

Present: Nancy Costen, Allison DeMarco, Caitlin Fenhagen, Kathleen Ferguson, Sarah Furman, Jackie Jenks, Kristin Lavergne, Mark Marcopolis, Larry Martin, Ashley Mercer, Corey Root, Kristen Smith, Diiv Sternman, Charlotte Stewart, Sarah Vinas, Grayson Walter

Action items in bold

OCPEH Leadership Team meeting minutes

- April 5: <http://bit.ly/2oN6TWI>
- A motion was made to approve the Leadership Team meeting minutes [Ferguson, Marcopolis]. All in favor, none opposed.

Agency/sharing updates

- IFC- new Executive Director Jackie Jenks started work in April
- Caitlin Fenhagen, who also serves on the NAACP Social Justice Committee, met with the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce, CEF and OCPEH Coordinator met to discuss getting support from the private sector for Fair Hiring/Second Chance hiring practices, including Ban the Box
- Collected 10,000 feminine hygiene products through the first Go With The Flow event – will hold this event twice a year going forward
- Had a workforce development convening (current iteration of the Jobs Partners program) focusing on youth employment
 - Mary Moore from Durham Tech working with DSS, is conducting outreach events at Hillsborough DSS
 - DSS employment programs are not constrained to just Work First regulations
 - Jobalo – student at East Chapel Hill High created app to connect young folks with jobs

OCPEH updates

- Homeless Orientation posted online: ocpehnc.com/for-more-info
- The 2016 OCPEH report is also online: <http://bit.ly/2rqaUo5>
- Bylaws group will be revived, will have revisions for Leadership Team review in coming months
- No July Leadership Team meeting as per normal, may need to meet for CoC funding decision
- Allison and Corey have presented at the Town of Chapel Hill, Town of Carrboro, and Orange County, will present at Hillsborough next week

Leadership Team individual actions update

- Grayson with a group of ECHH students handed out 19 bags to folks experiencing homelessness

Upcoming events

- 100,000 Homes Task Force Retreat, May 5:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/100000-homes-task-force-retreat-tickets-33931137947>
- NC Homeless Conference, May 8-9, Raleigh:
<https://www3.thedatabank.com/dpg/217/donate.asp?formid=HomelessConf17>

- Community Data Lunch & Learn: Fri. May 12, 12-1:30 pm:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/data-review-lunch-homelessness-in-orange-county-tickets-33051900123>
- Homeless Orientation in Carrboro, May 15, 6-7:30 p.m.:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/homelessness-orientation-carrboro-century-center-tickets-34119345882>
- Affordable Housing Summit: Fri. May 19, 9:00 a.m. – noon; RSVP to Susan Levy at slevy@orangehabitat.org by May 10
- National Alliance to End Homelessness Conference, July 17-19:
<http://www.endhomelessness.org/news/calendar/national-conference-on-ending-homelessness2>

2017 Orange County Plan to End Homelessness

- The Coordinator reviewed Action Steps assigned to the Leadership Team and associated timelines: <http://bit.ly/2qAb0a0>
 - Full 2017-18 Plan to End Homelessness: ocpehnc.com/plan
- For Action Step #7, Establish homeless preference for Orange County Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs): Orange County Housing Department is in process of establishing a homeless preference for Housing Choice Vouchers - this is in public comment period now. **Corey will set a meeting with Housing staff and service providers to set up an effective process for the preference implementation.**
- The County Housing Dept. and DSS are working collaboratively to create a funding bridge from homelessness to permanent housing using HCVs, rapid re-housing, and transitional housing units
- **Allison will re-send Racial Equity Workshop registration list**

Gaps Analysis

- The Coordinator presented a revised draft of the homeless system gaps analysis, including info for each item describing complexity, cost, what is already in the works, and potential and existing partner agencies: <http://bit.ly/2qsV1NE>
- Discussion
 - Street Outreach: position could be at the County, one of the Towns or at a nonprofit; instead of 1 fulltime position, could be 2 halftime positions – helpful to have a partner to visit risky locations; could use Outside Agency funding; Many of the most vulnerable folks do not want to go to shelter; Could street outreach work out of the mental health system? Perhaps the Center for Excellence in Community Mental Health
 - Voting by people experiencing homelessness on prioritization was conducted by folks staying at IFC and folks living unsheltered and by people who are formerly homeless
 - Our system has current problems placing people in shelters
 - Other communities leverage multiple sources of funding for Rapid Re-housing
 - For income-based rental housing, folks will need ongoing rental subsidy



Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Wed. May 3, 2017, 6-7:30 p.m.
Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce

- 24-hour bathrooms: the ongoing operating costs for bathrooms should be changed from \$1000/year to \$5000/year; Could restrooms in Teen Center be made available? Chapel Hill Youth Center will be vacating space underneath Court House/Post Office
- Landlord Partnership Initiative would help folks, is in the works as collaboration between Orange County DSS and Orange County Housing.
- A motion was made to approve the gaps analysis prioritization using priorities voted on by people experiencing homelessness [Coston, Ferguson]. Motion passed 11-1.

The Coordinator will send information about the CoC Grant competition by email.

CEF Co-Director, Janet Xiao, will present info about the Durham Unlocking Doors/Risk Mitigation Fund at the June 7 Leadership Team meeting.

Wrap Up & Adjourn

- Next Meeting: Wednesday June 7, 2017, 6:00-7:30 pm

Remaining 2017 meetings: June 7, [no July meeting], Aug. 2, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6