**Central CoC Full Membership Meeting**

May 2, 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

There are 57 in attendance.

1. Inspiration None Volunteer
2. Any additions to the Agenda or pull anything out of the Consent Agenda for discussion?

Nothing to pull out or add.

1. Approve Consent Agenda Amy Carter
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   2. Approval of April 4, 2023 minutes
   3. Additions to the Agenda

Motion to approve agenda/minutes by Amy S, Seconded by Sarah D. Discussion? Motion carries.

Action Items

* + - 1. Amy Carter/Tim Poland

Information & Discussion

1. Wilder Research Report Sofia-Bella Vitale-Gill

At Hearth Connections, see presentation from Sofia-Bella. Partnering of Hearth and Wilder to complete the research report. Study done last year, see her Power Point presentation. Differences with Metro vs outstate areas: This data will be collected throughout the whole state to glean the differences with needs from metro/rural. Central CoC is a large area, need to do fact finding for this whole area, subsections with city or rural areas and the differences. Local vs state, which would be legislative changes. Will be coming out to all regions to start gathering info. Shooting for end of August to have compiled info to start sifting through. Want to create a safe space so anyone can speak up and not feel concern over what is said. Power Point will be sent and shared.

2. Recovery Community Network Presentation Katie Blue

See presentation from Katie Blue. Interim Director in St. Cloud. Sharing info regarding Recovery Community Network. There are several locations in the state. Peer recovery as well as family support. She will share the Power Point presentation. Go to treatment centers, recovery community after leaving treatment to maintain. Telephone recovery support by calling for coaching items to assist with specific needs from each person involved. Develop ownership of recovery. Calling, texting, emailing to maintain contact with people involved. Peer coaching to attend AA meetings, support with needs. Many are interested in NA as well as AA, whatever the needs are. Virtual meetings? Yes! Or, if there is no phone service? Access to email, from treatment, being incarcerated. Some treatment centers don’t allow phone usage, could talk through counselors. We are the resource to finding self-help places for individuals to go to. Printed resource guides available, Veterans info just out and available on the RCN website. Don’t have a lot of money but provide gas cards, hotel stay, etc. for what people need. [Admin@rcnstcloud.org](mailto:Admin@rcnstcloud.org). PP will be shared by Tim.

3. CES Data Brenda Engelking

Brenda – See PP information shared. Call to Connect numbers shared, Jan/Feb/Mar. Housing referral report for referrals sent out in Jan/Feb/Mar. New assessments report for Jan/Feb/Mar. Priority List notices numbers shared. Questions on unanswered calls, or voicemails on the Call to Connect. There are various extensions with answering capabilities due to if someone is already on the phone. Calls are returned as soon as possible, efforts to reach out to anyone/everyone. There are staff being hired to deal with the issue of high volume calling and following up. Will try to figure out how to do this better.

4. ACEs Training Brenda Engelking/Tim Poland

Training on May 31st from 1p-3p at CHMP building. Limit of 25 max, childhood trauma and the effects of this on development of children.

5. Committee Updates

A. Coordinated Entry Policies & Procedures Brenda Engelking

Discussion on scoring, developing questions in differentiating issues. Meeting Monday, May 8th.

B. CoC Policies & Procedures Tim Poland

Did not meet last month, will meet in May, get P&P revised, get going before NOFO. Doodle poll for anyone new who wants to join.

C. HMIS/Data Rachel Zetah

Look at a deeper dive in the data received for PIT, etc. for trends.

D. Membership Amy Carter

Collaborated with FHPAP to combine forces. Steph O and Sarah D new members. Working on developing training resource for new members.

E. Performance & Ranking Tim Poland

We did meet a few weeks ago, scoring on DHS RFP’s from Central. Working on that. Will be getting back together to compare scores.

F. Point in Time Lori Irwin

Met April 21st will meet again on May 19th to review PIT/HIC numbers and data. Sometimes very difficult to get an accurate report of the numbers. Can we generate participation by stipends to encourage more participation from people with lived experience? Working on that. HIC works with the numbers of available beds at present. See link to get more information. <https://www.hmismn.org/point-in-time-count-information> Exiting on the night of the count: If they are self-pay, they don’t get counted, only if a program is paying for their stay. If people are doubled up, HUD doesn’t want to know but MN does.

G. Racial Equity, Diversity & Inclusion JonPaul Dufour

Not sure what was discussed last meeting, please let me know if anyone is interested, looking for new members. Met with discussion on HUD Tech assistance, changing to a new TA that we will begin working with. Next meeting in the next couple of weeks to chart a direction and get going.

H. Youth Initiative Kathy Sauve

Kathy is not on. Cindy L met with the committee, covered counties, grant support, funding mechanisms, getting a routine set for meeting going forward.

