

Grand Rapids Area Coalition to End Homelessness

Funding Review Committee

July 28, 2015

Present: Cheryl Schuch, Laurie Craft, Denise Price, Jeff Hudson, Karen Tjakpes, Rebecca Rynbrandt, Tracie Coffman, Jessica Vail

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. MOTION to approve minutes from July 13, 2015 meeting by Laurie Craft, supported by Denise Price, all in favor, motion passed.
- III. Data requests for CoC Program funding renewals

Jim is still working to get clarity from providers in determining the timeframe for which projects report.

Group reviewed the changes made from the last meeting to the draft renewal form, using examples from other communities. Suggested changes and notes as follows:

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Bulleted lists could be summed up in asking for a more recent audit of federal funds, allow for explanation to be provided.

Should keep in Leveraging, Housing First and HMIS questions from last year's application

- IV. Scoring of data reports
Looked at other community examples of scoring charts. It was determined that a clear score card would be preferable for the renewal projects.
- V. Appeals process draft
Document should outline the priorities for funding that include maintaining the infrastructure, maximizing funds in Tier 1, HUD funding priorities and project's score.
Appeals should be allowed based upon arguing an incorrect score or why the score should be discounted.
There should be a clear timeline listed for appeals, state "subject to funding constraints" to allow for shortened timelines on some grant processes.
Appeals should be based on reduced funding or recommended to not be funded, not on rank location.
The group liked the idea of reaching out to other CoC Coordinators, would also want to include someone from Steering and someone from Funding Review Committee, ensuring there is no conflict of interest.
Staff will draft.
- VI. Chairperson
MOTION was made to access nominations of Co-Chairs Rebecca Rynbrandt and Karen Tjakpes by Laurie Craft, supported by Cheryl Schuch, all in favor, motion passed.
- VII. Next meeting will be determined by scheduling poll.