

Alliance for Housing, Oakland County Continuum of Care Board Meeting Minutes

Date:	10.21.2020	Start Time:	1:30pm	Stop Time:	2:05	Location:	Zoom Conference Call
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Members Present: Jill Anderson, Ernestine McRae, Leah McCall, Marc Craig, Beth Baker, Michelle Gale, Heather Rae, Sara Orris, Rachel Densmore, Anne Harpe

Members Absent: Susan Benson, Sylvia Clark, Ryan Hertz, Elizabeth Kelly, Kathy Williams

Item	Discussion	Outcome	Action Item	Responsible Person and Due Date
<p>Quorum: 9/14</p> <p>1. Public Comment</p> <p>2. Agency Announcements</p>	<p>Met quorum</p> <p>No public comment</p> <p>Common Ground: The State Crisis Line contract was awarded to Common Ground. This will start in April, working with the State right now.</p> <p>It will be a text, chat and phone call crisis line for anyone in the state of Michigan who is in crisis to call.</p> <p>It is called My Call.</p> <p>First year will be pilot, and cover a few regions in the state. Do not want the pilot to be any bigger than 20% of the state.</p> <p>DHHS policy change: Eliminated the clause where if you had a felony or drug related charge within a certain time frame,</p>			

<p>3. Approval of Previous Meeting</p>	<p>you could not apply for food assistance.</p> <p>Pandemic income, as it relates to unemployment, is not counted against food assistance case.</p> <p>If worked for the census, income is not counted against food assistance case.</p> <p>DHHS: giving out masks to community partners</p> <p>DHHS: In the interim, Belinda Arbogast is working out of class as County Director.</p> <p>CHN: Still working very hard to get caught up on Eviction Diversion. Just hired 4 additional staff to help out with the call/interest volume.</p> <p>Honor Community Health: Jumpstart location that was servicing a couple of the local shelters is temporarily close and will remain closed for some time, probably until spring. Arranging to visit some of those shelters in the next week and a half to try and offer additional services.</p>			
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<p>Minutes</p> <p>4. Review Financials: August</p> <p>5. Summary Reports</p> <p>NEW BUSINESS:</p> <p>1. Lighthouse TH/Shelter</p>	<p>Heather Rae motion to approve, Marc Craig support, unanimous approval.</p> <p>Marc Craig motion to approve, Heather Rae second. Unanimous approval.</p> <p>Group Reviewed.</p> <p>Lighthouse amended the terms of their grant to move the model away from a place-based transitional housing program to a scattered-site transitional housing program. They are repurposing their current transitional housing facilities into both a family emergency shelter and permanent multi-family housing units. Center street location is specifically women and children.</p> <p>Anticipate transition will be complete within a 2 year period, with the first beds being flipped by this November.</p>	<p>The Board of Commissioners has included the Landlord Mitigation Fund in their budget for this fiscal year, which began October 1, and passed it. Funding for it is in Oakland County's budget for this fiscal year. Cannot release the money until December.</p> <p>HUD responded with an approval. Also approved for starting the transition immediately. Going to start in this program year, not going to kick anyone out, not going to be a rapid transition. It will happen naturally as current families in the TH program graduate and move out.</p> <p>Each quarter they have to anticipate how many people they will be transitioning.</p>		
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<p>2. Advisory Committee</p> <p>OLD BUSINESS:</p> <p>1. HMIS</p> <p>2. PIT 2021</p>	<p>Moving dollars from operations to leasing in order to cover the scattered site rent and utility fees.</p> <p>Leah has been invited to participate on the Ohio State University Community Advisory Board. Project revolves around African American women and children in the metro Detroit area. There is a compensation.</p> <p>Transition of Oakland County System Administrator positions that are currently at CHN to the Alliance for Housing, with full support from CHN.</p> <p>HUD has not instructed yet if there will be an unsheltered PIT count.</p>	<p>Capacity is not changing for transitional housing.</p> <p>About 40 hours of work per year, for 3 years.</p> <p>Board indicated that this would not be a conflict.</p> <p>Still interviewing for the Director position.</p> <p>Working on transitioning the grants and budgets that that go along with the OCHMIS programs.</p> <p>Hired a manager that will start 10/26.</p> <p>Starting to plan logistics to ensure the safety of our volunteers if we do have an unsheltered count.</p> <p>Reached out to OCHD for PPE supplies.</p>	<p>Ashley reach out to Jill about PPE.</p>	
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Ashley Burton
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The next Board Committee Meeting is on December 16; 1:30-3:00 Virtual Meeting