

Faith Based Outreach Task Force 1-25-18 Minutes

Tammi Culmann , Leon Longard, Brian Walls, Nora Hovey, Dean Couch, Amanda Foust, Chuck Wheeler, Andrea, Robert, James Voss, Jackie, Rev Tony Alexander, Emily, Rachael Sample, Dawn Adams, Beth Hann, David Price, William Bumphus, Ed Wilkes, Don Beckwith

Dawn stepping down as Chair of Task Force, Rachael gave description of what Chair position consists of, asked for nominations for Chair....Leon nominated Brian and Brian Walls is new Chair Person, Nora said she would help with minutes

Rachael discussed Coordinated Entry Documentation, use an application that assesses them on a VI then prioritizes them, housing people who have been homeless 5 or more years currently, housing programs will soon accept documentation from 3rd party (ex: Faith Based Outreach), in the process of seeing how this might work and hopefully within next month we will be able to have it finished; don't record until it has been 7 days (literally homeless in shelter or outside), will have more discussion down the road about the affidavit once things are firmed up; Brian asked if top 15 list will be shared with Faith Based outreach, Leon said maybe we should know access points to entry – Rachael will send out to group

Leon updated on Faith based Collaboration: Open Table will not be coming back to IN so we will have to decide on how to implement it, maybe webinar in Feb/March; has info on licensing fees that he can send out, Blueprint Council is interested in seeing Open Table implemented; beginning this month, working on training material such as policies/procedures to go along with MOU, gathering wisdom on policies/procedures from other orgs that have been doing outreach for quite a while, meeting Melissa (Horizon House) monthly to work thru it

PIT Thank you and update from Rachael – numbers not turned in yet, both Professional and Faith Based were out, utilized census tracks -randomly picked parts of city to see if anyone was there, did find people out, went in to HH early to see if anyone was miss, went to HOOT as another new place to include in count, do want to open process up and want to remain inclusive, encouraged groups in attendance to think about participating next year

Other Business:

Winter Contingency Update – William shared: change in volunteer times, averaging 420 guys/night, still asking for volunteers until end of February, Rachael will send out info on volunteer times/location, winter contingency is over at end of March, trying to crack down on drug trafficking and theft, Work One comes in weekly to assist with resumes/job placement and another group coming in to do job interviews once/week, 4 case managers now

Ministry Updates:

Christian Life in –n- Action = working on cleaning up camps, getting ahold of public works to get dumpsters for end of March
Leon also shared about working together to clean trail along Oliver Street for access to those who live at Diamond Chain
Rev Alexander shared that if we hear rumors of camp closing or something is going to cause them to uproot, communication is key. Let Blueprint Council know and they can determine how to move forward, either help thru transition or have a conversation with city/firm, be proactive! Contact info is going out soon and we will be able to obtain.

Leon is transitioning out of F4s so he can move into more of an advisory role/life coaching on his own

Englewood will have 2 new youth programs; always looking for landlords to work with at Adult/Child, contact Tyler or William

Tyree will now be taking over old HOOT now called The Refuge

HOOP looking for volunteers to come out and serve with them at least 1/month

COC Update:

Veteran homelessness lunch & learn on 2/20 rsvp to ehildebrand@hvaf.org

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.