

Chicago Alliance to End Homelessness

Plan Advisory Committee

December 15, 2009

2:30 – 4:30pm

Michael Barlow Center

MINUTES

<u>Members Present:</u>	<u>Constituency Group</u>
Debbie Culpepper	Concerned Providers
Gina Brown	Permanent Supportive Housing
Johanna Dalton	Wrap-Around Services
Ceandra Daniels	At-Large
Lonnie Fulton	Consumers Commission
Jeffrey Gilbert.....	Chronic Homeless
David Granberry.....	Consumers Commission
Ann Marie Grimberg.....	At-Large (SPC Ambassador)
Flora Koppel.....	Youth
Kathleen Molnar	Homeless Prevention
Paula Nixon.....	Consumers Commission

<u>Guests:</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Beth Curtis	United Way
Randall Doubet-King	
Susan Reyna	
Sherise Alexander.....	CAEH
Nancy Radner	CAEH

INTRODUCTIONS:

- Members introduced themselves and their respective constituency groups.
- Chairperson Heidi Nelson was present via conference call due to an emergency surgery; Nancy Radner, CAEH Executive Director, chaired the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Minutes of the September meeting are not available yet; hopefully they will be available at the next meeting.
- Minutes of the October 27th meeting were presented for approval. Flora Koppel moved to approve the minutes, Ceandra Daniels seconded. October 27, 2009 minutes were approved unanimously.

PROGRAM MODELS CHART:

- This committee has been working on revising the Program Models Chart for over one year. The final product was presented to the Executive Committee of the Planning Council at their November meeting. Feedback was requested by December 9th and the final vote will be at the January 20th meeting of the Planning Council.

- The most controversial aspect of the revisions was putting Emergency Shelters back in the models chart.

PLAN PRIORITIES

- Nancy Radner stated that in early Spring 2010 there will be an initial review of the evaluation of the Plan to End Homelessness.
- The original implementation schedule, a 37-page document, has been used by Betsy Benito, Nancy and CSH. CAEH staff looked back at the original implementation schedule and the current document is the result.
 - What has been accomplished?
 - What is left to accomplish?
 - (CAEH) staff opinion of what has been done and what is left to be done.
- David Granberry asked, “who created the original implementation schedule”? Nancy said Ellen Sahli, who was Chair of the Governing Board in 2006, invited volunteers to ‘brainstorm’. The schedule was the result of that brainstorming.
- Nancy said we need to look at what steps to take in the future.
- Ceandra reminded everyone that other items were prioritized at that time – what about them? Nancy said we will look at that document at the next meeting.
- Randall asks “are we going to leave the other goals alone”? Flora comments that the other goals are broad enough to leave alone.
- Ceandra asks “are we establishing priorities to goals”?
- David asks, “with the number of homeless increasing, will reducing homelessness have a number and will that number ever go down”?
- Nancy states that the evaluation is the place to get actual numbers – the MEGA goal is about reducing numbers.
- Heidi summarizes by stating, “Nancy proposes that goals are reviewed, achievements assessed, and goals to accomplish worked toward.”
- Kathleen Molnar reads other goals:
 1. Annual state prevention funds
 2. Best Practices
 - a. performance-based contracting
 - b. housing location
 - c. harm reduction
 - d. 6-month follow-up
 - e. services across homeless system
 3. Interim Housing Group (Review Models Chart)
 4. Transition Supportive Services to support Housing First approach

5. Examine operations of emergency system (turn aways, bed count, transport)
- Randall: “should this document be divided up and reviewed by ‘committees’?”
 - Flora: “prioritize a few first”
 - Heidi asks “Who determined the goals to be accomplished? Nancy stated the implementation schedule was used, as well as documents produced by CAEH and general CAEH staff knowledge.
 - Nancy proposed prioritizing 4 first
 - Randall: Divide document into parts – take back to constituency groups for feedback. Heidi – this would give opportunity to expand on achievements.
 - PROPOSAL:
 - Three (3) priorities each meeting
 - Encourage additions to achievements
 - Ceandra: We need to be more specific about goals to be accomplished and add budgets.
 - Heidi proposes at each meeting:
 - One major goal
 - Two technological items
 - At next meeting:
 - Prevention and Engagement (1)
 - Technology Infrastructure (4)
 - System Transition (5)
 - Ask someone from HMIS to attend meeting, also maybe Sandy from Prevention Call Center.
 - Heidi: Plan other three meetings – review with constituency groups. Are goals to be accomplished accurate? Did staff hit the mark? Are there things to be added / eliminated / prioritized?

NEXT MEETING DATE:

January 26th, 2:00-4:00pm, Michael Barlow Center.

February 23rd, 2:00-4:00pm, WSVU

“Housing First: Move to Permanent Housing”

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Debbie Culpepper