



Sonoma County Continuum of Care (CoC) Board
2023 Nomination Form

Name of Nominee: Chris Cabral Agency: COTS Telephone: [REDACTED] Email: [REDACTED]

The CoC Consolidated Application requires CoC Lead Agency to include specific race and ethnicity information for those included in CoC Board, committees, and activities. Responses must specifically identify the race(s) and ethnicities overrepresented in our homeless care system and provide the percentage of their over-representation. Please select all that apply.

How would you describe your racial/ ethnic identity?

- Latino (North America) Latino (Central America) Latino (Other group)
- Another Race or Ethnicity Asian Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander Black or African American
- Afro Caribbean Indigenous or Tribal Nations **White** Other: _____ Prefer not to answer

Geographical Area or Subpopulation(s) Represented: Sonoma County in its entirety, representing the unsheltered population.

Other reasons the nominee should be considered for the CoC Board: I have worked in the homelessness services space in Sonoma County for ten years, and have a thorough understanding of the needs of providers and the unsheltered community. I am a collaborative partner,

Please fill out this section only if you are nominating someone other than yourself. Please ensure you forward the Statement of Interest form to the individual you are nominating for completion.

Name of Nominator: _____ Agency: _____

Contact Information: _____ Signature of Nominator: _____

Vacant Seats for Election by the CoC Voting Members

1 At Large: No CoC membership requirements and anyone can apply; elected by voting the CoC voting members.

1 Homeless Service Provider: One representative of a homeless services provider different than the one with an appointed seat, as elected by CoC voting members.

1 Licensed Health Care Organization: One representative from a licensed health care organization, as elected by CoC voting members.



Candidates may run for no more than two seats. Should a candidate run for two seats, one of them must be an at-large position. **Please select which seat(s) the individual is being nominated for:**

- At Large Homeless Service Provider Licensed Health Care Organization

Nominations and Statement of Interest must be received by 5:00 pm on November 29th, 2023, to Araceli.Rivera@sonoma-county.org

Sonoma County Continuum of Care (CoC) Board
2023 Statement of Interest

This section is to be filled out by the individual being nominated and will be shared publicly.

Name of Candidate: **Chris Cabral** _____ Agency: **COTS** _____

Please provide a statement of your interest in the Sonoma County Continuum of Care Board:

I have lived and worked in Sonoma County for more than ten years, with over a decade of experience in homelessness services and affordable housing development. As the Chief Executive Officer for Committee on the Shelterless (COTS,) I am well suited to represent the unsheltered community, as well as other homeless services providers in the greater Sonoma County area.

I am well acquainted with other service providers, programs offered, and the needs of the unsheltered community throughout Sonoma County. I am also well-versed in City, County, State, and Federal funding opportunities to support this work, and the importance of collaboration among providers and public entities within the region. I regularly attend City and County meetings and maintain strong working relationships with City and County officials, other service providers, and community members interested in this work.

I see great value in collaboration among CoC members and partners and would strive for additional collaborative opportunities to best serve the unsheltered population of Sonoma County. I also understand the importance of ensuring those with lived experience have a seat at the table—decisions should not be made without input and feedback from those who are impacted.

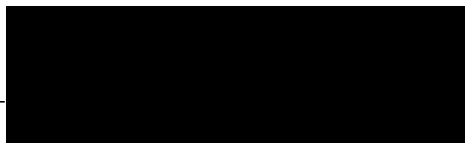


I would like to participate as a member of the Sonoma County CoC Board because I am an active resident of Sonoma County and have spent the last decade demonstrating my interest in best serving this population. I understand that policy changes impact our providers and will continue to dedicate my professional career to serving the unsheltered community throughout the region. I would be honored to work alongside agency staff, community members, and other providers to develop best practices for long and short-term impacts throughout Sonoma County.

My professional background includes working as a Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Operating Officer, and Chief Executive Officer within the homelessness services industry in Sonoma County. I also hold a board seat on the Community Benefit board for Providence Hospitals (Petaluma Valley and Healdsburg Hospitals,) a board seat for Legal Aid of Marin (legal aid for immigration and housing/tenant services) and I am the board President for Trips for Kids Bay Area (cycling and environmental education nonprofit for area youth.) I hold a B.S. in Business, and a Juris Doctorate.

Thank you for considering my interest in the Sonoma County Continuum of Care Board.

Signature of Candidate: _____



_____ Date: 11/07/2023