Welcome - Jessica

Information and Updates:

- Public Health Update - Matt
  - Information from HSA dashboard
  - 51,000 persons tested
  - Deaths have significantly increased – large number related to an outbreak at a nursing home
    - Reminder of why we work so hard in congregate shelters to prevent outbreaks
  - Spike has reduced; hospitalizations have come down as well
  - “reproduction” number has dropped to ~1
  - Santa Cruz County has been at the State’s second highest tier
    - Heading down right now – important for opening up new things
  - County is rolling out equity index
    - Shows COVID information by different demographics/locations
    - State will not let us move to a lower tier until COVID is reduced for ALL populations and areas
  - Flu – lower rates of flu in the southern hemisphere; likely due to precautions being taken for COVID
    - People can get COVID and the flu at the same time

- Outreach to unsheltered persons/HOSS+ – Joey
  - When outreach workers are able to administer flu vaccine, they are administering it
  - Visiting motel sites
  - North County – seeing less people at the HOSS site at Emeline, more effective outreach when mobile; trying to spread out and hit out more places
    - Schedule of outreach changing – not necessarily doing Emeline on Tuesday
      - Will share information when it gets figured out
  - Watsonville outreach schedule the same
  - Trying to bring out COVID tests when doing outreach
    - There has been a decline in testing
• Likely doing everything we can to prevent the flu (masks, social distancing, etc.) but still important to get the flu shot!
• HPHP is offering flu shots to shelter staff and clients
• Are doing drive up testing
  o Isolation Shelter (motel) Update – Monica
  o Supporting existing shelters update – Brooke
    ▪ Low census for empty beds
    ▪ Shelters that are accepting through the referral system – keep sharing your needs with the referral specialists
    ▪ Will be providing more copies of the emergency shelter guidance; make sure all staff have access to and understand the guidance
    ▪ Shelter providers – are encouraged to attend next Wednesday’s shelter meeting
  o Expanded Shelter update – Tom
  o TAY shelter update – Christine/Shebreh
    ▪ 16 youth
    ▪ Interviewing additional persons on the waitlist, hoping to get new folks in soon
    ▪ Doing minor repairs on trailers
    ▪ Looking for a new temporary site for the trailers
    ▪ Able to support a family to be placed in a trailer on the fairgrounds
  o Q & A – Jessica/all
• Next call will be Thursday, October 22 at 10:00 am