



**Approved Minutes – Albuquerque Independent Review Committee (IRC)
Tuesday, October 05, 2021**

Present: Hana Gossett (NM Coalition to End Homelessness), Laura Combs (Family Promise of Albuquerque), Elizabeth Elia (UNM Law) Ellen Braden (City of Albuquerque) Amy Whitefield (Child Youth and Families Department) Kate Cleaver (NM Coalition to End Homelessness) and Felicia Vargas (NM Coalition to End Homelessness)

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 11:33

Meeting Summary

The objective of the meeting is for the Independent Review Committee to examine the data for all Albuquerque renewal projects using the Threshold Criteria chart and the members will inform the CoC team of which agencies to follow up to request more information.

1.FY21 ABQ IRC Threshold Criteria

The following are the notes from the IRC's review of the threshold criteria.

Albuquerque Healthcare for the Homeless

The IRC would like an explanation from the program of why their APR was late and how they will ensure promptness in the future.

Barrett Foundation

The IRC would like a formal explanation on the progress of CABQ monitoring and expenditure of funds and what their plan is going forward to expend all funds.

Bernalillo County Housing

The IRC would like an explanation from the program of why their APR is late and how they will ensure promptness in the future.

Catholic Charities

The IRC would like a formal explanation of the expenditure of funds and what their plan is going forward to expend all funds.

City of Albuquerque

The IRC would like an update of the status of the HUD monitoring visit findings and an explanation of the issues that have happened with CABQ TLS RA grant that didn't expend over 50% of its funds in FY19.

Cuidando los Niños

The IRC would like a formal explanation of the project policies and when they will be in place and an explanation of how CLN will prepare for future changes and challenges to ensure they maintain capacity through organizational changes.



New Mexico Coalition to
End Homelessness

HopeWorks

No concerns for follow up.

SAFE House (CABQ)

No concerns for follow up.

Supportive Housing Coalition

The IRC would like a formal update on the HUD Monitoring Visit of 2021 findings and responses from SHC, when and how will SHC come in compliance with the requirement to have a staff member trained in CES, and an explanation of what happened that they didn't expend a large portion of their funding for both CoC grants and how they will ensure to spend down in the future.

Therapeutic Living Services

No concerns for follow up.

Next Meeting committee members will review and score Albuquerque projects and begin to rank them. IRC will also review new project application(s). In the event the group does not finish tasks, we will need to reconvene for another time.

Updates and Questions

A clarifying question was asked regarding SAFE House, they couldn't find the unexpended funds on the spreadsheet. Hana responded, it's a subrecipient of the City of Albuquerque and pointed to them where they can find the data.

It was also asked if there was any concern about the Frank Gray project of not spending down. Hana responded that NMCEH did not express concern because of their history of spending their grants and how the language is in the Review document.

Meeting adjourned at 12:08 pm

Minutes compiled by Felicia Vargas, CoC Administrative Specialist