

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday December 18th, 2018 (11:00 am)
Community Foundation of Greater
Memphis

CoC Full Consortium Meeting

MEMPHIS & SHELBY COUNTY HOMELESS CONSORTIUM



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:08am by Cornelius. Cornelius began today's meeting with introductions.

Review and Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the September planning committee meeting were reviewed. With a motion from Mary Hamlett and a second by Anthony Sledge, the minutes were approved with no corrections.

2018 Year in Review

Cornelius reviewed some of the highlights for the Consortium from the past year. To begin Cornelius reviewed the customer surveys completed during the year. 326 surveys were completed in total, with an average score of 4.5 out of 5. From there, Cornelius opened the floor to have agencies give some of the highlights they had from the year. Shelby County Health Department discussed their desire to network and become part of the consortium to more fully partner with agencies to help provide their services to those experiencing homelessness. Mr. Greg Matthews was given as the contact for agencies looking to target testing of clients or staff for TB. Wade Jones with the Joe Bart Homeless Advocacy Project discussed their launch in October 2018 and the funds that they have been providing for shelter stays, bus passes, and working on advocacy efforts. Dana gave an update that Genesis with CCWTN is over capacity, with 86 individuals being served through their RRH while the capacity is for 65. There are also tentative plans in the work to try to find a new purpose for Doshier House, with hopes it may be able to be used as a women's facility or used for TH. MALS gave an update that their SSVS grant served 108 clients in that past 2018 fiscal year, have have increased their funding for veteran services for 2019 surrounding case management child care, emergency housing, and legal services for veterans and non-veterans.

Committee Reports

Liz briefed the consortium on the CoC Planning Committee and that they have been focusing on having trainings at the beginning of meetings, then reporting from HUD any updates, and ending the meetings with break out groups aimed to discuss different topics and trainings. February's meeting will have a training by staff through McKinney-Vento, and CoC Planning meetings will be changing to a new time: 2-4pm on the third Tuesday help at CMI. Tanyce and Kim briefed out on the HMIS Committee and shared 863 help desk requests had been made in 2018 and all were solved, along with 43 refresher trainings held and 17 new HMIS end users added. Last meeting there were awards held for HMIS users for doing outstanding work,

helping and supporting the community, and overall improvement. It was also discussed that audits will be taking place every 3 months through HMIS and HMIS staff will work with the community to get everyone up to par with HUD standards. There will also be a new HMIS weekly newsletter that highlights important HMIS meetings, updates, and important information to know. Tanyce also reminded the consortium that February 1st, 2019 is the deadline for inputting data for programs, and that the next HMIS Committee meeting will be held on March 13th. Mary briefed out on EHP and that there has been great attendance so far, with no changes to the meeting time or location (1pm on the second Tuesday of the month at MIFA). Mary discussed that they have been working on exploring ways to work through community issues such as housing and sheltering large families, increasing the number of single female beds, and utilizing work groups to keep committee members engaged and able to contribute fully. Kellie Cole discussed the Veterans Committee and briefed out that Kellie and Kevin have been communicating with Emily at the VA on getting ready for a separate By Names list meeting for veterans up and running. Kelly Forstbauer discussed the Youth Committee and stated similar facts for the committee as EHP as the meetings are held together. Kelly discussed the committee's break out groups surrounding planning for the Youth Count and Youth Expo, which are slated to be held on January 23rd, 2019. It was noted to the consortium that a Healthcare Committee lead still needs to be found.

PIT Count Updates

Herman gave updates to the consortium on the upcoming PIT Count to be held on Wednesday January 23rd, 2019. Herman discussed that Tanyce will be handling all data/HMIS related needs for the sheltered count, and volunteers are still needed (240 in total) for both the Youth Expo and the Unsheltered Count both held on that same day. Volunteers for the unsheltered count can be community volunteers and/or providers, while the Youth Count is focusing on having volunteers who have experience working with youth and doing the TAY assessment. Volunteers can sign up through the link on the CAFTH website, and there will be an e-mail blast sent out tomorrow with more information on the youth count. All training will be online.

Announcements

The floor was opened for announcements.

- A reminder was given that the CoC Planning/Consortium meetings have been changed? to 2-4pm on the third Tuesday at CMI in an effort to allow our VA partners to attend.
- MALS announced they have an open case manager position and will be posting that soon
- H.O.P.E./Mid-South Peace and Justice Center is holding a Christmas Party with the Memphis Bus Drivers Union on December 22nd from 12-2pm at the Step Ahead Office in Crosstown Concourse

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned with no further discussion at 12:15 pm.

Minutes Approved by:

Date: ____/____/____