

Housing for the Homeless Consortium Meeting/Lunch
June 22, 2016
Cedar Shores, Oacoma, SD

Department of Transportation Review

- Lorraine Polak, Stacey Tieszen and Jenni Bauer attended a SD Department of Transportation meeting on June 16th. Concerns and ideas were shared related to the 23 rural transit systems across the state. A great suggestion that came out of the meeting was to invite transportation to the table to help address any issues that may exist.

Continuum of Care Debriefing

- HUD held their application debriefing in May. South Dakota's application scored 140.5 out of the possible 203 points. South Dakota had one renewal project ranked in Tier II and based on the score of the SD application, this project did not receive approval for continued funding.
- Increasing the score of the SD application is responsibility of the entire consortium; if scoring is not increased we will likely continue to lose funding.
- All areas of the application need to be strengthened but areas where we received the least percentage of points are in system performance, accessing mainstream benefits and leveraging of resources.
- The NOFA will be released soon.

Homeless Count Overview

- There were some serious gaps in our count. Only 29 out of 66 counties reported.
- Anita Deranleau, Rapid City area schools, stated that there is a disconnect with youth and that we need to create a youth specific survey.
- Melanie Bliss, Retired Homeless Coalition Coordinator, Sioux Falls asked if our veteran numbers were up or down? Bill Fahrenbruck, Black Hills Veterans Administration, stated that the numbers are down, but that they are counted differently than they have been previously. Domiciliary beds were removed from the count.

2015 CoC Planning Grant

- SDHHC received a \$40,000 planning grant to help with regional coordination. The application was submitted indicating that the grant funding would be paid to the Community Action Programs (CAP agencies) to assist in outreach and engagement efforts. There are four CAP agencies in the state located in Sisseton, Madison, Rapid City, and Lake Andes. The CAP agencies provide services to every county in the state.
- The question was raised whether the consortium feels this is the best use of the funds.
- Darci Bultje with ROCS in Lake Andes indicated that the CAP agencies are still interested. Besides ROCS, the CAP agencies have not consistently been involved in the consortium.
- No additional ideas were suggested so SDHDA staff will continue discussions with the CAP agencies and will report back at the next consortium meeting.

Statewide 10 Year Plan

- The 10 Year plan is still in draft form; the plan can be viewed on the Housing for the Homeless website.
- There are 3 goals with actions steps and we need to make progress on these goals as part of our CoC application. The goals are:
 - Strengthen the capacity of public and private organizations by increasing awareness of collaborative opportunities, homelessness concerns, and successful interventions to prevent and end homelessness
 - Identify and implement system improvements to achieve positive, measureable results
 - Expand, develop, and coordinate the supply of affordable housing and supportive services to prevent and end homelessness and decrease days in shelter

Policy and Advisory Committee

- There were 6 open positions on the PAC board. Two PAC members, Melanie Bliss and Barb Garcia, had expiring terms but were eligible and interested in serving again. Four additional consortium members were nominated and accepted. Newly elected PAC members are:
 - Andrea Denke, Community Health Center of the Black Hills, Rapid City
 - Stephanie Monroe, Volunteers of America, Aberdeen
 - Chelsie Ogaard, Lutheran Social Services of South Dakota, Rapid City
 - Karen Feterl, Mitchell Area Safehouse
 - Melanie Bliss, Retired, Mitchell
 - Barb Garcia, City of Rapid City, Rapid City

Town Hall

- Joseph Tielke, Yankton Homeless Shelter talked about their new 21 bed facility and the progress that they are making. He recently moved into a new position dealing more with day to day operations and client serves and is excited about the direction the shelter is moving.
- Anita Deranleau, Rapid City area schools, spoke about Collective Impact (bringing people together in a structured way to achieve social change), the study interview and how they have begun with meetings and formed committees.
- Lorraine Polak, SDHDA announced that Denise Albertson has a new position and will be administering the ESG program. Lorraine also spoke about the upcoming funding cycle, that we need to look at reallocation for the CoC application, and that SDHDA can help to find funding mechanisms to make a project work.

The next Consortium meeting will be September 14, 2016 in Pierre, SD.

Attendees

Stephanie Monroe – Volunteers of America
 Melissa Jungemann – Volunteers of America
 Amy Flowers – Economic Assistance
 Darci Bultje – ROCS/SDCAP
 Teena Conrad – Cornerstone Rescue Mission
 Lysa Allison – Cornerstone Rescue Mission
 Candice Cummings – Sioux Falls VA Health Care System
 Jean Blonigen - Bridges Against Domestic Violence
 Brett Johnson – Minnehaha County Human Services
 Kobi Ringling – Children’s Inn

Roger Jacobs - HUD
Maria Krell – Bishop Dudley Hospitality House
Melanie Bliss – Retired Homeless Coalition Coordinator
Lavonne Von Hove – Sioux Falls Housing and Redev. Comm.
Kathryn Veiga – River City Domestic Violence Shelter
Edgar Esquivel – Sioux Falls Housing and Redev Comm.
Melissa Fluckey - DSS
Amy Wright – SWA Corporation
Karen Feterl – Mitchell Area Safehouse
Angela Tieman – Southeastern Behavioral HealthCare
Anna Mueller - Southeastern Behavioral HealthCare
Mark Lauseng - SDHDA
Ernesto Alfaro – Falls Community Health
Erick Kunzweiler – Inter-Lakes Community Action Partnership
Janson Exner – Falls Community Health
Devin Hebeisen - Journey
Teresa Hebeisen - Journey
John Fette – Department of Veterans Affairs
Willem Fahrenbruck – Black Hills Health Care System VA
Julie Phillips – Crisis Intervention Shelter Service, Inc.
Tammie Brock - Crisis Intervention Shelter Service, Inc.
Brandy Coppersmith – SD Coalition Ending Domestic and Sexual Violence
Donna Talley - WEAVE
Linda Shroll- Working Against Violence
Abby Sharp – Working Against Violence
Denise Ragels – Beacon Center
Dawn Sikkink – Beacon Center
Roxanne Giangrande – The Wholeness Center
Gina Karst – Safe Harbor
Carol Riggen – YMCA of Huron
Joseph Tielke – Yankton Homeless Shelter
Chelsie Ogaard – Lutheran Social Services of South Dakota
Jenni Bauer - SDHDA
Jennifer Humphry - DSS
Annita Deranleau – Rapid City Area Schools
Andrea Denke – Community Health Center of the Black Hills
Stacey Hahne – Lutheran Social Services of South Dakota
Maryann Leanna – Cornerstone Rescue Mission
Denise Albertson - SDHDA
Lorraine Polak - SDHDA
Stacey Tieszen – Minnehaha County Human Services

