



Continuum of Care Membership Council Meeting

Tammye Treviño – Membership Council Chair

Endeavors 2nd Floor Training Room
6363 De Zavala Rd. San Antonio, TX 78249

Thursday, September 26, 2019
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

The following agenda items may not necessarily be considered in the order they appear

1. Call to Order – 2:33pm

2. Public Comment – None

3. Attendance

- Alamo Colleges District, Palo Alto College
- American GI Forum
- Catholic Worker House/Housing First Community Coalition
- CentroMed
- Endeavors
- Family Violence Prevention Services
- Haven for Hope
- HMIS
- Housing Authority of Bexar County
- North East Independent School District
- Northside Independent School District – Connections Program
- San Antonio AIDS Foundation
- San Antonio Food Bank
- San Antonio Housing Authority
- SAMMinistries
- Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid
- The Salvation Army

4. System Performance Measures Deeper Dive – Alyssa Gooch, SARAH Data Coordinator

- Alyssa analyzed the 2017-18 fiscal year's System Performance Measures in the areas of income growth and recidivism, which were two measures of concern for our community.
- Regarding income growth, the analysis showed that the greatest disparity was in gender, with women's average income being 45% lower than men's. An even larger disparity was identified between women with children and men with children, showing women's income growth to be 119% lower than men's. This will be brought to the Family Homelessness Workgroup to discuss strategies to lower this disparity.
- Regarding the measure of recidivism, the analysis identified that the data showed people being labeled as "recidivating" when they were in fact getting services at an organization and not experiencing homelessness. David Huete and Alberto Rodriguez from Haven for Hope discussed that at Haven, they will be implementing a new policy on October 1st that will categorize people receiving services as "pre-intake" instead of showing they are homeless and only those who access shelter services will be classified as a shelter enrollment. Cliff Cantu reported that this

ties into SARAH's diversion efforts and announced that Kathy Lacy will be at Haven intake twice a week providing diversion and prevention services.

5. Presentation – Status of Women Report – Lily Casura

- Lily Casura co-wrote the San Antonio Status of Women Report. She has had a lot of involvement with female Veteran homelessness. She has spent time analyzing Domestic Violence (DV) data as it relates to female Veteran homelessness and has also worked with SAISD on youth homelessness. In Lily's data, 40% of female Veterans said they experienced homelessness and 1/3 said it happened within the 1st year as opposed to the average of 10 years for men.
- Lily mapped what eviction looks like in our city and reported it is closely connected to DV and family homelessness. San Antonio has the highest number of women murdered by male intimate partners. In Lily's data, she discovered that women who had been evicted reported having a housing issue related to DV.
- San Antonio is also #5 in USA for evictions and the city evicts 25 households per day
- Lily found structural racism in the system and that San Antonio is 7% Black but Pecan Valley evictions are majority Black. DV is the 3rd leading cause of homelessness – Why? DV causes noise complaints, property damage, subject with weapon, etc.
- Regarding youth homelessness, Lily's data shows only half of homeless students are being identified.
- A few members were interested in reaching out to Lily for more information and possible presentation events.

6. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Motion NEISD Second SAMMinistries Abstain None Passed Yes

CoC BOARD REPORT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

7. CoC Board of Directors Report – Brenda Mascorro, Executive Director

- Brenda reported that the CoC NOFA has been submitted and thanked the partners who made this possible. She also reported that SARAH received a \$6.88 Million HUD Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) grant.

8. Coordinated Entry Advisory Committee Report – Cliff Cantu, Coordinated Entry Director

- **Updates:** The first meeting was held in September, which was an introduction on Coordinated Entry, how it currently operates and where they want it to go. At the next meeting, they will address local prioritization process and parameters they will put around how the community decides who will get the limited stock of housing.
- **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, October 2 at 10:00 a.m. Location: 4100 E. Piedras Dr. Suite 105 (SARAH Conference Room)
- **Case Conferencing:** Every Monday at 2:00 p.m. Location: 611 N. Flores (AGIF)
- **Contacts:** Committee Chair is Salena Santibáñez, Salena.santibanez@gmail.com. Staff support is CliffordCantu@SARAHomeless.org. CE Ticket Requests to CE@SARAHomeless.org.

9. HMIS Advisory Committee Report – Alyssa Gooch, Data Coordinator

- **Updates:** The September meeting was cancelled. The upcoming topics are 2020 Data Standards, HMIS updates, and amendments put forth to CaseWorthy. The committee approved priorities for the committee, which includes updating data quality plan, data quality thresholds, and new user categories for view-only status.

- **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, October 30 at 10:30 a.m. Location: 4100 E. Piedras Dr., Suite 105. (SARAH Conference Room)
- **Contacts:** Committee Chair is Meghan Oswald, moswald@chrpartners.org. Staff support is AlyssaGooch@SARAHomeless.org. HMIS Ticket Requests to HMIS.Support@havenforhope.org.

