

GCEH 02/01/2021

Dottie: New facilitator for the meeting- opening the meeting.

Introductions: Kelly Kinna- Housing Director for the department of mental health, Amanda- Governors Committee, Anthony Smith- Housing Director for FCC Behavioral Health Rep Balance of State and board Rep. Becky- membership chair, and rep for balance of state, Cassy- MHDC emergency grant, Alisa- Housing Coordinator DMHSS, Nathaniel- Collaborate Applicant for the Balance of State staff, Randy- ST Gene Continuum of Care, Ross, Sandy- community action agency, Sonia- Catholic Charities, Stacy- DMH

Amanda Update of GC- Governors committee reached out to let us know that they have not reauthorized a governors committee for next year. Over the last years the committee has been authorized and recertified, at this time the committee will not be re authorize for next year and that the committee can be revised at a later front at a legislative stand. Nothing that says that our group can't meet, just under our own collaborate effort. (Everyone spoke on their thoughts and agreed to continue to support each other and continue to do meetings.)

2020 PIT Updates: Tammy- Did PIT last week, they utilized agency's that participated in the count before. The outdoor count will probably be a little lower than last year, still entering data, reason probably being since they did not have project connect this year.

Randy- Did a bunch of calling and used the community a lot to help with the un shelter count but numbers were lower, probably due to having stimulus checks and staying in hotels.

Stacy- Numbers seemed lower this year, no data to report, Scott warming center was open.

Catholic Charities- Shelter count, did good,

Springfield- Shelter and Un shelter- Un shelter count was lower probably due to the fact that they had no project connect. Used the portal for the shelter count and loved that.

St Louis CO- Un shelter count was down but obvious reasons like getting a stimulus and staying at hotels.

St Charles- Did not go do a street count, they went to Police departments, fire departments and agency's like that to figure out the Un shelter Count by calls, don't have the data back yet but it is being generated into HMIS as we speak. Relied a lot on the community for the Un shelter count.

Anthony- granted an exception for the PIT. Other regions did participate in some shelter counts for the balance.

Randy- Vaccinations for homeless discussion, we do not know when vaccines will be available for the homeless, were hoping soon, in St Gene had 1500 vaccines slots and went all out in under 2 minutes so it did not help the homeless. Would love it if we could get a project vaccine connect. Would love to organize a one-day vaccine thing for the homeless population. Sandy- states a email was sent that if you have a shelter, you can get vaccines for your staff and residents as well if enough vaccines were available to go ahead and vaccinate the residents. Randy- asked if a lot of staff has gotten the option to

get the vaccine for everyone. Some agencies have not been able to get vaccine and some agencies were lucky to be able to get the vaccine. Randy- Getting a vaccine for the homeless would be hard because to just get them to where they need to go to take one shot will be hard getting them to the second one will be harder as far as transporting.

MHDC Updates- ESG 2021 still waiting on contract. Not allowing for people to submit for payments yet. No penalties for not having stuff in at the moment due to not being able to process payments at the moment. ERAP- is up and running and taking applications from landlords, new program called SAFR, will pay past rent, forward rent, and utilities and fuel for utilities. All info is on Missouri resources online.

Implementation Written Standards: Still working on the draft, hoping by next meeting they will have something finalized for the emergency shelter standards.

No other comments- See everyone back at the regular Governors committee