Planning and Investment

November 24, 2015

CHIP

1100 W. 42nd Street

Attendance: Tyler Stumm, Kay Wiles, Eric Wilka, Jeremy Turner, Alan Witchey, Mary Jones, Terri Bailey, Michael Butler, Christina Davis, Kirk Taylor, John Marron Public Policy Institute

Housing Mapping Project Update

Michael provided an overview of the Mapping Project and introduced John Marron. John gave a presentation on the Housing Mapping project that is intended to construct a comprehensive composite of affordable and/or subsidized housing units and those units' proximity to service providers, amenities, and other locations if interest to the stakeholders.

There was discussion about the project as John displayed some of the mapping that has been completed. Jeremy suggested that we might want to chart and compare the housing success rates of clients living in different parts of the city. It was asked if this project can tie in with the project under contract to DePaul University to conduct an analysis of de-identified administrative data for all HPRP program participants available in HMIS. The questions central to that project include how many program participants re-entered the homeless system over the course of a two-year follow-up and how did Indianapolis HPRP outcomes compare to the national average? It was discussed that it could be interesting to map measures on what housing success means.   It was suggested that we map 5 year historical trend of HUD housing scores (livability, etc.). Possibly also map:

- Community Health Centers
- Library Branches
- Community Centers
- Hot spots-liquor stores, adult book stores
- Crime rate
- Mental Health-related crime runs to hot spots
- Grocery stores
- Day care centers
  - Day nursery, Head start and Early head start
- Food pantries

PIT Update

The PIT Count will take place during the last 10 days of January 2016. This year per HUD guidelines there are some minor changes:

- We will not include the VA Domiciliary program
  - (Suggested that we restate the Dom data from prior years to either remove from past reports or collect it anyway this year and not report it to HUD.)

Eric and Michael described the methodology to be used for the PIT Count and the HIC, which is the same methodology that was used in 2015. CHIP will contract with IU Public Policy Institute; IUPUI will offer the "Do the Homeless Count" class; and the PBSO teams will conduct the unsheltered count. We will pull data from HMIS for those programs that participate.

It is felt by some that we drastically undercount chronically homeless. There was discussion around:

- How we account for that
- Challenges collecting data from clients
- Lack of HMIS participation in our community

This lead to additional discussion about the need to improve data sharing as a community. Question of is there value in reaching out to the media to get their help in spreading the data sharing story and then reaching out to providers who do not participate to encourage them to join our HMIS. The committee asked if CHIP could pull the list of organizations that were approached about participating in the data warehouse but chose not to.

The committee approved the methodology for the PIT Count and the HIC.

Jeremy shared that the Investment Strategy is an on-line living document that this committee will work with in 2016.

An update on the Transitional Housing work group's activities was provide.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40.