

Working Group Report to the Board

1. Working Group: PLANNING
2. Champion: CITY OF LAS VEGAS
3. Working Group Members: MONICA GRESSNER – BRAZEN ARCHITECTURE; ARASH GHAFORI – NPHY; JACKIE BANALES- NEVADA HAND; JOCELYN BLUITT FISHER –LAS VEGAS; MARIA CASTILLO-COUCH –LAS VEGAS; KATHI THOMAS-GIBSON – LAS VEGAS; CATHERINE HUANG HARA –CLARK COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE; LAS VEGAS VISTA INTERNS (Cassy).
4. Date, Time, and Location of Working Group Meeting
 - Standing meeting date in 2017 will remain the same: 4th Thursdays 1:00-2:30 pm, Las Vegas City Hall 5th Floor, 495 S. Main Street, Las Vegas 89101.
5. Accomplishments-Action Items Completed:
 - Discussed Action Plan – see attached revisions
6. Near term: Action Items In-progress/Pending:
 - Housing Group revamped and scheduling meetings
7. Sub-Committee Reports
 - **Youth**

The YWG has no updates to report since our last update at the COC Board Meeting where we announced the assessment tool we selected. This week's meeting was cancelled since so many of its members are on their way to Houston.
 - **Housing**

The housing group is just starting to gear up. First meeting was on March 1, 2017. Discussed purpose, where we are on key initiatives, and where we should go in future. Lively conversation on purpose, with members of the development community addressing that scope was too wide and unrealistic. Most of attendees agreed that we need a broad perspective to address short, mid and long-range issues.

Meetings Scheduled for: 1st Wednesdays 1:30- 3:30, Las Vegas City Hall 5th Floor.
 - **Coordinated Intake**

HUD released Notice Establishing Additional Requirements for a Continuum of Care, Centralized or Coordinated Assessment System and a Coordinated Entry Self-Assessment Tool. The CI CAT has spent the last 2 meetings reviewing this guidance and completing the self-assessment tool to determine the action steps necessary for the remainder of this calendar year in order to be in compliance with implementation by January 23, 2018.

The CI CAT has been working with Homebase to evaluate the efficacy and validity of the CHAT. We received an overview of the results at the last meeting with the next meeting on March 7th focusing on reviewing the results and recommendations from the evaluation.

Big news point is selection of the Youth VI-SPDAT/Next Step tool for assessing. Also, there was a planning meeting on March 2nd at 1:00 pm for family CI efforts. The DV providers have also been meeting; awaiting an update from them.

- **PIT Count**

No preliminary numbers yet.

- **Functional Zero**

The Functional Zero for Chronically Homeless working group has been focusing on reviewing the data in HMIS for those who are presumed chronically homeless. A Sub-group meet earlier this week to conduct an initial scrub of the data with the goal of developing the By Name List (BNL).

8. Goals not yet met/Issues:

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Mission Statement: WE STRIVE TO END HOMELESSNESS IN OUR COMMUNITY			
Promise Statement – Goal 1: We promise to bring all available resources to address the needs of the homeless in a way that is respectful, humane, progressive, fiscally sound and federally compliant.			
Strategies	Projects	Task	Responsibility
Expand Housing Options	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue to expand the number of rapid rehousing programs in the community. 2. Establish a landlord engagement strategy to engage additional landlords in homeless housing programs by making use of the lessons learned through the SSVF’s recent landlord engagement efforts. 3. Develop additional bridge housing and respite care programs to replace the transitional housing stock converted to permanent housing. 4. Focus efforts on increasing the availability of specialized housing and services for survivors of domestic violence, unconventional families, LGBTQ persons, youth, and elderly/seniors. 5. Incorporate additional housing search and navigation assistance to aid persons in identifying and acquiring housing. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a list of inventory to gauge where we the community is at and where there is a gap in service providers. 2. Survey housing providers that do not provide RRH to learn about any obstacles. 3. Outreach strategies to connect with new agencies interested in RRH. 4. Provide capacity building to existing agencies that do not provide RRH. 5. Reach out to NV Division of Housing regarding their “Housing Search Website” and find opportunities to connect service providers. 6. Explore Bridge Housing and Respite Care with existing housing providers. 7. Reach out to current Respite Providers for youth, and other segments to gauge their interest in working with the homeless population. 8. Create a list of Bridge, Respite and RRH 	

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		providers that currently have funding or availability to take clients.	
<p>Promise Statement – Goal 2: We promise to be responsive to the needs of the region through collaborative leadership and engagement of stakeholders.</p>			
Strategies	Projects	Tasks	Responsibility
<p>Implement Coordinated Intake for sub-populations by Dec 2016.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve interagency communication and ensure that programs possess up-to-date information regarding the services currently offered by other agencies. 2. Increase access to and improve operation of diversion and prevention services. 3. Increase access to services designed to obtain identification documentation. 4. Coordinate with the education and foster care systems to develop Coordinated Intake for Families and Youth and utilize the lessons learned through the development and implementation of Coordinated Intake for Single Adults and for Veterans. 5. Review 2016 Homeless Census information to confirm findings. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Connect with DMV, justice systems. 2. Connect with DMV to promote PSA's in waiting area. 3. Identify additional funding for ID, birth certificates, etc. 4. Meet with Detention and Enforcement to improve communication efforts. 5. Reach out to Department of Family Services/build a relationship. 6. Discuss dedicated funding to address families in the foster care system. 	