

## Central CoC Governing Board Meeting

March 2, 2021

### In Attendance

- Ben Byker
- Amy Carter
- Lori Gudim
- Amy Sidmore-
- Chassidy Lobdell- Absent
- Tammy Moreland
- Bryan Newman-
- Michele Fournier
- Jennifer Walker
- Cathy Wogen- Absent
- Kathy Sauve
- Jay Vasek

### Inspiration

Volunteer

Kathy S. – Inspiration that we should give ourselves credit for making it through the entire year of COVID related changes. Tammy S. agreed and added that she has not seen energy for work with clients decline. Tammy M. shared a new staff will join as a COC coordinator for the Tribal Collaborative- Mary Reigert

### Business

1. Approval of February 2021 minutes
2. Any additions to the Agenda – none e
3. Welcome Amy- move to next meeting
4. Who will share this meeting updates from the Board @CoC meeting?

### Ranking and Scoring Committee

1. Essential HUD Projects  
HMIS, Coordinated Entry, CoC Planning Grant are essential to our Homeless response system and will be prioritized above all other projects.
2. FY2020 Central CoC-Needs and Gaps Analysis 2018-2020 See attachment  
Single adults aged 25+ continue to make up the majority of people experiencing homelessness (66.2%) and the vast majority (84.7%) of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness.
3. 2020 Housing Inventory See attachment  
Programs were reviewed by All funding Sources  
Programs were reviewed by HUD CoC Funding  
Discussion on which programs were included and which were missing. More discussion will be allowed for next month.
4. Future Discussion  
How will Navigator Projects be scored?  
Review of System Performance Measures?  
2020 HIC reviewed by program type for sub populations (DV, Veterans and Youth)

## Where are our Gaps in Services?

### HMIS/Data Committee

1. Reviewed MN HMIS Data Quality Plan See attachment  
Walked through Central CoC QDQ reports  
In March we will be reviewing Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing Projects
2. Areas noted for Improvement  
Social Security Numbers- especially youth are difficult to get  
Disability  
Destination of Exit

### Discussion on going away from the VI-SPDAT

1. Brief History  
Concerns about VI-SPDAT not being trauma informed or culturally sensitive  
2.5 years ago, work started to create a Statewide standardized assessment  
Assessors and those we serve shared they were not in favor of the tool  
As of today, there is still no statewide standardized tool  
Within the last 6 mo. many CoC's have stopped using the VI-SPDAT or are in the process
3. Are we ready to stop using the VI-SPDAT?  
Initial feedback- no we are not. Plan another meeting that specifically discusses questions. Will need more information to make informed decision.
4. Jay to share what other CoCs are doing and what this new process would look like?  
How are others creating priority for CES? Other COCs are using supplemental questions and creating own questions on one form then entering into HMIS. Tammy M. mentioned need for all COC to have core questions so that transient populations can be served well.  
  
Others are moving to progressive engagement and limiting those on the priority list. Concerns raised about funding if VISPDAT isn't used with HUD. Tammy reaching out to HUD TA assistance.  
  
Questions raised regarding HUD's thoughts on not using VISPDAT and if that will be allowed. Tammy M stated HUD is only asking for "a" tool to be used not a specific one.  
  
Tammy S. will be following up with other Coordinators to see what they are doing.  
  
For new meeting on VISPDAT: send thoughts to Tammy S. on what is not working for this tool, any concerns or difficulties.

Lori G. adjourned  
Kathy S. second

