



San Francisco Guaranteed Income Advisory Group
June 11, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
Online via Webex
Minutes

I. Call to Order:

Jacob Dumez called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. and gave remote meeting and public comment information. Amanda Fried gave a brief update on the status of Guaranteed Income work in San Francisco, how the work of this group will be utilized, and how it's informing current decisions. Amanda took questions from the group.

Meeting Attendees: Gloria Berry, Jacob Denney, Elena Chavez Quezada, Bina Shirmali, Amanda Fried, Norel Knowles, Jim Pugh, Shirley Yee, Roberto Vargas, Susie Smith, Dulce Garcia

Members Absent: None

**II. The Cost of Being Californian: Economic Insecurity and Racial Inequity
Jhumpa Bhattacharya, Insight Center**

Jhumpa Bhattacharya gave context for what's happening in San Francisco and who is economically insecure. She discussed the Insight Center's Family Needs Calculator and that they put out a report on the *Cost of Being a Californian*. Jhumpa also discussed the cost of being a San Franciscan and took questions from the group.

**III. San Francisco's Safety Net – How do Public Benefits Address Poverty?
Susie Smith, San Francisco Human Services Agency**

Susie Smith discussed role of the Human Services Agency, the services the agency provides, and the increased community need due to the pandemic. She also reviewed San Francisco trends in race, ethnicity, age, and poverty level. Susie took questions from the group.

IV. Group Discussion: What Are the Gaps & Opportunities for GI?

Bina Shirmali led a group discussion on gaps and opportunities in guaranteed income. She asked the following questions to frame the discussion:

- What stood out to you on the data that was shared?
- What other structural changes can we consider in the context of the data?
- What other frameworks might we want to use to approach guaranteed income work?



- What additional policy challenges come to mind that guaranteed income can help to solve?

V. Quick Reset: Where Have We Been, Where Are We Going?

Jacob Dumez reviewed the shared vision and values that were discussed in the first meeting of the Advisory Group. He discussed where the group stands at the halfway point and what the next three meetings will look like.

VI. Public Comment

The advisory group took public comment. There was no public comment.

The next meeting will be on Friday, July 9 at 1pm. Send questions to Jacob Dumez or submit public comment at Jacob.dumez@sfgov.org.