

Council to End Homelessness

May 15, 2014

Minutes

Attendance- See attached sign in sheet

Attached minutes from April 2014 approved

1) HSAC Structure Committee Update

Chris Tuttle gave update on structure using the attached notes.

Questioned CEHDs membership about their opinion on what had been presented. There was discussion about how we'd identify those who had fulfilled the 3 meeting requirement for CEHDs membership. Lloyd Schmeidler indicated he could provide that information.

2) Michael Becketts- Director Dept of Social Services

Priorities of Social Services board to be part of solution via:

- 1) Early Childhood Education
- 2) Child Care
- 3) Care for the elderly & aging
- 4) Youth Engagement
- 5) Homelessness

He explained that there was no money in the DSS budget to support a single position for Homeless Coordinated Intake. However, he said this didn't mean the function needed to go away. Instead, he planned to institutionalize process. His focus is on how to keep the coordinated assessment work going. Coordinated intake lives inside family social services and the employees in that unit will do the screening. Sabrina will support the work of the family crisis support team. Risk assessments to get data into Chin will be done. The staff at DSS will have Chin licenses to add info into Chin on intakes. He want to minimize duplicate data entry. While working with the family around homelessness, the staff at DSS will ask, what are the other issues to be addressed? He envisions a one stop shop to address emergency needs of families. Wants to begin by July 1. From client's perspective, don't need to wait for Sabrina.

He had questions for the provider community. Once the information is in Chin and the family is deemed eligible for homeless services, what number does the family call? DSS won't be doing case management. DSS will determine they are definitely homeless. They will be doing the risk assessment and determine what agencies people will be referred to and will put the families on the waiting list.

Sabrina will be housing specialist but role to be defined.

Sonya indicated that the next version of the Chin software has a lot of new bells and whistles for coordinated intake. Coordinated intake mtg next Wednesday 5/21 at Alliance at 10.

3) Point in Time Count Results- Lloyd went through attached handout and discussed the January 2014 point in time data. .

4) Goodbye and thank you to Terry Allebaugh.

Many words of affirmation were offered for Terry's service to those who were homeless, to the provider community and to CEHDS over his years of service. Terry shared history of the founding of CEHDs. Talked of the need for it to be a voice and advocate for those who were homeless. Encouraged the group to go back to the source and talk and listen to those who were homeless wherever new insights and direction were needed. Ryan presented Terry with a plaque of appreciation.