Minutes

Committee: HUD COC and ESG Committee
Date: 5/1/2019
Duration: 9:00 – 11:00
Meeting Place: ECHO
300 E. Highland Mall Blvd

Attendance:
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A = Absent

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AGENDA

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<td>• ECHO presented in person orientation of the FY19 COC Renewal Application.</td>
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<td>• Applicants will complete renewal application in Community Force.</td>
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<td>• Renewal application – changes were made to questions and scoring criteria.</td>
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<td>o Application requires more attachments to support responses</td>
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<td>o HUDs Housing First survey must be completed by PH projects and will be scored on completeness and final score.</td>
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<td>o Created more comprehensive Scoring Criteria for IRT members to evaluate and score project responses. Applicants are encouraged to review the Scoring Criteria document when completing application materials.</td>
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<td>o Contact A Nichols for any issues with Community Force.</td>
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<td>o Contact ECHO w/ any questions/concerns: <a href="mailto:nofa@austinecho.org">nofa@austinecho.org</a>.</td>
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<td>• Review orientation materials online:</td>
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<td>ECHO to email CoC Members and Post on website Renewal Application details and deadlines for the FY19 NOFA Competition.</td>
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I. Welcome & Feb 2019 Minutes

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| II. CoC Business | K Moore | **Funding Priorities Feedback**  
- Collecting responses from survey on Funding Priorities Feedback which was sent to all CoC committees and workgroups. Collecting separate survey responses from Membership Council.  
  - A little over 40 people have completed the survey sent out to members of Workgroups/Committees  
  - Will use survey responses to provide Membership Council with information to use to finalize Funding Priority Policy during June meeting. | N/A |
| III. GIW Recap | K Moore & L Evanoff | **GIW Lessons Learned**  
- GIW is pending due to errors in spreadsheet under the grant totals for YHDP and not being the correct sum under the total ARA amount in GIW. ECHO is working with HUD Field Office to resolve and finalize GIW.  
- If programs are requesting Budget Line Item (BLI) changes of less than 10% HUD will assume this is a one time change unless applicant states it will be permanent. The 10% change is the amount allowed to be moved from a Budget Line Item (BLI).  
  - BLI changes of less than 10% will be reflected in eLOCCS but not e-snaps during renewal process.  
- Programs may not reduce the total number of units for Rental Assistance, but changes to the dollar amount of rental assistance is allowed.  
- If a BLI is zeroed out – this is considered a permanent change/grant amendment and programs will not be able to add funds back to BLI.  
  - BLI amount can be reduced to as little as $1 in order to keep open the possibility of adding funds back later | |
| IV. CoC Performance Scorecards | L Evanoff | **COC Performance Scorecards**  
- 2019 Q1 Scorecard: Due date April 30th  
  - 2019 Q1 Scorecard will be used for the FY19 NOFA Competition.  
  - Additional ECHO staff will provide support for any issues with data and/or reports.  
    - ECHO will be hiring a new HMIS staff who will be the lead working on scorecards  
    - Until new staff is hired, L. Evanoff will continue to be the scorecard lead  
- Scorecard revisions  
  - On hold | |
| V. Internal Wellness Check | K Whelan & K Gossett | **No scheduled agenda items.** | |
| VI. Sub-Workgroup Updates | M Wheeler | **HMIS Workgroup**  
- HMIS is hiring for new position  
- Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) report has been extended by HUD due to technical problems (providers were having difficulties entering data) – due end of June  
- HIC and PIT Count reports were submitted by ECHO, the HMIS Lead on 4/30/19  
- W. Bright with HMIS department is creating a training guide on Housing Move-In Dates, will be posted on ECHO website.  
- PKI certificates, which allow people to use HMIS, are being renewed and HMIS department is working with agency admins.  

**SYSTEM PERFORMANCE MEASURES REPORT**  
- M Wheeler presented on local System Performance Measures (SPMs) data submitted to HUD.  
  - Online videos and resources were emailed to committee members. Members encouraged to review resources.  
  - SPMs are the primary way HUD evaluates the efficacy of our CoC  
  - Part of COC NOFA Collaborative Applicant score.  
  - Austin/Travis County CoC System Performance Measures Report  
    - **1. Length of time (LOT) people experience homelessness**  
      - Looks at average LOT in Homeless Projects and time homeless prior to project entry  
      - Slight increase in LOT in homeless projects  
      - Larger increase in LOT homeless prior to project entry (based on self-reports including from CE)  
    
    - **2. Returns to homelessness**  
      - To be included in this measure a client must have exited from a homeless project to a permanent destination and then return back to homelessness within the next two years  
      - “Return to Homelessness” is captured by looking for any entry into a homeless project as recorded in HMIS  
      - Measure looks at returns to homelessness after a PH project and total returns to homelessness  
      - Trending upward but lower than national average  
  
    - **3. Number of people experiencing homelessness**  
      - Looks at PIT Count and total number of people with entries into HMIS  

