OUT-WAYNE COUNTY HOMELESS SERVICES COALITION
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
April 5, 2018, 9:30-11:00am
WAYNE METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY
2121 BIDDLE, WYANDOTTE, MI 48192
FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
http://www.outwaynehomeless.org

1. Introductions (Alicia Ramon)
   - Welcome New Members
   - New members from ACCESS
   - Attendance:
     | Nada Takach, ACCESS | Lindsay Karas, Wayne Metro |
     | Nora Alkafadi, ACCESS | Courtney Hierlihy, Wayne Metro |
     | Debbie Petri, ChristNet | Nikita Cargins, Wayne Metro |
     | Angela Simmons, CHN | Alicia Ramon, Wayne Metro |
     | Jeanette Felton, CHN | Mitch Blum-Alexander, AppelWorks |
     | Lorraine Taylor-Muhammad, DWMHA | Michael Appel, AppelWorks |
     | Ilene Hogan, First Step | Julie Ratekin, Wayne Metro |
     | Jackie Nouiden, Lincoln Behavioral Services | Kelsey Grigal, Wayne Metro |
     | Carol Jolly, Neighborhood Legal Services | Charlotte Carrillo, Wayne Metro |
     | Dave McCoy, Salvation Army | Tania James, Samaritas |
     | Joan Siavrakas, Wayne County Senior Services | Zaina Talab, PACE |

2. Additions to Agenda (Alicia Ramon)
   - First Step is looking for office space/counseling space.

3. Old Business (Alicia Ramon and Mitch Blum-Alexander)
   - Arkay, Inc. Request for CoC Support - Mitch and Alicia reported that the project has been postponed.
   - CCS Rivers Edge PSH Project - clarification to support provided (Alicia Ramon and Mitch Blum-Alexander) There has been a small change in the letter of support to confirm the focus of the
population served would be Special Needs. The project was submitted to MSHDA.

- Highlights of Michigan Campaign to End Homelessness Spring Convening (Charlotte Carrillo and Allison Green) - Charlotte reported that MSHDA released the draft of the Qualified Action Plan (QAP). Speakers also advertised Advocacy Day in Lansing and stressed the importance of speaking with legislators about homelessness.

4. Presentation: PACE (a Program of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly) - Zaina Talab-Haji
   - PACE opened 4th site in Dearborn and serves those over 55 years of age. To qualify, seniors must: be safe in their home, live in service area (Westland to Wyandotte) and meet nursing home level of care. Formerly Center for Senior Independence, PACE provides transportation and give best quality of life. The home visitor will assist with insurance and Medicaid, they work regularly with Henry Ford and can provide translation.

5. Coalition Business
   - Finance Report (Alicia Ramon)
     No changes since the last meeting; Working on the funding allocation. No expenses or request for additional expenses.
   - AppelWorks (Michael Appel and Mitch Blum-Alexander)
     a) Governance
        a. Ad Hoc governance committee will be meeting in a week. See Mitch if you are interested in attending or joining the committee.
        b. Have researched other COCs governance models and met with Charlotte and Alicia on recommendations.
     b) Continuing work with PIT Count, and ongoing work with NOFA/ESG/HUD.

6. Youth Homelessness (Julie Ratekin)
   a) Detroit is not applying for the YHDP NOFA
   b) Highlights of the National Network for Youth Summit
      • Julie met with Senators Stabenow and Peters and talked about our COCs demographics and what they look like across the state.
7. Communications and Events (Lindsay Karas)
   - Music by Moonlight Fall CoC Fundraiser (September 14, 2018)
     - Lindsay shared that Music by Moonlight plans are underway. The location will again be at the Daly Merritt building in Wyandotte. If you are interested in joining the planning committee, please let her know.
   - Remaining supplies of hygiene kits and coats
     - Lindsay reported there is an abundance of hygiene kits or coats. Please complete the form to request coats for your clients.

8. PIT Count and HIC Update
   - PIT Count Next Steps (Mitch Blum-Alexander)
     a) Committee Debriefing Meeting - Christine Chapa reported that PIT information is getting entered into HMIS along with HIC (housing inventory). Information will be delivered to HUD by end of month. May 31 Systems Performance data due to HUD.
     b) Drafting Report Highlighting Issues and Data of Homelessness in Out-Wayne County - Committee will get together one more time to look at the feedback from volunteers and recommendations for next year.
     c) Drafting final report from AppelWorks
        - Appel Works will draft a final report on the PIT to present to the COC.
   - PIT and HIC Count for HUD (Christine Chapa)
     a) April 30 - deadline for submitting HIC/PIT Count Data in HDX
     b) May 31 - Deadline for submitting Systems Performance Data in HDX

