

Children's Council Meeting Minutes  
December 10, 2018

<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Appointed Council Member or Alternate</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Present</b>
Addleman, Jayanti	Member	Monterey County Free Libraries	County Librarian	
Arreola, Jose	Member	Community Alliance for Safety and Peace	Director	X
Askew, Wendy	Alternate	Supervisor Jane Parker, District #4	Board Aide	X
Astengo, Berenice	Alternate	Monterey County Free Libraries	Managing Librarian	X
Baldwin, Dan	Member	Community Foundation for Monterey Co.	President/CEO	
Barnes, Valerie, Dr.	Member	CAPC	CAPC	
Bernal, Stephen	Member	Office of the Sheriff	Sheriff	
Burns, Dan	Member	Salinas Union school District	Superintendent	X
Castagna, Katy	Member	United Way Monterey County	President and CEO	X
Chapman, Susan	Member	Public Defender	Public Defender	
Cutino, Annette	Alternate	County Counsel	Deputy County Counsel	
Dzubay, Jeremy	Alternate	Public Defender	Assistant Public Defender	
Espinosa, Henry	Member	Department of Social Services	Acting Director	
Flippo, Dean	Member	District Attorney	District Attorney	X
Goebel, Jean	Member	Housing Authority of Monterey County	Executive Director	
Gonzales, Manny	Member	Housing Authority of Monterey County	Director	X
Guss, Deneen	Alternate	Monterey County Office of Education	Deputy Superintendent	X
Hansen, Jody	Member	Business Rep, Chamber of Commerce	President	


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Holmsky, Cynthia	Alternate	CSU Monterey Bay	Director	X
Hulsey, Stephanie	Alternate	Superior Court, Juvenile Justice Division	Judge	
Jimenez, Elsa	Member	Monterey County Health Department	Director of Health	X
Keating, Todd	Alternate	Probation	Assistant Chief Probation Officer	
Kotowski, Nancy	Member	Monterey County Office of Education	Superintendent	X
Lee-Alexander, Laurel	Alternate	Community Foundation for Monterey County	Vice President of Grants and Programs	
Lundquist, Kristan	Member	City of Salinas	Department of Parks and Recreation	X
Luzader, Lori	Member	Special Kids Connect	Executive Director	X
Madfis, Josh	Alternate	United Way Monterey County	Vice President Community Investments	
Maradei, David	Alternate	CAPC	Director	X
Martinez, Martha	Alternate	Salinas City Elementary School District	Superintendent	
McCrae, Robin	Member	Community Human Services	Executive Director	
McKean, Dora	Alternate	Childcare Planning Council	Member	X
McKee, Charles	Member	County Counsel	County Counsel	
Medina, Lori	Member	Dept. of Social Services	Director of FCS	
Miller, Amie	Member	Monterey County Behavioral Health	Director	
Moreno, Dr. Edward	Alternate	Monterey County Health Department	Health Officer & Director of Public Health	
Nyznyk, Catherine	Alternate	Monterey Peninsula College	Director	
Ochoa, Dr. Eduardo	Member	CSU Monterey Bay	President	
Pacioni, Jeannine	Alternate	Monterey County District Attorney Office	Assistant District Attorney	

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Parker, Jane	Member	District #4 Supervisor	Supervisor	
Parsons, Marcia	Member	Probation	Chief	x
Reeves-Fortney, Beth	Alternate	First 5 of Monterey County	Director of Programs	
Rico, Hector	Member	Alisal Union School District	Superintendent	
Rodd, Francine	Member	First 5 of Monterey County	Executive Director	
Ruelaz, Joni	Alternate	Housing Authority of Monterey County	Alternate	
Sandoval, Marni	Alternate	Behavioral Health	Director	
Speller, Kathi	Alternate	Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce	Member	
Surbeck, Jayne	Alternate	Office of the Sheriff	Administrative Assistant-Confidential	
Tribley, Ph.D. Walter	Member	Monterey Peninsula College	Superintendent & President	
Vanoli, Timothy	Alternate	Soledad School District	Superintendent	
Watkins, Shannan	Member	Child Care Planning Council	Director	
Whilden, Heidi	Member	Superior Court, Juvenile Division	Judge	x
Boyd, Arlene	Non-Member	Department of Social Services	Administrative Secretary-Confidential	
Khoeler, Sonja	Non-Member	Bright Beginnings	Interim Program Manager	X
Perez Diaz, Mayra	Non-Member	United Way	Community Impact Director, Early Childhood Investments	X
Applegate, Michael	Non-Member	Bright Futures	Data Analyst	X

