

DATA ANALYSIS MEETING MEETING MINUTES

April 15, 2021 2:00-3:30

Facilitator:	Lee Nelson Weber		
Meeting Attendees:	Lee Nelson Weber, Alyssa Anten, Alonda Trammell, Denny Sturtevant,		
	Cheryl Schuch, Veronica Arvizu, Chelsea Knott, Francisco Calderon, Johanna		
	Schulte, Becky Diffin, Jenn Headrick		
	Staff: Courtney Myers-Keaton, Brianne Czyzio Robach, Daniel Gore		
Time Convened:	2:03	Time Adjourned:	

Approval of Minutes		March 11 th , 2021	
Denny Sturtevant	Second:	Johanna Schulte	
None			
All in favor, motion passes.			
Emergency Shelter Trends: Before and During			
	Denny Sturtevant None All in favor, motion passes.	Denny Sturtevant Second: None All in favor, motion passes.	

Discussion

Cheryl noted that the number of families in shelter in early 2020 indicates the capacity of the system as Fulton Manor has closed and only 41 shelter units were available. When Fulton Manor was open for most of 2019, additional capacity was available leading to an increase in number of families served. Currently, providers are seeing a slight dip in family numbers, but they expect to see an increase over the next few months. This report does not include DV data, but staff can discuss including that data in future reports.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Update chart with correct Fulton Manor dates	Brianne	
Disaggregated Data Request		

Discussion

In hopes of taking a closer look at demographics and system outcomes by race, staff had requested the Annual Performance Reports (APR) from CoC funded projects for calendar year 2020. Agencies provided reports and Community Rebuilders requested more information on how this information will be used. They also offered to present their equity dashboards if these would be helpful for the committee. These reports can be pulled at any interval for projects in HMIS but do not have demographic information on exit destinations. It would also be helpful to have demographic information based on project type as well (e.g.: for PSH to track disparities at entry).

Conversation around how to collect this data. The Coordinated Entry (CE) APR project shows the total population of those coming into the system and is disaggregated. It does not show who is referred to a resource but could be overlayed with that data on HAP referrals. Daniel suggested identifying who is currently engaged with HAP, who gets a housing needs assessment, compare scores and referral rates. From there, the committee could look into the reasons for success or denials. After collecting the numbers, could do a custom report and get demographics. Daniel to share this framework.



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Currently, the number and demographics of households who did not receive a resource seems to be untracked throughout Kent County. It has likely only been done by Dwelling Place who compared rejection rate by race and ethnicity using internal reports, not HMIS. Organizations may have this information outside of HMIS which may be helpful for establishing a baseline but would be difficult to run on a recurring basis. Community Rebuilder's dashboards may overlap in some ways but are addressing different questions.

Lee noted that there have been numerous conversations over the past few years, particularly within the Housing Stability Alliance (HAS) that discuss disparities of those who are entering the system. However, these have not included discussion on upstream factors which impact who is entering the system. The committee would like to get an accurate picture of how the system is treating households within the system. Denny noted that it would be interesting if community could agree to look at criminal history as a barrier in accessing the system built in racism.

Conversation around reframing the conversation based on data around how the homelessness system serves people of color. Courtney suggested creating a report that includes who is coming into the system, how they are being served, and how they exit the system. This could be displayed in story-telling graphics in a report that speaks to some of the successes over the past few years. Agreement to bring a recommendation that Steering Council to discuss contracting the necessary funds for the CoC to issue a racial equity report.

Denny suggested deliberately engaging folks with lived experience and grassroots and advocacy groups to explore systemic issues and reviewing report data from other communities and nationally highlighting systemic inequities, particularly criminal history. This could lead to conversation around the role of the CoC in advocacy and education around these issues throughout the community. **Agreement to recommend reviewing report national data and then discussing education.** Lee will include both recommendations in the committee report to Steering in May.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Provide racial equity research framework	Daniel	
Provide recommendations to Steering Council	Lee/Brianne	

Strategic Plan/Next Steps

Discussion

Strategic plan is a standing agenda item to help ensure the committee's work aligns with the work of Steering and the full CoC. The committee is in the research phase of the disaggregated data review.

Daniel to send outline for racial equity data collection method to the group.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Adjournment		