

Tucson Pima Collaboration to End Homeless (TPCH) Workgroup Minutes
August 16, 2011
CPSA Main Offices, 535 N. Wilmot, Suite 201, Tucson
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Present: Martha Castaneda (Comin' Home), Mary Pat Sullivan (Community Activist), Steven Nelson (Jackson Employment Center), Kevin Jackson (Wingspan), Barbara Montrose (CPSA), Melissa Fellure (CPSA)

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| 1. | TPCH Workgroup Purpose Statement | <p><u>Purpose Statement</u> We as a workgroup will establish a planning forum to direct the evolution of TPCH. We will address emerging trends, mandated legislation and community responses to poverty and homelessness.</p> <p>Measuring performance of services to individuals experiencing homelessness was discussed. Copies of a HEARTH Act Overview presentation by Ann Marie Oliva were reviewed. Ms. Olivia is Director, HUD Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs. It was noted that in the next few years, when providing shelter services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness, involuntary separation of sexes or age groups will be eliminated. ESG itself will be defined as Emergency Shelter Grants program and Homeless Prevention Rapid Re-housing (HPRP).</p> | <p>It was estimated in a previous meeting that the workgroup will need to exist approximately 1-2 years.</p> | TPCH workgroup participants | |
| 2. | Performance Measures for the HEARTH Act | | <p>Performance measures will be both HUD and program defined. Program performance measures which will require evaluation include average length of shelter stay and recidivism. Other items needing evaluation include the current HPRP and ESG processes, as well as APRs and program evaluations. It will be necessary for all agencies to share data on those served in order to identify individuals who change programs or who are re-entering the service network through different avenues. HMIS will assist with data collection and evaluation.</p> | Information only | |
| 3. | Other Business | <p><u>ESG Funding</u> It was reported that everyone received the same amount of ESG funding as last year.</p> | Information only | | |

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| | <p>HMIS user licenses were discussed. All recipients of ESG funds need to participate in HMIS. The HMIS supplier wants paid licenses for each user; however this is problematic due to the limited number of licenses available with the current HMIS funding.</p> <p><u>Meeting Time/Location Change</u> Changing the workgroup meeting time to one that is more convenient for participants was discussed. Other times and locations were suggested.</p> | <p>An important need in the future will be to increase HMIS capacity.</p> <p>It was decided the workgroup will convene on the second Friday of the month, from 8:30 – 10AM at the CPSA Training Center at 2502 N. Dodge, starting January 2012.</p> | Information only | Jan. 2012 |
| <h2>Next Meeting</h2> | | <p>Tuesday, September 20, 2011 11:00 am – 12:30 pm CPSA Wilmot Offices 535 N Wilmot, 2nd floor, Tucson, AZ 85711</p> | | |

Minutes reviewed and approved by:

Barbara Montrose, Director, Housing Services

Date