

STEERING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES October 28, 2022

8:30-10:30

Facilitator:	Casey Gordon				
Meeting Attendees:	Steering members present: Casey Gordon, Holly Wilson, Adrienne Goodstal,				
	Cheryl Schuch, Mark Contreras, Tammy Vincent, Karen Tjapkes (join at 8:42),				
	Tom Cottrell, Elizabeth Stoddard, Ryan VerWys, Alonda Trammell, Alyssa				
	Anten, Nicole Hofert, Mark Contreras				
	Steering members absent with notification: Lauren VanKeulen, Victoria Sluga,				
	Fran Dalton, Jose Salinas, Wanda Couch				
	Steering members absent without notification:				
	Community Members: Wende Randall (ENTF), Erin Banchoff (City of Grand Rapids) Staff: Courtney Myers-Keaton, Brianne Robach				
Time Convened:	8:32 am	Time Adjourned:	9:16 am		

Approval of Agenda						
Motion by:	Ryan VerWys	Support from:	Adrienne Goodstal			
Discussion						
Amendments	None					
Conclusion	All in favor, motion passes.					
Approval of Minutes		September 16, 2022				
Motion by:	Tom Cottrell	Support from:	Alonda Trammell			
Discussion						
Amendments	None					
Conclusion	All in favor, motion passes.					
Public Comment on A	ny Agenda Item					
Discussion						
None						
Approval of Consent Agenda						
Motion by:	Tom Cottrell	Support from:	Cheryl Schuch			
Discussion	None					
Amendments						
Conclusion	All in favor, motion passes.					
Petitions and Commu	nications					
Discussion						
None						
Youth Homelessness	Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program					
Funding						
Discussion						
Courtney Myers-Keaton shared that the CoC is recipient of a Youth Homelessness Demonstration						
Program (YHDP) award and will receive \$2.47 million to develop coordinated community plan to						
address youth homelessness in Kent County. The plan will center the voices of youth with lived						
experience and provide an opportunity for the community to create innovative projects. She plans to						
discuss funding for coordination and compensation with local funders. (Karen joined the meeting)						



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Cheryl asked about the status of funding for additional staffing. Courtney indicated that coordination and data will be essential to the YHDP; conversations with funders continue. She has also considered contracting to help with hiring and manuals for onboarding.

YHDP funds will be allocated in a manner similar to the CoC Program Competition once the community plan is completed and project applications are submitted. The first grant agreements will cover 2 years and then half of the \$2.47M will be included in the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand.

Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline				
Executive Committee Election							
Discussion							
Rebecca Rynbrandt recently retired leaving a vacan	it treasur	er seat on Executive Cor	nmittee. Steering				
Council needs to elect a member to fill the seat for	the remin	nder of the term in Janu	ary. Tammy				
Vincent was nominated following email nomination	ns and thr	ree calls for nominations	from the floor.				
Karen moved to elect Tammy Vincent to the vacar	nt treasur	er seat for the remaind	er of its term.				
Tom seconded. In favor: 12 Abstentions: Tammy V	/incent. N	Aotion passes.	-				
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline				
Family Shelter Access							
Discussion							
An update was shared in the consent agenda under	r the Coo	rdinated Entry (CE) Com	mittee update				
and included a proposed flow chart which will be p		to the CE Committee. P	rior to				
presentation, a small group will follow up on key questions.							
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline				
Committee Membership							
Discussion							
Members were reminded that all Steering member	's must pa	articipate on a committe	e. Ryan and				
Tammy expressed interest in Finance Committee.							
Steering needs to appoint one member to Nominating Committee. Alonda Trammell was nominated							
following three calls for nominations from the floor. Cheryl Schuch motioned for Alonda Trammell to							
serve on Nominating Committee. Ryan VerWys seconded. In favor: 12. Abstentions: Alonda							
Trammell. Motion passes.							
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline				
Future Meeting Format							
Discussion							



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Attendees completed a poll to indicate their preferred format of future meetings. Top choices were						
rotating between virtual and in-person and virtual as requested meetings. Meeting in person once a						
quarter was also suggested.						
Action Items		Person Resp	onsible	Deadline		
Other Matters from Steering Council members						
Discussion						
Brianne reminded attendees that CoC membership applications need to be updated once a year to						
remain an active voting member. She shared the form for attendees to complete and return.						
Public Comment on Any Item						
Discussion						
None						
Adjourn						
Motion by: Tom Cottrell	Su	pport from:	Tammy Vi	incent		