8/20/19 CoC Operating Cabinet Meeting

Present:
Max Goelling Twana Roebuck Tim West Andrea Kurtz Jessica Lunnemann
Rebecca Nagaishi Ron Connor Sonjia Kurosky Lou Carrico Tashina Oladunjoye
Laura Lama Samuel Gavurin Amber Humble Karisa McDaniel Jackie Hundt
Karon McKinney Reni Geiger Dayo Phoenix Jean Eastwood Rochelle Smith
Rose Fisher Pamela Ingram Melissa Burgess Kathleen Wiener Shonta Fleming
Teraya Paige Leanna Martin

- Max called the meeting to order and a moment of silence was observed; introductions were made
- Minutes from 6/18/19 OC meeting were reviewed, Twana made a motion to approve as written, Sonjia seconded and all present approved.

Cabinet Organizational Activities:
- Reni gave a training on Goodwill and the services provided by Goodwill and NCWorks in Forsyth County as vocational training and Workforce providers.
- Andrea discussed NC360: this is a statewide referral platform between health care professionals and social services being backboned by 2-1-1 and Unite US (NC Serves veteran’s network). It will be rolled out in Forsyth County in late October, early November. The State is looking at 4 primary social determinants when making these referrals (DV, housing, food insecurity and transportation). There have been some kinks in the other counties it has already started in, they need to be sure they consider coordinated entry when looking for housing for people they are referring and communicate with CoCs about their processes for housing people.
- Tim reviewed the CoC funding recommendations (see handouts) made by the rating panel, recommendations will now go to COEH for a vote of approval. Projects are ranked by performance annually and then the rating panel reviews, prioritizes and makes their recommendations for funding. You may access the details on the City’s website.
- Tashina gave a report on the first year of the Diversion Pilot Project at TSA (see handout, 2 years of funding was received from KBR for this project); she would like the CoC to think about how they want to move forward in the second year and how to expand diversion. KBR doesn’t want to see duplication of services. Conversation tabled until next meeting.
- Jean reviewed the latest HUD updates regarding Diversion and Prevention (see handouts)
- Leanna discussed serving moderately vulnerable people (score of 7 or below on the VISPDAT), the CIC is exploring options to help these individuals. She is asking for a call to action to see what we can do as a CoC i.e. light touch (ex. they are in the shelter system, they have a job and only need money to help with a deposit or other minimal assistance).
- Laura reviewed cumulative numbers for the year as opposed to just the PIT count numbers (see handout).
- Andrea shared how Housing Connections Day event went; we worked with individuals connected to case managers but were languishing in the system, to help them find housing quicker. CIC plans on doing these events more often.
- BFZ: next training is the last week of October in Denver, focus will be on case conferencing, the systems response to housing people without a case manager. Participants will need to plan on being active in the case conferencing and continuous quality improvement that our CoC will be doing. Andrea has space for 3 people, let her know if you would like to go.

Updates:
- Family, Youth and Children: 4 interns coming to TSA, will have more to report next month.
- Health and Mental Health: no report
- Homeless Caucus: 7/8/19: Liza Baron from Legal Aid presented to the group on Tenants Rights; 8/12/19: Rahim Skinner from Cardinal spoke to the group about various forms of mental health with a special emphasis on schizophrenia. Will meet again on 9/9, topic will be Depression and Suicide prevention.
- CIC: no report
- COEH: Meets on 8/23, will review the CoC funding and vote
Shelter Providers: no report, Lou Carrico is willing to act as chair but needs advice on how to proceed. Next scheduled meeting is 10/1/19.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Kathleen Wiener with approval from Reni Geiger, Secretary/Treasurer