

CoC PLANNING MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 16, 2021 10:00 am, Online (Zoom)

<u>Facilitator:</u> Porsha Goodman (DOH) <u>Minutes:</u> Dustin Kane (CAFTH)

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am by Committee Chair Porsha Goodman.

Review and Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the last CoC Planning meeting in November were reviewed. With a motion from Porsha Goodman, and a second from Ceaira Brunson the minutes were approved as presented.

Presentations & Discussion

a. Strategic Plan Updates

Grant Ebbesmeyer explained that the strategic plan draft outline incorporated the several rounds of feedback, and will be voted on by the Governing Council at their next meeting. The previous Strategic Plan in 2011 was successful and the MSCHC is looking to continue and expand upon that plan. The 2021 Strategic Plan is based upon USICH's 2018 Plan to End Homelessness – to make homelessness a rare, brief, and one-time experience as well as sustaining an end to homelessness. The new 2021 plan – 901 Home Together – will act as a "living" plan to be reviewed at least annually by the Governing Council, and a process will be in place to make amendments to the document.

b. Training Topics

Porsha Goodman reported that the trainings available on the CAFTH website are a good resource and also offer certification upon completion. Grant Ebbesmeyer discussed that CAFTH is working to bring in specific trainers to teach implementation skills, and how to put learned skills into practice. Liz Fletcher explained that CSH, and OrgCode trainings have been helpful in the past. Attendees were interested in learning more about Assertive Engagement Strategies.

c. CoC NOFA Updates and Renewal Process

Porsha Goodman explained that there will be no CoC grant competition this year. Everyone who previously was awarded funding in the year prior will receive a renewal of funds. Grant Ebbesmeyer reported that the Knoxville Field office should be reaching out with further details, between February and March. If agencies/organizations still have not heard from the Knoxville office please email them to follow-up. All CoC grants have been approved and are awaiting signature from the field office. Starting in 2022, HUD does intend on having a competition. Renewal grants will not require monitoring this year. CAFTH will check-in



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virtually and can offer assistance to help improve programs to ensure all recipients are meeting HUD requirements.

Agency Updates

Three Warming Centers are now open, and requests can be made with MATA to provide transportation to Warming Center locations.

Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 am with no further discussion.