Heading Home Advisory Council board Retreat

Thursday, Feb 16th Noon to 3pm at the Cotton Town Hall

1. Intros & Icebreaker (15 min) -Salaam/Val
   1. Thom Romano, Theresa Drift, Shelly Lynn Holmes, Salaam Witherspoon, Pat Leary, Seth Borovsky, Lexy Redenbaugh, Stephen Taylor, Deb Holleman, Val Joeckel, Kelly Looby, Kate Bradley, Heather Lindula, Stacy Radosevich, Tawney Carlson, Laura Birnbaum, Kevin Radzak, Lindsey Jenc, Jnana Hand, Courtney Cochran, Suzanne Kelley.
2. Land Acknowledgment (5 min)- All
3. Bylaws overview (10 min) (Courtney)
   1. See attached Board by laws for review
   2. Board Roster (see attached)
      1. Present: Theresa Drift, Shelly Lynn Holmes, Salaam Witherspoon. Pat Leary, Seth Borovsky, Lexy Redenbaugh, Stephen Taylor, Deb Holleman, Val Joeckel, Kelly Looby,
      2. Absent: Angie Neal, Melisa Gomez-Romo, Kimberly Scanlon, Paul Pederson, and Victoria Nugent
   3. Open seats-New Applicants
      1. Youth Seat Applicant: Kelly Looby
      2. At Large: Applicant: Valerie Joeckel
      3. Lived Experience seat: John Williams
      4. Motion to approve Kelly & Val made by Seth and Seconded by Steve, Motion Passed
      5. John’s application will be voted on next month when he can join us for the meeting.
   4. Conflict of interest statements from Board members: All board members please sign an annual conflict of interest statement for CoC records.
4. Quick LTH 101 & vote on LTH housing Support referral Policy (10 min) (Kevin & Lindsey)
   * 1. Kevin presented a recap of the 12 month pilot of allowing 50 percent of Long Term Homeless Housing Support beds to be filled outside the coordinated entry system. The pilot has been successful and continued to move in high barrier folks and target those exit treatment or incarceration.
     2. This change will only apply to Long Term Homeless Housing Support beds
     3. 50 percent of the LTH Housing Support beds will still be filled using coordinated entry as well.
     4. Motion to approve a permanent change to allow 50 percent of Long Term Homeless Housing Support beds to be filled outside the coordinated entry system made by Val and Seconded by Lexy, Motion Passed
5. History of HHAC & past accomplishments (10 min) – (Stacy/Heather) (See attached Powerpoint)
   1. City of Duluth Role with HHAC: – CBDG, ESG, HOME ARP (City of Duluth Entitlement Jurisdiction), FHPAP & Tax Credits, emergency assistance programs, etc.
   2. Tribal Partnerships:
   3. SLC Planning Collaboration
   4. Update on legislation approving Tribal nations to form their own CoCs or directly apply to existing CoCs fir funding.
6. HUD CoC Funds Overview (Courtney) (40 min) (See attached Powerpoint)
   * Includes Map of all thing HHAC oversees & why?
   1. PIT-HIC Count
   2. CoC NOFO Funds
   3. FHPAP
   4. CES
   5. HMIS
   6. Low Income Tax Credit
   7. Committees
   8. Future: YHDP if awarded by HUD, Youth Action Board, etc.
7. BREAK 😊 (10 min)
8. FHPAP 101 (Stacy) (20 min)

FHPAP: St. Louis County (SLC) has been a Minnesota Housing FHPAP grantee since 1995.

Legislative funding through MN Housing Finance Agency.

Two-year grant cycle 10/1/2021-9/30/2023. Current allocation to St. Louis County = $919,800.

Sub-grantees: AEOA, The Salvation Army - Duluth, Life House, CHUM, Legal Aid Services of NE MN (Range & Duluth offices), United Way 211

Components of the grant: Support Services for housing case management staff, Direct Assistance (rental assistance and deposits to landlords and utilities) and a small amount of Administration funds. St. Louis County uses some administrative funding for training opportunities. Grant focuses 75% for Prevention Services (households doubled up or at imminent risk of Homeless) and 25% for Rapid Re-Housing.

FHPAP has its own Advisory Committee. Now meets quarterly during the HHAC timeframe to allow Heading Home Advisory Council members to learn more about FHPAP.

Started work for the next grant cycle. Sent out local Request for Proposals for the project. Will have Review and Ranking mid-March. MN Housing has indicated there may be significant additional funds, so sub-grantees are encouraged to ask for what resources they need to develop their agency program.

1. CES 101 & Data overview (Heather) (15 min) (See attached Powerpoint)
2. Save for next month’s board meeting: Committees: Deep dive into committees and what are HHAC member relationships to committees? (25 min)
   * Housing Response Committee (Coordinated Entry Advisory)
   * Ranking & Review:
   * Planning & Evaluation:
   * REAP:
   * Rural Housing Coalition:
   * Affordable Housing Coalition:
3. Save for next month’s board meeting: Strategic Planning: Housing Collective Update (15 minute) (Laura)
4. Save for next month’s board meeting: REAP overview & Road Map (15 minutes) (Tawney)

* Board member packets handed out during the meeting included:
  + 2022 CoC Annual Report
  + By laws
  + Board roaster
  + Copies of CoC policies (printed already)
    - CES Policies and procedures
    - Written standards for prioritization
    - CoC antiracism policy
    - Ranking & Review Policy