



Continuum of Care Board Minutes

10/17/2024

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Attendance:

Board Members: Laura Golino de Lavato, Mark Morford, Adriana Rangel-Ponce, Casady Monroe, Steven Gilbert, Xenia Gonzalez, Lizzie Cisneros, Jamar Summerfield, Kat Salas, Stuart Zeltzer, Ian Slingerland

[Absent – Jessica Harper, Brandi Tuck, Trevor Nissen, Christina McGovney, Hannah Studer, Patrick Reynolds, JJ, Helmi Hisserich, Tonya Jones]

JOHS & County Staff: Alyssa Plessner, Malka Geffen, Dan Cole, Lindsey Brown (PHB)

Agenda Item	Discussion Points	Decision/Action
Opening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land & Labor Acknowledgment Review Community Agreements Review Racial Equity Lens Tool Review Agenda 	
Board member requested topic	<p>A board member brought the following for discussion: Women's Winter and Vorizons programs affected by removal of intake and referral self-process from TPI and re-requiring Coordinated Access referrals. TPI has two case managers funded by HUD to do that work. Coordinated Access is placing people with high addiction/mental health acuity into RRH, but they cannot manage without support. What do we do with that HUD funding? When we screened and referred people ourselves into RRH, they were coming from our shelters, so we knew their capacity and could make appropriate placements; how do we address this issue? Stop taking funding? Close the programs?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Co-Chair suggests the board have a more robust discussion with more time on the agenda and advance notice. 	JOHS staff and co-chair will follow up with board member
Regular CoC NOFO Update	<p>See slides in presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAC member shared information about the review and ranking process CAC did not find reason to jump new projects ahead of renewal projects because tier 1 & 2 system get less funding for tier 2, and new projects would've bumped significant renewal projects down into tier 2 We had one app for DV bonus; many reasons why providers don't apply - it's worth us drilling into this later <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two years will allow us time for this 	Hear from more DV continuum providers about barriers to/issues with applying

	<p>Q&A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Are we seeing completely new projects or ones expanding on existing services, especially with DV? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The one this year was from a brand new organization outside the DV continuum. ○ Last year we funded an expansion project with an existing provider; the year before there were no DV applications. It just depends on the year, funding availability and needs of the community; the DV system works very well together and makes decisions as a team to look at gaps. 	
<p>Community Agreements Review</p>	<p>See presentation slides Suggested changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Delete "at" in #10 ● #11 is confusing as written <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ add a comma after the word "language" ○ add "instead" ○ write it as "Use people first language and refrain from using stigmatizing language" ● #7 - "...Speak your truth responsibly": What protects me to speak from my truth/worldview, even though it may traumatize another person and their worldview? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Purpose of agreements is creating psychological safe space, noting that people in marginalized communities may never feel safe ○ Others need to be prepared that I will speak my truth ○ Some agreements say address the problem, not the person ● #6: the roads metaphor feels off; maybe "a cumulative perspective helps us reach a greater truth" ● More intentionally/directly responding to anti-blackness 	<p>Co-chair and staff will look into how other entities address this concept in their agreements</p> <p>Will come back to this at a future meeting</p>
<p>CoC Builds NOFO Update</p>	<p>The Board reviewed and discussed the CoCBuilds NOFO. See presentation slides for overview, including project selection and details and the Board's role. [Board member noted that Charter does not authorize email voting. Charter doesn't reference it, one way or another; we will address directly in January Charter review.] Board will vote to approve the co-chairs to sign letter in support of the project</p> <p>Q&A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How does this project connect with the City's SW Corridor Equitable Housing Strategy? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ City doesn't have a lot of affordable rent in outer SW corridor 	<p>Will vote at an emergency meeting, since we don't have quorum (1st week of November)</p> <p>Project location: https://swcorridorrequity.org/about-sw-corridor</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recent light rail expansion along Barbur presents risk to affordable rents needs to be regulated, not naturally affordable ● How much is the project requesting? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The full \$7.5 million ● Is this a greenfield project? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It's a reuse, with a new building ● What's the timeframe to hear back from HUD and when does construction start? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HUD said expect January award; may be Jan-March, with funds dispensed by Sept. 30 and construction beginning April 2025 and leased by 2028 	
<p>HMIS Vendor Request for Proposals Update</p>	<p>Request for proposal will be released Nov. 1 ; see slides in presentation</p> <p>Looking for 2 CoC Board members for the Tri-county community subject expert panel.</p> <p>One hour in Dec. and two full days in Jan/Feb for demonstrations; one more evaluation beyond the software a few months later</p> <p>Q&A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Can I bring my data analyst to the demonstrations, but be the person providing the input? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Don't have upper limit yet; need to think about it ● What is the focus for collecting data from people with disabilities? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The software is generally used by staff at agencies and counties; will want a product that can be used by people who need services, with mobile capabilities - looking for people with lived experience to participate ○ Training needed for providers to cater to needs of folks with disabilities 	<p>Interested Board members can work with CoC Lead</p>
<p>Next Steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Next meeting is November 21, 2024 	