

Central CoC Full Membership Meeting

August 2, 2022, 1:00-3:00 PM

Mission Statement

Central MN CoC is committed to building strong partnerships and being collaborative in our strategic planning efforts to improve our homeless response system. We strive to maximize access to funding and resources to assist in finding homes for all individuals and families who are at the greatest risk of being excluded from necessary services.

Vision Statement

Central MN CoC envisions a community committed to racial equity in which everyone has a stable permanent home and the support and resources needed to maintain it.

Business

1. Welcome, Introductions and Announcements
Several new attendees! All
2. Inspiration
Lori G Volunteer
3. Any additions to the Agenda or pull anything out of the Consent Agenda for discussion?
No additions to the agenda, just adding some HMIS news.
4. Approve Consent Agenda Amy Sidmore
Motion by Kathy W, Second by Karla R.
 - a. Approve Agenda
 - b. Approval of June 7, 2022 minutes
 - c. Additions to the Agenda

Action Items

1. COVID Policy (Oct – 2020) Risk levels Low/Med Amy Sidmore
Discussion? It's time to get rid of this, restrictions have been removed now. There were some groups who were not prioritized, ok for it to be done now.
Motion to be removed by Katie W, Second by Summer C. Roll Call Vote. Passes unanimously.
2. Veterans Priority (Nov-2021) Amy Sidmore
Discussion? We've reached functional zero, so could be removed now, it was met last fall.
Motion to remove by Meg S, Second by Kathy W. Roll Call Vote. Passes unanimously.

Information & Discussion

1. Coordinated Entry Manager Position Tim Poland
Looking to filling this position again! Anyone interested in applying, please let Tim know. This is an in-person in office position, not virtual.
2. Unsheltered/Rural NOFO Tim Poland
HUD released this separate option for funding, looking for interest as this is a lot of work to do. This would be very labor intensive along with the NOFO. Available for Non-Profits, cities, and counties. Still go through ranking/scoring process. Unsheltered vs Rural: Unsheltered - Expanding on existing work being done, vouchers, staffing. Rural - Buy or build structures to expand programs. Due Oct. 20th, so need intent to apply to get going on this. Planning through CoC, great deal of extra work would need to be completed. What about Admin costs? Up to 10% now, existing is 5% which makes it very expensive to administer the grant. It's 3% for CMHP. Kathy S – would like a couple more days so by close of day Thursday. It would be nice to know if this will ever be available again. If the money is granted, you have

to use HMIS. Pretty similar in application process with the regular NOFO Competition. Tim could send out specifics again on applying and who/what to do to anyone who is interested.

3. FY2022 HUD NOFO Competition Tim Poland
This is due for submission Aug. 29th - 30th. HUD did not give us much time. Assumption is that it will probably be close to same as last year. Will be divided into Tier 1/Tier 2. Looks similar as past years. Will there be a NOFO Lab? Hoping so, so very helpful! Gi will not be here, she'll check with Pat. Tim can do technical piece to help us navigate the app. Have Tim review before officially submitting the document. UEI number is mandatory this time around. SAM# is rather involved and takes time, start early. More to come.
4. Board Member Candidates Tim Poland/Amy Carter
One opening on Governing Board, Michelle F. left. August 18th Board Meeting will address at that meeting. Please apply if interested or refer someone who would be interested.
5. Committee Members Needed Tim Poland
Many of our committees are down 1-2 members, looking for interested parties to apply. Will try to mention in Committee Updates below.
6. Committee Updates Amy Sidmore
 - A. Coordinated Entry Policies & Procedures Amy Sidmore
Moving forward, slow/steady wins the race. August is the last month with TA. Reviews started in September, completion by November.
 - B. CoC Policies & Procedures Tim Poland
Met last month, working through P&P. Need a leader to take over.
 - C. HMIS/Data Rachel Zetah
We were off July, one opening, need Northern Region Rep. Annabel updates: ART will be going away. Business Objects starting up, training last week in User Group. New data available -PIT.
 - D. Membership Amy Carter
Did not meet July, Amy not here, Katie updated.
 - E. Performance & Ranking Tammy Moreland/Tim
Have not met but will be meeting shortly. Anyone interested in joining let Tim know, need members.
 - F. PIT Count Lori Irwin
See link for dashboard: <https://www.hmismn.org/point-in-time-count-information> We have two member spots open. Met July 15th.
 - G. Racial Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion JonPaul Dufour
Also, need 1-2 reps for this committee.
 - G. Youth Initiative Amie Kirby
Aime not present, Jen W -

Program Presentation

NuWay

Jake Lewis

Started in 66 as a Non-Profit. Coming out of treatment programs in recovery needing places to live and maintain success in issues of addiction. Several places over the state that NuWay, partner with independently owned existing recovery programs/housing. Many individuals of re-occurring recovery in cyclic process. Follow up with maintaining sobriety through in/out-patient to get back on the right track including transportation, employment, living options, MH, etc. Important to remove barriers to recovery and maintaining their sobriety. This is for individuals, does not typically include children of clients.

www.nuway.org Calls, referrals are welcomed! Worked with all 86 counties in MN. They help with MNSure, or other Insurance for financial support. Requirements for eligibility:

https://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=ID_008949

New Funding Throughout the CoC

1. Agency Updates

All

Brandon at WeCare Services, behind Pizza Ranch. Relocating

Maria - LSS in Brainerd: We are expanding services and will begin Independent Living Skills classes and services to youth up to age 23 who are currently in foster care, or who are aging out or who have exited foster care. We will also be developing Youth Leadership Councils in both the Brainerd and St. Cloud regions. Youth Leadership Councils are youth advocacy groups for youth in foster care.

Kaytlyn - TriCap: Flexible funding ran out of funds mid-July. Auto repair is very limited now.

Rachel – Crow Wing. Warming shelter gave 3yrs more for this service. This is in Brainerd.

Mary: Lincoln Center showers are almost complete, 3 modules for couples, 22 singles, total 25. Front area will be room for dining and offices for meeting with SW/clients. Capacity is 7, until sprinkler is in place.

Kathy W – Kids Fighting Hunger will be resuming packaging Sept 20/21st. Adding non-perishable food drives to drop off items for local food shelves.

Project Connect – see link: <https://www.facebook.com/phcstcloud>

Vicky Kenny - My Neighbor to Love Coalition: Faith based Brainerd Non-Profit, long term solutions to homelessness, job training, team support. Instill increased hope for our future.

Kathy W – Survey to assess our demographics for full Committee make up.

Welcome back Kathy S!!

Adjourn Motion by Lori I , Second by Kathy S.