



Mountainland Continuum of Care Meeting Minutes November 2nd, 2015

United Way of Utah County
148 N 100 West, Provo

Members present:

Lynell Smith, Utah County Housing Authority
Myla Dutton, Community Action Services and Food Bank
Stephanie Willmore, United Way of Utah County
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Jessica DeLora, Mountainlands Association of Governments
Dan Gonzalez, Provo Redevelopment Agency
Brad Bishop, Self Help Homes
Brent Crane, Food and Care Coalition
Jeremy Runia, Provo City Housing Authority
Nenna DeCamps, Mountainland Community Housing Trust
Dan Gonzalez, Provo City Redevelopment
Kurt Walker, LDS Transient Services Office
Maynard Christensen, LDS Transient Services Office
Stephen Nibley, Golden Spike Outreach, REAP
Kim Vera, Center for Women and Children in Crisis
Curtis Pendleton, Center for Women and Children in Crisis, UVU
Margy Layton, Utah County Jail
Jessica Gray, Peace House
Kena Mathews, Habitat for Humanity
Nicole Rau, Mountainlands Community Health Center
Scott Taylor, Wasatch Mental Health Vantage Point
Via Phone: Brian Smith, DWS
Recorder: Marie Schwitzer, United Way of Utah County

Welcome and introductions	Lynell Smith
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<p>Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and approval of last meeting's minutes 	<p>Myla made a motion to approve the minutes, Stephen seconded the motion. The motion passed.</p>
<p>New CoC Policies and Procedures</p> <p>New policies and procedures up for adoption/approval were reviewed by the group. Essentially documenting what we are doing in language not too specific, aligning with HUD goals.</p> <p>1 – Discuss prioritization of chronically homeless. 2 – Rapid rehousing prioritization: How we go about entry and assessment. Balance of State and our CoC are creating policy which are essentially guideless on how we prioritize clients based on the data. This will greatly strengthen our HUD application.</p> <p><u>Next step:</u> Meet again briefly in two weeks on November 16th, for approval process, which is two days before HUD application is due. The more of these we can adopt the more competitive we will be in the process. We will draft it have it to you by the end of this week.</p>	<p>Stephanie Willmore</p>
<p>HUD NOFA</p> <p>Agencies submitted applications which have been returned for tweaking. The consolidated application with all project applications is due the 20th, with an extra point awarded for sending it a day early.</p> <p>We are completing the membership section, etc., for a possible 200 points and are competing against 500 other Continuums across the country.</p> <p>This year we must explain more about sub-populations youth, chronically homeless and vets. Stephanie has been meeting with those groups. Ashley Tolman and Stephanie are meeting with Marty Johnston to help us come up with a veteran strategic plan. Youth and Education committees met last week and we are calling upon Scott Taylor. Domestic Violence groups were talking on the phone about language around human trafficking.</p> <p>They expect to announce new and renewals projects all about the same time, late winter.</p>	<p>Myla Dutton</p> <p>When we have the consolidated application drafts we will email it, to inform you.</p>



<p>Project Ranking and Review:</p> <p>The Review Committee consisted of Stephen Downs from Orem City, Brad, Jessica, and Dan. Stephanie helped facilitate the meeting as well as took minutes. Myla Dutton helped review ranking criteria by HUD. Brad reviewed the spreadsheet and explained how the committee scored the applications. The lower the score, the higher the project was ranked.</p> <p>HUD threw 85% into the renewals. They want to get rid of projects that they feel aren't performing well. If projects achieved both goals they got an A, if they only made one of their goals, they got a B.</p> <p>Rapid rehousing is a big priority for HUD this year. We had to look at goals as well as number people served.</p> <p>\$22,305 will be reallocated to HMIS because in the past we haven't carried our weight with HMIS. Since 12, 13 and 14 are support services only they have to be ranked at the bottom.</p> <p>CWCIC proposed that since the ranking of 10 and 11 are the same, we could flip-flop the two in order of priority because of the number of people served. Included in the motion to approve the ranking. Planning covers special projects like the motel research project, gathering data to strengthen our need through state or federal government and Point in Time.</p> <p>Part of Marie's work is paid for with a contract with CASFB of which \$5700 was unused. We'll look specifically at that job description. Motion made by Kena ask her -- something about my grant Housings abstained</p>	<p>Brad Bishop</p> <p>Kena made a motion to approve the rankings are presented by the Review Committee including the reversal of 10 and 11; as well as to increase the Planning grant to include a portion of Marie's time. Margy seconded the motion. The motion passed.</p>
<p>Committee Reports</p> <p><u>Discharge Planning:</u> Concern about folks being discharged with no plan for them. Brent said Wasatch Mental Health is going to have two additional full time case managers stationed in their facility and at least one will be at least 10 hours a week in the jail. Monte will be splitting his time dealing with CABHI, a little more case management. If someone doesn't have a place to go it's a very complicated system to navigate. Meeting concluded we need an orchestrated effort to deal with the issues.</p> <p>Committee meeting, anyone who wants to be a part of Discharge Planning is welcome.</p>	<p>Margy Layton</p> <p>Stephanie will invite the Jail Stake President to the Coordinated Intake meetings.</p>



The voucher system was designed to help people who broke down on the highway who have to stay in town to fix their car. We have to come up with a different solution. With the criminal justice reform act, expanding treatment resources, there's a focus on bldg. a system that support successful reentry and this is a key piece of it. Foundation for Family Life has a mentor works program so they can serve 16 guys coming out of the jail now. (expanded) There's a gap while on waiting list. A weigh station is needed (not public shelter), with case mgmt. on site to help connect with DWS WMH, help getting IDs. Provo South stake has developed a nice program with south stake bishops missionaries have helped us, what do you know about so and so. This could expand; the jail Pres does a good job helping us know who is who. We should coordinate efforts.

Community Relations: We met and still need information for the newsletter and website. Like our social media pages! If you need help with publicity, let us know. Also working on a campaign to promote Hand up Housing First fund. Campaign to run through winter.

Housing Committee: We need to use the Housing First Flex fund. As a CoC, we could recommend to the executive committee to expand to Summit and Wasatch Counties. We are learning how to use our federal dollars in terms of deposits correctly. If your case managers are already in a negotiation with a landlord or if there is a poor credit score or poor references, let's capitalize on that. The Housing sub-committee was going to vet those names. Remember, this resource is available in your negotiation process. The fund is intended to get people into housing and prevent an eviction.

Project Support Committee: Semi-annual training is tentatively set for December first – Send out registration information slight cost for books. Free lunch. December 1st. Come early and stay for lunch, etc.

Housing Solutions: Motel study: had BYU assist with data collection at Executive, Amenity, Passport Inn and Travelers. The volunteers went around and did the questionnaire. Most rooms were vacant, but got 36 completed. 36 were actually precariously housed, most had some form of employment, had been homeless for over a year, most were divorced and had a high school diploma and some college. They are working on the final tweaking of PowerPoint with language of Vision 20 /20. Presentation with Orem City Council last week.

Kena Mathews

Stephanie Wilmore

Stephen Nibley

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<p><u>Landlord Event</u>: Had an outreach meeting, one landlord attended. An event is not the best method for getting people to talk about Housing First. Considering a face to face coffee hour or lunch with a housing authority, mayor, or Bill Hulterstrom. 16 case managers were there it was helpful for them.</p>	
<p>Next meeting: November 16th, 9:30 a.m. United Way of Utah County</p>	