



HOMELESSNESS SERVICES

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

Name of Nominee: Salvina Norris Agency: Dry Creek Rancheria

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: Native Americans, low income families

Other reasons the nominee should be considered for the CoC Board:
Salvina has day to day working experience with homeless programs and is a recognized tribal leader in the Sonoma County Community

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: Dave Cade Agency: Dry Creek Rancheria Housing Department

Contact Information [redacted] Signature of Nominator [redacted]

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.

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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](mailto:Araceli.Rivera@sonoma-county.org)**

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

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

Name of Candidate: Salvina Norris Agency: Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians

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

My career working in tribal governance and my volunteer experience with community organizations

has focused on eliminating barriers and creating economic and affordable housing opportunities

for Natives and their families. I currently serve on the Native American Independent Living Demonstration Project advisory committee which is focused on helping area Natives with disabilities.

I'm very passionate about advocating and caring for the decedents of Sonoma County's first families.

Native are overrepresented in the County's homeless population (2to1) and are unrepresented on community boards and committees, such as the CofC Board of Directors.

I believe it is important to amplify the voice and vision of the homeless in our local Native communities.

The Dry Creek Rancheria became a CofC member organization in 2021. In recent years, the Tribe has made a concerted effort to learn more about local homeless programs and is active in building a coalition of tribal and Native organizations working to eliminate homelessness in our communities.

Many DCR families have first-hand experience with homelessness and the Tribe wants to get all its homeless members into safe, decent, and affordable housing.

Over the last two years, DCR has established a successful Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP) and started new Bringing Families Home and Home Safe programs. DCR also manages a Homeless Housing Assistance Program (HHAP).

LIHTC funds received from CTCACare funding the construction of Bi' du Khaale, a 24 home senior housing project for very low income families and families experiecing homelessness. Bi'du Khaale is under construction and scheduled for completion in December 2024.

Other Sonoma County Tribes are working hard to address the needs of their homeless families.

Historically, these efforts have gone unnoticed and with little support from the community at large

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