

SD HOUSING FOR THE HOMELESS CONSORTIUM (SDHHC) MEETING

**10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

March 20, 2018

Capitol Lake Visitor Center, Pierre, SD

Agenda

10:00 – 10:30	Welcome and introductions
10:30 – 11:00	PIT/HIC 2018 Debriefing
11:00 – 11:45	2017 CoC funding, 2018 CoC NOFA info, 2018 Legislative Day
11:45 – 12:45	Lunch Break/ PAC Meeting
12:45 – 1:30	CES progress update discussion
1:30 – 2:00	2018 Homeless Summit Planning
2:00 - 2:30	Committee Reports
2:30 – 3:00	Town Hall Discussion

Meeting Notes:

SDHHC member meeting attendees completed a round of introductions of selves and agency or group affiliations to begin the meeting.

2018 Point-In-Time (PIT) Count of those experiencing homelessness debriefing occurred. Discussion and presentation described count processes and organization of efforts including training activities, and committee meetings. A comparison of 2017 and 2018 basic count numbers was displayed via slide. The 2018 PIT count statewide count was larger in 2018 1,159 as compared to 2017 PIT of 943. SDHHC was informed that count numbers will be available soon to be posted to SDHHC website. <http://www.housingforthehomeless.org/>

A discussion was completed on what worked well in PIT count this year. Portions of the PIT count that worked well included; Command Center report generation, phone contact info availability to clarify with volunteers, data sorting options for reduction of duplication and errors, organization of efforts well ahead of PIT count date, greater agency participation. The Cheyenne River Housing Authority was quite helpful and dedicated staff to 2018 PIT count. A discussion was held on what did not work well in 2018 PIT count. Mobile application allowed recording of sheltered as interviewed incorrectly resulting in need to archive and reenter surveys. Paper surveys did not match completely with electronic surveys, paper surveys were less efficient, less accurate, and more costly. Issues reported with WIFI and using non-cellular devices for count. Training ideas were discussed including expanding areas where organized training occurs. Ideas for improvement of mobile Application discussed including a request that mobile application be adjusted to ensure homelessness questions and already surveyed questions are asked right away. A request was made that mobile application survey questions be finalized by mobile application provider earlier in the process to ensure paper and electronic survey are identical. Advertising and info on count in some rural areas (North Central) could be improved. The sharing of training materials and PSA used by the different regions was

encouraged. The further development of partnerships with groups including county veteran services officers, and Crisis Response in Belle Fourche.

#### 2017 CoC Funding Report

Info was shared via slide displaying 2017 CoC Funding received. A general discussion was had on the CoC funding application process. The CoC/SDHHC is still awaiting the debriefing info from HUD on CoC score for collaborative application. The delay is reportedly do to the hurricane affecting Puerto Rico's ability to apply. Sioux Falls Housing applied for bonus monies and this was not awarded. The likely reason is the over-all score that CoC received in Collaborative Application was not high enough relative to other CoC's to receive the funding bonus. Questions were asked and answered on Policy and Advisory Committee scoring of applications and processes. An appeal was made for new project ideas for 2018 NOFA.

#### 2018 NOFA discussion

NOFA is anticipated to be released in May 2018 and to close in end of August 2018. A report from information received at COSCDA conference by SDHHDA staff including the belief that System Performance Measures will weigh heavily on 2019 NOFA scoring and on future NOFA scoring. The need to continue efforts on data quality improvement was reported. The plans for data quality improvement for CoC grantees was discussed. A onetime HMIS NOFA should be released in the next two weeks. The CoC collaborative application is planning to compete application. A discussion occurred on possible and likely reallocation in 2019 of CES SOS grant to a housing program.

A discussion occurred on the Youth Homeless Demonstration Project funding opportunity. The discussion centered mostly on the need to develop a Youth Advisory Board and partnering with the various agencies to complete the application materials and develop plans.

#### 2018 SDHHC Legislative Day Report

A discussion was had about 2018 Legislative Day. The event occurred on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> at Capitol Rotunda. SDHHC partnered with NAMI SD and other non-profits. Email invite was sent to legislators from districts of PAC and SDHDA. Lunch was provided. PAC members, SDHDA staff manned SDHHC table in rotunda. Two fliers were distributed to legislators. Governor proclaimed Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> 2018, as Homeless and Mental Health Awareness Day.

The effectiveness of this year's legislative day was discussed. Reports were that there was greater traffic this year as compared to the past. Discussion was had on raising awareness among legislators and other elected officials. It was suggested that talking points be developed that can be consistently applied in these situations. A discussion of the importance of messaging about housing and social determinates of health and costs associated with housed and unhoused folks occurred.

#### CES Progress Report

CES Program Manger provided power point and info on implementation of CES statewide in SD. The plan is to have CES up and running by 5/31/2018. CES Program Manager will be meeting with communities and agencies to communicate CES. Implementation efforts were reported.

Questions related to marketing of CES information, referrals for housing, case conferencing, HMIS and discussed.

#### June Homeless Summit

Information was shared on Homeless Summit date and location. An appeal was made for ideas of topics and speakers for the summit. Ideas included; speakers on preventing burn out in front line staff, time management techniques, info on # served in CoC programs.

#### Committee Reports

HMIS-Working on HMIS related efforts. Completed work on CES releases. Awaiting build out of HMIS for CES. Training and data quality important issues for CES and CoC.

Veterans-Vets@home and by name Veteran groups meeting bi-weekly. Goals have included ending chronic homelessness for Veterans in the state. Case conferencing occurs bi-weekly East and West River. Group members discussed prioritization efforts, use of VI-SPADT, and housing Veterans as quickly as possible.

Membership-SDHHC welcomes anyone with an interest, passion, concern for homelessness related issues to join efforts to end homelessness in SD. Members were encouraged to recruit others and to direct folks to SHHC webpage and to CoC administrator.

Youth- Committee has met monthly this past year. Currently the committee members are attending to Rural Youth peer Network Webinar series.

PIT-Report of Committee activity activities was provided earlier today.

PAC- Documents related to CES have been approved by PAC. Appeal was made for ideas for Homeless Summit. Committee meet by call monthly and is the governing board of SDHHC/CoC.

#### Town Hall

Members were given time to report on community news, agency news, training opportunities, funding reports, and fund raising activities.

Meeting was adjourned

