

Continuum of Care Committee Meeting
September 20, 2017
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
United Way Community Room

Attendance: Amy Hampson (Y/A HealthChoices), Vicki Klinedinst (United Way of York County), Colleen Clay-Schaumann (York County Human Services), Stephanie McIlwee (Turning Point Interfaith Mission), Tina Beddia (YWCA York), Samantha Vollrath (Self Determination Housing Project), Natalie Williams (United Way of York County), Barbara Leonard (Veteran's Affairs), Dalynet Torres-Cruz (York MH-IDD), Danyse Keiser (YMCA of York), David McCollum (Veteran's Affairs), Donna Zmijewski (Public), Janelle Black (York County Bar), Ken Klein (Valley Youth House), Sara Keister (Covenant House), Kelly Blechertas (York County Planning Commission), Brye Coles (York Housing Authority), Eve Gardner (Healthy York County Coalition), Micah Heckert (Life Path Christian Ministries), Chuck Maxfield (Crispus Attucks), Calvin J. Fountain III (Covenant House), Casey Darling-Horn (Family First Health), Crystal Ouedraogo (Bell Socialization Services), Danielle Dennis (NAMI York County), Shelley Peterson (Community Progress Council), Marcella S. Kinard (Bell Socialization Services), Sonia Pitzi (LIU –ECYEH), Missy Gosnell (LIU-ECYEH), Jessica Mockabee (York County Human Services Department), Lori Leister (Bell Socialization Services),

Welcome/Introductions: Chair, Ms. Clay-Schaumann welcomed everyone and asked for introductions. A motion was made to approve last month's meeting minutes by Eve Gardner, seconded by Sara Keister. Motion carried.

EFSP Update: Ms. Klinedinst stated that Phase 33 and 34 will be submitted at the same time. Make sure all the documentation is completed. Phase 35 will be coming out in May 2018.

Subcommittee Reports

CoC Application: Ms. Blechertas stated the completed application must be submitted no later than September 28th. It will be posted on the YCPC website on September 26th. This year the application was shorter in the narrative and asked for more statistics without the opportunity to explain those statistics. The two areas we need to work on for the CoC representation are LGBT and law enforcement.

A motion was made to submit the Application for Continuum of Care funds for this year by Jessica Mockabee with a second by Vicki Klinedinst. Motion carried.

Review and Ranking: Nothing to report on Review and Ranking

HMIS: Ms. Blechertas stated that HMIS is requiring Annual Assessment Training for those people who stay in the program for at least a year. On October first there will be a requirement for all users of Permanent Housing will need to attend an hour of training for the program. October first is also the beginning of the AHAR year for all unduplicated applicants.

Coordinated Assessment: Ms. Blechertas stated that all coordinated entry programs are full. York Apartments and Shelter Plus Care are both currently full. Many people have been placed on the wait list since July. The process for placement is determined by the score on the VI-SPDAT and not by when people were placed on the wait list.

Recuperative Care (Medical Respite): Ms. Clay-Schaumann stated meetings have been held with staff of the facility to help them understand the care required for recuperative care.

Veterans: Ms. Blechertas stated that outreach workers are meeting with Veterans at Life Path Ministries weekly. County Veterans Affairs, Supportive Services for Veterans Family Providers and staff from Lebanon Veterans programs are at Life Path Main Men's Mission on 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM on Wednesdays. The Veterans do not need to be staying at Life Path to take advantage of these services.

SOAR Update: Ms. Clay-Schaumann reported there are five people trained in SOAR in York County. Each trained person is concentrating their services for their own organizations at this point in time. There are other SOAR trained people who did not do the training with the CoC group.

Case Management: Ms. Ouedraogo stated that the Next Door program has seen and/or is working with 100 consumers through the case management system. The rental programs are delayed this year and will not be opening on October first. Ms. Mockabee reported rental assistance funds from the state HAP grant this is approximately \$80,000, a steep reduction from the past. This is due to shifting funds in coordination with Planning Commission's funding of various programs for the homeless. Overall, there will not be less rental assistance funds. The ESG and CoC funding are only for the homeless. If you have people that are doubled up or are paying for their own hotel room; they do not qualify for the homeless definition of these programs.

Agency Announcements

Ms. Black reported that the York County Bar Association is doing a Civil Legal Aid Community Summit on October 24th at the Wyndham Garden York from 8:00 AM until 11:00 am. Attendees will learn about new programs and where to direct families for better access to legal services.

Ms. Klinedinst requested that personal messages be sent to your Senators about the CHIP reauthorization. There are concerns for the ACA vote since block grants are being moved to Red States to assure the votes for the ACA. At the State level Pennsylvania's credit rating has been dropped due to the inability to pass a new budget.

Ms. Clay-Schaumann reported that CSG has an open house on Tuesday, September 26th from 8:00 AM until 4:30 PM at 155 West Market Street.

The York County Food Bank has a Senior Food Box program which has open enrollment until September 30th. This program will give each recipient \$50 worth of food every month.

Mr. Hechert reported that Life Path Ministries has become more proactive in their homeless program. The temporary shelter is now a 30-day stay which is up from the previous 5-day stay. The Chapel will not be used as an overflow for sleeping anymore. Now there will be an action plan at the beginning of the stay and if nothing is accomplished you can exit after 15-days. The temporary shelter has been turned into a stepping-stone to allow skills to be built.

Ms. Pitzi announced the 4th Annual ECYEH Awareness week from November 13th through 17th. Red Shirt Day will be on November 17th this year.

Ms. Dennis announced that there will be a Community Day Fundraiser on September 27th at Isaac's On The Fly. A portion of your bill will go directly to NAMI York County for mental health support. The 8th

Annual Mental Illness Awareness Walk is scheduled for Saturday, October 14th at Veterans' Memorial Park.

Meeting Adjourned - **Next Meeting will take place on October 26, 2017 at 1:00 pm at the United Way Community Room.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Baker