

## **MICH Meeting Minutes 8.2.2021**

**Attendance:** Jennifer Carter Dochler, MCADSV; Sandy Wilson, Institute for Community Alliances; Carolyn Stemmons, Missouri Head Start State Collaboration Office; Amanda Stadler, Community Partnership of the Ozarks/Springfield CoC; Dottie Kastigar, St. Charles CoC; Tammy Walker, Economic Security Corporation, Jasper/Newton CoC; Randy Sharp, St. Joe CoC; Tom Epling, DSS; Laura Miller, DSS; Sarah Ballard, older youth specialist, Children's Division

### **Old Business:**

Dottie Kastigar – Motion to approve June 2021 minutes, Randy Sharp – second. Consensus vote, motion passed unanimously.

Amanda Stadler – CoC Adoption of WSG Written Standards – Amanda will be emailing out the correct version that was voted on and approved. CoC's will adopt locally over next few months.

### **New Business:**

Jennifer Carter Dochler – will be sending out the press release from Congresswoman Bush on Unhoused Bill of Rights.

Randy Sharp – shared that LA passed City Ordinance that is the most restrictive to homelessness thus far. Something to keep an eye on nationwide.

### **MICH Governance Work-Group – DRAFT Membership Policy:**

Amanda Stadler - The DRAFT will be emailed out for review with changes that were made after discussion today and then put to a vote via email in order for the approved policy to be in place for the October meeting. Amanda will talk with Kelli Kemna on the topic of tracking meeting attendees.

### **Meeting Notifications:**

There was some confusion on the meeting invite and log in information. Amanda will talk with Dirk Cable from DMH on ideas for future meeting invites. The group would prefer Outlook calendar invites.

### **Missouri Continua or "MC2":**

Dottie Kastigar – They met this morning with a small group. HUD is wanting MOU's in place for the EHV's. The MOU's are due next week. They will hear back in October how that is going. Not all CoC's received EHV's. There were questions that the group wanted to ask MHDC regarding the SAFHAR funding as well as for the ESG CV. However, there was not a representative from MHDC at the meeting so those will have to wait. CoC's are seeing an increase in services for housing as far as homelessness and prevention. There is an uptick in those that are COVID symptomatic needing shelters.

### **Child Tax Credit:**

Carolyn Stemmons – There are barriers for some that qualify. To increase awareness, she will be sending out via email the link to the website and a fact sheet.

**COVID Response in Community or Agency:**

Jennifer Carter Dochler – Not done with the pandemic, there is still a lot of work left to do.

Amanda Stadler – Back in crisis response mode. There has been an increase in vaccinations in the Springfield area. The Health Department is doing well with education and outreach.

**DSS Employer Engagement Team:**

Tom Epling and Laura Miller – presented information on Employer Engagement Team. You can go to [mydss.mo.gov](http://mydss.mo.gov) to sign up for emails, calendar information and more details on all the wonderful work they are doing.

Tom Epling motioned to adjourn, Sandy Wilson seconded. Consensus vote, passed unanimously.