to 43% (Hotel de Riviera).
- 12. <u>Mainstream Resources</u>: the resource tables illustrate the government programs and services that persons accessed (presumably with some form of case management assistance). The four tables are broken up in terms of Exits and Stays along one axis and Cash versus Non-Cash assistance. HUD regards an access rate of 20% to be significant. *Please note that HUD is pressing hard to have CoC's adopt a centralized access and referral system.* It hopes to improve outcomes and obtain verifiable data.

	Santa Barbara CoC, Performance						
#	Applicant	Project Name	Туре	Location	Population	Request	HUD % of Budget
	PERMANENT HOUS	ING					
1	SB Co. ADMHS	Casa del Mural	PH	Santa Barbara	SMI / SA	\$ 115,315	80%
2	SB HCD	Clean and Sober	PH	Santa Maria	SMI/SA	\$ 19,210	76%
3	SB PHA	S+C	S+C	Santa Barbara	SMI / SA	\$ 642,822	100%
4	Willbridge of SB	Master Lease	PH	Santa Barbara	SMI/SA	\$ 65,429	66%
5	Casa de Familia		PH	Santa Maria		\$ 68,006	
	TOTAL					\$ 910,782	
	Percentage						
	TRANSITIONAL HOL	JSING					
6	DV Solutions	Second Stage	TH	Santa Barbara	DV	\$ 65,489	68%
7	SB Community Housing Corp.	Rivera DD Program	TH	Santa Barbara		\$ 79,444	26%
8	Transition House	Firehouse	TH	Santa Barbara		\$ 56,855	28%
	TOTAL					\$ 201,788	
	Percentage						
	SOCIAL SERVICES	ONLY		1	r		r
9	THouse Supportive Services	Transition House	SSO	Santa Barbara	Families	\$ 62,939	28%
10	Casa Esperanza		SSO	Santa Barbara	General	\$ 143,644	75%
	TOTAL					\$ 206,583	
	Percentage						
11 12	HMIS HMIS Expansion					\$ 104,767 64,283	

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Beds / Units

Actual #

13

44

133

12

202

220%

n/a

34

22

56

108%

292

525

817

1,075

Proposed

12

16

56

8

92

30

22

52

Clients

292

525

817

144*

Clients

Chronic

0

14

0

0

14

Total

13

44

133

12

202

n/a

56

70

126

292

525

817

1,145

14

Utilization

Rate

100%

75%

72%

100%

85%

86%

100%

100%

HMIS

12

16

133

161

30

22

52

213

ith HMIS

budget cut by \$ in 2012

strong performance

limited HMIS

budget cut by \$20,000 in 2012

Participation | General CONCERNS and THINGS to NOTE

xpensive, low turnover, all residents with

exceedingly high turnover, operated like TH program, serves chronic population, poor

enrollment in mainstream resources, 70% of all program participants exited. 35 participants (80%) left before six months. Low utilization compared with prior years,

modest turnover, poor recordkeeping (much pperated like a TH program, not participating

Cost Per

Bed (HUD)

\$ 9,610

\$ 4,833

\$ 5,452

\$ 4,509

n/a

\$ 1,419

\$ 2,584

\$ per client

8,365

\$

\$

3,603

216

274

253

\$ 437

11	HMIS	\$ 104,/6/
12	HMIS Expansion	\$ 64,283
	TOTAL HMIS	\$ 169,050
13	PLANNING GRANT	\$ 18,800
	CONTINUUM TOTAL	\$ 1,507,003