Review SPM Resources:  
- CoC System Performance Measures Overview  
- CoC System Performance Measure # 1  
- CoC System Performance Measure # 2  
- CoC System Performance Measure # 3  
- CoC System Performance Measure # 4  
- CoC System Performance Measure # 5  
- CoC System Performance Measure # 6  
- CoC System Performance Measure # 7  
- HUD Exchange SPM Resource Page  
- System Performance Measures Introductory Guide
### AGENDA

1. PIT Count showed slight increase, HMIS entries showed decrease

2. **4. Employment and income growth**
   - Looks at “stayers” and “leavers”
     - Stayers, people who remained in program for entire year of report, had increase in income growth
     - Leavers, people who left programs sometime in that year, showed decrease in income growth

3. **5. Number of people experiencing homelessness for the first time**
   - “First time” based on not having an entry in HMIS within the past 2 years
   - Slight increase

4. **6. Homeless prevention and housing placement of persons defined as CAT 3**
   - Measure does not apply to Austin/Travis County CoC currently.

5. **7. Successful exits to permanent housing or retention of permanent housing**
   - Successful exits from PH increased over last year
   - Retention in programs very high

### DISCUSSION

**NOFA Points & Estimated Score w/ Current Data:**

- A Nichols provided an overview estimated points that were allocated on the Collaborative Application during the FY18 NOFA using SPMs data.
  - CoC collaborative application is evaluated based on 200-point scale
    - SPMs account for 56 points
      - Length of time homeless, worth up to 14 points
        - Up to 3 points for demonstrating a reduction in length of time homeless
          - Length of time homeless increased slightly last year, so our CoC likely won’t receive those points
          - Remaining 11 points based on CoC’s description on strategies to reduce length of time homeless
            - Received full points last year, would expect to receive full points again this year
            - *We received all 14 points on the 2018 application and are expecting 11 points this year*
### Returns to homelessness, worth up to 8 points
- Up to 2 points based on reducing rate of returns to homelessness
  - Rate increased compared to 2018, so likely won’t receive these points
  - Remaining 6 points based on CoC’s description of strategies to reduce returns to homelessness
  - *We receive 6/8 points in 2018 and are expecting 6 points this year*

### Number of people experiencing homelessness, worth up to 10 points
- HUD looks at number of unique individuals with entries in HMIS system over a year, but CoC application appears to score based on a reduction of PIT Count numbers
  - All categories looked at for CoC application increased, so we likely will not receive any points for this measure
  - *We received 2/10 points in 2018 and are expecting 0 points this year*

### Jobs and income growth, worth up to 4 points
- Only 1 point based on showing an increase in income growth
  - Our CoC saw an increase in income growth for “stayers” and a decrease for “leavers.” When combined there is a small net increase, so we expect to receive this point
  - Up to 3 points awarded for describing CoC’s strategies to increase income growth
    - It appears we receive 2.5 points in 2018, so potentially room to improve descriptions to gain the full 3 points We should be getting all of the points.
  - *We received 3.5/4 points in 2018 and potentially can improve and receive 4/4 point this year*

### First time homeless, worth up to 3 points
- 1 point awarded for demonstrating a reduction in the number of people experiencing homelessness for the first time
  - We had slight increase in first time homeless and don’t expect to receive this point
  - Up to 2 points awarded for describing strategies for reducing number of first time homeless
    - We received full points in 2018 and would expect to receive full points this year.
We received 3/3 points in 2018 and are expecting 2/3 points this year

- Successful exits to permanent housing or retention of permanent housing, worth up to 11 points
  - Up to 2 points awarded for demonstrating an increase in rate of successful exits and retention
  - Rates of successful exits and retention both increased compared to last year, so we’d expect to receive both points
  - Up to 9 points awarded for describing strategies to increase rates of successful exits and retention
    - We received all 9 points in 2018 and expect to receive 9 again this year
    - We received 10.5/11 points in 2018 and could potentially receive all 11 points this year
- We received a total of 39 points for SPMs in 2018 and are expecting to receive around 34 points for 2019
  - Kate submitted an AAQ about what scores were needed in order to be awarded bonus funding. Predicting that our score may not be high enough to qualify for bonus funding.

### VII. Other Business

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**Committee Schedule Change**
- Discussed change to committee schedule. Reviewed proposed schedule.
- Consensus to move meeting to 4th Wednesday of every month starting in June.
- December meeting will be moved to 2nd Wednesday due to holiday schedule.

**TDHCA ESG Discussions**
- No updates

**Income & Employment WG Update**
- Work group is not longer operating.

**VAWA Housing Protections Update**
- No updates

Move HUD Field Office to June agenda to discuss challenges and strategies to increase communication and collaboration with officers.

L Evanoff to send updated calendar invite to committee.
### VIII. Wrap Up/Next Steps

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- Next Meeting F/U: Connect with PSH Workgroup – create a checklist of what due-diligence is for termination procedures.

- Add to June agenda: F/U with PSH WG on termination checklist.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, June 26th 9:00AM – 11:00AM; ECHO Training Room, 300 E. Highland Mall Blvd