

Central CoC Full Membership Meeting

September 6, 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 All
2. Inspiration Volunteer
3. Any additions to the Agenda or pull anything out of the Consent Agenda for discussion?
4. Approve Consent Agenda Amy Sidmore
 - a. Approve Agenda
 - b. Approval of August 2, 2022 minutes
 - c. Additions to the Agenda

Motion to approve consent agenda and August 2nd minutes by Cathy W, Seconded by Rachel A.

Action Items

1. People with Lived Experience Policy Amy Carter/Tim Poland

Thank you to working group on this, to develop the policy for Lived Expertise. Wanted it to look like a job description, give full disclosure on what we are looking for, what information is needed at meetings. Created policy and specifics for parameters of who would fit in this position. See attached policy. Requiring active participation in various meeting groups and help anyway they can to benefit our CoC. Demographics, looking for underrepresented groups, areas, up to 7 participants. Paid position with stipends from meeting attendance. Meetings are at this point virtual but would/could be hybrid with meeting in person or virtual, whichever is easier. Goal is to establish PLE in our CoC and giving input, feedback, etc. for developing and making systems better. We would encourage involvement as long term as possible, 6 months to 1yr commitment? Mentoring from the person who knows them and invited them to be involved. Motion to accept this policy as written along with tweaking it with the added discussions: Cathy W., Seconded by Karla R. Roll-call vote. All Yes! Will be added and go to the board later this month.

Information & Discussion

1. HMIS Data Presentation Annabel Kornblum

Data Security Recertification is upcoming, has to be completed by Oct. 4th. Email will come out for training in Moodle. See the Power Point presentation Annabel reviewed from most recent PIT/HIC data. There is a great deal of info/data in this report, some of it can be manipulated to get more specific. No unsheltered count for 2021, last one done was 2020. Dashboard has a break-out by Co. ICA MN Dashboard, can put in the specifics you are looking for, County, new homelessness, families, age, race, all kinds of variables. HMIS/Data Comm will see what else can be pulled out of there.

2. Menti Poll Tim Poland

See link and code to input, self-identify race/ethnicity. Lived experience in any of the following – Homelessness, DV, MH, addiction, racial equity, LGTBQ+, Veteran, Disability and Legal issues.

3. 2023 PIT Count Planning Lori Irwin

January is coming! January 25th this coming year. Leads are starting to reach out to get going, 2 open spots for regional planning committee. Need Northern and Eastern representation. HMIS.org will have the info in there soon. No one will be turned down to help gather this important information.

4. HRA Stability Vouchers

Louise Reis

Assists several populations for homeless or risk of homelessness to find a place to live. Taking the place of Emergency Housing Vouchers, that is going away in 2023. Stearns Co. will take the balance of anything outside the city. Letter of Commitment needs to come from our CoC, not sure of the numbers of vouchers available. Motion to support HRA stability vouchers with a letter for any HRA asking by Meg S, Seconded by Jen E. Roll-call vote. All Yes. Passed

5. NOFO Updates

Tim Poland

One brand new program, one expanding, and several returning for renewals. All apps are in now, on Sept. 28th to vote, will be ranking them. You can ask about scoring if there are disagreements in scoring. The next one, Unsheltered/Rural will start after this one. Will see what applications come in for this, may be asking for volunteers for this depending on how many come in.

6. Health and Education Collaborations

Tim Poland

Feedback from people in organizations that are involved with local Health/Education through various Health and Education locally. There is a great deal of collaborations going on in all communities re Health/Education from CD, MH, Education with school districts, assisting families in skills development for MH, Financial, Parenting, Sobriety, etc. Our communities have many supports to offer our clientele in a vast list of resources.

7. Committee Updates

Amy Sidmore

All committees could use at least 1-2 members each! Pick one to be involved with!

CES Comm. meeting on Sept. 13th.

Racial Equity C: Will be sending out to set up meeting.

HMIS/Data: Annabel information will be combed through again to see what we find.

PIT Count: meets 3rd Friday of each month.

Membership C: Continuing with the Lived Expertise theme.

Youth Comm: Jen W, are we still meeting? She will ask Amy Kirby.

Program Presentation: No time for this.

New Funding Throughout the CoC

1. Agency Updates: Anyone?

All

Adjourn: Motion to Adjourn by Lori I, Seconded by Karla R.

Take care everyone!