# Missouri Interagency Council to End Homelessness Meeting Minutes 8/7/23

#### **Attendance**

Adam Bodendieck, CPO
Aidan Rich, MHDC
Amanda Stadler, DMH
Angela Webb, CCSOMO
Ann Benson, Independence PHA (call in)
Anthony Smith, FCC
Becca Albert
Bonnie Pickel, CPSEMO
Colleen Neil, United Way 211
Conrad Hake, MHDC
Diana Kilguss, CCSOMO
Dottie Kastigar, Community Council
Drew Geer, MHDC

Emily Fessler, CPO
Jennifer McGlothen — Unite Us
Jimmy Shannon , MODOT
Josiah Melzer, DSS — Workforce and
Community Initiatives
Kaitlyn Poepsel, ICA
Kelli Kemna, DMH
Nathaniel Meece, CPSEMO
Samantha Ghormley Hill, MOCADSV
Sandy Wilson, ICA
Tammy Walker, Economic Security
Teresa Gerard, Social Care Information
Exchange
Wes Dent, Hillcrest TH

## **DESE Update – Office of Quality Schools**

Presentation postponed due to illness.

#### **Old Business**

May 2023 MICH Meeting Minutes - Approved as presented.

### **New Business**

MICH In-Person Meeting

Elyssa Luebbering, DHSS

- In-person meeting will be held on 11/6 from 10:00 3:00 in Jefferson City. Pending equipment capacity, meeting will include hybrid option with interaction being limited to chat. In-person attendance is strongly encouraged to facilitate effective engagement.
- Action Items:
  - Reserve meeting location DMH
  - Update agenda- Executive Committee
    - MICH 2024 meeting schedule/agenda format
    - Add panel for state-wide updates; meeting action item will be to develop contact list of state departments to increase collaboration with CoCs. Key departments include DED, DESE, DHSS, DMH, DOJ, DSS, MDC, MODOT, SEMA, Vocational Rehabilitation, Unite Us (Jennifer McGloffin).
  - Market meeting to wider audience- MICH membership

• To accommodate NOFO schedule, an additional virtual MICH meeting will be held on 10/5 from 12:30-2:30 to host a state-wide debrief with CoC Lead Agencies/Collaborative Applicants, share statewide PIT data, and review bylaws.

## **Committee/Workgroup Updates**

## Missouri Continua of Care – Dottie Kastigar

Committee met prior to this meeting; would like broader participation from CoCs.

- Discussed challenges that CoCs are facing as they start to respond to collaborative application for NOFO, including how to balance system level responses with provider level responses, how to measure/address equity challenges, PHA engagement, healthcare partnerships, and updated VAWA guidance.
- Discussed potential PIT date for 2024. Most CoCs have not determined date yet;
  historically state-wide date is last Wednesday in January. In 2024 this falls on 1/31 which
  does not allow time to reschedule the count if needed due to weather. BOS does not
  have flexibility to adjust date once it is scheduled. MICH Executive Committee will get
  feedback from CoCs to determine date at next meeting.
- Discussed disaster response/coordination, how data is tracked, how this system intersects with the homeless response system, and if this is something that should be addressed at the state level through MICH.

## **Executive Committee- Sandy Wilson**

- Executive Committee has been reviewing MICH bylaws and making updates to reflect new structure; goal is to have updated bylaws approved and in effect by 1/1/2024. Draft revisions were emailed out.
  - Members should review draft revisions and provide feedback to Sandy by end of day on 9/7. Sandy will incorporate feedback and share new draft version by 9/21 for review at 10/5 meeting. An additional review period will be provided from 10/5 to 10/19; feedback will be incorporated and shared by 10/30 for final review at the 11/6 meeting.

### **Funding Updates**

### MHDC – Drew Greer

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-23 & ESG-24) The ESG-24 application closed on August 4<sup>th</sup>, and the HUD Programs team is now in the "Quiet Period" in regards to ESG 2024 applications. Agencies can still contact us regarding the current ESG-23 Grant Period. We are expecting award announcements in September.

ESG-23 is in the final quarter of its program year, ending on October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Agencies have until this deadline to expend any awarded funds.

For further information please contact Drew Geer @ 816-759-6630 or <a href="mailto:drew.geer@mhdc.com">drew.geer@mhdc.com</a>

- Home Repair Opportunity Program (HeRo) Planning to release application for HeRo in September or October. Looking for new agencies all around the state. For further information please contact Marquetta Broome-Walker @ 816-648-0543 or m.broome-walker@mhdc.com
- Housing Stability and Eviction Diversion Program (HSED) The FY 2023 and 2024 applications for the Housing Stability and Eviction Diversion (HSED) program are now closed. Funded HSED agencies can provide assistance related to eviction relief, case management and legal services intended to keep low to moderate-income Missouri tenants financially impacted by COVID-19 housed. Since the 2023 program launched on March 1st, HSED agencies have provided over \$500,000 in direct financial assistance to prevent evictions and promote ongoing housing stability.
- The Affordable Housing Assistance Program (AHAP) This program offers a 55% tax credit allocated to not for profit or community based organizations to solicit donations from eligible Missouri businesses and individuals with business interest who donate to the agency. Two types of tax credits- Operating Assistance Credits: for general operating functions of the agency and Production Credits: for the acquisition, rehabilitation or new construction of a site-specific affordable housing development or to fund rental assistance for an affordable housing development. For further information please contact Pamela Sanders @ 816-759-6684 or <a href="mailto:psanders@mhdc.com">psanders@mhdc.com</a>.
- The Missouri Housing Trust Fund (MHTF) This provides agencies money to support Homeless programs intended to serve low-income households in Missouri with their housing-related needs. MHDC has identified the following grant types in order to meet these needs: Housing Assistance, Emergency Assistance, Home Repair, Operating Funds, and Construction/ Rehabilitation. MHTF FY2023 just finished Quarter 1 on July 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 and the 25% deadline on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. MHTF FY2024 is now taking applications until September 15<sup>th</sup>,2023 at 5pm. All application materials, the Allocation Plan and the NoFA can be found on the MHDC website. All questions about MHTF can be directed to Lisa Moler at Lisa.moler@mhdc.com or at 816-759-7228.
- The Missouri Housing Innovation Program (MoHIP) This Program is designed to support 2 grant types; Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and Coordinated Entry System (CES). Coordinated Entry System funds: are intended to assist grantees with the operations of their CoC Coordinated Entry System. This includes providing prescreening, access, assessment, and referral services for those experiencing a housing crisis upon entry to the homeless service delivery system. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) funds: are intended to assist CoC HMIS Lead Agencies in providing support to homeless provider agencies in their use of HMIS in order to record and track accurate data, build reports & forms, and provide data to MHDC or appointed agency. MoHIP FY2023 just finished Quarter 2 and the 25% deadline on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. MoHIP FY2024 will begin taking application on September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 until October 6<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 5pm. Application materials and NoFA will be available September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 on

the MHDC at <a href="https://mhdc.com/programs/community-programs/missouri-housing-innovation-program-mohip/">https://mhdc.com/programs/community-programs/missouri-housing-innovation-program-mohip/</a>. All questions about MoHIP can be directed to Lisa Moler at <a href="mailto:Lisa.moler@mhdc.com">Lisa.moler@mhdc.com</a> or at 816-759-7228.

• **2023 Homelessness Study** The Study is currently underway and is expected to be complete by the end of the year! The 2021 study can be found on the MHDC website <a href="here">here</a>.

# **Member Updates/Announcements**

No updates.