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Santa Barbara CoC,	2013	Е	xits (adults onl	y)		Non-Exits			Т	Н
Performance	e Measures	a		С	b	d	е	% Housed 6	# Accessing	Perm. Hsg.
Applicant	Project Name	Participants	Turnover Rate	# Housed >6 Mos.	Participants	# Housed >6 Mos.	# Housed <6 Mos.	mos. +	#	%
PERMANENT HOUSING										
SB Co. ADMHS	Casa del Mural	1	8%	1	12	12	0	100%		
SB HCD	Clean and Sober	31	70%	5	13	4	26	20%		
SB PHA	S+C	43	32%	8	89	89	17	73%		
Willbridge of SB	Master Lease	4	33%	0	8	5	3	42%		
Casa de Familia										
TOTAL		79	39%	14	122	110	46	61%		
Percentage				17.7%		90.2%	37.7%			
TRANSITIONAL HOL	JSING									
DV Solutions	Second Stage									
SB Community Housing Corp.	Rivera DD Program	35		26	21	11	10		15	43%
Transition House	Firehouse	48		0	22	0	22		48	100%
TOTAL		83		26	43	11	32		63	76%
Percentage										
SOCIAL SERVICES	ONLY					Т		1		
THouse Supportive Services	Transition House	233			59				209	90%
Casa Esperanza		495			30				114	23%
TOTAL		728			89		0		323	44%
Percentage										
		890	0	40	254	121	78	1	386	1
HMIS		_						Not	Evaluated by I	HUD

HMIS

HMIS Expansion

TOTAL HMIS

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Santa Barbara CoC,	2013					MAINS	TREAM RE	SOURCES	FOR PERS	ONS WHO	EXITED				
Performanc	e Measures								Employment Income						
Applicant	Project Name	SSI	SSDI	Social Security	Public Assistance	TANF	SCHIP	Veterans Benefits	#	%	Unemploy Benefits	Health Care	Medicaid	Food Stamps	Other
PERMANENT HOUS	PERMANENT HOUSING														
SB Co. ADMHS	Casa del Mural	1											12		13
SB HCD	Clean and Sober	5	1			1				0%	2				9
SB PHA	S+C	24	15	1					2	5%	2			1	1
Willbridge of SB	Master Lease	2							2	50%		1			
Casa de Familia															
TOTAL		31	16	1	0	1	0	0	4	5%	4	1	12	1	23
Percentage		39%	20%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	5%	5%	5%	1%	15%	1%	29%
TRANSITIONAL HO	USING														
DV Solutions	Second Stage														
SB Community Housing Corp.	Rivera DD Program	16	14		9				1	3%					1
Transition House	Firehouse	1				5			19	40%					3
TOTAL		17	14	0	9	5	0	0	20	24%	0	0	0	0	4
Percentage		20%	17%	0%	11%	6%	0%	0%	24%		0%	0%	0%	0%	5%
SOCIAL SERVICES	ONLY														
THouse Supportive Services	Transition House	9	2	32	0	0	0	0	64	27%	3				16
Casa Esperanza		102	71		47			7	35	7%					150
TOTAL		111	73	32	47	0	0	7	99	14%	3				166
Percentage		14%	10%	0%	6%	0%	0%	1%	5%		0%	0%	0%	0%	21%
		18%	12%	4%	6%	1%	0%	1%	14%		1%	0%	1%	0%	22%
		159	103	33	56	6	0	7	123	0	7	1	12	1	193
HMIS								HUD Goa	al == 20%						

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Santa Barbara CoC,	2013					NON-CAS	H BENEFIT	S FOR PER	SONS WH	O FXITED				
Performance						HOIL ONE	I DENETH	O T OILT EI	toono mii	O EMITED				
Applicant	Project Name	SNAP	MEDICAI D	MEDICAR E HI	St. Ch Health Ins.	WIC	VA Med	TANF Childcare	TANF Trans.	TANF Other	Temp. RA	Sect. 8	Other	NONE
PERMANENT HOUS	PERMANENT HOUSING													
SB Co. ADMHS	Casa del Mural		1	1								1		0
SB HCD	Clean and Sober		4	4			1						1	0
SB PHA	S+C	1										21	3	0
Willbridge of SB	Master Lease						1							4
Casa de Familia														
TOTAL		1	5	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	22	4	4
Percentage		1%	6%	6%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	28%	5%	5%
TRANSITIONAL HO	USING													
DV Solutions	Second Stage													
SB Community Housing Corp.	Rivera DD Program	4	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	8	26	0	
Transition House	Firehouse	25	10		15	11		2						
TOTAL		29	10	0	15	11	0	2	0	0	8	26	0	0
Percentage		35%	12%	0%	18%	13%	0%	2%	0%	0%	10%	31%	0%	0%
SOCIAL SERVICES	ONLY													
THouse Supportive Services	Transition House	135	242	8	9	39	5	15		11	39	10	513	21
Casa Esperanza		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		135	242	8	9	39	5	15		11	39	10	513	21
Percentage		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
		19%	29%	1%	3%	6%	1%	2%	0%	1%	5%	7%	58%	3%
HMIS		165	257	13	24	50	7	17	0	11	47	58	517	25

