

MARICOPA REGIONAL CONTINUUM OF CARE (COC) PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT FOR BOARD & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

As a member of the Maricopa Regional Continuum of Care (CoC) Board or a CoC Committee, I acknowledge the responsibility and trust placed in me as part of the body charged with guiding regional strategies, policies, system performance, and investments to prevent and end homelessness.

By signing this Participation Agreement, I affirm my commitment to actively participate in the CoC's governance and collaborative work as outlined below.

COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATION, ENGAGEMENT, AND FOLLOW-THROUGH

I agree to:

- **Attend meetings regularly**, participate fully in discussions, and notify CoC staff or chairs when I am unable to attend.
- **Prepare in advance** by reviewing materials, data, and recommendations needed for informed deliberation.
- **Complete assigned tasks, deliverables, and follow-up activities** within agreed-upon timelines to support committee workplans.
- **Respond to communication** from CoC staff, co-chairs, and fellow members in a timely manner to ensure coordination and progress.
- **Engage constructively**, contributing my expertise and perspective in service of the CoC mission.
- **Serve on subcommittees or workgroups, when feasible and appropriate**, to advance committee work.
- **Support consensus-driven decision making**, recognizing that collective decisions may not always align with my individual preferences.

COMMITMENT TO TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND SYSTEM STEWARDSHIP

I agree to:

- **Act in the best interest of the CoC as a whole**, prioritizing regional impact, equity-centered outcomes, and the effectiveness of the homeless response system.
- **Uphold the authorities and responsibilities outlined in the CoC Governance Charter**, honoring the distinct roles of the Board, Committees, and Designated Staffing Entities.
- **Follow established processes for reviewing, recommending, and adopting policies, standards, and performance expectations**, ensuring decisions are transparent and grounded in evidence.
- **Monitor progress on committee workplans and system performance**, using data and feedback to guide decision-making and adjust course when needed.
- **Advance continuous improvement** by raising issues, risks, or opportunities identified through my work, agency, or constituency to support systemwide learning and accountability.

COMMITMENT TO COLLABORATION AND COMMUNICATION

I agree to:

- **Engage in collaborative problem-solving**, recognizing that effective homeless response requires shared responsibility across systems and sectors.
- **Communicate in a timely, constructive, and respectful manner** with co-chairs, designated staffing entities, and fellow members to support informed deliberation and coordinated action.
- **Share relevant information between the CoC and my organization or sector**, ensuring that decisions, expectations, and learning flow appropriately in both directions.
- **Support a culture of openness, curiosity, and shared learning**, acknowledging the diverse expertise and lived experience represented in the CoC.

COMMITMENT TO ETHICAL PARTICIPATION

I agree to:

- **Disclose any real, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest** in accordance with the CoC's Conflict of Interest Policy and HUD requirements and recuse myself from related discussions or votes.
- **Adhere to the CoC Code of Conduct**, maintaining a safe, respectful, and professional environment in all CoC-related interactions.
- **Protect confidential and sensitive information**, including non-public data shared for performance management, monitoring, review, or planning purposes.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By signing below, I affirm that:

- I have reviewed and understand the expectations above.
- I agree to actively participate as a member of the Maricopa Regional CoC Board or Committee.
- I understand that this commitment supports the CoC's ability to function effectively, promote accountability, and advance systemwide progress toward preventing and ending homelessness.

Name (Printed): _____

Organization/Affiliation (if applicable): _____

Committee / Board Role: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____