

Continuum of Care Board Minutes

8/15/2024

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Attendance:

<u>Board Members</u>: Cammisha Manley, Christina McGovney, Jessica Harper, Laura Golino de Lavato, Lizzie Cisneros, Mark Morford, Jamar Summerfield, Brandi Tuck, Hannah Studer, Drew Grabham, Skyler Brocker-Knapp/Helmi Hisserich, Stuart Zeltzer, Adriana Rangel-Ponce, Casady Monroe, JJ, Kat Salas, Steven Gilbert, Tonya Jones, Trevor Nissen

[Absent – Patrick Reynolds, Xenia Gonzalez, Ian Slingerland]

JOHS & County Staff: Alyssa Plesser, Malka Geffen, Patrick Wigmore & Matt Olsson (HomeBase)

Agenda Item	Discussion Points	Decision/Action
Opening	 Land & Labor Acknowledgment Review Community Agreements Review Racial Equity Lens Tool Review Agenda 	Will revisit community agreements with new board
Introduction of new CoC Board members	New, returning, and departing CoC Board members introduced themselves and shared why they are and have been on the board.	Will share contact info of/to all board members
Strategy 1,2 (Continued)	 Action Plan strategy 1.2 recommendations shared. Q&A The county invests more in temporary shelter programs than permanent housing; how can we influence the county? The CoC Board has its own decision making authority over HUD funding, and CoC programs are for permanent housing (supportive and rapid), and not shelter. Influencing other areas is done through recommendations to county/city leadership, as do other communication of its perspectives. FUP and FYI vouchers are hard to connect with youth; is there any conversation about bringing in DHS re: qualifying for vouchers? The state is not taking custody of folks 16-18 as had previously (SUD/high acuity has been a barrier). 	Draft Recomm

	 HRAP notes that homelessness is a multi-system issue, and we hope the recommendation lifts up the need for all systems' involvement Did the recommendations come from discussion with young people? Or can it? Strategy 1.2 group wanted to connect with folks accessing services, but we did not have capacity. There is still opportunity to get that feedback. Does the recommendation include increasing the number of vouchers as well as full utilization? We have applied for more FUP vouchers with our local public housing authority, but they're not currently being fully utilized in our community. The recommendation shares the board's focus on that utilization. There's no equitable process for choosing which youth get vouchers, like coordinate access. And there's no funded IOP. Do we have a mechanism of checking us and our language? If we make recommendations to create more access, we have to consider what it looks like on the ground. And we need to think about the impact our recommendations have on the people doing the work. We should continue this conversation before voting on and putting out these recommendations. Also, things are moving quickly with the HRAP. 	Will use shared document to provide input and bring back at next board meeting for discussion.
2024 & 2025 Notice of Funding Opportunity	See 8.15.24 presentation slides for details	
Next Steps	 Next meeting is September 19, 2024 	