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Performance	Measures								Employme	ent Income					
Applicant	Project Name	SSI	SSDI	Social Security	Public Assistance	TANF	SCHIP	Veterans Benefits	#	%	Unemploy Benefits	Health Care	Medicaid	Food Stamps	Other (see below)
PERMANENT HOUSI	ING														
SB Co. ADMHS	Casa del Mural	12		0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	0				0
SB HCD	Clean and Sober	4	1		4				2	15%	1				
SB PHA	S+C	35	5						3	3%	1				51
Willbridge of SB	Master Lease								4	50%	1				
Casa de Familia															
TOTAL		51	6	0	4	0	0	0	9	7%	3	0	0	0	51
Percentage		42%	5%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%		7%	2%	0%	0%	0%	42%
TRANSITIONAL HOL	JSING														
DV Solutions	Second Stage														
SB Community Housing Corp.	Rivera DD Program	15	3	3					4	19%					
Transition House	Firehouse					1			7	32%					
TOTAL		15	3	3	0	1	0	0	11	34%	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage		35%	7%	7%	0%	2%	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
SOCIAL SERVICES (ONLY			T					T				1		т
THouse Supportive Services	Transition House	2				12			13	22%	2				3
Casa Esperanza		7			3	1			14	47%	2				2
TOTAL		9	0	0	3	13	0	0	27	30%	4	0	0	0	5
Percentage		1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	30%		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
		8%	1%	0%	1%	2%	0%	0%	5%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	6%
иміс	_ [<i>75</i>	9	3	7	14	0	0	47		7	0	0	0	56

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Santa Barbara CoC,	2013					NON-CAS	H BENEFIT	S FOR PER	SONS WHO	O STAYED				
Performanc														
Applicant	Project Name	SNAP	MEDICAI D	MEDICAR E HI	St. Ch Health Ins.	WIC	VA Med	TANF Childcare	TANF Trans.	TANF Other	Temp. RA	Sect. 8	Other	NONE
PERMANENT HOUS	PERMANENT HOUSING													
SB Co. ADMHS	Casa del Mural		1	1								1		0
SB HCD	Clean and Sober		4	4			1						1	0
SB PHA	S+C	0										0	3	0
Willbridge of SB	Master Lease						1							4
Casa de Familia														
TOTAL		0	5	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	4	4
Percentage		0%	6%	6%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	5%	5%
TRANSITIONAL HO	USING													
DV Solutions	Second Stage													
SB Community Housing Corp.	Rivera DD Program	4	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	8	26	0	
Transition House	Firehouse	25	10		15	11		2						
TOTAL		29	10	0	15	11	0	2	0	0	8	26	0	0
Percentage		35%	12%	0%	18%	13%	0%	2%	0%	0%	10%	31%	0%	0%
SOCIAL SERVICES	ONLY													
THouse Supportive Services	Transition House	135	242	8	9	39	5	15		11	39	10	513	21
Casa Esperanza		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		135	242	8	9	39	5	15		11	39	10	513	21
Percentage		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
		18%	29%	1%	3%	6%	1%	2%	0%	1%	5%	4%	58%	3%
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