



All Home Coordinating Board Meeting Summary

August 2, 2017

Members Present:			Members Absent:
Jean-Paul Yafali	Catherine Lester	Nancy Backus	Joe McDermott
Daniel Malone	Sheila Sebron	Meghan Deal	Hamdi Abdulle
Steve Walker	John Chelminiak	Sara Levin	Adrienne Quinn
Andrew Lofton	Colleen Echohawk		
Gordon McHenry Jr.	Melinda Giovengo		

Agenda Item	Action Steps and Follow Up
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Mission Moments	<p><u>Catherine Lester:</u> Catherine shared reflections from her recent visit to the Clallam Bay Correctional Facilities Black Prisoners’ Caucus with fellow City of Seattle staff including the need for deeper accountability for racial equity and the urgency to move from transactional relationships with consumers of color to full integration in solutions.</p>
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Sheila Sebron: Sheila, a Coordinating Board consumer representative, shared that the All Home Consumer Advisory Council (CAC) is moving to a membership model to strengthen the CAC relationship to the Coordinating Board and to have more meaningful and specific recommendations for policies and systems change. Focus groups, listening sessions and other ways to engage consumers will continue in addition to formal CAC membership meetings. Applications are now being accepted and the first membership based CAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 27th.

Public Comment	no public comment
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Ground Rules	<p>The following ground rules from the Coordinating Board’s Race Equity Retreat and their joint YHDP meeting with the Youth Advisory Board (YAB) were written on flipchart paper at the front of the meeting room:</p>
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- be comfortable with being uncomfortable
- use I statements – no blaming and shaming
- create gracious space
- listen without judgment and be aware of your sharing (too much or too little)
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- assume positive intent
- be aware of your impact
- listen to listen not to respond
- keep the vision/mission in mind
- ask for clarification on language and acronyms

The group was asked to review the list and offer any additions. None were provided.

Action: The Coordinating Board approved the ground rules.

Director’s Report	<p>Mark Putnam, Director of All Home, shared the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An update on the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project (YHDP) is included in the meeting materials. - The HUD Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for CoCs has been released.
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- Members of the All Home Funder Alignment Committee joined the meeting to hear the latest on the NOFA. They will be providing the Coordinating Board recommendations for the application.
- There is a need for additional meetings of the Coordinating Board and Funder Alignment Committee to meet HUD deadlines.
- Overall priorities for the CoC and All Home staff at this time include the NOFA, YHDP, racial equity goals and capacity building.

Continuum of Care Application

The FY 2017 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition NOFA was released on July 14th. Kate Speltz (King County Department of Community and Human Services) and Eileen Denham (City of Seattle Human Services Department) shared the following highlights:

- HUD policy priorities still focus on the following: 1) ending homelessness for all persons; 2) creating a systemic response to homelessness, 3) strategically allocating and using resources, and 4) use of a Housing First approach.
- HUD system performance measures will be scored based on CoC system-wide performance related to reducing homelessness within the CoC as reported to HUD via HDX comparing FY 2016 information to FY 2015 information. Points will be considered based on the information reported to HDX.
- In FY 2017 HUD increased the emphasis and impact of project rating over the 2016 competition by eliminating Project Type as a scoring factor. Emphasis on Housing First continues.
- Types of new project applications permitted through the reallocation process are:
 1. Permanent Supportive Housing projects that are 100 percent dedicated for chronically homeless individuals and families or meet requirements of DedicatedPLUS;
 2. Rapid Rehousing projects that serve individuals and families, including unaccompanied youth who meet the specific criteria outlined in the NOFA;
 3. Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects;
 4. HMIS (reallocation only); and
 5. Coordinated Entry (reallocation only).
- The Joint TH and PH-RRH component includes two existing program components—transitional housing and permanent housing-tenant based rapid rehousing—in a single project. A project must be able to provide both transitional housing units and tenant based rental assistance. This new component projects is not intended to replace transitional housing projects that have been reallocated or lost funding.

Increase Permanent Housing Exits for American Indian/Alaska Natives (AI/AN)

Members reviewed actions underway towards increasing permanent housing exits for American Indian/Alaska Natives and shared additional potential actions in small groups.

Ideas included:

- Data analysis of the Veteran by-name-list outcomes by race (Meghan)
- Dedicated membership seats for American Indian/Alaska Natives on the All Home Consumer Advisory Council (Jean-Paul)
- Adding capacity at small community-based organizations (Colleen)
- Shifts in funding that reflects priorities (Melinda)
- more specific actions steps that will lead to the result we want to see (Jean-Paul)
- Expanding diversion to reach AI/AN because of their aversion to entering the system and/or data collection (Sheila)

Next steps:

- Recommendations from the All Home System Performance Committee
- Data dashboard reflective of goals
- Work to determine concrete goals (beyond commitment) and by when?

Coordinated Entry for All Improvement Process

All improvements for CEA should align with the vision set by the former Interagency Council in 2015. The Coordinating Board role is to decide on high-level policy changes to CEA, while King County is responsible for operational decisions. County decisions to date include a 90-day active HMIS user policy and taking a portion of assessors offline.

Questions raised by members included:

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- How has King County been looking at race/equity in the process?
 - Hedda shares that data was disaggregated by race at the CEA improvement session and public CEA data is disaggregated by race.
 - How is removing assessors more equitable and will more Navigators be added?
 - Hedda explains that data quality control is difficult with many assessors. The County will increase capacity at RAPs for mobile assessments. She agrees that the homeless system broadly needs more navigation capacity.

Additional comments included:

- We will lose people who are highly vulnerable because of the new 90-day HMIS policy.
 - The policy of “households on Queue must be active in HMIS in past 90 days” will impact those who are homeless but are accessing services not in HMIS (such as Behavioral Health) or those not willing to engage in Western systems (such as Native Americans). The Board asked the CEA Committee to consider how to do address.
 - Case conferencing and by name lists are not culturally appropriate to Native Americans. The Board asked the CEA Committee to consider how to do address.
 - The policy of reducing assessors could limit access by some groups. The Board asked the CEA Committee to consider how to address.
 - Need to increase the number of navigators. The Board asked the Funder Alignment Committee to consider how to do that.
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Next Meeting

Special Session for the CoC NOFA Process Tuesday, August 22nd 1:30-3:00pm, location TBD