**Central CoC Full Membership Meeting**

January 3, 2023, 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

50 Attendees

1. Inspiration: Today I just want to thank God for the gift of life. No requests, no complaints, just thankful to be alive!
2. Any additions to the Agenda or pull anything out of the Consent Agenda for discussion?

No additions or changes.

1. Approve Consent Agenda Amy Carter
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   2. Approval of November 1, 2022 minutes
   3. Additions to the Agenda

Motion by Cathy W, Seconded by Jackie E. Any opposed? Nope. Approved.

Action Items

* + - 1. Family Unification Program (FUP) MOU Louise Reis

HUD announced they are doing Family NOFO, info won’t be out for another 90 days. Maintaining families with children, re-uniting any families separated, working with CP in Benton and Sherburne Counties, Keeping Families Together. Don’t need a commitment from all 4 counties (Stearns & Wright Co. is the 4). Just starting the discussion MOU to start the process. Working with keeping families together, will see if we have everything together to apply to proceed. This could help in the continuation of other efforts already happening. CoC is in support of this funding. We have to have previous support through our CoC and other county entities, working relationships are already in place. Anticipation is March. Waivers not being used in some counties. Have to be in the right county.

Vote to accept/support this through our CoC:

Motion to approve supporting this process by Meg S, Second by Carla R. Opposed? Nope. Approved.

Information & Discussion

1. MN Interagency Council on Homelessness (MICH) Presentation Cathy ten Broeke

Legislative Work: Cathy TB- Here with Elizabeth D/Mary RS- Justice Plan for individuals experiencing homelessness. Celina & Marlena. Share the budget package, first day getting back to work. Legislative process of proposed budget, committed to Housing Stability budget looking at Housing, health & racial justice. See PP for working on ending homelessness, creating healthy rental market for low-income renters, and closing the disparities in homeownership. Focus needs to be broader across rural areas also included. Needs are to be more comprehensive across the whole state. Brainstorming from all partners to not miss anyone across the state. This PP will be shared. Jen E shared struggles with available housing for all 7 counties they serve at L&P. Shelter space is minimal for the area served. With the state surplus, there are a lot of hopes/dreams out there for development of services needed. Cathy S - LSS: More options in Metro vs Rural. Also lack of transportation support with nothing offered. Happy to come back when the Governor’s budget has been shared. In partnership with several entities for a justice-oriented plan. Into Phase 2, see PP towards prevention of homelessness.

2. AmeriCorps Heading Home Program Presentation Mishon Bulson

Mishon: Shared PP for Heading Home Corps. Domestic Peace Corps. Will share PP from this. New program, in middle of year 2. 50 locations throughout the state. Housing Resource Navigators to assist in obtaining safe housing. Navigators hired with lived experience to assist anyone in need of housing, food, all encompassing. [www.sites@ampact.us](http://www.sites@ampact.us) for questions. Tim will share the PP.

3. MN Department of Veteran Affairs Presentation Kita Lewis

Working with homeless veterans in various groups, BIPOC or LGBTQ to assist with housing. People not being in the service long or discharged due to not finishing out their service may not know they are able to receive services. See info shared for this.

4. VTEMP Presentation Allison Kier

Veterans Temporary Housing Voucher Program: Reimbursement and registration for assistance. Want to keep veterans in their community where they already have a support system. PP will be shared for this. [www.MinnesotaVeteran.org/EndHomelessness](http://www.MinnesotaVeteran.org/EndHomelessness) [Allison.kier@state.mn.us](mailto:Allison.kier@state.mn.us)

<https://mn.gov/mdva/resources/homelessnessandprevention/>

5. PIT Count Planning Updates Lori Irwin

Friday is PIT Lead Kickoff re new information on updated website. Please contact Lori Irwin if interested in being a Lead for this night of counting. Date is January 25th. What about shelters/encampments that have been bulldozed or closed down? People will be at shelters and encampments on that evening to count and to work hard at not creating duplication.

6. CoC Governing Board Candidates Amy Carter/Tim Poland

Invites being sent out today, several nominations will be coming back for interest and terms. Discussion at the Full CoC Meeting in February. Possible review/discussion at Board Meeting Jan. 19th. Looking for 4 board members to be brought on board.

7. Homelessness Prevention & Rehousing Accelerator RFP Update Tim Poland

Letter of interest as tech advisor to our CoC. Not selected at this time. Putting out best practices on website to assist with ideas with 4 county MH group so people coming out of treatment will not go into immediate homelessness.

Program Presentation

New Funding Throughout the CoC

1. Agency Updates All

Mary Fleegel: Renovations to building to increase numbers from 8 to 25.

Ana Begej: Taking over for Annabel at ICA.

1. We are working on several updates to the 030 Core report! These updates contain many Feature Enhancement (FE) requests that were put on hold while we transitioned to BusinessObjects. Now that the transition is complete, we are eager to implement as many of these FEs as possible. These changes will include additional summary information and alter the layout of several of the detail tabs. We use the data in these detail tabs to populate the MN Dashboard to End Homelessness, and these changes will require coding changes to continue supporting those efforts.
   1. Do these changes to the Core report also impact your work? Do you rely on the layout of the Core to analyze data or to follow trends? If so, and you'd like advance notice of Feature Enhancements that are coming, please let us know!
2. Check out the new MIN-00-CES-294 - CE Housing Provider Data Check report! This report reviews housing referrals and their associated program enrollments, flagging clearly identified data entry issues as errors and possible issues as warnings.
   1. Who is this report for?
      1. Housing providers should run this report to identify data entry issues that need correcting. Without accurate referral and enrollment data, Priority List Managers cannot make informed decisions about future referrals.
      2. Coordinated Entry leadership should run this report to identify data quality trends, like commonly missed fields and agencies with persistently high error counts.
3. It is important to accurately record the County Where Resides for every client. You may have noticed that ICA is increasing the amount of publicly available data that can be filtered by the county where persons served reside. This means that the MN Universal Data Element "County Where Resides" is becoming even more important! You can review the data quality of this element, and all other universal data elements, in the 251 Quarterly Data Quality report.

Adjourn: Motion by Cathy W, Seconded Lori I. Adjourned!