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Item	Summary of discussion/review	Action/deliverable
<b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b>	Introductions and meeting called to order at 12:08 p.m. by Chair, Dr. Nancy Kotowski.	
<b>2. Public Comment</b>	Dr. Nancy Kotoski announced the celebration for the Champion for Children award at the City of Gonzales city council. She passed around article from the Gonzales Tribune for members to read. Sonja Khoeler shared with the council, Megan Kennedy-Chouane baby announcement and that she is scheduled to return to her position with Bright Beginnings in February 2019.	
<b>3. Action Items</b> a. Approve the minutes of the October 8, 2018, Children's Council General Assembly meeting.		a. The Children's Council meeting minutes of November 5, 2018 were approved. Motion by Katy Castagna, second by Dora McKean, Vote: Passed.
<b>4. Presentations</b> a. Review of Information Organizations Need to Know (from last meeting)	Dr. Kotowski provided members a summary from last meetings quick write up activity that asked: "What does my organization need to know about housing and homelessness?" Themes and questions that members had in common were: lack of affordable accessible housing units for families, families are often illiterate and/or speak indigenous languages, homelessness data and definition, opioid epidemic and academic performance and drop out rates effects on homeless children. <i>See attached</i>	<div style="text-align: center;">             What does my org need to know Summary.pdf         </div>

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b. Presentation on Existing Data on Homeless students (K-12) in Monterey County

Cynthia Nelson-Holmsky provided a brief introduction and history to the process to how this presentation was brought forth to the council. This data can be used to advocate for housing development keeping children in mind.

Michael Applegate from Bright Futures presented to the council on the existing data on homeless students in Monterey County. This helps shows homeless by zip code and regional level using school district data. The hope is this data will help with grant applications and advocacy around children who are homeless.

*See attached*

Dora McKean asked how data could be collected for children 0-5 not in the K-12 system to be included.

Elsa Jimenez mentioned Health Department is working on it, but has no solutions as of yet.

Darius Brown, Homeless Coordinator of MCOE provided additional content regarding student homelessness. School district use a different definition than health department or other organizations that can cause a lot of confusion. School districts use MV instead of homeless, because definition is broad and those who qualify may not even know it (or could be that survey at schools may not only not capture the eligibility factors for social supports, they also are not necessarily asking the same questions across schools and districts to determine eligibility)

Wendy Askew asked how council members could make sure people know that social supports are available for unaccompanied children under MV definition.



Student Homelessness -MCCC presentation.pdf

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C. Discussion and Activity on Underlying Values Regarding Homelessness

Dr.Kotowski proposed a follow up presentation from Darius at the next or future meeting so members better understand MV and services for homeless children available at school districts or MCOE.

Dr. Kotowski asked the council members to do a quick follow up write up answering the following questions and ask members to briefly share some thoughts aloud.

What are the underlying values of the Children's Council regarding homelessness and children and youth?

- Interactions strength based
- Accommodations to address barriers
- Trauma informed
- Equity and how it manifests in a right to shelter
- Need stability to thrive, quiet and safe place for academic success
- Security, safety, consistency in housing and homelife for children and youth
- Essential for healthy child development as well as for strength and prosperity of entire community
- Every child shall have a home environment that is predictable and consistent, space to learn and play

What role can the CC play in advocating for children and youth dealing with homelessness?

- Advocate early, preventing homelessness
- Data hub - collect what there is, identify gaps, and find sources

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<p>D. Announcements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Advocating for accurate counts (e.g. Census support)</li><li>● Narrative about what children experience when they don't have a stable home to put into the dialog on the homeless dialog in the county so the point of view of the child is shared (impact). How we generally think of homelessness does not usually include children. Share this narrative, as well.</li></ul> <p>Dr. Kotowski informed the council that Mayra Perez-Diaz will synthesize one or two value statements compiled from what members shared and wrote down and then bring forth those options at the next meeting to choose and finalize value statement around housing and homelessness. This value statement would then be included in our written materials, and to share in member agencies.</p> <p>Katy Castagna presented Dean Flippo and Dr. Nancy Kotowski with a plaque in recognition of their membership and service to the Children's Council. This was their last meeting as members as they are both retiring.</p>	
<p><b>7. Adjourn</b></p>		<p>1:32 p.m.</p>