



HRS Leadership Council Minutes

Committee: HRS Leadership Council

Date: 4/4/2022

Duration: 12:00 – 2:00

Meeting Place: VIRTUAL MEETINGS VIA ZOOM

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Meeting ID: 865 3287 0646

Presiding:

Attendance:

P = Present

TC = Attended via Dial in

A = Absent

P/A = Partial Attendance

Leadership Council Members							
P	Cathy McLaugherty	A	Richard Johnson				
P	Dianna Grey	P	Tiffany Hart				
P	Dylan Shubitz	P/A	Whitney Thurman				
P	Emily Seales		Vacant				
P	Jason Philips		Vacant				
P	Quincy Dunlap		Vacant				
P	João Paulo Connolly						
Committee Chairs							
P	Brion Oaks						
P	Ruth Ahearn						
Attendees							
ECHO (CoC Lead)							
P	Maya Beit-Arie	P	Summer Wright				
	Quiana Fisher						

AGENDA	TIME	PRESENTER	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEMS
I. Welcome and Values Check-in	12:00-12:15	R. Ahearn & B. Oaks		
II. Announcements	12:15 – 12:30	All	Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leadership Council & Committee meetings schedules posted on ECHO website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All committees now open, some shifting to meeting twice per month • Roadmap – committees reviewing and providing feedback by May • Cold Weather Shelter Advocacy Letter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Received positive response from City Council Member 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inclement Weather Workgroup started under Crisis Response • True Colors Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Social Media Awareness campaign to prevent and end LGBTQ Youth Homelessness on April 27th • ECHO Strategic Planning community survey sent out • Compensation policy potential partnership identified for 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Still working on development of sustainable structure 	
III. Travis County Supportive Housing Collaborative	12:30-12:45	Q. Dunlap	Travis County Supportive Housing Collaborative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$110m from County to create new housing units • Creation of collaborative to include black led orgs • 7 orgs in collaborative granted over \$50m to add at 500-1000 units in next 2-3 years • Developers will receive tax incentive breaks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Don't need to have affordable units in developments ○ Land has been divided to have energy-efficient, modern, and affordable units • Equity initiative behind process to bring black orgs to the table and also to ensure black clients get access and aren't disproportionately exited • Coordinated Entry as access point • Diverse group of providers including Family Eldercare, AAUL, Caritas, and A New Entry • Will provide wraparound supportive services to work with people experiencing substance abuse issues • Pushing for national funds to create multiple types of affordable units • Moving in concert with Summit to create model that can be replicated with more funds • Engaged PLE to determine needs, like transit routes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Urban League will pull out and start suing if PLE aren't engaged • Leadership Council and Committee structure is impacting how other collaborations are being set up and solutions oriented • Urban League will provide 80 units, A New Entry will provide 60, 760 units from other orgs to total 1000 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Efficiencies and one bedrooms • They are capital projects • War in Ukraine and pandemic making collaborative move as quickly as possible due to rising costs of building materials and labor • Want 5-10k units and intending to lobby at Capitol Hill for more infrastructure money 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are subsidies attached to brick and mortar units? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Don't currently have subsidies tied to the units ○ Have been looking at benefits of project-based vouchers ○ Both want and don't want units to be portable ○ Hope to get clients to own apartment, house, or tiny home, or have long-term lease ○ May have emergency vouchers and public or private dollars • Integral Care one of the seven partners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Integral Care applied for project based vouchers • Alternative to relying on landlords and avoiding having to raise landlord incentive funds, access guaranteed 	
IV. COA FY22-23 Action Plan	12:45-1:00	M. Horstman & M. DeMayo	COA FY22-23 Action Plan and HOME-ARP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FY20-21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3,552 people served through federally funded projects, 2,688 at <30% MFI ○ \$19,961,924 total spent between entitlement and CARES funds ○ Homelessness services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Goal/Budgeted: 1,148/\$682,911 ▪ Actual/Expended: 426/\$1,638,420 ○ Funds can be rolled over across years • Don't yet know expected funds for FY22-23 • Programs funded in Action Plan: Rental, Housing Development, Home Repair/Down Payment, and Tenants' Rights Assistance; Child, Senior, and Mental Health Services/HOPWA Programs; Rapid Rehousing; ARCH Shelter • Austin eligible for \$11.4m through HOME-ARP funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Can be used for development of affordable housing, tenant-based rental assistance, provision of supportive services, and acquisition and development and non-congregate shelter units ○ For homeless, at risk, fleeing DV, or serving those with greatest housing instability ○ Public comment from May 3 to June 10 • Request for more time to provide feedback, can be written and more provided during public comment • Request for more detailed demographic breakdown by program type <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Publicly facing dashboard available to look at for prior fiscal year • ESG funds cannot roll over, have had slow spending as a community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Providers part of BSS+ are aware of difficulty moving money due to staffing and unit location 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requirement to spend dollars within Austin full purpose area is restrictive and doesn't match up with CoC, ask to be allowed to spend funds outside • Chairs to reach out to Mandy and Max to have a deeper dive 	
V. Austin Street Outreach Collaborative	1:10-1:30	P. Petty	Austin Street Outreach Collaborative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding Alignment group reports to LC, made from non-conflicted members of LC and CR and Equity Committees • Funding available for 12 FTEs and \$500k <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Total applications for 96 FTEs and \$4m • 11 total scorers, majority PLE, majority POC, all PLE compensated per review • 3 reviewers per app with additional review for top 8; reviews checked for problematic patterns • Awarded Agencies: We Can Now, Urban Alchemy, Sunrise Navigation Center • 4 positions at each agency, including each service type for all agencies • Goals: identify three strong agencies, make more accessible than NOFO • Lessons learned <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Most agencies liked format of application ○ Most people liked scoring criteria as set by FA group ○ People wanted scoring criteria provided in advance ○ Should have determined award division in advance and capped applications at those amounts ○ Large agencies fighting for funding against small agencies ○ More collaborative opportunities during grading process ○ Try new method of scoring to avoid awarding funding based on writing staff ○ More up-front support for smallest agencies • ASOC Video • Contract start date was April 1st, 1 agency already hiring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ECHO not facilitating hiring, but is supporting with onboarding, HMIS training 	
VI. Public Comment	1:30-2:00	All	Public Comment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jay Filderman: Glad to have the chance to see the agencies awarded in video • Carl Hunter: Convo has focused on formerly incarcerated people with co-occurring conditions 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christa Signor: What did agencies double up on? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sunrise: Assessment, UA: Street Outreach, We Can Now: SOAR • What are performance measures of success for ASOC? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Baseline measures going off of written standards: how many assessments, contacts, awards, housed ○ Ask from governance for more specific deliverables (i.e. geographic location, demographics) • Where is video posted? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sneak peak today, waiting for broader • Tracey Moody: How accessible is this information? No resource guides <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TOOF recently launched new resource directory, for ASOC, part of purpose is outreach and spreading information • COA Presentation next step? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Send out presentation to committee chairs, committees can reach out directly and go over areas that most concern them ○ LC interested in doing more/having a deeper dive? • Emily reached out to BFZ and LC Chairs to see about resuming conversation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conversation scheduled for 11th 9:30-10:30 	
Adjournment	2:00	<p>FUTURE AND ONGOING AGENDA ITEMS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retreat scheduled for 22nd • Governance Group to Meet to Review Selection Policy and Charter <p>Next Meeting: May 2nd, 12:00PM – 2:00PM</p>	