Minutes

Committee: Membership Council
Date: 8/5/2019
Meeting Place: ECHO 300
E. Highland Mall Blvd

Duration: 1:00 – 3:00

Presiding: Membership Council Members

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AGENDA

I. Welcome & July Minutes
   1:00-1:10
   Dr Brown
   - Review and Approve July 2019 Minutes
     - Action item: Review and approve June 2019 minutes
   - Introduction of new ECHO Executive Director, Matt Mollica

II. Continuum of Care Business
    1:10-1:40
    Dr Brown
    K Moore
    L Evanoff, K Moore
    - 2019 NOFA
      - 2019 NOFA Summary Presentation
        - See 2019 NOFA Summary document sent out with meeting materials.
        - Estimated Annual Renewal Demand increased over last year, total
          $9,194,727
        - Increase in Planning Grant to $275,842

DISCUSSION

ACTION ITEMS

July minutes approved with no changes

Point In Time Count date approved (Jan 25, 2020)
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| A Nichols | o IRT project rankings to be submitted to MC for approval at September meeting  
o YHDP projects is being ranked along with other renewal programs  
  - Must be in compliance with CoC interim rule  
o Notable changes to 2019 NOFA  
  - Housing First standards changed to “Low-barrier admission”  
    - Programs can potentially require participation in services to be eligible for housing resources  
    - Points will be awarded for increasing access to employment and educational resources and specifically having agreements in place with local workforce commission  
  - Competition Update  
    o New project applications due August 6th  
    o MC will approve final project rankings September 9th  
    o September 12 is the deadline for projects to appeal their ranking  
      - Applicants may also appeal directly to HUD  
  - Performance Improvement Plans (PIP)  
    - HACA PIP included in meeting materials sent out  
  - 2020 Point In Time Count Update  
    - Scheduled for January 25  
      o Info email will be sent out  
| | | |
| III. Membership Council Items | P Petty | Update Membership Council Timeline  
  - Survey  
  - Governance Charter Updates – Conflict of Interest  
    - “For the purposes of specifically voting on the Continuum of Care NOFA, all conflicted voting members, advisory members, and members of the public will not be present for the vote. Quorum for the approval of the ranking will be the majority of non-conflicted voting members, requiring a minimum of seven (7) people participating in the vote.”  
      o “Quorum” for the purpose of voting on NOFA priority rankings is now defined as at least 7 non-conflicted members  
      o Conflicted MC members will be asked to leave the room prior to discussions on project rankings  
<p>| K Moore | 1:40 – 2:20 | Changes to Governance Charter and Conflict of Interest policy approved |</p>
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| • Important for all MC members to attend September meeting to ensure enough non-conflicted members are present to reach quorum  
• Question on providing non-conflicted MC members an opportunity to request additional information from the projects seeking funding  
• Question on whether CoC Conflict of interest rules apply to MC  
  o HUD language specifically refers to “decisions concerning the award of a grant or other financial benefits”  
  o Is MC actually awarding funds or just offering recommendations to HUD? |  
**Action Item:** Review & Approve Governance Charter and Decision Making and Conflict of Interest Policy Changes | |
| IV. Rapid Rehousing Data | T Long 2:20 – 2:40  
• See “RRH Analysis Results” presentation  
• Analysis included data from Rapid Rehousing Programs from 2015 to 2018  
  o SSVF excluded from analysis  
  o “Returns to homelessness” information came SPM  
• Data divided into 2 groups, High VI and Medium VI  
• Higher VI scores correspond to increased Length of Stay (beginning at enrollment in program) by about 20 days  
• Higher VI scores correspond to very similar “Enrollment to Move-in” times  
• Higher VI scores correspond to fewer...  
• Higher VI scores correspond to lower returns to homelessness and similar rates of exits to jail  
• Similar results between High and Medium VI scores exiting to unknown locations  
• Approx. 35% of High and Medium VI scores are exiting RRH programs to non-permanent locations  
• Very slight difference in positive exits | |
| V. Coalition Update | K Gossett, E Whelan, D Shubitz, C Laguna, S McDowell 2:40 – 3:00  
**Updates:**  
**City of Austin Resolution and Ordinances**  
**CoC & ESG Committee**  
  • Currently discussing Termination policies  
  • Discussed changes to CoC NOFA around employment services  
**Local Policy and Practice Committee**  
  • Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Policy Update – request to approve addition of human trafficking as eligible population in policy. | Changes to VAWA Policy approved |
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| P Petty | o Policy originally approved in June  
         o Changes would add survivors of human trafficking as eligible population  
         • Action Item: Approve updates to the VAWA Policies and Procedures | |
|        | Youth Homeless Demonstration Project (YHDP) Leadership Advisory Council  
         • Working on new initiative to increase diversion services  
         o Intensive conversation with individual about all resources that  
           might be available (local resources, friends, family...) | |
|        | Equity Task Group  
         • Next meeting August 28\textsuperscript{th} at 8:00am | |
|        | Other Updates  
         • Austin Youth Collective  
         • Advocacy Opportunities  
         • Travis County  
         • Healthcare for the Homeless  
         • Upcoming townhall meeting on recent homelessness city ordinances changes  
         • ARCH Shelter  
         o Beginning to roll out changes: Thursday (8/8/19) will be last day of  
           overnight bed lottery  
         o Front Steps seeking to enroll regular users of overnight shelter into  
           case management services  
         o Day Resource center likely to stay open until October 1\textsuperscript{st}.  
         o City attempting to identify other resources to fill the gap from ARCH  
           Day Resource center closer | |
| Adjournment | Next Meeting: September 9, 2019 1:00PM – 3:00PM; ECHO Training Room, 300 E.  
       Highland Mall Blvd | |
|        | 2019 Meetings (all meetings are from 1:00 – 3:00PM)  
       January 7, 2019  
       February 4, 2019  
       March 4, 2019  
       April 1, 2019  
       May 6, 2019  
       June 3, 2019  
       July 1, 2019  
       August 5, 2019 | |
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