



Leadership Team Meeting Minutes
Tues. September 10, 2019, 6-7:30 p.m.
Whitted Building, 300 W. Tryon St., Hillsborough

Attendance: Natasha Adams, Nancy Coston, Christy Croft, Caitlin Fenhagen, Kathleen Ferguson, Sally Greene, Jackie Jenks, Megan Johnson, Tara May, Giovanna Mollinedo, Nancy Oates, Shana Overdorf, Harrison Pierce, Beth Schehl, Damon Seils, Diiv Sternman, Eric Wolak, Katie Wright

2019 CoC Project Priority Listing

To ensure that a quorum remains, the Chair decided to skip introductions and agency updates and enter into the Continuum of Care (CoC) Project Priority Listing. Agencies that have applied for funding cannot participate in conversations or vote on funding decisions. OCEPH will submit the CoC application in advance of the HUD September 30th deadline.

There is \$784,708 available in funding. Of that, \$680,285 is available in tiered funding. The Domestic Violence (DV) bonus of \$50,000, a CoC bonus, and the CoC planning grant, are not ranked. Tier 1 funding is more secure, meaning it will likely get funded. Tier 2 is more risky – HUD looks at overall CoC performance scoring when making their decisions.

5 projects were submitted. Of those, 3 projects were renewals, and 2 were new. There were 2 Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Projects, 2 Rapid Rehousing (RRH) Projects, and 1 supportive services only (SSO) project for Coordinated Entry (CE). The total amount requested was 860,295, but only 680,285 is available (94% available in tier 1 and 6% in tier 2)

The year-long Project Review Committee met on Monday, September 9th and reviewed each project, gave feedback for project applicants, and proposed a ranked priority listing. 4 projects were recommended for tier 1, fully funding the Inter-Faith Council for Social Service's PSH program, the Orange County Partnership to End Homelessness SSO CE project, and the Compass Center's RRH Renewal project. Tier 1 also included partial funding for Community Link's PSH program, the rest was ranked in tier 2. The DV bonus was recommended to be in tier 2. There is another document as a simple summary of the 5 projects as to what they are, how they fill gaps, and pros/cons of funding.

HUD appreciates the reallocation of funds away from lower performing projects to new projects and filling gaps in the system. Community Link is currently not running a best practice PSH program, so the Project Review Committee recommended reallocating \$130,000 away from Community Link to fully fund the OCEPH Coordinated Entry Project. Community Link would have a year of planning to either change their project or find other sources of funding.

Written notice will be provided to all agencies as to whether or not they were funded and how they were ranked.

The subrecipient for the SSO-CE project does not have to be identified prior to the application. If the project is funded, there will be ongoing talks about where it will be housed.

Motion to approve Project Priority Listing as presented [Adams, Fenhagen] all in favor, none opposed, Jackie Jenks abstained.

OCEPH Staff requested that the Leadership Team wait to talk about funding decisions until project applicants are notified on September 11.



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2019 CoC Planning Grant

The CoC planning grant is used for system development. This year, there is \$20,409 available in funding. Shana Overdorf recommended system wide trainings, including LGBTQ sensitivity, restorative justice, racial disparities, trauma informed care, self-care, and suicide risk assessments and safety planning for frontline staff.

Motion to approve Planning grant Topics [Oates, Wolak] all in favor, none opposed

Written Standards & Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures

Annette Moore separated the ESG Written Standards and the Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures documents into two documents, as required by the North Carolina State ESG Office. HUD released a guide in 2017 outlining what was required to be in these documents, so the current documents reflect this model.

The Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures are mainly the same, with some formatting changes. However, the Written Standards is mostly new information. There were additions on the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). These documents are in process, and staff is still working on adding in information on Rapid Rehousing into the Written Standards.

Suggestions from the Leadership Team

- Add "page 1 of X"
- Add appendix numbers
- Add a coversheet to show what the high level changes are when these documents are up for a vote

ESG project applications are due September 13th.

Next Meeting: Special meeting Tuesday, September 24, 2019

Meeting Location: Whitted Building, 300 W. Tryon St., Hillsborough, NC 27278

Remaining 2019 Meetings: NO MEETING Sept. 16, SPECIAL MEETING Sept. 24, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 16