

4/14/16

Planning & Investment Committee meeting

In Attendance: Terri Bailey, Lia Hicks, Gabie Benson, Eric Wilka, Jeremy Turner. Michaela Flash, Mary Jones, Lena Hackett, Teresa Wessel, Kirk Taylor, Delsie Cavanaugh, Cal Nelson, Robby Slaughter, Kay Wiles, Julia Kathary, Michael Butler, Alan Witchey, Tyler Stumm

Open with welcome and introductions – Mary Jones

- Update on Boner center CoC Units

Terri Bailey provided update on John H. Boner Center CoC grants and the process of relocating the tenants and reassigning the CoC subsidies

Next steps: Boner Center will send official notice to city that they will not be renewing the 2 grants in question. The city is working with HUD to make this as seamless (as possible) a transition for all involved. People have to be moved either by the end of June or end of October depending on the grant. To be part of the discussion any interested parties should contact Alan Witchey with CHIP and Terri Bailey at Boner Center.

- Overview of Current Research – Alan Witchey & Michael Butler

Blueprint Evaluation-document passed out to committee, has been reviewed twice by this committee with some feedback provided by committee. Final version in front of you for approval to submit to Blueprint Council for acceptance.

There was a question that came forth that needs discussion - “Has Blueprint 2.0 reduced the number of homeless families”?

Mary Jones recommended qualifying the statement with . . . “according to 2015 PIT”.

Kirk Taylor recommended that this committee not accept this document, it is not reflective of our community based on data.

Alan Witchey pointed out that this report is a reflection of what progress have we made on the Blueprint 2.0 goals.

Both Kay Wile and Jeremy Turner expressed concern that our data does not support a broad stroke of a brush statement that we’ve reduced family homelessness.

Julia Kathary recommended qualifying the bullet with the note about the PIT and a statement about what the Family Homelessness Resource Group is experiencing.

Jeremy Turner made a recommendation to create the following new statement “We have developed a structure to prioritize assistance to families”

A vote was called 14 voted yes, 1 voted no. Report has been accepted with amended statement.

Housing Standards – Pending completion of Performance Measures, once finalized development of performance standards will begin

HPRP project is completed, report is at printer it will be presented at a meeting at 1100 W. 42nd Street on Tuesday, April 19 at noon. A copy will be sent to this committee electronically.

Affordable Housing Mapping project—Michael did a powerpoint presentation of the final maps, Public Policy Institute still needs to finalize some of the narrative and make other minor edits to the maps but the project is complete and will be posted to the CHIP and/or CoC web sites soon.

Assessment and Modeling project-Alan discussed undertaking a comprehensive needs assessment and gaps analysis of homeless services in Indianapolis. CHIP will be selecting a consultant to undertake the project. It is planned to be completed by January 2017 with some next steps, implementation strategies to follow. Have an initial team to oversee the process, looking for 1 or 2 service providers to participate. Contact Alan Witchey if you're interested. Will do some system modeling, cost savings, service needs.

- Coordinated Entry

The community is moving forward. CHIP hired a consultant- Community Solutions has been selected Lisa Osterman will be the lead. The work group will get a meeting notice very shortly. CHIP will have a planning session with Lisa tomorrow. CHIP and Lisa met with the Balance of State (BOS) earlier this week to discuss what they've done on Coordinated Entry.

- Work Plan Development – Lena Hackett and Mary Jones

The committee will begin the process next month on the work plan for Planning & Investment. Lena will be leading that effort, they will be working with the committees and work groups to develop work plans and action steps. It will be an 18 – 24 month plan with a focus on results.

- Performance Monitoring

Kirk Taylor discussed that the Program Application and technical Assistance committee (PATA) are looking ahead to moving forward with the application part of CoC grant projects, and want to start the conversation about integration of the efforts of PATA and P&I and our work group.

From a context standpoint, as part of the NOFA the CoC has to have a ranking and review process that reflects the HUD priorities and the community priorities. PATA has been benchmarking different communities across the counties. One of our local gaps is that we are not doing monitoring. PATA is recommending quarterly monitoring in a proactive, positive environment.

The Planning and Investment Committee needs to develop a process to monitor the results with the intention of improving the CoC performance and outcomes. Quarterly review will ensure there are no surprises to the grantees. This also allows for the opportunity to provide technical assistance and peer TA. Ten areas include the 7 from last year. The principles have been looked at objective data, align with HUD, maximize funding.

These are the measure that are currently being considered for performance evaluation. The first 6 are the same as 2015:

Housing stability (PSH projects only)

Exit to PSH (TH projects only)

Non-employment income

Employment

Returned funds

Mainstream benefits

Priority populations and hard to serve

These will be new for 2016:

Housing first

HMIS data quality, quantity, completeness

Program utilization of capacity

Leverage

It is recommended that each grant holder will be asked to have representation on the monitoring committee, but it is up to P&I committee to determine the process and structure.

This is the CoC performance/outcome monitoring. Contract monitoring will happen by the city.

Terry Bailey asked if there was a need in this process for public input in the ranking process, how do you bring that back in if you're changing the process?

Kirk answered that the ranking will be done once, and it will not include community presentations. This new process PATA is recommending will allow the CoC to better align with HUD priorities and requirements from the NOFA.

The community input will still be captured through our broader continuum processes which engage community members to participate in the process.

The question was asked - Is information being disseminated in a formal manner broadly to all the grantees?

PATA is trying to have HUD TA on April 29 to talk about renewal grants and what is allowable, etc. (Can there be a save the date?) This is focused on the grantees and to provide them very pointed information of what can and cannot be done. It will be open to the public, but it is not a CoC 101.

The majority of the programs exclude the hardest to serve clients. A very limited few of the programs take some of the hardest to serve so we need to be mindful of that as we are reviewing and ranking performance.

Mary reminded everyone that the Planning & Investment committee will have an action plan that will define how its work will accomplish everything on its plate. Please start thinking though the committee's scope of work and what we want to accomplish as a committee. Come to the May meeting with thoughts developed so we can have a really productive session with Lena. The committee needs to think about monitoring moving forward and get a lot of work done prior to the NOFA dropping.

PATA would like there to be at least 2 collaborative monitoring sessions prior to ranking for the NOFA.

P&I will need to hold the 2 sessions probably between July and September 2016 to first look at the initial data to determine TA needed and second time to review what has been fixed. PATA will complete its work in June.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40