10. Point-in-Time Count Committee Report – Chelsey Viger, CoC Operations Manager

- **Updates:** The first meeting was held on September 12th. There was an introduction of the committee seats and a discussion of positives from last year and opportunities for improvement. The next meeting will include a determination of custom questions, mapping, and logistics on Youth and Encampment Count.
- **Next Meeting:** Thursday, October 17 at 10:00 a.m. Location: 4100 E. Piedras Dr. Suite 105 (SARAH Conference Room)
- **Contacts:** Committee Chair is Leslie Komet Ausburn, leslie@kometcommunications.com. Staff support is ChelseyViger@SARAHomeless.org.

WORKGROUP REPORTS

11. Veteran Homelessness Workgroup Report – Chair: Marc Wonder / Co-Chair: Joseph Figueroa

- **Update:** Marc Wonder has been working at the Immigration Center and Joe Figueroa has recently moved on to a new position with the VA. Kathy still provides support for the workgroup.
- **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, October 2 at 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Location: 202 Connelly St. (Good Samaritan Veterans Outreach Center)

12. Chronic Homelessness Workgroup Report – Chair: Marjorie White / Co-Chair: Vacant

- **Updates:** The co-chair position is now vacant. The group is doing work on the Move-On Pilot and USICH benchmarks for ending chronic homelessness. A communication will be going out next week regarding a conference call to finalize the Move-On Pilot.
- **Next Meeting:** Friday, October 11 at 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Location: 1 Haven for Hope Way (Haven for Hope Volunteer Center Rooms A/B)

13. Youth Homelessness Workgroup Report – Chair: Tyler Shoemith / Co-Chair: Mandy Tyler

- **Updates:** Tyler presented that the YHDP Steering Committee meeting yesterday went well and had great participation. The workgroup is close to filling out application for USICH goals to effectively end youth homelessness.
- **Next Meeting:** Friday, October 18 at 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; Location: 4100 E. Piedras Dr. Ste 105 (SARAH Conference Room)

14. Housing Strategies Workgroup Report – Chair: Joel Tabar / Co-Chair: Sara Wamsley

- **Updates:** Joel presented that they are going to survey members and find housing strategies.
- **Next Meeting:** Tuesday October 1, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; Location: 202 Connelly St. (Good Samaritan Veterans Outreach Center)

15. Family Homelessness Workgroup Report – Chair: Erica Martinez / Co-Chair: Taylor Dean

- **Updates:** Clarissa Fernandez giving updates for Erica; met with a representative from the Arc of San Antonio to find out more on supportive services for those who are disabled; created a self-care plan; next goal is to meet with Head Start to help with a continuum plan to help kids who are homeless during the summer.

- **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, October 15 at 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Location: 7500 W US Hwy 90 Building 3 (Fairweather Family Lodge)

If you are interested in attending a SARAH Committee or Workgroup, See CoC Contact List

CoC LEAD AGENCY UPDATES

16. Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Award – Brenda Mascorro, Executive Director

- Brenda described the HUD Technical Assistance that San Antonio will be provided throughout this process. Brenda reported that our #1 priority is that the planning process is client-driven. Currently, we are looking to fill the gaps of who was missing at the Steering Committee, which will be meeting monthly and creating the Coordinated Community Plan.

17. SARAH Operations – Cliff Cantu, Coordinated Entry Director

- Brief Overview of SARAH Organizational Structure – Cliff stated he would send out org charts on paper, and it would be easier to see what he was referring to with regard to positions, etc...
- P.L.A.C.E. Fund
- Move-On & Family Homelessness Voucher Coordination – Now on SARAH website
- Coordinated Entry Navigator Opening
- CoC Director Maternity Leave

18. Continuum of Care – Emily Miller, CoC Planning Manager

- Continuum of Care 2019 NOFA Competition Complete
- MOU & Performance Monitoring
- 2020 PIT Count Team Lead Engagement

19. Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week – Chelsey Viger, CoC Operations Manager

- Creating Community Calendar
- November 16-24, 2019
- Check SARAH website for survey to participate

HMIS LEAD AGENCY UPDATES

20. HMIS Operations

- HMIS will be down on September 30, 2019
- October Code Migration
- Merging Client Profiles
- Renewing Security Awareness Agreement – Log in to HMIS after it expires and you will renew your security agreement
- CSV Report Export
- Have reached maximum capacity of users

MEMBERSHIP COUNCIL BUSINESS

21. 2019 Meeting Locations

- November 14, 2019 – Corazon Ministries

22. 2020 Meeting Dates and locations – would anyone like to volunteer meeting space?

- January 30, 2020 – TSA
- March 26, 2020 – Housing Authority of Bexar County
- May 28, 2020
- July 23, 2020
- September 24, 2020
- November 19, 2020

23. Upcoming VACANCIES for election at the November 2019 meeting:

- **Membership Council Secretary**
- **Chronic Homelessness Workgroup Co-Chair**
- **Veteran Homelessness Workgroup Co-Chair**

All interested applicants, please apply online through the SARAH Website!

24. Issues to Report to CoC Board of Directors

25. Next Membership Council Meeting Topics

26. Announcements

- Updates to Include in SARAH Monthly E-Newsletter: ChelseyViger@SARAHomeless.org
- Let SARAH staff know if missing a place card for Membership Council: ChelseyViger@SARAHomeless.org

27. Adjournment

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