Leadership Team Meeting GVPHC Hampton DHS, February 9, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Attendees

DBDHS – L. Howlett, K. Yavorsky	NNDHS- M. Taylor (GVPHC Vice Chair), J.
Five Loaves – T. Luken	Baker
Hampton DHS- M. Holup, Angel Hill (SCAAN	The Healing Place of HR – R. Hill
Chair) J. Tubaugh (HRSC Chair)	The Planning Council – Y. Smith, M.
Hampton RHA – D. Melvin	Zingraff
HNNCSB – S. Armstrong (PMC Chair)	Transitions FVS – D. Brown (GVPHC
JCC Office of Housing – K. Denny	Chair)
LINK – A. Ruffin	United Way Greater Williamsburg – C.
Menchville House – S. Jones (PMC Co-Chair)	West
	3e Restoration - T. Harden

- **Minutes** Members approved the minutes from the January 12th meeting with the following noted amendments:
 - Remove "\$10,000 in VHSP funding was budgeted to assist veteran households; the Committee has expended those funds, but approximately \$100,000 is still available in RRH, so more funding may be dedicated to VASH vouchers and housing veterans."
 - Change Hampton DHS to Hampton RHA in the statement regarding vouchers for veterans who qualify for Road2Home.
- **Treasurer's report** The Committee discussed soliciting nominations for the position of treasurer.
- New Business
 - The Healing Place of Hampton Roads The Healing Place (THP) has found a potential site location on the Lower Peninsula in Copeland Industrial Park. The program will begin with 100 beds with the goal of adding additional beds later. THP is requesting a letter of support from the Continuum for the program as well as the site in Hampton. Members had the following questions, which will be submitted to THP for a response:
 - Will a tour to the Richmond site be scheduled?
 - How many people are waiting for Substance Abuse beds at the CSB?
 - Does THP work with landlords?
 - At what stage does the program begin addressing housing with clients?
 - Are graduates housed near THP for supports or in their original jurisdictions?
 - How does Richmond classify THP beds?
 - What does the post treatment model look like?
- Old Business
 - Regional SOAR Coordinator The State is interested in expanding the impact of SOAR, including increasing the number of applications and reducing the approval length of time. The new regional position will work with L. Howlett, State SOAR Coordinator, to help expand SOAR and increase access to benefits. Currently, 15-17 workers are SOAR trained across the GVPHC, but not all are completing applications. The Regional worker would be able to complete applications if a client is not enrolled in services and engage additional service providers, such as hospitals. Funding for the position will go to the CSB but the CSB may subcontract if they want the position located elsewhere. Members do not want the availability of the position to discourage agencies from having their own workers trained, however the

Regional worker could help ensure workers remain up to date on training. It was moved that the GVPHC accept the position as presented by the State representatives to create the Regional SOAR Coordinator position. The Hampton-Newport News CSB will consult with their agency to determine if the position will be truly regional and able to serve the whole CoC. 10 members voted to approve the motion and 1 abstained; the motion passed.

- Peninsula Veterans 100 Day Challenge 36 veterans are currently looking for housing; 5 were leased from January 1 through February 1. Out of 377 vouchers, 370 are in use. In addition to the 377 VASH vouchers, 25 original vouchers are available that mirror the Road2Home program. 17 original vouchers are in use; 8 are available. The program requires the veteran to agree to a drug treatment program, as substance abuse was the original target population.
- Establish CoC Authorized Signatory The Committee reviewed the policy in writing. Members recommended removing the portion of the policy that stated letters of support regarding funding would go to the Program Monitoring Committee Chair due to conflicts of interest. It was moved to accept the policy with the noted change; all members voted to accept the motion. The policy will be incorporated into the upcoming Bylaws discussion.

Committee Reports

- Program Monitoring Committee- The GVPHC received the debrief on the CoC Application.
- Housing Resources Committee The Committee completed the Point In Time Count last month and is now waiting on the completion of the Housing Inventory Count to finalize PIT numbers. Members agreed PIT volunteers will meet at South Morrison next year and the Consortium will work to provide boxed lunches instead of a location for lunch. Members discussed reaching out to the media during planning for the Count so that the public is aware of the CoC's efforts to find and engage homeless individuals.
- Lower SCAAN No new report.
- Upper SCAAN The Committee elected two new co-chairs: C. West and D. Kirschenbaum. The Committee is now implementing a biweekly conference call to discuss housed clients who need additional stabilization services.
- SOAR Team No new report.
- HMIS- the Committee agreed to reach out to non-HMIS homeless providers to discuss increasing coverage and improving the CoC's AHAR score. If Peninsula Rescue Mission begins entering into the system, the CoC will reach the threshold to receive credit for 51% coverage.
- Virginia Homeless Solutions Program Clients slated for Rapid Re-Housing should begin the housing process as soon as possible and should not remain in hotel/motel or emergency shelter programs. Members discussed
- GVPHC Bylaws Committee The next GVPHC Leadership Team meeting will be dedicated to reviewing the Bylaws. The recommendations for amendments will be presented at the March GVPHC meeting and voting will be held in April.
- GVPHC March Meeting Agenda

Minutes submitted by M. Zingraff



- Phrase of the Month- N/A
- Presentation (s)
 - GVPHC Bylaws

Next meeting: March 9, 2017 @ 9:00 a.m. @ Hampton DHS

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