New Funding Throughout the CoC

1. Agency Updates All

Youth Initiative: is there anyone on the board that is aware of youth interested in offering information? Would be very useful but the youth might have difficulties meeting with all adults.

Pastor Carol: Transitioning out of West building and looking for a new building. Looking for place for Women/Children as well as Men. Working on transition, would love assistance from anyone who is interested in the support. Community event like OCC scheduled for food giveaways, backpacks. 1500 possible.

Louise R: The St. Cloud HRA was awarded 7 Stability Vouchers. The MOU with the CoC was approved and supported at the October 2022 meeting. Currently finalizing the MOU to move forward.

Cindy L: Open Doors for Youth looking for a Case Manager, see link. PT or more.

One more announcement! First Annual Wright Sherburne Pride Festival!

[https://www.facebook.com/events/201428429159745?acontext=%7B%22event\_action\_history%22%3A[]%7D](https://www.facebook.com/events/201428429159745?acontext=%7B%22event_action_history%22%3A%5b%5d%7D)

Marlena J: Pastor Carol – We are NOT Closing shelter, transitioning to another property? Secondary shelter is mostly women/children and a few men. All are transitioning to another place 15-30 beds.

Lori I: Wellness Bus - see fliers sent out. Any county is able to participate. <https://www.co.sherburne.mn.us/1278/Community-Outreach>

Amy T: LSS does have several openings, FHPAP positions. See listings. Working with landlords (Not that term), housing navigators in Brainerd, also Metro and St. Cloud.

Ana B: ICA Updates - 1) Five reports in Business Objects recently got upgrades!

The newest versions of the **030 Core Report**, the **054 Returns to Homelessness**, the **271 Returns to Homelessness for all Exits**, the **296 FHPAP Supplemental**, and the **279 LTH HPH Supplemental** contain exciting new features and fixes. If you schedule regular runs of any of these reports please make a new series with a new Effective Date. You can search [this view of REPORT collection](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fairtable.com%2Fshr6IY4ikF20XtuxR%2FtblVHDBfdCMaNPqgp&data=05%7C01%7Clgudim%40voamn.org%7C98b144272bc34eec67f008db4b409b39%7Cbdc21fa04b374057afaded62f0a78aca%7C0%7C0%7C638186513084883878%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=GNPRHX1%2BCwZjjISAebP8Mw%2Ft3nQ2j6q21wGnuvtbe14%3D&reserved=0) for these reports to view all the recently closed requests.

2) The above update might have gotten you thinking about your funding program's report requirements. As a reminder, you can use the [Homeless Programs Reporting Schedule tool](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.hmismn.org%2Fhomeless-programs-reporting-schedule&data=05%7C01%7Clgudim%40voamn.org%7C98b144272bc34eec67f008db4b409b39%7Cbdc21fa04b374057afaded62f0a78aca%7C0%7C0%7C638186513084883878%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=0ueNPWyf%2B8k8E2T8oSOr4yPeEPdHvuod%2Bocr%2BoQbiS4%3D&reserved=0) to keep track of requirements and deadlines for HMIS reporting for state and federal funding. If you have questions about this tool please contact the Helpdesk.

3) HMIS Data Element Review - Last call to provide feedback via the [MN HMIS Data Element Feedback Survey](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ficalliances.us13.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D4c73c95b0962343cd492fb830%26id%3Dc013c56ad1%26e%3D55d6004313&data=05%7C01%7Clgudim%40voamn.org%7C98b144272bc34eec67f008db4b409b39%7Cbdc21fa04b374057afaded62f0a78aca%7C0%7C0%7C638186513084883878%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=oNxLkw0jPuEOigsdnG%2FAkcqJu9rHHe2%2Bm8hXi057FPc%3D&reserved=0)!

<https://airtable.com/shr34FopB2OY1OK75>

The survey offers the opportunity to provide your insight as an HMIS user on the data we choose to

collect as a state. Your feedback can inform decisions like:

* Are there data elements we should collect but do not?
* Are there questions that could be better trauma-informed?
* Are there questions that could be phrased differently?
* Are there redundant data elements or questions that are unclear to you?

Survey Deadline: **You have just a few days** left to share your feedback; **the survey closes** **May 4th!** See below for additional information and May the 4th be with you.

Amy C: May is Mental Health Awareness Month, NAMI Walk, day training May 10th.

Tim P: Who called in? Erica from Anna Marie’s Alliance.

Carly Reyes: Now with St. Cloud Tech/Community College as Student Support Manager through MNState Non-Academic Support Needs for all students looking for support in getting needs met.

Adjourn : Motion by Cindy L, Seconded by Marlena J., Approved Meeting minutes by Lori Gudim

Next meeting June 6th.