

Indianapolis Continuum of Care

Making homelessness in Indianapolis rare, short-lived and recoverable

Community Education & Policy Committee Minutes September 12, 2016

3pm to 4:30pm

In Attendance: Rachel Candee, Danielle , Zach Gross, Lena White, Rebekah Bricker, Courtney Glover, Kellie Watson, Cheryl Reed, Michael Schwing, Michelle Winfield, Jeri Warner, Emmy Hildebrand, Matt Holland

Agenda was passed around from a white board

Transit

Matt shared the transit plan again, it was first presented by Matt Impink in July

Transit plan significantly increases the 15 and 30 minute routes and decreases the 60 minute route

The rapid transit is moving forward, regardless of the referendum. The community is still trying to pass the purple and blue lines.

Spirit & Place: November 10

Theme is Home related, Zach A will be supporting the efforts now that Jen is leaving CHIP.

Can we get clarification on the structure of the day from Jen? The afternoon is much different, and the committee wants some clarification on that.

We need volunteers to assist for the event at Interchurch, event-type assistance.

We need volunteers to assist with a COC table, who can speak about the COC work and how people can get involved.

Volunteers may be recruited from Butler, Young Professionals group, and other volunteers from the community.

How many volunteers do we need? Let's talk to Jen and Zach

Matt asked if anyone would be willing to speak on behalf of the continuum? Not required to be an "expert" in the work of each committee. Need a morning and lunch person: 8-9 AM and 12-1 PM

Matt presented an outline of the Spirit & Place event. National speaker will be giving nationwide perspective of youth, veterans, and aging population.

Local "experts" could serve on a panel or discussion leader to describe local needs, compared to national.

Emmy said someone from HVAF, Freddie/Geri will do aging population, we will need to recruit someone from Outreach Inc/Stop Over. Rachael and Zach will assist in finding someone from those agencies.

Matt asked about how we could engage the homeless population or formerly homeless population? We need to ask Jen. Freddie, Mike also volunteered to share his experiences.

Matt shared about the visualized discussion about the homeless services populations. It's not about the people in the room, but the discussion. Courtney is working on it.

CoC Marketing: PowerPoint

Matt presented the Power Point on the COC, created by Lena and Chuck

Lena would like feedback from others on this Power Point, so that it is very representative of what we do. Matt will send it electronically. Feedback can go to Lena and Chuck. Would like to have it 100% complete by Spirit & Place. Suggested to also have a one-pager or something similar to support the Power Point format. Let's have it ready by November 10.

Matt reminded everyone of the CoC Meeting on October 3 at Interchurch Cafeteria, from 1-3 PM

Matt would like to have 1 hour after the meeting in the Cafeteria for the Indiana Citizens Alliance for Transit (ICAT)

Should request some materials, packets, with maybe a 15 minute presentation and 15 discussion- Rachael will obtain room for meeting

Reuben Engagement Center

Next engagement center meeting is Sept 22 9 AM. They are open to the public. At CHIP in the Dining Room. Rebecca shared the general plan. (Always the 2nd and 4th Thursday at 9 AM) Can look up past meetings agendas and minutes and future meetings on the CoC website.

ICAN Get out the vote calls

Please let Geri know if you want to volunteer. Matt also has information. He will send it out via email. It's at local churches with various time.

Matt will be compiling ideas about what our success are for the year on the committee

Landlord Survey

Survey to assess what landlords are looking for in the partnership

Generally in housing with clients, services provided, what's in it for them

Zach and Danielle are gathering information to create the survey

The veteran task force is also talking about this, so Rachael asked to check and see what we can start planning to share with other parts of the continuum as we move things forward so that there isn't a duplication or not meeting of the same goals.

Zach A: update on engagement of new members

Talk to Lindsay Leonhard about the Policy/Advocacy 101 interest

Kelly brought a copy of the City/County Council calendar

Matt asked that the committee think about how we can educate the city/county counselors.