9. MSHDA ESG
   - FY 2017-18 - Performance Check-In (Charlotte Carrillo)
     - Charlotte is hosting a performance check in 4/23 at 2pm. Will review data quality and system performance and spending items.
   - FY 2018-19
     a) Updated Performance Measures (Christine Chapa)
        - The COC reviewed performance measures - bonus money if we meet over five performance measures. Currently, we are meeting 5 performance measures; but want to meet 6 or 7. Christine and Allison will work on follow up data and confirm numbers.
     b) Expected Release of NOFA (Mitch Blum-Alexander)
        - ESG NOFA Should be released in the next week or two (sometime in April)
10. HMIS and Data Quality (Christine Chapa)
- Data Quality clean up needed for HIC/HUD Systems Performance/MSHDA Performance Measures

11. Coordinated Entry/Programs/Initiatives
- Coordinated Entry (Allison Green)
  - Nothing new on Coordinated Entry
- SSVF - (Jennifer Pettway)
  - Nothing to Report
- Lincoln Park Lofts/Visger/Raupp (Charlotte Carrillo)
  - No vacancies, but accepting applications. Applications should be going to the Director (Charlotte) and not Allison. Allison still gets HCV apps.
- Christnet – Nighttime shelter program is open (Debbie Petri)
  - ChristNet has been full almost every night. Currently there are 29 guests, with 1 opening. Open spot is for someone with a vehicle that can legally drive their own vehicle.
  - Have had people move into housing in the last few weeks
  - 4 people approved for and seeking housing.
  - Should have open spots soon, but they fill quickly
- Schedule of monthly meetings for case managers. Meetings are on Thursday’s at 2:30pm at the Wayne Metro Wyandotte office training room. (Allison Green):
  - 1st Thursday is SPDAT/By-Name List/SSVF – today SPDAT
  - 2nd Thursday is Case Manager Meeting – First Step hosting
  - 3rd Thursday is In-Service Training – World Medical Relief
  - 4th Thursday is Case Consultation

12. HUD and the VA (Mitch Blum-Alexander)
- SAGE
- Schedule for release of HUD FY 2018 CoC NOFA
  - Registration process is usually in May which usually includes priority information and programmatic changes.
  - Work of NOFA will be underway in May or June.
  - The COC welcomes participation in joining the ranking committee.

13. MSHDA/MDHHS Vouchers and Waitlist (Courtney Hierlihy)
- HCV/PBV waitlist
- 427 names pulled in January

  - Moving Up Vouchers
    - Waiting on paperwork from partners

14. Policy

  - Proposal for CoC Support Letter to Address MSHDA QAP Policy (Michael Appel)
    - MSHDA controls competition for housing developers to submit projects to be funded for Low Income Housing Tax Credit projects
    - There is a set aside for supportive housing projects
    - This year trade associations and CoC’s have put forth proposals (MCAH, CSH, CEDAM) for the QAP and the Out Wayne COC has an opportunity to provide a letter of support. Overall goal is that if approved, the tenants approved for supportive housing are those hardest to serve/house. Previously 25% had to service low income individuals, this year it’s 35%. Clients must meet HUD’s definition of fleeing domestic violence or be literally homeless.
    - COC is in support on Alicia signing the COC support letter

  - Federal Policy (Mitch Blum-Alexander)
    - 2018 budget $130 million (5.5% increase) increase for HUD’s homeless programs
    - Total funding is $2.5 billion; another 20-25,000 that will be housed who are homeless across the country
    - Section 8 additional vouchers, 12/5% increase in tax credits across the state, CDBG increase $300 million

15. Other Issues/New Business/Announcements

  - MDHHS Release of PATH RFP (Mitch Blum-Alexander)
    - MDHS issued RFP; which is a new process. The PATH RFP is a street outreach program, targeting people with mental illnesses.
    - Proposals are due on April 24th
    - Encourage other organizations to also submit applications
    - Dividing state into prosperity regions (Oakland/Macomb/Wayne for SE Michigan)
    - Must be able to serve the entire county and potentially more than 1 county
Alicia thanked everyone that supported and/or attending the 2018 MasquerAid Ball.

Alicia shared that Leonard, a former ChristNet guest, will be honored in Washington D.C. at the Poverty Summit as an outstanding client. He will share his story and the impact of the COC.

Announcement: 4/11 9-5 homeless advocacy day at state capitol; topics to advocate for include: access to State ID, affordable housing, decriminalizing homelessness and funding for homeless program.

Hepatitis A outbreak update - There have been 797 cases; we are still advocating for vaccinations.

Financial Inclusion & Disability Awareness Summit; April 18th.

16. Next Meeting - (Alicia)

May 10th, 9:30am to 11:00am at the Jefferson Barns Community Vitality Center, 32150 Dorsey Street, Westland, MI 48186.