



STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MEETING MINUTES

July 21, 2017

8:30-10:00am

Facilitator:	Karen Tjapkes		
Meeting Attendees:	Karen Tjapkes, Shannon Bass, Kwan McEwen, John Wynbeek, Rebecca Rynbrandt, Hattie Tinney, Matthew VanZetten, Erin Branchoff, Christina Soulard, Jeffrey King, Brandi Sones, Laurie Craft, Beverly Ryskamp, Lisa Cruden, Lauren Van Keulen, Erin Crison Also Present: Wende Randall, Jesica Vail, Jim Talen, Cheryl Schuch, Deanna Rolffs Not Present: Dennis Sturtevant, Tom Cottrell, Deborah Armstrong, Julie Cnossen		
Time Convened:	8:35 am	Time Adjourned:	9:46am

Approval of Minutes		June 16, 2017	
Motion by:	Christina	Support from:	Laurie
Discussion	None		
Amendments	Update the Housing Commission Waiting List information to correct the statement related to when it closes to reflect the lottery process.		
Conclusion	Motion Passed		
Approval of Agenda		July 21, 2017	
Motion by:	Matthew	Support from:	Erin B
Amendments	Pull out 5d. Steering Calendar and Remove 6c. Diversion Presentation, Add new 6c. HMIS and 6d. Steering Calendar		
Conclusion	Agenda approved with the noted changes		
Consent Agenda		July 21, 2017	
Motion by:	Beverly	Support from:	Matthew
Amendments	Two items pulled for additional discussion, HMIS and Calendar		
Conclusion	Approved with the noted changes		
Public Comment on Agenda			
Discussion	None		
Family Shelter Email Update		Christina	
Discussion	There is an increased number of families receiving motel vouchers, but that was expected with annual seasonal fluctuations.		
Diversion Update		Lisa	
Discussion	The group continues to work on securing funding, expect to meet or exceed initial ask of \$400,000. Training has been a delay to the projected timeframe due to scheduling constraints with the experts from Cleveland.		



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HMIS Report and Steering Calendar	Jim
Discussion	
Question about who is leading the effort to reach a functional zero for chronic.	
Conclusions	
System Performance Measure (SysPM) data will be elevated with HUD. It is suggested that we have a November SysPM Report, with a report to CoC in December. This discussion was the same issue that was wanted to be discussed regarding the Steering Calendar agenda item. It was decided that this should be taken back for discussion to the Data Analysis committee and Jim will bring back proposed revisions for a future Steering meeting.	
HUD Q&A	Jesica
Discussion	
Jesica reviewed new information from the HUD NOFA and from her workshop Q&A session with HUD staff. Important highlights were:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) New component types allowed: TH-RRH and a PSH that is "DedicatedPLUS" 2) the ability to add funding to a project without reallocating the existing project 3) emphasis on merging like projects into one 	
In the discussion following this report, Matthew informed the group he has talked to Doug Gordon about public housing authorities (PHAs) working with CoCs more closely.	
System Funding Considerations	Karen
Discussion	
DHHS new RFP is looking to put all ESP funding towards shelters and not allow HARA operations as an eligible item. DHHS has agreed to give us half of the funding for one year. The Salvation Army has funding sufficient for one year, but there is a need to start looking to the next year and beyond. There is still an issue of the state making funding decisions without consulting local CoCs. United Way also gave some additional funds to fill the gap this year.	
Other Matters by Members	
Discussion	
Beverly shared that network 180's Crisis Center is working in the community to address issues of EMS and Police needing options after business hours, improvements to the psychiatric inpatient process, and reducing costs of higher intensity interventions. At the state level Kent County has been identified for an Integration Pilot to form and use partnerships to meet consumer needs.	
John shared that Dwelling Place's Harrison Park LIHTC application was funded and Pine will reapply and is expected to be funded in the next round. A LINC project was also funded.	
Hattie added that the Grand Rapids Housing Commission has vouchers going into each of the funded projects.	
Matthew shared that the Wyoming/Kent County Home Consortia will release an RFP in a week or so and seeks to increase development in Wyoming that would prioritize homelessness.	
Adjournment	
Motion to adjourn by Laurie, support from John. All in favor, meeting adjourned.	