

## Working Group Report to the Board

1. Working Group: PLANNING
2. Champion: CITY OF LAS VEGAS
3. Working Group Members: \_ only jurisdictional partners were present for the conference call meeting: Las Vegas – Kathi Thomas-Gibson and VISTA (Nu’u); North Las Vegas – Lorena Candelario; Clark County- Catherine Huang Hara.
4. Date, Time, and Location of Working Group Meeting

- June meeting was held via conference call only.

Standing meeting dates 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:

- Working with UNLV to revamp deliverables regarding Ten Year Plan evaluation
  - Conference calls and written feedback given to vendor; drafts still in revision.
  - UNLV states they are committed to a finished, professional product, but PWG members expressing concerns about accuracy, and quality of the work. Those concerns were shared with UNLV team.

6. Near term: Action Items In-progress/Pending:

- Agenda setting for new fiscal year beginning in July 2017.
- CoC 2015 Planning Grant – discussed uses for current and upcoming federal planning dollars
  - Facilitation of CoC-
    - Competition Process
    - Scoring/Ranking Process
  - New 10 year plan
  - Coordinated Intake
  - Evaluation
    - 3rd Party
    - Monitoring
    - COC ESG

7. **Sub-Committee Reports**

- **Youth**

Full meetings on hiatus.

Due to the time commitment of the coordinated entry project, the Youth Working Group will be taking a break for the summer and will reconvene this upcoming fall. They will be sure to inform the group of any important updates in the meantime, as well as the date for the next meeting.

The Youth Coordinated Entry Subcommittee (YCES), a subgroup of the Youth Working Group, has been working hard on setting the foundation for a youth coordinated entry system to become incorporated into the overall Southern Nevada Coordinated Entry System. The idea of this endeavor is for homeless youth in our community to receive stable housing under the Las Vegas/Clark County Continuum of Care in the most streamlined, efficient manner possible. This has been a massive project since the initiation of the group this past January, but we are finally in the final stages of the project and anticipate that the youth coordinated entry system will be launching this summer, far in advance of HUD's mandatory rollout date of January 2018. See attached.

- **Housing**

Standing Meetings Scheduled for: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays 1:30- 3:30, Las Vegas City Hall 5<sup>th</sup> Floor.

- **Coordinated Intake**

Will be moving to stand alone working group

- **PIT Count**

Information submitted to HUD and awaiting certification.

Subsequent Planning Working Group meetings will be used to kick off planning for the 2018 PIT.

- **Functional Zero**

The Functional Zero working group has been focusing on reviewing the data in HMIS for those who are presumed chronically homeless.

A discussion ensued about in-migration of veterans. Anecdotes abound that vets are being sent here because of the more affordable housing market. Collaborative applicant staff will work with bit focus to see if HMIS reports can be run to give us a better handle on migration patterns.

8. Goals not yet met/Issues:

n/a

## **Southern Nevada Youth Working Group Youth Coordinated Entry Subcommittee Overview**

Following the Final Charrette Planning Meeting, in December 2016, concerning the development of coordinated entry systems for the five homeless subpopulations<sup>1</sup>, the Youth Working Group initiated the Youth Coordinated Entry Subcommittee (YCES) in January 2017 to develop a coordinated entry process for the subpopulation of homeless youth<sup>2</sup>. The priorities of the YCES are to develop and implement policies and procedures for topics essential to the establishment of a youth coordinated entry process, covering key priorities such as access points, referral mechanism, age and relation to other systems, assessment tool, marketing and outreach, monitoring and evaluation, and funding and sustainability. The overall goal of the YCES is to develop and present a proposal to the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board in July 2017 with the aim of establishing a pilot program for the youth coordinated entry system in Southern Nevada.

The group meets weekly on Thursday mornings at Las Vegas City Hall and is open to homeless or at-risk youth service providers and stakeholders in homeless youth services, including all members of the Southern Nevada Youth Working Group. Since the launch of the YCES, the group has performed the following:

- selected an assessment tool (i.e. TAY-VI-SPDAT “Next Step Tool”)
- reviewed best practices and HUD guidelines, working with key representatives of youth coordinated entry systems across the country and Home Base
- distributed the YCES Housing and Service Capacity Survey to evaluate the total number of beds and comprehensive services that are available to TAY/minor youth in Las Vegas/Clark County
- organized a youth focus group of 26 minors and TAY served by homeless youth service providers, to consider and incorporate their feedback in the development of the youth coordinated entry system
- designated the homeless youth service providers of Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth, Southern Nevada Children First, WestCare, and St. Jude’s Ranch - The Crossings to serve as youth access sites for the youth coordinated entry system pilot

We anticipate that the pilot for the Southern Nevada Youth Coordinated Entry System will launch by the end of summer 2017, months before the HUD official deadline of January 2018. For more information about the YCES Housing and Service Capacity survey, or to get involved with the Youth Coordinated Entry Subcommittee, please contact the Southern Nevada Youth Working Group at [snywgboard@gmail.com](mailto:snywgboard@gmail.com).